

COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 4, 2000

The meeting was called to order by President, Daniel Dennis.

I. ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Charles Canary, Edgar Zehr, Richard Mason, Keith Wright, Charles Littleton, and Pam Young. John P. Wilson was present as the Council’s Attorney.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. INVOCATION

IV. APPROVAL OF 12/4/00 AGENDA

Mr. Wright moved to approve the agenda as presented including the requests submitted after the deadline and to add joint resolutions following public comment. The request for the six months increase for the Animal Shelter Warden’s move to item number one with the amount being \$31,500.00. Mr. Mason seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

Mr. Dennis reported that John Price, Highway Director, received from the Indiana Association of County Commissioners the Outstanding Supervisor of the Year 2000 Award.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Dennis presented two joint resolutions of the Johnson County Council and the Board of Commissioners concerning the service of Council members Charles Littleton and Edgar Zehr.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, jointly and severally by the Johnson County Council and the Johnson County Commissioners that a vote of thanks be extended to the said *Edgar Zehr* for his good and valuable service rendered to the people of Johnson County while serving on the Johnson County Council.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Johnson County Council and the Johnson County Commissioners jointly and severally that the thanks of said governing bodies be extended to the said *Charles Littleton* for his long years of dedicated service to the people of the State of Indiana, Johnson County and the City of Franklin.

VI. SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS, ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS, REDUCTIONS, & TRANSFERS:

Mr. Wright moved to approve the following transfer of funds as presented and amended with the exception of the request for the Animal Shelter Warden’s salary increase. Mr. Mason seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE SALARY ORDINANCE (144) AMENDMENTS

- #101-113.9 - \$20,542.00 to \$21,570.00 (11-23-00)
- #114-113.1 - \$16,601.00 to \$17,428.00 (12-8-00)
- #113-113.0 - \$18,355.00 to \$19,272.00 (11-22-00)
- #124-129.0 - \$18,355.00 to \$19,272.00 (12-12-00)
- #124-129.1 - \$18,355.00 to \$19,272.00 (12-12-00)
- #346-101.0 - \$28,101.00 to \$29,505.00 (12-4-00)
- #140-123.3 - \$22,220.00 to \$23,332.00 (12-27-00)
- #322-113.0 - \$19,647.00 to \$18,355.00 (11-2-00)
- #204-132.0 - \$22,726.00 to \$23,862.00 (12-1-00)

SURVEYOR – (106)

- From: #106-323.0 – Travel & Training (\$ 382.00)
- From: #106-362.0 – Communications (\$ 450.00)
- From: #106-215.0 – Office Supplies (\$ 1,500.00)
- To: #106-440.0 – Office Equipment \$ 2,332.00

CORONER – (107)

- From: #107-215.0 – Office Supplies (\$ 1,400.00)
- To: #107-305.0 – Pathology \$ 1,400.00

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE – (116)

- From: #116-215.0 – Office Supplies (\$ 450.00)
- To: #116-440.0 – Office Equipment \$ 450.00

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – (123)

- From: #123-360.0 – Equipment Repair & Maintenance (\$ 2,077.54)
- To: #123-113.0 – Custodian \$ 707.25
- To: #123-113.2 – Custodian \$ 663.04
- To: #123-121.0 – Custodian \$ 707.25

SUPERIOR COURT NO. 2 –(133)

- From: #133-123.0 – Per Diem Court Venued (\$ 1,174.48)
- To: #133-440.0 – Office Equipment \$ 1,174.48
- From: #133-302.0 – Travel & Training (\$ 600.00)
- To: #133-215.0 – Office Supplies \$ 600.00

WIC – (215)

- From: #215-350.0 – Professional Services (\$ 224.00)
- To: #215-217.0 – Office Supplies \$ 224.00

ANIMAL SHELTER – (219)

- From: #219-113.1 – Deputy Warden (\$ 5,800.00)
- To: #219-264.0 – Wearing Apparel \$ 800.00

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To: #219-311.0 – Professional Services	\$ 3,000.00
To: #219-353.0 – Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	\$ 2,000.00
From: #219-422.0 – Office Equipment	(\$ 500.00)
To: #219-224.0 – Cleaning Supplies	\$ 500.00
From: #219-113.4 – Salary Deputy Warden	(\$ 1,000.00)
To: #219-311.0 – Professional Services	\$ 1,000.00

REDUCTION

JAIL – (124)

#124-170.0 – Part-Time Payroll	(\$ 2,500.00)
#124-163.0 – Vacation Cook	(\$ 1,055.00)

COURTHOUSE – (123)

