

Decatur County Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 16, 2015 Room 106

Present: Ernie Gauck, Larry Meyers, Bill Metz, Kenny Owens, Danny Peters and Kenny Hooten.

President Gauck called the meeting to order.

Greensburg Mayor Gary Herbert led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The May 19th meeting minutes were reviewed- Mr Hooten moved to approve the minutes and Mr Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Community Corrections Director Mark Cripe presented his fiscal budget of \$369,528.15 for the Council's review and approval. Mr Cripe explained they have a five-year grant for \$174,000 each year while the "user fees" collected is \$230,000 as of April, 2015. The State and the Community Corrections Advisory Board approved this proposed budget in December, 2015. Mr Metz moved to approve the 2015/2016 Fiscal Budget for Community Corrections. The motion was seconded by Mr Owens. Motion carried.

Sheriff Greg Allen answered the Council's question on his "additional request". Two of the Department's vehicles were damaged and the check, \$10,304.71, from the insurance was receipted into County General. State statute requires the Council's approval to appropriate that amount in the 'garage and motor' line item so the Sheriff may pay for those repairs. Mr Meyer made a motion to approve the additional request and Mr Peters seconded. Motion carried.

The same procedure applied to the **Parks Department's** request for insurance monies received for a 'totaled' vehicle to purchase a replacement. Mr Metz moved to approve the additional request and Mr Hooten seconded. Motion carried.

Greensburg Mayor Gary Herbert introduced his newly hired **Police Chief**, Brendan Bridges and **Fire Chief**, Mike Schantz to Council members. Mr Gauck complemented the City Police Department and the County Sheriff's Department on working together in serving the public.

Mr Owens moved to approve the requests for transfer of funds for various departments. Mr Peters seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mr Owens moved to approve the contract renewal with **Government Finance Consultants-** Frank Cummings, for July 1, 2015 thru July 1, 2016. Mr Hooten seconded the motion. Motion carried. Council members agreed Mr Cummings has been a great help when working on budgets/financials for Decatur County.

Council members discussed the vacancy for the position of Director in the **Area Plan office**. Mr Gauck will contact Council's attorney Lora Williams for information on the responsibilities in that office.

Council members agreed they would not meet in July unless an urgent matter arises. Dates for the budget process are: **August 18th, after regular meeting, review and adjust proposed budgets from the County's departments; September 15th, during regular meeting- Public Hearing and review Non-Binding Budgets; October 20th, 2016 Budget Adoption during regular meeting.**

The next Council meeting will be at 9:00 a.m. on August 18, 2015.

With nothing else to come before the Council, Mr Peters moved to adjourn and Mr Hooten seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Ernest Gauck, President

Attest: _____

Date: _____