# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL January 14, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, January 14, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones - Absent

Tom Anglin

John Kinsey

Charlene Knispel

Larry Teghtmeyer

Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Tom Anglin. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey. Minutes were approved as presented.

# **IN THE MATTER OF 2010 ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Council Vice-President Tom Anglin called for nominations for 2010 officers.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Retain Harold Jones as President and Tom

SECOND: John Kinsey Anglin as Vice President for 2010.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR TREASURER:

County Treasurer, Sue Ann Mitchell, requested a transfer of \$12,620.94 from the Treasurer Deputy account to the Part Time account. Mitchell stated a full-time employee had retired and this transfer would allow her to use more part-time help. Council Member Brad Tandy questioned whether the full-time position will be filled. Mitchell responded she was replacing the full-time position with a part-time position.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Approve transfer of \$12,620.94 from SECOND: Charlene Knispel 100-10261-000-038 Treasurer Deputy

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-11301-000-038 Part Time.

#### IN THE MATTER OF 2009 INVESTMENT REPORT:

Sue Ann Mitchell, County Treasurer, presented the 2009 Financial Report noting the report shows the County's investments earned approximately \$1.2 million less than last year.

## IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SHERIFF:

Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested a transfer of \$5,369.75 from the Reimbursement Insurance account to the Repairs and Maintenance account. Goshert explained the funds were from an insurance check for a collision on November 20, 2009.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve transfer of \$5,369.75 from SECOND: John Kinsey 100-00563-000-000 Reimbursement Insurance

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-35001-000-019 Repairs and Maintenance.

# IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR JAIL:

Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested a transfer of \$1,750.00 from the Overtime account to the Longevity account. Goshert explained the funds were to cover a shortfall for 2009 expenses.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve transfer of \$1,750.00 from

SECOND: Brad Tandy 100-11401-000-013 Overtime

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-11090-000-013 Longevity.

# **IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR DISPATCH:**

Tom Brindle, Emergency Communications Director, requested a transfer of \$204.62 from the Telephone account to the Uniforms account. Brindle explained the transfer was for 2009 monies and will be encumbered to cover 2009 invoice.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve transfer of \$204.62 from

SECOND: Bob Sanders 100-31034-000-054 Telephone

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-22022-000-054 Uniforms.

## IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR EXTENSION:

Joan Younce, Extension Director, requested a transfer of \$19,830.00 from the Extension Office Secretary account to the Part Time account. Younce explained the transfer would allow for one (1) part-time 4-H secretary in addition to the one existing (1) full-time 4-H secretary.

Council Member Charlene Knispel questioned whether the part-time position would be filled with a full-time person in the future. Younce explained the intent is to keep the position as part-time.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Approve transfer of \$19,830.00 from SECOND: Bob Sanders 100-10026-000-001 Ext. Office Secretary

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-113001-000-001 Part Time.

Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer questioned whether the entire amount will be used as a salary for the part-time secretary. Younce explained she does not intend to use the entire amount and any amount unused will return to County General. Teghtmeyer encouraged Younce to be frugal with County funds.

#### IN THE MATTER OF 2010 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR COUNTY GENERAL:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry stated the appropriations were previously approved during the budget process and this was for record keeping purposes only. Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer verified the appropriations were funding what had already been budgeted and approved.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve additional appropriations of:

SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer CCD – Fund 236

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 20000-29999 Supplies \$277,700.00

MOTION CARRIED 30000-39999 Other Srv & Chgs \$1,087,290.00 40000-49999 Capital Outlays \$135,000.00

CEDIT - Fund 290

30000-39999 Other Srv & Chgs \$1,505,000.00

**RAINY DAY – Fund 288** 

30000-39999 Other Srv & Chgs \$235,146.00

Health Maintenance Grant – Fund 230

10000-19999 Personal Services \$4,883.00

**COUNTY CORRECTION – Fund 243** 

10000-19999 Personal Services \$4,616.00

ADULT PROBATION USER FEES-Fund 248

10000-19999 Personal Services \$3,684.00

PRENATAL – Fund 260

10000-19999 Personal Services \$990.00

**REASSESSMENT – Fund 275** 

10000-19999 Personal Services \$208,539.00

WELL CHILD - Fund 280

10000-19999 Personal Services \$2,065.00

DRUG & ALCOHOL USER FEES-Fund 284

10000-19999 Personal Services \$739.00

VOCA – Fund 936

10000-19999 Personal Services \$2,047.00

#### IN THE MATTER OF BUDGET REDUCTION FOR COUNTY GENERAL:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry noted the budget reduction was also part of the previously approved 2010 budget.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve budget reduction of

SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer \$193, 298.00 from

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 **County General – Fund 100**MOTION CARRIED 10000-19999 – Personal Services.

## IN THE MATTER OF K-CODE 2010 BUDGET REQUEST:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, noted no one from K-Code was present regarding the 2010 K-CODE budget previously given to Council. Council Member Bob Sanders stated he had spoken with Heather Desemberg and had received answers to his previous budget questions.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve K-Code 2010 Budget Request

SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer as presented.

AYES: 6 NAYES:

## **IN THE MATTER OF 2010 SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS:**

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented salary ordinance amendments as follows:

- Circuit & Superior Court McSherry noted the salary was not adjusted during the 2010 budget process;
- Prosecutor County Administrator, Ron Robinson, stated the Prosecutor changed a prosecutor position from full-time to part-time and the salary ordinance would set the hourly pay rate for that position; and
- \* Reassessment McSherry noted the salary amendment moves the positions originally paid from County General to Reassessment as previously discussed with County Assessor, Laurie Renier.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve salary ordinance amendments SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer for: Circuit & Superior Court; Prosecutor; and

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 Reassessment as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### **IN THE MATTER OF MAINTENANCE STAFF UPDATE:**

Ron Robinson, County Administrator, stated by the end of the month he will have lost three (3) part-time housekeeping staff. Robinson then stated he is restructuring the current staff in an attempt to avoid hiring any new part-time help. Robinson added he may need to come back and request additional help at a later date if needed.

## **IN THE MATTER OF WORK RELEASE UPDATE:**

Ron Robinson, County Administrator, stated on January 9, 2010 a water main broke at the Work Release Center. Robinson noted the Work Release residents and staff helped with the repairs and clean-up saving the County money.

#### IN THE MATTER OF CVB COMMISSION APPOINTMENT:

Vice-President Tom Anglin recommended Jo Paczkowski be appointed to the CVB Commission for a two (2) year term. Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer noted Paczkowski would be replacing Rebecca Kubacki.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve appointment of Jo Paczkowski SECOND: John Kinsey to the CVB Commission for a two (2) year

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0; 1 Abstain term.

MOTION CARRIED

The Council thanked Rebecca Kubacki for her prior work and dedication to the CVB Commission.

## **IN THE MATTER OF CVB COMMISSION APPOINTMENT:**

Vice-President Tom Anglin recommended Linda Zimmerman be re-appointed to the CVB Commission for a two (2) year term.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve re-appointment of Linda

SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer Zimmerman to the CVB Commission for a two

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 (2) year term.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL February 11, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones - Absent

Tom Anglin

John Kinsey

Charlene Knispel

Larry Teghtmeyer

Brad Tandy - Absent

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Tom Anglin. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey. Minutes were approved as presented.

## IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SHERIFF:

Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested a transfer of \$1,252.93 from the Reimbursement Insurance account to the Repairs and Maintenance account. Goshert explained the funds were from an insurance check for a collision on January 6, 2010.

MOTION: Charlene Knispel TO: Approve transfer of \$1,252.93 from SECOND: John Kinsey 100-00563-000-000 Reimbursement Insurance

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-35001-000-019 Repairs and Maintenance.

#### IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SHERIFF:

Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested a transfer of \$2,090.88 from the Reimbursement Insurance account to the Repairs and Maintenance account. Goshert explained the funds were from an insurance check for a collision on January 22, 2010.

MOTION: Charlene Knispel TO: Approve transfer of \$2,090.88 from SECOND: John Kinsey 100-00563-000-000 Reimbursement Insurance

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-35001-000-019 Repairs and Maintenance.

# **IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SHERIFF:**

Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested a transfer of \$1,124.04 from the Reimbursement Insurance account to the Repairs and Maintenance account. Goshert explained the funds were from an insurance check for a collision on January 25, 2010.

MOTION: Charlene Knispel TO: Approve transfer of \$1,124.04 from SECOND: John Kinsey 100-00563-000-000 Reimbursement Insurance

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-35001-000-019 Repairs and Maintenance.

# **IN THE MATTER OF SHERIFF DEPARTMENT UPDATE:**

Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested permission to hire a replacement for a deputy who resigned effective March 1, 2010. Goshert explained the Department has received approximately 2,000 additional calls compared to this time in 2009 and cannot afford to be understaffed.

Council Member Bob Sanders stated special consideration should have been given to the Sheriff's Department when the hiring freeze was enacted. Sanders noted the importance of Sheriff's Department size remaining constant without expanding.

Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer agreed on allowing the hire of a replacement deputy but also expressed the importance of looking at ways to improve productiveness and still remain frugal with the County's money.

Council Member Charlene Knispel concurred with Council regarding keeping the Department size constant regardless of a hiring freeze.

Goshert then stated he will provide Council with information on hours being worked by officers. Goshert explained each officer is giving a half hour of their own time to help with the budget constraints and being understaffed.

Goshert provided an update to Council regarding the drug task force and its efforts to increase drug arrests as well as taking a more proactive approach toward drugs.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE:**

County Administrator, Ron Robinson requested a transfer of \$6,410.00 from the Maintenance Supervisor account to the Overtime Pay account. Robinson explained the funds were to cover the overtime for the existing maintenance employees.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve transfer of \$6,410.00 from SECOND: John Kinsey 100-11005-000-006 Maintenance Supervisor

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-11401-000-006 Overtime Pay.

## IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE:

County Administrator, Ron Robinson requested a transfer of \$24,900.00 from the Maintenance Supervisor account to the Part Time Maintenance account. Robinson explained the maintenance supervisor position is budgeted but remains vacant. Robinson requested permission to hire a part-time employee to avoid accruing additional overtime and comp time for the existing maintenance employees.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve transfer of \$24,900.00 from SECOND: John Kinsey 100-11005-000-006 Maintenance Supervisor

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-11322-000-006 Part Time Maintenance.

#### IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR EMPLOYEE HIRE IN CLERK'S OFFICE:

County Clerk, Jason McSherry requested permission to hire an employee due to a vacancy resulting from the death of the Small Claims Clerk. McSherry understood the hiring freeze currently in place by the Commissioners but expressed concern with not filling this position as he already cut two (2) positions from the 2010 budget. McSherry explained the new hire would not receive the same pay level as the existing position thereby creating a savings.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Allow Clerk to hire new small claims

SECOND: Bob Sanders clerk to fill open position.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

#### **IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY FINANCIAL UPDATE:**

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry presented Council with the financial updates for the following accounts: County General, CEDIT, Rainy Day and CCD funds. McSherry explained excess COIT and CEDIT funds were received in January, 2010 and deposited into the Rainy Day fund. McSherry noted a balance of \$5,317,560.00 in the Rainy Day fund.

# IN THE MATTER OF NEWS RELEASE FROM DLGF:

Council Member Bob Sanders referenced a news release from the DLGF regarding the 2009 payable 2010 tax bills. Sanders wanted to recognize the hard work of the county offices that enable the County to provide on-time tax bills:

- ❖ Budget certification received 56 days sooner than last year.
- ❖ County Assessor submitted the 2010 ratio study 130 days sooner than last year.
- ❖ County Auditor submitted certified net assessed values 96 days sooner than last year.

Sanders gave accolades to offices of both the County Assessor and County Auditor for their hard work and diligence allowing the County to have tax bills mailed on-time and due May 10, 2010.

# IN THE MATTER OF NOTICE TO COUNCIL:

Vice-President, Tom Anglin, read a letter sent to the Council from Council Member Charlene Knispel. Knispel stated she will not seek re-election but will serve out the remainder of her term through December, 2010. Knispel thanked Council for their hard work and dedication to the fiscal responsibility of the County.

#### IN THE MATTER OF INVITATION TO COMMISSIONERS' MEETING:

Commissioner Ron Truex invited the Council Members to attend the Commissioner's Meetings held every other Tuesday in the Courtroom at 9:00a.m. with the next meeting on February 16, 2010.

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL March 11, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, March 11, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones - Absent

Tom Anglin

John Kinsey - Absent

Charlene Knispel

Larry Teghtmeyer

Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Tom Anglin. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by Bob Sanders. Minutes were approved as presented.

#### IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SHERIFF:

Vice-President Tom Anglin for Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested a transfer of \$1,000.00 from the Reimbursement Insurance account to the Repairs and Maintenance account. Anglin noted the funds were from an insurance check for a collision on January 9, 2010.

MOTION: Charlene Knispel TO: Approve transfer of \$1,000.00 from SECOND: Brad Tandy 100-00563-000-000 Reimbursement Insurance

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-35001-000-019 Repairs and Maintenance.

#### IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SHERIFF:

Vice-President Tom Anglin for Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested a transfer of \$769.10 from the Reimbursement Insurance account to the Repairs and Maintenance account. Anglin noted the funds were from an insurance check for a collision on January 9, 2010.

MOTION: Charlene Knispel TO: Approve transfer of \$769.10 from

SECOND: Brad Tandy 100-00563-000-000 Reimbursement Insurance

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-35001-000-019 Repairs and Maintenance.

# IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SHERIFF:

Vice-President Tom Anglin for Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested a transfer of \$1,783.01 from the Reimbursement Insurance account to the Repairs and Maintenance account. Anglin noted the funds were from an insurance check for a collision on February 24, 2010.

MOTION: Charlene Knispel TO: Approve transfer of \$1,783.10 from SECOND: Brad Tandy 100-00563-000-000 Reimbursement Insurance

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-35001-000-019 Repairs and Maintenance.

## IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR CUM BRIDGE:

Highway Superintendent, Dennis Pletcher, requested an additional appropriation for Cum Bridge in the amount of \$100,000.00 for Bridge Replacement and \$30,500.00 for Bridge Inspections. Pletcher explained the amount he budgeted for bridge replacement was too low and with the rising cost of fuel, he wants to be sure funds are available for future projects. Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer questioned which bridge is being replaced. Pletcher responded bridge #190 on Country Club Road north of County Road 400S will be replaced during the summer. Pletcher further noted additional INDOT mandates are causing the bridge replacement cost to increase also. Pletcher added Federal Highway reimburses the County eighty percent (80%) however that amount cannot be used to pay off the remaining 20% but must go back into the Cum Bridge fund. Council Member Bob Sanders expressed concern with additional Federal and State mandates without thought of how these will be funded.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve additional appropriations of SECOND: Bob Sanders \$100,000.00 to Bridge Replacement and AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 \$30,500.00 to Bridge Inspections.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# **IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UPDATES:**

Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer questioned the status of the KCHD budget through the winter months. Pletcher responded there have been some additional expenses for extra man hours; however salt and sand usage is down from the previous year. Pletcher added the monies into Motor Vehicle Highway have continued to decline and he expressed concern with the increasing fuel costs, noting it may be necessary to postpone some projects until after the vacation season to see whether fuel prices decrease.

# IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR EMPLOYEE HIRE FOR HOUSEKEEPING, HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND TREASURER:

County Administrator, Ron Robinson requested permission to hire two (2) part-time housekeeping employees to fill two (2) vacant positions. Robinson added one (1) of the vacant positions had been a full-time position. Robinson also requested permission to hire up to two (2) part-time (college students) employees in the summer to cover vacations.

Robinson requested permission on behalf of the Health Department and Treasurer to hire up to two (2) parttime employees during their busy times. Robinson noted the part-time positions are line items in their respective budgets.

Council commended Robinson and the other department heads in hiring part-time employees as a cost savings to the County.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Allow Housekeeping, Health Department SECOND: Charlene Knispel and Treasurer to hire part-time employees as

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 requested.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR EMPLOYEE HIRE IN AUDITOR'S OFFICE:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry requested permission to hire one (1) full-time deputy due to a vacancy in that position. McSherry explained the department is already down one (1) employee that left in 2009 and was not replaced and with this additional vacancy, a new hire is needed.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Allow Auditor to hire full-time employee

SECOND: Bob Sanders as requested.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

#### IN THE MATTER OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry presented a Conflict of Interest Statement for Brad Newcomer who serves on the Nappanee Public Library Board. McSherry stated Newcomer is the owner of E. Newcomer & Sons who provides engraving and plaques as needed for library purposes.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve conflict of interest statement for

SECOND: Brad Tandy Brad Newcomer.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL April 8, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council's regularly scheduled meeting for Thursday, April 8, 2010 was canceled due to the absence of any business on the agenda. The Council will meet on May 13, 2010 for their regular monthly meeting.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL April 15, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for a special session meeting on Thursday, April 15, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones Charlene Knispel - Absent
Tom Anglin Larry Teghtmeyer
John Kinsey Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey.

# IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR EDIT:

Commissioner Brad Jackson spoke to the Council members regarding the need for an additional appropriation in the EDIT Fund. Jackson stated his beliefs are conservative, however he feels this additional request is necessary. Jackson went on to say the Commissioners have appropriated monies in the past to KDI; however they have not given enough to be of much help. He added it is important now more than ever for the County to work on business retention as well as promoting the County to potential new businesses. Jackson noted KDI has made strides in providing accountability and would like to hire a full time County Economic Development Director and a full time assistant in order to work on promoting the County. Jackson added neighboring counties are already doing this and it is important that Kosciusko County have someone in place to market the County, especially during this tough economic time.

Brad Bishop, Vice President of KDI, addressed Council stating there has been much frustration on the part of the KDI Board with their inability to move forward. Bishop noted the tough economic times have made the KDI members set back and look at what could be done to benefit the County. He went on to say they have devised a county wide economic plan and a budget to support that plan as there is a need to focus full time on County development and business retention. Bishop added they would like to see more collaboration of entities within the County also. Bishop said it is KDI's hope that the County Council will support the plan and requested a three year commitment for funding.

Commissioner Jackson added the additional funds requested include the \$30,000 already approved in the 2010 Commissioner's budget.

Warsaw Mayor Ernie Wiggins stated if the County Council approves the Commissioner's request for additional funding, he will take KDI's request to the City Council for an additional funding of \$50,000 also. Wiggins also felt KDI has been under funded in the past and feels this is the appropriate time to act. Councilman Bob Sanders expressed concern with a three year commitment. He added he would like to see some type of accountability and that goals are being achieved.

Bishop stated he didn't know if a three year commitment was a legal reality, however they were asking for a "good faith" expression from Council. Bishop added it was important for KDI to keep the Council informed and up to date on what was being worked on and accomplished.

Sanders noted that in his time working with KDI, he has seen a change in the way of thinking and the board is now enthusiastic with what they would like to accomplish. He added he has no problem with the commitment length if there is progression.

President Harold Jones noted a long term commitment or good faith expression was needed if a quality person was to be hired to fill the position. Jones added it would be difficult to hire someone if they knew there was only a 6 month or year commitment to the goal of economic development.

Councilman Brad Tandy stated he had attended the OrthoWorx presentation and said it was an exciting opportunity for the community to bring business and people to the area. However, OrthoWorx cannot do it alone. They need strong entities such as KDI, the Chamber and City and County officials to support and work with them. Tandy added he felt this was the perfect point in time to support KDI in their efforts. Commissioner Ron Truex stated neighboring counties are envious of Kosciusko County and they are aggressively going after businesses. Truex added the County cannot afford to sit back and let those other counties make their moves. Truex also felt this was an excellent time to move on this opportunity and work as a team for the County.

Council member Larry Teghtmeyer who also serves on the Kosciusko County Redevelopment Commission stated the Redevelopment Commission unanimously supports the proposal of a full time county wide economic director.

## IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR EDIT CONTINUED:

Council member John Kinsey also expressed concern with a three year commitment and questioned if two years would be sufficient to see progress. Kinsey noted if would not be fair to ask someone to come in knowing they only had one year of support. Kinsey added he supported the idea however did not feel this was a good time to be spending taxpayer dollars.

Sanders stated he felt a three year minimum commitment would be what it would take to get this program going.

Councilman Tom Anglin questioned Bishop if they can live with the budget presented for three years adding he did not want to see a significant increase in the amount needed.

Bishop responded to the best of their knowledge the budget should work adding it was a pretty basic budget. He added the budget needed to be set to attract the right type person for the job and be able to engage in the right type of marketing for the job.

Sanders acknowledged KDI has struggled with their identity and the perception they were working only for the City of Warsaw and questioned if they were going to retain the KDI name.