From: #123-360.0 – Equipment Repair & Maintenance	(\$ 985.45)
To: #123-114.0 – Part-Time	\$ 985.45
From: #123-372.0 – Building Repair & Maintenance	(\$2,498.24)
From: #123-380.0 – Building Landscape	(\$ 592.67)
From: #123-421.0 – Maintenance Equipment	(\$ 265.17)
To: #123-199.0 – Overtime	\$3,356.08

SUPERIOR COURT NO. 1 – (132)

From: #132-114.0 – Bailiff/Law Clerk	(\$2,429.50)
From: #132-390.0 – Dues & Subscriptions	(\$ 400.00)
From: #132-215.0 – Office Supplies	(\$ 600.00)
To: #132-301.0 – Professional Services	\$3,429.50
From: #132-215.0 – Office Supplies	(\$ 200.00)
To: #132-258.0 – Books	\$ 200.00
From: #132-162.0 – Venue Fees	(\$4,200.00)
To: #132-199.0 – Overtime	\$ 200.00
To: #132-118.0 – Assistant Court Reporter	\$4,000.00

MAGISTRATE COURT – (136)

From: #136-126.0 – Per Diem Court/Jurors	(\$ 910.00)
To: #136-410.0 – Office Equipment	\$ 910.00

JUVENILE COURT – (137)

From: #137-312.0 – Equipment Repair & Maintenance	(\$ 200.00)
To: #137-405.0 – Office Equipment	\$ 200.00

COMPUTER SERVICES – (141)

From: #141-323.0 – Travel & Training	(\$ 28.15)
To: #141-210.0 – Office Supplies	\$ 28.15

SUPPLEMENTAL ADULT PROBATION – (297)

From: #297-211.0 – Office Supplies	(\$8,000.00)
To: #297-143.0 – PERF	\$4,000.00
To: #297-470.0 – Office Equipment	\$4,000.00

ANIMAL SHELTER

#219-111.0 – Warden – six months increase - \$28,250.00 to \$31,500.00

Mr. Wright moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. Zehr seconded the motion.

Mrs. Young commented the consultant reviewed the request and recommended the position remain in a POLE category instead of a SO (Special Occupation). Their reason is because Animal Wardens are a position that is found in many counties and cities across the state and are not generally unique enough to be moved to the SO category. She did not agree giving an employee a 15% salary increase after six months.

Mr. Dennis remarked the department had a high turnover and the Board of Commissioners felt in order to keep the new Warden the position should be paid more.

Mr. Canary stated he feels the position should remain on the salary grid as a POLE.

James Rhoades, County Commissioner, appeared noting the Animal Shelter is currently operating efficiently compared to the past.

Mr. Mason commented the job of an Animal Warden is a very thankless job and requires a special individual to perform the required duties, which desires a reasonable salary.

Joseph DeHart, County Commissioner, appeared stating the employee has done an outstanding job since appointed as Animal Warden.

The motion carried six to one, Mrs. Young noted nay.

SHERIFF – (105) / COURTHOUSE SECURITY – (126)

J. D. Richards, Sheriff, appeared to request an additional appropriation in the amount of \$2,500.00 for shift differential and \$1,055.00 for Overtime in the Courthouse Security's budget. He noted the reduction was made in the Jail's budget for the \$2,500.00 and the \$1,055.00.

Mr. Wright moved to approve the requests as presented. Mr. Littleton seconded the motion that carried unanimously.

#105-169.0 – Shift Differential	\$ 2,500.00
#126-199.0 – Overtime	\$ 1,055.00

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Mr. Mason commented if the amount charged for work done for the Board of Commissioners' is the issue, then remove the amount from the Council's bill. The Commissioners' would need to return next month to request funds to pay their portion; the disbursement would still be coming from the County General Fund either way.

Mrs. Young asked if the work is done for the Board of Commissioners can the Council pay the bill for them by law.

After some discussion, Mr. Wright moved to approve the invoice as presented. Mr. Zehr seconded the motion that carried six to one, Mrs. Young voted nay.

Council Correspondence

Mr. Canary distributed a magazine on property taxes from Hoosier Farmer to all the members.

Mr. Canary requested that in the future when a department submits a request he feels the Council should discuss the issue even if there is not a full Council present. He referred to the item that was on the October and November Council's agenda pertaining to the request for a reclassification of the Grounds Keeper at the Fairgrounds (#122-120.0). The request was not discussed in October and tabled in November by the Board of Commissioners'.

There being no further business, Mr. Canary moved to adjourn. Mr. Zehr seconded the motion that carried unanimously.