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DECATUR COUNTY COUNCIL

**July 15, 2008**

The Decatur County Council opened their July 15th 2008 meeting with the following present; Ernest Gauck, President, Rheadawn Metz, Geneva Hunt, Ken Owens and Rose Hellmich.

Mrs. Metz moved to approve June minutes and Mrs. Hellmich seconded, motion carried.

Judge Westhafer came before the Council to ask to hire a full-time deputy for security for the courthouse. Judge Westhafer provided the job description and Sheriff Templeton requested an additional for the salary. Sheriff Templeton also explained to Council members that it will be hard to find someone to fill this position based on training, etc. Council members agreed to approve this position and hope Sheriff Templeton will be able to find the appropriate person for the position.

Doug Banks - County Coroner requested a change in how he pays his deputy coroners. He explained that it takes approximately 4 hours per call and typically takes a deputy with him to file paperwork. Mr. Banks is also requesting to be paid to go on calls; which he has requested for his 2009 Budget and provided spreadsheets to explain his requests.

Faith Koors – Clerk’s Office requested an additional appropriation for the election budget. Council members asked if these requests could come from HAVA Funds but Ms. Chadwell is looking to go to voting centers next year and may be using this money to fund equipment. Council members agreed to take this request under advisement.

Tami Wenning – Assessor’s Office explained how the township assessor’s have been eliminated and that she wants to use the funds she received from their budgets to hire someone to manage the nine positions eliminated. Ms. Wenning would like to hire someone to float between the offices when a taxpayer has a problem or backlog that has occurred with several projects.

Mary Vail – Recorder requested additional appropriation for the RBSK Contract to finish out the 2008 for services.

Vicki Kellerman - EDC provided a copy of EDC’s News & Notes and a copy of her annual report to Council members. She also provided updates in the notes, the annual report and local projects.

William O Smith – Prosecutor requested an additional appropriation for a copier which he is also using as a multipurpose machine.

Mrs. Metz moved to approve additional of \$30,972.00 which include \$16,000.00 Courthouse Security; \$3,000.00 Sheriff Patrol Uniforms; \$6,700.00 Prosecutor Equipment; \$5,272.00 Computer Maintenance; Mr. Owens seconded, motion carried.

Mrs. Hellmich moved to adjourn, Mrs. Metz seconded, motion carried.

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Ernest Gauck, President

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