Kim Nance, KDI Coordinator stated KDI's name would be changed to Kosciusko Economic Development Corporation and this would help tie the organization to all entities within the County as opposed to Warsaw only. It was also noted the organization would retain their current Not for Profit status- only the name would change.

Nance reported there is currently a tremendous interest in Kosciusko County with businesses from Canada as well as other states looking at the County as a possible place to locate their businesses. She went on to say the KDI board members are working on getting out and talking with existing businesses to see what their needs are and see what services are available. Nance noted the importance of marketing the County.

KDI member Jo Paczkowski added KDI's donations from the private sector have decreased over the past years but felt that as positive things begin to develop those donations would increase again.

Councilman Teghtmeyer reiterated that legally the Council cannot guarantee anything more than a year, but assumes that if this is passed the understanding is there that this will be a longer commitment than one year.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve additional appropriation for

SECOND: Brad Tandy \$152,000.000

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 ABSTAIN: 1 290-36026-000-000 Kos. Future - KDI

MOTION CARRIED

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL May 13, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, May 13, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones Charlene Knispel - Absent

Tom Anglin Larry Teghtmeyer John Kinsey Brad Tandy - Absent

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey.

## IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SHERIFF:

Captain Aaron Rovenstine requested a transfer of \$2,990.15 from the Reimbursement Insurance account to the Repairs and Maintenance account. Rovenstine explained the funds were from an insurance check for a car/deer accident on April 19, 2010.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve transfer of \$2,990.15 from

SECOND: Bob Sanders 100-00563-000-000 Reimbursement Insurance

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-35001-000-019 Repairs and Maintenance.

## IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR CUM JAIL:

Captain Aaron Rovenstine requested an additional appropriation for Cum Jail Fund in the amount of \$31,251.00. Rovenstine explained the insurance settlement from Sgt. Jeff Shaw's accident has been received and the additional appropriation would allow the Department to purchase a replacement vehicle.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve additional appropriation of SECOND: John Kinsey \$31,251.00 to 207-46001-000-000 Motor

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 Vehicles.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR NEW HIRES FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

Captain Aaron Rovenstine requested permission to hire two (2) employees due to vacancies resulting from the resignation of a patrolman and jail officer. Rovenstine expressed concern with leaving the positions vacant and those departments understaffed. Rovenstine noted all accrued vacation/holiday and comp time has been paid to the departing officers, with the remaining monies to be used to fund the new hires. Council Member Tom Anglin stated he is in favor of the hires since they are for existing positions and not new positions.

Council Member Bob Sanders questioned whether the positions were entry level. Rovenstine responded both positions were entry level and no promotions were needed to fill the vacant positions.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Allow Sheriff to hire a patrolman and jail

SECOND: Bob Sanders officer to fill vacant positions.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR AUDITOR:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, requested a transfer of \$5,202.00 from the Property Technician account to the Counter Deputy account. McSherry explained the funds are needed to cover a shortfall in the Counter Deputy account.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve transfer of \$5,202.00 from SECOND: John Kinsey 100-11059-000-005 Property Technician

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-11160-000-005 Counter Deputy.

## IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR INFRACTION DEFERRAL:

President Harold Jones for Prosecutor Steve Hearn requested an additional appropriation for Infraction Deferral in the amount of \$8,423.00. Jones referenced a letter from Hearn stating the purpose of the appropriation request.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve additional appropriation of SECOND: Bob Sanders \$8,423.00 to 268-31082-000-000 Equipment.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

# IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR COUNTY CLERK:

County Clerk, Jason McSherry, requested an additional appropriation for his part-time account in the amount of \$13,000.00. McSherry explained the appropriation will subsidize the part time account allowing the hire of a part time employee at the experienced part time rate through the end of the year. Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer stated the appropriation was discussed at a wage committee meeting and the part time position will save the County money.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve additional appropriation of \$ECOND: Tom Anglin \$13,000.00 to 100-11301-000-008 Part Time.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

## IN THE MATTER OF MILFOR PUBLIC LIBRARY CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND:

Julie Frew, Milford Public Library Director, presented the library's Capital Projects Fund for Council's review. Frew noted the amount of \$30,000 for the Capital Projects Fund for 2011 will be used for computer hardware, software and licensing agreements to keep the Library technologically up to date for its patrons. Frew further noted there will be no tax rate to cover the Capital Projects Fund adding previous tax collections will be used.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve Capital Projects Fund for 2011 as

SECOND: Tom Anglin presented.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

## IN THE MATTER OF CF-1 ABATEMENT FOR GI TAPE & LABEL, INC:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented CF-1/Real Property Abatement form for G.I. Tape & Label, Inc. McSherry noted the company followed through on their initial abatement request and are compliant.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Approve CF-1 Real Property Abatement SECOND: Tom Anglin forms for G.I. Tape & Label, Inc. as presented.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

# IN THE MATTER OF CF-1 ABATEMENT FOR BRADICAN REAL ESTATE PARTNERSHIP:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented CF-1/Real Property Abatement form for Bradican Real Estate Partnership. McSherry noted the company followed through on their initial abatement request and are compliant.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve CF-1 Real Property Abatement SECOND: John Kinsey forms for Bradican Real Estate Partnership as

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 presented.

MOTION CARRIED

## IN THE MATTER OF CF-1 ABATEMENT FOR THORNBURGH FAMILY LP:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented CF-1/Real Property Abatement form for Thornburgh Family LP. McSherry noted the company followed through on their initial abatement request and are compliant.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve CF-1 Real Property Abatement SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer forms for Thornburgh Family LP as presented.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

#### IN THE MATTER OF CF-1 ABATEMENT FOR NG INSTRUMENTS INC:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented CF-1/Real Property Abatement form for NG Instruments, Inc. McSherry noted the company followed through on their initial abatement request and are compliant.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve CF-1 Real Property Abatement SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer forms for NG Instruments Inc as presented.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# IN THE MATTER OF CF-1 ABATEMENT FOR NORTH CENTRAL LP:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented CF-1/Real Property Abatement form for North Central LP McSherry noted the company followed through on their initial abatement request and are compliant.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve CF-1 Real Property Abatement SECOND: John Kinsey forms for North Central LP as presented.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

## IN THE MATTER OF CF-1 ABATEMENTS FOR BIOMET:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented two (2) CF-1/Real Property Abatements for Biomet. McSherry noted the company followed through on their initial abatement requests and are compliant.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve two (2) CF-1 Real Property

SECOND: Bob Sanders Abatements for Biomet as presented.

AYES: 5 NAYES:

## IN THE MATTER OF CF-1 ABATEMENTS FOR MAPLE LEAF FARMS INC:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented CF-1/Real Property Abatement form for Maple Leaf Farms, Inc. McSherry noted the company followed through on their initial abatement requests and are compliant.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve CF-1 Real Property Abatement SECOND: John Kinsey form for Maple Leaf Farms Inc as presented.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### IN THE MATTER OF WARSAW COMMUNITY PUBLIC LIBRARY APPOINTMENT:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, noted the Library requested Dr Paulette Sauders be reappointed as Trustee for a four (4) year term.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve appointment of Dr Paulette SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer Sauders to Warsaw Community Public Library

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 Board for a four (4) year term.

MOTION CARRIED

#### IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY HIGHWAY UPDATE:

Dennis Pletcher, Highway Superintendent, reminded Council the Cum Bridge Fund levy was previously reduced and KCHD will need to spend approximately \$1.3 to \$1.5 million to catch up with bridge repairs and replacements. Pletcher noted there are 402 small structures and 106 bridges in Kosciusko County. Pletcher expressed concern with not being proactive toward the small structures and bridges resulting in further damage and costing additional money. Pletcher requested Council be mindful of the Cum Bridge Fund and this information when budget hearings begin.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF APPRECIATION:**

President Harold Jones shared a thank you that was sent to Council from the Kosciusko Economic Development Committee for Council's support of an economic development director position.

#### IN THE MATTER OF COUNCIL CANDIDATES:

President Harold Jones acknowledged Jim Moyer and Doug Heinisch as candidates running for Council seats. Jones noted Heinisch is running for District One and Moyer is running for District Two.

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL June 10, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, June 10, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones Charlene Knispel - Absent

Tom Anglin Larry Teghtmeyer John Kinsey Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey.

# IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR PROBATION:

KCADP Director, Barry Andrew, requested a transfer of \$16,800.00 from the KCADP Case Manager account to the KCADP Part Time Case Manager account. Andrew explained the full-time case manager is moving to the new part-time position and the transfer would cover the part-time salary for the remainder of the year.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve transfer of \$16,800.00 from SECOND: Bob Sanders 284-11086-000-000 KCADP Case Manager

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED 284-11321-000-000 KCADP Part Time Case

Manager.

## IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SHERIFF:

Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested a transfer of \$684.40 from the Reimbursement Insurance account to the Repairs and Maintenance account. Sheriff Goshert explained the funds were from an insurance check for vandalism while the vehicle was parked at the officers' residence.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve transfer of \$684.40 from

SECOND: Tom Anglin 100-00563-000-000 Reimbursement Insurance

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-35001-000-019 Repairs and Maintenance.

#### IN THE MATTER OF CF-1 ABATEMENT FORMS:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented CF-1/Personal Property Abatement forms for the following companies: North Central LP, Maple Leaf Farms, Inc., RR Donnelley, Inc., Biomet, Inc., NG Instruments, Inc., and Precision Medical Technologies, Inc.

Kristy Mayer from the County Assessor's office for Personal Property stated her office reviews the arithmetic on the forms and verifies compliancy is at DLGF standards. Mayer noted she has not received a CF-1 form from Louis Dreyfus but will submit same once received.

Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer stated he did not feel Council should approve the CF-1's; they could accept them as they already approved the abatement at the time it was initially presented. Council Member Bob Sanders concurred with Teghtmeyer. Both Council Members felt approval of the forms took things to a different level.

Sanders suggested recognizing the companies as having met the requirement of filing the appropriate paperwork with Teghtmeyer adding Council take no adverse action. Mayer stated the forms require a signature acknowledging the property owner is in substantial compliance, therefore, the form is approved.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Accept all CF-1 Personal Property SECOND: Bob Sanders Abatement forms as presented with the

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 understanding that they are in compliance with

MOTION CARRIED original abatement.

## IN THE MATTER OF SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT:

President, Harold Jones, presented a salary ordinance amendment on behalf of KCADP/Probation for the previous full-time case worker that is moving to a part-time position.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Approve salary ordinance amendment for SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer KCADP/Probation for part-time position.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

#### IN THE MATTER OF MILFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND:

President Harold Jones presented the Resolution for the library's Capital Projects Fund previously approved by Council for Council's signature.

#### IN THE MATTER OF WARSAW COMMUNITY PUBLIC LIBRARY APPOINTMENT:

President Harold Jones stated an appointment from Council to the WCPL Board is needed. Council Member Bob Sanders spoke with Rick Paczkowski and he is willing to serve on the WCPL Board.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve appointment of Rick

SECOND: John Kinsey Paczkowski to the Warsaw Community Public

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 Library Board for a three (3) year term.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# IN THE MATTER OF LAKELAND REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT:

Commissioner Ron Truex stated the Commissioners adopted an Ordinance at their June 8, 2010 meeting that establishes policies and procedures for the expansion of the LRSD into a county-wide sewer district. Truex noted the Ordinance also references the Board's make up of a majority of elected officials. Truex added the application is ready to be submitted to the LRSD; however there is a timing issue due to the loan process for the LRSD and the name change from LRSD to the Kosciusko County Regional Sewer District.

Truex stated the KCRSD will be the vehicle for residents to obtain sewers if they choose; the KCRSD will not require sewers for all Kosciusko County residents.

## **IN THE MATTER OF INDIANA COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING:**

President Harold Jones stated the Indiana County Councils Association has called a State Council meeting for June 26, 2010; information is with the County Auditor if desired.

## IN THE MATTER OF INVITATION TO COMMISSIONERS' MEETING:

Commissioner Ron Truex invited the Council Members to attend the Commissioner's Meetings held every other Tuesday in the Courtroom at 9:00a.m. with the next meeting on June 22, 2010.

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL July 8, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, July 8, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones Charlene Knispel
Tom Anglin Larry Teghtmeyer
John Kinsey Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey.

## **IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR COMMISSIONERS:**

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, requested a transfer of \$25,000.00 from the Worker's Compensation account to the Unemployment Compensation account. McSherry explained the unemployment claims have depleted the account and this transfer will replenish those funds.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve transfer of \$25,000.00 from SECOND: John Kinsey 100-11604-000-009 Worker's Compensation

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 to

UNANIMOUS 100-11603-000-009 Unemployment

Compensation.

#### IN THE MATTER OF BIOMET, INC - ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION RESOLUTION:

Richard Helm, Attorney for Biomet, Inc., presented a request for tax abatement in support of an expansion project in conjunction with their affiliate company relocating from New Jersey. Helm explained the tax abatement request is for a period of ten (10) years, further stating the expansion includes improvements to real estate on two (2) parcels on or near Biomet's main campus as well as the addition of new equipment and additional jobs. Helm added projected expenditures include \$2 million in improvements to real estate, \$24 million in equipment/machinery and 278 new jobs with salaries in excess of \$13 million. Helm stated the procedure for the abatement is for Council to pass a resolution directing Biomet to publish notice for a public hearing noting in that public hearing Council has the right to reject, modify or accept the ordinance for abatement.

Bill Kolter, Vice-President of Government & Public Affairs & Corporate Communications at Biomet, thanked Council for the opportunity to present the abatement request. Kolter highlighted the history of Biomet and presented an overview of the Biomet operations. Kolter then discussed the proposed expansion and the positive impact of that expansion on the County.

Tom Bauters, Tax Director of Biomet, updated Council on Biomet's 2006 tax abatement stating Biomet added 325 jobs as opposed to the 262 listing on the original abatement paperwork. Bauters noted Biomet has been approached by other companies to move certain operations out of Kosciusko County but Biomet would like to remain in Kosciusko County. Bauters then thanked Council for their consideration regarding the tax abatement.

Helm added tax abatement is not a subsidy but allows the company to progressively pay the taxes on the improvements instead of paying the taxes all at once.

Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer noted the importance of retaining existing businesses and supporting expansion as competition is fierce from other counties and states for the orthopedic industry to relocate to their areas.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve resolution to proceed with tax

SECOND: Bob Sanders abatement hearing for Biomet, Inc.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0; 1 Abstain

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR INFRACTION DEFERRAL AND PRE-TRIAL DIVERSION:

Prosecutor Steve Hearn requested additional appropriations for Infraction Deferral in the amount of \$12,944.00 and Pre-Trial Diversion in the amount of \$10,531.00. Hearn stated monies have accumulated in those funds and he would like to use those funds to purchase items normally purchased by the County. Hearn noted the \$10,531.00 is the Prosecutor's contribution to the cell phone reception upgrade allowing for cell phone usage in the basement of the Justice Building as previously approved by the Commissioners. Hearn then noted the \$12,944.00 is to purchase a new copy machine for the Prosecutor's office.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Approve additional appropriation of SECOND: John Kinsey \$12,944.00 to 268-31082-000-000 Equipment

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0 and

MOTION CARRIED \$10,531.00 to 268-31082-000-000 Equipment.

## IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR NEW HIRES FOR PROSECUTOR:

Prosecutor Steve Hearn requested permission to hire two (2) employees due to vacancies resulting from a secretary retiring and the resignation of a Title IV-D case worker. Hearn expressed concern in leaving the positions vacant as the secretary position handles the Infraction Deferral program as well as the Pre-Trial Diversion programs and without those programs, the extra funding would not be available for use by the Prosecutor. Hearn added the salary of the position is \$31,000 but the revenue generated through the programs handled by the secretary totals more than \$120,000.

#### IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR NEW HIRES FOR PROSECUTOR CONTINUED:

Hearn then added if the Title IV-D case worker position is left vacant it would create a burden on the already overloaded case workers.

President Harold Jones verified with Hearn that both positions are federally reimbursed at 65% of their salaries.

Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer expressed his support in filling the two (2) positions and the impact the programs have within the County.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Allow Prosecutor to hire a secretary and SECOND: John Kinsey Title IV-D case worker to fill vacant positions.

AYES: 7 NAYES: 0

UNANIMOUS

# **IN THE MATTER OF NON PROFIT 2011 BUDGET REQUESTS:**

The following not-for-profit organizations appeared before Council to request funding for the 2011 budget year.

- ❖ 4-H Council Kelly Heckaman introduced Madison Dobbins, a 4-H member, who explained the importance of 4-H to her. Tammy Wise on behalf of the 4-H Council requested \$42,888 for 2011. Heckaman and Wise thanked the Commissioners for their continued support.
- ❖ Arrowhead RC & D No one appeared on behalf of Arrowhead RC & D.
- ❖ Kosciusko Economic Development Corporation Kim Nance, Acting Director of the Kosciusko Economic Development Corporation (KEDC) requested \$152,000, stating this is the same amount approved by Council in April, 2010. Nance noted she is hopeful to have an Economic Director in place within the next sixty (60) days. Nance further noted organizations throughout the County are working together toward economic development. Nance added the KEDC provided letters of support for the Biomet expansion noting again the importance of existing companies not just new companies. Council Members Bob Sanders and Larry Teghtmeyer commended Nance on her hard work and dedication to the KEDC.
- ❖ Cardinal Services Jane Greene, Cardinal Services, thanked the County for its past contributions and requested \$103,704, noting revenue is down by \$2 million. Greene asked for financial support for three (3) programs offered at Cardinal Services: Head Start with services to children through age 5; Group Homes with services to adults with development and physical disabilities; and KABS which provides bus service throughout the County.

## IN THE MATTER OF NON PROFIT 2011 BUDGET REQUESTS CONTINUED:

- ❖ Cardinal Services Continued Greene stated the SusAmigos program will be phased out by the end of 2010 due to issues with obtaining funding.
- ❖ Home Health Care Rick Paczkowski, Executive Director, requested \$42,750 for 2011 for REAL Services program stating the requested funds are used to allow individuals to remain in their homes rather than be institutionalized. Paczkowski further stated there were 3,100 visits to clients with health care employees driving 47,000 miles to those visits. Paczkowski noted he will continue to search for additional funding to help with rising costs and decreased funding from the State. Paczkowski thanked the County for its past support.
- ❖ Historical Society Jack Elam, Museum Director requested \$20,255 for 2011, the same as 2010, adding they are aware of the financial circumstances the County is facing.
- ❖ Beaman Home Tracie Hodson requested \$41,800 for 2011 for assistance with staffing as the Home is the only emergency domestic violence shelter in the immediate area and is now also serving Marshall and Fulton Counties. Hodson stated Beaman Home provides outreach services for victims as well as education opportunities to prevent abuse. Hodson added the requested staffing position is for a full-time residential advocate. Hodson noted funding is also needed for upgrading within the home. Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer asked about additional revenue sources for Beaman Home. Hodson responded funding comes through supportive housing from the Federal government as well as State funds through the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute, noting Federal and State funding have both been reduced. Hodson added funding is received from the United Way for residents of Marshall or Fulton County that stay at the shelter. Discussion was held regarding overflow of residents to other shelters in neighboring counties.
- ❖ Council for Aging April Baxter, Director of Senior Services, began by thanking Council for their past support and requested \$35,000 for 2011, noting funding has been cut by 15%. Baxter stated the Council serves senior citizen residents of the County five (5) days a week transporting residents to medical visits allowing them to remain at home and not be placed in a medical or health care facility.
- ❖ St. Joe River Basin Karen Mackowiak stated the Basin's main purpose is water quality and it represents seven (7) counties along the St. Joseph River Basin. The Basin has helped those counties with various water quality programs/activities/education and receives State funding but additional funding is requested from those seven (7) counties within the Basin. Mackowiak requested \$500 for 2011.
- ❖ Animal Welfare League Darla McCammon, AWL Executive Director, stated the AWL is not only a shelter but also provides many community programs. McCammon requested \$75,750 for 2011. McCammon also noted there has been an increase in animals in the shelter due to the economy; therefore, they have to look for innovative ways to get the animals out of the shelter.
- ❖ Bowen Center Kurt Carlson, Bowen Center CEO, requested \$502,610 the amount mandated by the State. Carlson explained the Center serves lower income families with 73% of clients served earning \$30,000 or less. Carlson noted one (1) of every twenty (20) Kosciusko County residents receive services through Bowen Center.

# IN THE MATTER OF UPCOMING BUDGET HEARINGS:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, reminded Council members the non-binding review of the taxing units' budgets will take place at the August 12, 2010 Council meeting. McSherry also stated budget hearings will be held on August 23, 24 and 26, 2010.

#### IN THE MATTER OF OFFER OF SUPPORT:

President Harold Jones offered his support to the Commissioners regarding the animal control officer issues and he is confident the Commissioners have given a fair and just resolution to those issues.

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL July 30, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for a special session on Friday, July 30, 2010 at 10:00 AM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones Charlene Knispel - Absent

Tom Anglin - *Absent*John Kinsey

Larry Teghtmeyer
Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones.

#### IN THE MATTER OF WHITKO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS REFERENDUM TAX LEVY:

Tom McFarland, Director of Financial Operations, Whitko Community Schools addressed the Council regarding Whitko's request for a referendum tax levy. McFarland stated the Whitko School Board had passed a resolution proposing a General Fund tax referendum. McFarland went on to say one of the steps involved with that process is for each County Council within the Whitko School Corporation to certify that resolution to the County Election Board for placement on the November 2, 2010 ballot. McFarland added that was what Whitko was requesting of Council in this special session. McFarland then went on to read the resolution approved by the Whitko School Board to the Council members.

Councilman Brad Tandy questioned McFarland if the referendum were placed on the ballot, who would vote on the requested tax levy. McFarland stated only those living in the Whitko School District.

Marsha McSherry, County Auditor, stated the referendum question would only be placed on the ballots in the appropriate precincts for the school district. Tandy then noted if approved by the voters, the proposed tax rate would only apply to the taxing units within the Whitko School District.

Councilman Larry Teghtmeyer questioned if the tax levy would be to support the operating funds for the School Corporation. McFarland answered schools have six major funds: General, Transportation, Debt Service, School Pension Debt, Bus Replacement and Capital Projects with the General fund fully supported by the State. The tax levy would help fund the shortfall in revenue from the State in the General Fund. Councilman Bob Sanders questioned if cuts were the only other option without a tax levy.

# IN THE MATTER OF WHITKO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS REFERENDUM TAX LEVY CONTINUED:

McFarland noted that cuts were the only other option and the Corporation had already cut \$1.2 million for 2010 and 2011 in the general fund which was roughly ten to eleven percent. He added with the cuts they have already made, there is nowhere else to cut if funding from the State is further reduced. Sanders commended the Corporation for taking initiative to cut back without expecting taxpayers to pick up the additional losses.

Teghtmeyer stated the Council was not approving a tax increase, simply approving a resolution to allow the referendum to be placed on the November 2, 2010 ballot

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve resolution to allow referendum

SECOND: Bob Sanders to be placed on the November ballot.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL August 12, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, August 12, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones Charlene Knispel – *Absent* 

Tom Anglin Larry Teghtmeyer John Kinsey Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey. Minutes were approved as presented.

## IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR HEALTH:

Neal Brown, Dept. Administrator & Environmental Scientist requested an additional appropriation of \$20,000 for Personal Health Care Supplies. Brown stated this account is used to purchase travel vaccinations and due to the increased demand this year, the account has been depleted. Brown also noted a fee is charged for each vaccine given with receipts totaling over \$18,000.00 thru July. He added the additional appropriation will allow the department to maintain a sufficient supply of serum for the remainder of the year.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Approve additional appropriation for

SECOND: Brad Tandy \$20,000.00 to

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 203-21017-000-000 Personal Health Care

MOTION CARRIED Supplies

# IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR COUNTY GENERAL - CORONER:

John Sadler, Coroner requested an additional appropriation of \$30,000 for X-Ray and Lab Expenses. Sadler stated they had incurred additional expenses this year due to the increase in caseloads and types of cases requiring exams. Council members questioned Sadler about the increases. Sadler responded they are seeing increases due to the number of homicides/suicides and overdoses as well as the number of deaths in people less than 50 years of age. He noted his office has no choice in the matter and must pay for the examinations requested by the investigators. Sadler also noted the fees for exams and X-ray have been reduced due to negotiations with the providers. Council members also questioned Sadler if the additional appropriation being requested would cover expenses thru the end of the year. Sadler was hopeful, but added there was no way to know at this time.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve additional appropriation for

SECOND: Tom Anglin \$30,000.00 to

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 100-31013-000-010 X-Ray & Lab Expenses

MOTION CARRIED

# IN THE MATTER OF MIDWEST RAKE COMPANY, LLC AND CASS HOLDINGS, LLC - ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION RESOLUTIONS:

Steve Snyder, Attorney for Midwest Rake Company and Cass Holdings appeared before Council to begin the process of requesting tax abatement for both entities.

Snyder stated Midwest Rake is a local distributor in manufacturing tools and has been around for a couple decades. They are prominently known both nationally as well as internationally. Cass Holdings was formed to purchase real estate for the location of Midwest Rake and recently acquired the 60 acres site and 7 buildings previously occupied by Monaco Coach and R-Vision. Snyder went on to say the bankruptcy of Monaco Coach left the 7 buildings empty and the loss of 450 jobs. As with any bankruptcy cases, there had not been a lot of high end maintenance taking place on the property and deterioration has occurred. Snyder stated plans have been initiated to move Midwest Rake into buildings 1 and 2 of the Monaco Coach Complex and then lease or sell the remaining five buildings to other companies. Snyder noted the men had worked with the State regarding the need for buildings of the size located on the complex, with the State in support of a facility of this type. It was also noted, the men have already begun rehabilitative actions to bring these buildings up to standards.

Snyder stated the tax abatement request is unique in that Midwest Rake will install \$200,000 in new equipment/personal property and employ an additional 20 over a four year period. Cass Holdings currently has 0 employees and will not have any employees in future years.

Snyder added however, there is potential for anywhere from 8 to 250 jobs depending on what type of businesses would locate in the remaining 5 buildings. He stated Cass Holdings will update all 7 buildings at an estimated cost of \$500,000.00. Snyder also referenced the assessed value of the complex, noting the upgrades are necessary to make the buildings/property marketable to potential businesses.

Snyder then requested Council approve a declaratory resolution that would initiate the process for a public hearing in September for tax abatement for both entities as well as a waiver that would allow for the provision of building rehabilitation already in the works. Snyder noted Midwest Rake would be requesting a five year abatement on personal property with Cass Holdings requesting a ten year abatement for real property.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve resolution(s) to proceed with SECOND: Bob Sanders tax abatement hearings for Midwest Rake Co and Cass Holdings.

# IN THE MATTER OF BIOMET, INC. TAX ABATEMENT HEARING:

Attorney Jay Rigdon, on behalf of Biomet appeared before the Council for the public hearing on tax abatement for Biomet. Rigdon noted proof of publication for the public hearing had been given to the Auditor prior to the meeting. The hearing was opened for public comment of which there was no one in attendance that spoke in opposition to the abatement request. Council members felt they had been given sufficient information at the July meeting and had no further questions for Rigdon; therefore closing the hearing.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Approve 10 year tax abatement for both SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer personal and real property for Biomet, Inc. as

NAYES:0 ABSTAIN: 1 AYES: 5 requested.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Council President Harold Jones noted the projects in process by Midwest Rake, Cass Holdings and Biomet are potentially great opportunities for the County.

Kim Nance, Kosciusko Economic Development Corp. agreed with Jones stating this is an exciting time for Kosciusko County, adding photos of the buildings located on the old Monaco complex have been sent out to businesses looking to relocate.

#### IN THE MATTER OF 2011 NON-BINDING RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNTY TAXING **ENTITIES:**

President Harold Jones stated budget review forms had been provided to Council members and it appeared the towns and townships had done a good job this year on their budgets. Jones noted there were a few units that were not quite where Council would like to see them; however it appears the units have come onboard and understand the importance of this step of the budget process.

Councilman Teghtmeyer stated by statute the Council is required to review every unit's budget and issue a non-binding recommendation. Teghtmeyer added Council recognized last year; no one knows better how to manage their budgets than the town and township officials themselves.

He then noted the state growth quotient for 2011 is 2.9% and recommended all units hold their levies at or below the 2.9% growth quotient.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve resolution that all Kosciusko SECOND: **Bob Sanders** County taxing unit's levies stay at or under the AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 2.9% levy growth quotient as calculated by the MOTION CARRIED

State Budget Agency and units continue to keep budgets flat lined as much as possible

with no or little increases.

#### IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY UPDATES:

County Administrator Ron Robinson updated Council on the following items:

- \* Repairs will begin within the next week on the south and east steps of the Courthouse as well as a portion of the sidewalk.

  The County has been notified they will be receiving an additional \$1.5 million dollars from INDOT
- for the Old Road 30 roundabout project.
- ❖ All right of ways have been obtained for the Fox Farm Road and Zimmer Road roundabouts.
- Due to the roundabout project, sewer lines will be replaced to city specifications for future hook ups. Robinson noted there are sewer lines in place currently; however they are not being utilized and would need to be moved. By installing new lines, it will allow for future hook ups if needed without having to tear up the new roadway.

#### IN THE MATTER OF LOUIS DREYFUS CF-1 AND SB-1 ABATEMENT FORMS:

County Auditor Marsha McSherry presented the CF-1 and SB-1 Forms for Louis Dreyfus Agricultural Industries, LLC for approval. Council members reviewed the forms and agreed they seemed to be compliant.

Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve CF-1 and SB-1 forms as MOTION:

SECOND: Tom Anglin presented.

AYES: 6 NAYES:

MOTION CARRIED

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL Monday, August 23, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their preliminary budget meeting on Monday, August 23, 2010 at 6:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones, President Brad Tandy

Tom Anglin Charlene Knispel - Absent

Larry Teghtmeyer Bob Sanders

John Kinsey Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey.

President Harold Jones thanked the department heads/elected officials for their efforts in keeping their 2011 budget requests in line with their 2010 budgets. He noted that due to good job done by all, the Council had opted to condense the budget hearings into one night as opposed to the two nights as in the past.

## IN THE MATTER OF WAGE COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Brad Tandy, Wage Committee Member, presented the Wage Committee report. Tandy noted the other members of the Wage Committee are Council Member, Larry Teghtmeyer and Commissioner, Brad Jackson.

- ❖ Wage Committee recommended a potential 2% salary increase for all full time employees for 2011. Tandy stated the Committee had considerable discussion on the matter and noted the recommendation is made with caution due to the lower than anticipated income tax revenue from the state. However, with the budget reductions made in 2010 and the efforts of the department heads/elected officials to keep the head count at a minimum to help reduce costs the Committee felt a 2% increase could be accommodated.
- ❖ Wage Committee also recommended a 2% increase for all part time employees. Current part time rates are \$9.02 and \$10.11 for experienced part time. Tandy stated the Wage Committee continues to encourage and focus on the utilization of part time employees where possible, adding this will help the County remain fiscally responsible in these difficult economic times.
- ❖ Committee recommended departments that were requesting additional part time hours address Council on a department by department basis as the increase in hours is an additional increase in costs.
- ❖ Wage Committee also addressed the Chief Dispatch position. Tandy stated, Assistant Chief Dispatcher David Rosenberry has assumed additional job duties (in the role of Chief Dispatch), while Chief Dispatch Tom Brindle continues to have expertise in other areas of the E911 Center. The Wage Committee recommended a merit increase in the amount of \$2,972.00 for Rosenberry due to the sharing of the job responsibilities and the additional duties assumed. Rosenberry would also receive the 2% wage increase that was recommended for all employees.
- ❖ Extension Office had requested the part time secretary be reinstated to a full time position. The Wage Committee's recommendation was to deny the request and the position remains a part time position. Tandy noted in respect to the Extension office, it was the Wage Committee's recommendation that all offices continue to utilize part time staff as much as possible.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve Wage Committee's SECOND: John Kinsey recommendations as presented.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

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Council President Jones noted as the meeting was a work session, it would not be necessary to have a vote on each department's budget as it is reviewed as many of the budgets did not have any changes from 2010.

# **IN THE MATTER OF EXTENSION 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Joan Younce, Extension Office Director, presented the Extension Office budget noting no increases. Younce added contractual services have remained the same for three years and also noted there were no raises for the Purdue staff in 2010 and there would be none for 2011as well. In other staff; Younce referenced that her office has one full time secretary and one part time secretary at this time.

## IN THE MATTER OF AREA PLAN 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Area Plan budget reflected no increases for 2011.

## **IN THE MATTER OF ASSESSOR 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

County Assessor Laurie Renier presented her budget for 2011 for Council's review. Council member Larry Teghtmeyer questioned Renier about the overtime line item. Renier stated the overtime would be used to pay the personal property staff. Renier noted she had not budgeted for overtime in 2010 and had to give comp time instead; adding she would rather pay those employees than grant the comp time. She went on to say this year; she sent her personal property staff out to three locations to assess personal property for the Amish and to sell buggy plates working on Saturdays from 8:00am until 2:00pm.

Council member Tandy questioned the increase in postage in the Assessors' budget. Renier responded the majority of the mail is sent from the centralized postage meter located at the Courthouse and postage has been paid by County General; however she felt Reassessment funds should be used to pay the postage to mail out the Form 11s that are required by law to be sent out. The postage in the Assessor's budget in County General is to be used to mail out personal property forms which is not a part of annual real estate reassessment.

Council member Teghtmeyer questioned Renier regarding the number of staff she currently has. Renier stated she has not increased the number of staff from last year; adding she has lost two part time staffers due to college and other job opportunities. Renier also noted she does not anticipate replacing those two positions.

## **IN THE MATTER OF REASSESSMENT 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Councilman Teghtmeyer noted the sizeable increase in the Reassessment budget. Renier stated Reassessment began July 1, 2010 for the 2012 assessing year. Renier added she did not intend to hire additional staff to do the necessary work, but wanted to utilize the expertise she currently has working in her office. It was also noted there was a reduction in part time as the overtime should take care of the need for additional part time help.

Councilman Teghtmeyer questioned Renier about the additional salary line item request for herself as well as her Chief Deputy in the Reassessment budget. Renier stated that due to the additional work that will be required for Reassessment she felt they should be compensated for the additional hours involved. Councilman Tandy questioned how the matter had been handled in the past. Renier responded in the past they were paid a per diem. She noted this year she calculated the amount requested based on twenty hours per week at their hourly rate.

Councilman Teghtmeyer questioned if Council should vote on the additional line items at this time. Further discussion ensued regarding past procedures for additional reassessment hours. Councilman Teghtmeyer also questioned Renier about extra pay the Assessor and deputies receive during reassessment. Renier stated they receive annual Level I & II compensation for being certified. Renier referenced the fact that Chief Deputies are not compensated for overtime; adding they work very hard and put in a lot of extra time. She noted the only compensation they can receive is comp time. It was noted the Commissioners Personnel Policy set the policy regarding the compensation for Chief Deputies.

Councilman Tandy stated he didn't feel he had enough information at this time to make an informed decision. Teghtmeyer added there is a legal obligation to pay any non-exempt employee overtime that works in excess of 40 hours per week; however, elected officials are not covered by that federal law. It was the consensus of Council to review this matter at their budget hearing on Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### IN THE MATTER OF ASSESSOR ED/SALES DISCLOSURE 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council reviewed the Assessor Ed/Sales Disclosure Fund budget noting no increases were indicated.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF AUDITOR 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

County Auditor Marsha McSherry stated she had requested increases in her Per Diem and Rebinding Records line items. McSherry stated additional travel expenses due to location of conferences warranted the increase in the Per Diem line. McSherry noted it was prudent to stay on track with the rebinding of the record books in order to keep them in good shape as researchers still use them.

McSherry also addressed her requested increase in part time noting the increase was to accommodate the extra work that was required due to the homestead verification forms the state has mandated and the fact that her office is down two full time employees.

## IN THE MATTER OF PLAT BOOK FUND 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council reviewed the Plat Book Fund budget noting no increases were indicated.

#### IN THE MATTER OF MAINTENANCE 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

County Administrator Ron Robinson stated the only increases were for wages.

## **IN THE MATTER OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Council noted the Emergency Management budget reflected no increases for 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Local Emergency Planning budget reflected no increases for 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF CLERK 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Clerk's budget reflected no increases for 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF ELECTION BOARD 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Election Board budget reflected significant decreases for 2011 due to there being no county elections - only city/municipal elections in 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF VOTERS REGISTRATION 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Voter's Registration budget reflected no increases for 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

County Administrator Ron Robinson stated the only increases included in the Commissioner's budget were wages and Workmen's Compensation. Council President Jones noted it had been the Commissioner's recommendation that the Not for Profits receive the same allocation for 2011 that they did in 2010 with the exception of the Bowen Center whose increased allocation is mandated by the State.

# **IN THE MATTER OF CORONER 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Coroner John Sadler presented his 2011 budget request. Sadler noted minimal increases with a reduction in the pager service line item as they had discontinued the pagers in lieu of cell phones. Council President Jones questioned Sadler if the requested budget would cover the anticipated expenses for next year in light of this year's recent additional appropriation request. Sadler responded there is no way to anticipate the actual expenses; however he did not want to ask for increases in his budget that may not be needed. Sadler added he would prefer to come back for an additional appropriation if or when there was a need.

## IN THE MATTER OF JAIL 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Sheriff Rocky Goshert presented his 2011 jail budget for review. Goshert stated there were no increases in the budget with the exception of salaries. Goshert also referenced the Meals for Prisoners line item; noting a portion of the line item had been moved to the Rainy Day Fund for 2010 during the budget reductions and the entire appropriation was being requested in the Jail budget for 2011.

# **IN THE MATTER OF SHERIFF 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Sheriff Rocky Goshert presented his 2011 sheriff's budget for review. Goshert stated there were no increases in the budget with the exception of salaries. President Jones noted Motor Vehicles had been budgeted in the Sheriff's budget as well as in the Cum Jail Fund. After further discussion it was Council's recommendation that the vehicles be removed from the Sheriff's budget and remains budgeted in the Cum Jail Fund. Councilman Tandy questioned where the Cum Jail Fund stood. Auditor McSherry stated it is collecting enough to cover the \$150,000.00 cost of five sheriff's vehicles.

# IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY CORRECTION 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the County Correction budget reflected no increases for 2011.

# IN THE MATTER OF LAW ENFORCEMENT FORFEITURES 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Local Law Enforcement Forfeitures budget reflected no increases for 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEY 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council reviewed the Prosecuting Attorney's budget and noted there were no increases for 2011.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF TITLE IV-D 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Council noted the Title IV-D budget reflected no increases for 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF VOCA 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council reviewed the 2011 Voca budget. It was noted there was an increase for the Operating Supplies - Expenses line item.

## **IN THE MATTER OF RECORDER 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Council reviewed the Recorder's budget request noting there were no increases for 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF VETERANS OFFICER 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Veterans Officer budget reflected no increases for 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF SOIL AND WATER 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council reviewed the Soil & Water budget request noting there were no increases for 2011.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF SURVEYOR 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Council noted the Surveyor's budget reflected a minimal increase for instrument repair for 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF DRAINAGE BOARD 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council reviewed the Drainage Board budget request noting there were no increases for 2011.

#### IN THE MATTER OF SURVEYOR CORNER PERPETUATION 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Surveyor Corner Perpetuation budget reflected no increases for 2011.

## **IN THE MATTER OF TREASURER 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

County Treasurer Sue Ann Mitchell presented her 2011 budget request for Council's review. Mitchell stated there was a \$2,000.00 increase in her Lock Box Tax Payment Services line item for 2011. Mitchell noted Lake City Bank has gone to a monthly billing for the service and it was unclear at this time if that would result in additional costs. Mitchell also addressed her part time, noting she had an employee that went from full time to part time at the beginning of 2010. She noted the proposed increase simply reflects what is currently being done and she is not requesting any additional hours or staff.

## **IN THE MATTER OF CIRCUIT AND SUPERIOR 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Judge Reed, Circuit Court presented the Circuit & Superior I budget for Council's review noting there were no increases for 2011. Chief Probation Officer Ron Babcock stated probation officer(s) salaries were frozen at the 2009 rate and there were no increases in salaries for 2011 other than one officer who would receive a level increase.

#### IN THE MATTER OF ADULT PROBATION USER FEES 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Ron Babcock, Chief Probation Officer stated the probation officer's salaries are set at the 2003 state level and the state mandated salary increases are paid from the Adult Probation User Fund.

#### IN THE MATTER OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL USER FEES 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Judge Sutton, Superior III presented the Drug & Alcohol User Fee budget for Council's review. Sutton noted the increase in part time was due to one of the probation officers going from full time to part time this year; however the overall budget had been reduced.

#### IN THE MATTER OF SUPERIOR II AND III 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Judge Sutton, Superior III presented the Superior II & III budget for Council's review. Sutton stated the overall budget had been reduced due to a significant reduction in the Pauper Counsel line item. He went on to say they were able to reduce Pauper Counsel as they did not have to pay contract fees as well as individual claims as they had in 2009 in order to become compliant for reimbursement. Sutton added all courts were in compliance for public defender reimbursement at this time.

#### IN THE MATTER OF COUNCIL 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council President Harold Jones reported the Council's budget did not have any increases for 2011.

# **IN THE MATTER OF E911 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

David Rosenberry, Assistant Chief Dispatch presented the E911 budget for Council's review. Rosenberry stated the clothing allowance line item had been included again for 2011. Rosenberry noted in the past the line item had been at \$4,500.00 but had been removed during the reductions for 2010. He added it had been included for 2011; however at a reduced amount of \$2,550.00 which was equal to \$150.00 per dispatcher.

#### IN THE MATTER OF E911 2011 BUDGET REQUEST CONTINUED:

Rosenberry also referenced the reduction to the Telephone Services line item due to Tom Brindle's hard work and diligence in working with the phone company.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF HEALTH 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Council reviewed the 2011 Health Fund budget noting no increases were indicated.

#### IN THE MATTER OF HEALTH MAINTENANCE GRANT 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Health Maintenance Grant budget reflected no increases for 2011.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF PRENATAL GRANT 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Council reviewed the Prenatal Grant budget noting an increase in the Rent of Buildings line item. It was noted the Health Department clinic services have been expanded at the K21 Health Pavilion to include more services and an additional room was rented with the approval of the County Commissioners.

## IN THE MATTER OF WELL CHILD GRANT 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Well Child Grant budget reflected no increases for 2011.

# IN THE MATTER OF PANDEMIC 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council noted the Pandemic budget also reflected no increases for 2011.

## IN THE MATTER OF TB MEDICAL EXPENSES 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council reviewed the TB Medical Expenses budget noting no increases were indicated.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Dennis Pletcher, Highway Superintendent presented the County Highway budgets for Council's review. President Jones thanked Pletcher for the additional paperwork that was supplied explaining the needs of the Department. Pletcher stated he had budgeted for one used truck, stating a new single axle truck runs between \$130,000 and \$150,000. He added that he had not purchased a new truck for five years; however feels it will become harder to continue to find quality used trucks.

Councilman Tom Anglin questioned Pletcher regarding the increase for Part Time. Pletcher noted his department is down three full time employees and he hasn't used any part time help for the past three years. However, with Council recommending the utilization of more part time, he felt it wise to request an increase for that line item.

Councilman Teghtmeyer questioned Pletcher regarding the increase for contractual services. Pletcher noted this line item is used to pay for contracted snow plowing, excavating, etc. Pletcher also referenced increases for building repairs and equipment rental which would include larger equipment the Department does not have for a project.

Pletcher went on to say he is anticipating a decrease in revenue and feels the Department is against the wall even though he has tried to be conservative. He added he is unaware of any other revenue sources that would be available and feels it may become necessary for other funding to pick up the road repair work needed. Teghtmeyer questioned Major Moves monies with Pletcher responding he has kept those monies in reserve to help with expenses when times are lean as requested by the Commissioners. Pletcher added that is why there have not been any special projects initiated.

Council member Bob Sanders questioned the increase for computer software. Pletcher stated a portion of the line item is used for the yearly maintenance fee for the computer program. He noted he would like to use the additional amount requested to upgrade the CAD program next year as the current program is very old and there are many newer programs available.

## IN THE MATTER OF LOCAL ROAD AND STREET 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council also reviewed the LRS budget along with the Highway budget.

# **IN THE MATTER OF CUM BRIDGE 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Dennis Pletcher, Highway Superintendent presented the Cum Bridge budget for Council's review. Pletcher reported the Cum Bridge Fund collections are not able to keep up with the expenses and repairs needed. Pletcher went on to say with the number of bridges we have in the County and the life expectancy of a bridge, the County should be replacing two bridges every year as well as rehabbing several others. He went on to say a small bridge would cost anywhere from \$300,000 - \$400,000 to replace. Rehab of a bridge or small structure can range anywhere between \$60,000 and \$200,000.

# IN THE MATTER OF CUM BRIDGE 2011 BUDGET REQUEST CONTINUED:

Pletcher stated the County has some of the best bridges in the state and he would like to keep them that way; however they are all aging with the life expectancy of 50 to 60 years for a concrete bridge.

Pletcher also noted that many of the bridges in the County are really small structures and not classified as a bridge. Pletcher reiterated the fact the collections for the Cum Bridge Fund are not keeping up with expenses. He stated he does keep in touch with the Auditor to see where revenue estimates are going so that he may determine what projects can be completed.

Councilman Teghtmeyer voiced his concern on the importance of keeping up with the repairs and replacements. Both Teghtmeyer and Jones felt the matter needed to be looked into further before Thursday's meeting with the possibility of increasing the tax rate for the Cum Bridge Fund.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF CUM JAIL 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Council reviewed the Cum Jail Fund budget noting the Motor Vehicles would remain budgeted in Cum Jail and be removed from the Sheriff's budget.

## IN THE MATTER OF CUM CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT (CCD) 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Council reviewed the CCD budget and noted the budget reflected no increases for 2011.

## **IN THE MATTER OF RAINY DAY 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Council noted nothing had been budgeted in the Rainy Day Fund for 2011.

## **IN THE MATTER OF EDIT 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Council reviewed the EDIT budget noting no increases for 2011. It was also noted that E911 Equipment was budgeted in this fund. Ron Robinson, County Administrator stated this is used to update the equipment in Dispatch as needed. He added updates are done on a gradual basis if possible to avoid a larger onetime expense.

# IN THE MATTER OF REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (Dreyfus TIF) 2011 BUDGET REOUEST:

Council reviewed the Redevelopment Commission budget and noted the budget reflected no increases for 2011.

# **IN OTHER MATTERS:**

Council members reviewed the following items:

- ❖ Possibility of increasing the Cum Bridge Fund rate to aid with collections/expenses
- ❖ The need for additional information regarding the Reassessment per diem/compensation for the Assessor and Chief Deputy. Councilman Tandy requested information on what has been done in the past regarding per diems as opposed to what is being proposed for the 2011 budget.
  - o Assessor Renier stated Reassessment is an eighteen month process; however there are IC Codes that outline the time table that must be followed. Renier expressed concern with the time tables as the pricing tables needed will not be available to them until July 2, 2011.

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL August 26, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their budget review meeting on Thursday, August 26, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones Charlene Knispel - Absent Tom Anglin Larry Teghtmeyer

John Kinsey Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey.

President Harold Jones stated the Auditor has requested clarification on the following items:

❖ Part Time Wages – base pay and experienced pay for part time was addressed at Monday's meeting; however clarification was needed on all other part time employees that were paid outside of the base/experienced rates. Council member Larry Teghtmeyer stated is was the Wage Committee's recommendation that all part time employees receive a 2% increase.

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MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve a 2% increase for all other part

SECOND: **Brad Tandy** time employees based on the Wage AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 Committee's recommendation.

MOTION CARRIED

❖ Part Time Hours – County Auditor Marsha McSherry stated the Clerk and Treasurer had increased hours however Council had approved additional appropriations for 2010 for both of the offices; therefore those were not true increases. She went on to say the Auditor's office was the only office requesting an increase in part time hours and that was due to the elimination of one full time position. President Jones noted there was a significant increase in part time for the Extension office also. Further discussion ensued regarding the Extension's request, with Auditor McSherry noting the Wage Committee had denied the Extension's request for reinstatement of a full time secretary; therefore the increase for the part time secretary position.

MOTION: TO: Approve \$15,000.00 for part time **Brad Tandy** secretary position for Extension office. SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer

NAYES: AYES: 6

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION: **Brad Tandy** TO: Approve part time hours in all other

SECOND: **Bob Sanders** budgets as presented.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

❖ Overtime – It was noted the Assessor and Maintenance had requested additional overtime. Assessor Laurie Renier reviewed the number of part time people she is using in her office and with the loss of two of those part time people this year; she is requesting additional overtime monies due to Reassessment. Renier then presented handouts to the Council members that outlined the reassessment procedures along with a Q & A on Reassessment. Renier also noted if overtime is not needed, she will not spend the appropriation.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve overtime for Assessor and

SECOND: Brad Tandy Maintenance as presented.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

❖ Per Diem for Assessor and Chief Deputy Assessor for Reassessment Duties – Councilman Tandy stated historically the Assessor has been compensated \$20.00 per day for Reassessment duties. He went on to say the Wage Committee felt the \$20.00 per diem was a fair compensation for the Assessor with the Chief Deputy to receive 75% of that per diem as compensation.

Larry Teghtmeyer MOTION: TO: Approve \$20.00 per diem for Assessor for Reassessment duties, not to exceed \$5,200.00 SECOND: **Brad Tandy** NAYES: 0 and \$15.00 per diem for Chief Deputy, not to AYES: 6 exceed \$3,900.00.

❖ Motor Vehicles in Sheriff's Budget - It was the Council's recommendation the Motor Vehicles be removed from the Sheriff's budget and remain budgeted in Cum Jail.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Removed the Motor Vehicles from the SECOND: John Kinsey Sheriff's budget and leave them budgeted in

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 Cum Jail.

MOTION CARRIED

❖ Postage for Assessor – Councilman Tandy stated the Assessor had explained the increase at Monday's preliminary hearing.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Approve postage increase in Assessor's

SECOND: Tom Anglin budget at presented.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

❖ All other 20000, 30000 and 4,000 lines items − Council members noted very minimal increase overall in the remaining line items.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve remaining 20000, 30000, and

SECOND: Bob Sanders 4, 0000 line items as presented.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

#### IN THE MATTER OF CUM BRIDGE FUND:

President Jones stated the Council had discussed the Cum Bridge Fund and rate. Jones went on to say an increase for the Cum Bridge fund would need to be addressed/established prior to August 1<sup>st</sup>. Jones noted the Commissioners are also aware of the situation and understand other funds may need to help fund bridge projects. Councilman Tandy added if there is a need, the Council is supportive of finding appropriate funding to get the job done. Councilman Teghtmeyer stated Council feels the County can fund a bridge program as needed and it would not need to be a part of the budget process. He added Dennis Pletcher, Highway Superintendent, the Commissioners and the Council would need to work together to come up with a feasible solution.

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL September 9, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, September 9, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones Charlene Knispel - Absent

Tom Anglin Larry Teghtmeyer John Kinsey Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey.

# IN THE MATTER OF MIDWEST RAKE COMPANY, LLC AND CASS HOLDINGS, LLC - ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION RESOLUTIONS:

Steve Snyder, Attorney for Midwest Rake Company, LLC and Cass Holdings, LLC stated the initial resolution was approved by Council on August 12, 2010 for tax abatement for Midwest Rake Company, LLC and Cass Holdings, LLC. Snyder then stated Midwest Rake is requesting five (5) year abatement on personal property with Cass Holdings requesting ten (10) year abatement for real property.

# IN THE MATTER OF MIDWEST RAKE COMPANY, LLC AND CASS HOLDINGS, LLC - ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION RESOLUTIONS CONTINUED:

Snyder noted Midwest Rake is set to move into buildings 1 and 2 of the Monaco Coach Complex, with Cass Holdings to then lease or sell the remaining five (5) buildings to other companies. Snyder added many improvements such as sprinkler system, loading dock doors, updated electrical and heating/cooling system were made to bring the buildings up to specifications.

Snyder stated Midwest Rake will be investing an additional \$200,000 in new equipment/personal property, creating an additional \$410,000 in payroll and employ twenty (20) permanent employees over a four (4) year period. Snyder noted Cass Holdings owns the real estate and will be leasing the two (2) buildings to Midwest Rake and added there is a potential for anywhere from 8 to 250 jobs depending on what type of business(es) would locate in the remaining five (5) buildings.

President Harold Jones opened the meeting as a public hearing for the tax abatement for Midwest Rake and Cass Holdings. No one appeared either in favor or in opposition to the tax abatement.

Council Member Bob Sanders questioned if there was a specific tenant Cass Holdings was looking for to either purchase or lease the remaining five (5) buildings. Synder responded either warehousing or manufacturing tenant(s) would succeed as a potential tenant for the buildings.

Sanders then questioned Council whether a tenant would also have the opportunity for tax abatement on equipment in addition to the tax abatement in place for Midwest Rake and Cass Holdings. Both President Jones and Snyder responded tax abatement can be offered to potential tenants for personal property.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve confirmatory resolution(s) for SECOND: Bob Sanders tax abatement for Midwest Rake Company,

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 LLC and Cass Holdings, LLC.

MOTION CARRIED

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-09-09-001 RESOLUTION NO. 10-09-09-002** 

As recorded in of the office of the Kosciusko County Recorder

# IN THE MATTER OF 2011 SOLID WASTE DISTRICT BUDGET REVIEW:

Council Member John Kinsey spoke on behalf of the Solid Waste Board stating all is well and Sue Studebaker is doing a great job. County Auditor Marsha McSherry reminded Council this meeting is for review and discussion of the budget with adoption at the October Council meeting.

## IN THE MATTER OF 2011 CITY OF WARSAW NON-BINDING RECOMMENDATION:

Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer noted the City of Warsaw budget has a sizeable increase due to the Wayne Township Fire District and he is unsure how that will affect Wayne Township.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve resolution that the City of SECOND: Tom Anglin Warsaw 2011 budget stay at or under the 2.9% AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 levy growth quotient as calculated by the State MOTION CARRIED Budget Agency and also continue to keep the

budget with little or no increases.

## **IN THE MATTER OF 2011 BUDGET ADOPTION:**

Council President Jones opened the floor for discussion regarding the 2011 budget. No one in attendance spoke regarding the budget.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Adopt 2011 County budget as reviewed SECOND: John Anglin and approved in August, 2010 budget hearings.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

## IN THE MATTER OF DECLARATION OF COUNTY TAX RATES – COIT/CEDIT:

Marsha McSherry, County Auditor, explained each year Council must file a Declaration of County Tax Rates for COIT and CEDIT. McSherry noted the rate for COIT will be .007 and the rate for CEDIT will be .003, the same as the previous year.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve Declaration of County Rates as

SECOND: Brad Tandy presented.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL October 14, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, October 14, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones Charlene Knispel – *Absent* 

Tom Anglin Larry Teghtmeyer John Kinsey Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey.

#### IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR DISPATCH:

David Rosenberry, Director of Personnel for 911 Dispatch, requested a transfer of \$8,000.00 from the Telephone account to the Overtime account. Rosenberry stated there has been an abundance of sick time this year hence the need for increased overtime.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve transfer of \$8,000.00 from

SECOND: Brad Tandy 100-31034-000-054 7 Telephone

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-11401-000-054 Overtime.

# IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR EMPLOYEE HIRE FOR DISPATCH:

David Rosenberry, Director of Personnel for 911 Dispatch, requested permission to hire one (1) full-time dispatcher due to a vacancy in that position. Rosenberry explained a dispatcher resigned and that position needs to be filled.

Council Member Brad Tandy questioned whether the new employee would be hired at a lower rate than the existing employee. Rosenberry stated the new hire would be at an entry level rate.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Allow Dispatch to hire full-time employee

SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer as requested.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

# <u>IN THE MATTER OF KOSCIUSKO COUNTY CONVENTION, RECREATION AND VISITOR COMMISSION 2011 BUDGET ADOPTION:</u>

Wes Stouder, KCCRVC President, presented the 2011 KCCRVC budget request for Council's review. Council Member Bob Sanders questioned if there is any indication of what projected collections may be for 2011. Stouder responded the collections should be the same or slightly higher than last year.

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, reminded Council the collections are one (1) month in arrears.

McSherry stated collections are approximately \$11,000 more for September, 2010 than September, 2009. McSherry also noted a September 30, 2010 cash balance of \$28,000.

Sanders expressed concern with how the KCCRVC's budget is reached. Stouder responded the budget is determined by tracking the previous years' budgets, projecting the revenue and prioritizing items within the budget.

Sanders stated he was not comfortable with the figures presented and would like to table the matter. McSherry stated the DLGF requires budgets to be approved by Council by November 1, 2010, therefore requiring a Special Council Meeting in the next two (2) weeks, to meet the November 1<sup>st</sup> deadline if the matter is tabled.

Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer questioned the responsible entity for any shortfall in the KCCRVC budget. McSherry responded the County is not responsible for any shortfall in the KCCRVC budget. Teghtmeyer expressed concern with not having additional documentation to support the budget. Sanders also expressed concern with the CVB income listed in their budget as being more than the projected income. Stouder deferred to Mary Kittrell, CVB Executive Director, where Kittrell responded there is additional revenue from the anticipated sales of the Visitor's Guide with that revenue being used to offset the expense of producing the Visitor's Guide.

# IN THE MATTER OF KOSCIUSKO COUNTY CONVENTION, RECREATION AND VISITOR COMMISSION 2011 BUDGET ADOPTION CONTINUED:

Sanders expressed concern with the budget and felt all income does not need to be spent. Stouder added if the income is not there for the entire budget, the expenditures are adjusted to match the income.

Sanders questioned whether the CVB understood that criteria as it related to the CVB budget. Kittrell responded the KCCRVC had made it clear for the last two (2) years that if there is a shortfall in collections; the CVB will not receive their full appropriation and will have to reduce their budget. Kittrell stated the CCAC is also aware of this procedure/policy.

President Harold Jones stated he felt the budget could be approved and if there are still questions, they can be worked out with the KCCRVC.

Sanders expressed further concern with approving a budget when the collection revenue is unknown and also where the CVB and CCAC would cut their budget. Stouder reiterated the KCCRVC disburses funds to the CVB (and CCAC) and the CVB and CCAC have been instructed that if collections fall short, then the CVB (and CCAC) will not receive funding and will have to reduce their budget(s). Stouder noted this was the action taken in 2009 when the collections hit an all time low.

Council Member Brad Tandy questioned whether the budgets would be cut back on a percentage basis. Stouder responded if the budgets must be reduced the items are prioritized and cut according to priority. Sanders questioned who controls what the CVB does with the funding provided by the KCCRVC. Stouder responded the CVB has a board that handles the day to day finances of the CVB and they prepare a report for the KCCRVC every month. Sanders questioned when the CVB receives their funding. McSherry responded the CVB receives their funding at the beginning of each quarter and only if the funds are available as the Auditor cannot distribute funds that are not there.

Council Member Tom Anglin reiterated if there is a shortfall in the KCCRVC budget, the County is not responsible to cover the shortfall and the collections cannot be used for anything else.

Sanders questioned how the KCCRVC and Council know what the CVB and CCAC are using the funds for. Stouder responded both the CVB and CCAC are audited each year and Stouder can tender copies of those audits to Council. Council Member Sanders made a motion to table approval of budget until further information was made available. Council Member Teghtmeyer seconded the motion.

Tandy questioned what additional information could be reviewed in the next two (2) weeks for a Special Council meeting that would be helpful. Tandy agreed a copy of the audit would be helpful but any questions could be addressed to the KCCRVC after approving the budget.

Council Member John Kinsey agreed with Anglin the County is not liable for any shortfall that may occur in the KCCRVC budget.

Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer expressed concern with passing a budget based on projected collections and would prefer it based on available cash. Teghtmeyer agreed the CVB and CCAC should provide audit reports and financial statements to Council in advance of the budget process. Stouder stated the 2009 audit should be available in a few weeks.

Teghtmeyer stated he would change his vote to "aye" if financial statements and audit documents are provided by CVB and CCAC and also if the Motion states the County is not liable for any shortfall in the KCCRVC budget. Teghtmeyer also requested those financial documents be filed in advance of the budget process so Council can properly review same. Kittrell stated whatever documentation Council needs, the CVB would happy to provide.

MOTION: Tom Anglin SECOND: John Kinsey AYES: 5 NAYES: 1 MOTION CARRIED TO: Approve 2011 KCCRVC budget, as presented with financial statements and audit documents to be provided to Council and with the stipulation the County is not liable for any shortfall in the KCCRVC budget.

#### IN THE MATTER OF 2011 SOLID WASTE DISTRICT BUDGET ADOPTION:

Sue Studebaker, Solid Waste District Director appeared before Council for the budget adoption. Council Member John Kinsey stated the Solid Waste District recently purchased a Certificate of Deposit in the amount of \$132,000 and is doing well. Kinsey gave accolades to Studebaker for her hard work and dedication to the District.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve 2011 budget for Solid Waste

SECOND: Bob Sanders District as presented. AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

# IN THE MATTER OF CUSTOM ENGINEERED WHEELS, INC - ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION RESOLUTION:

Steve Snyder, Attorney for Custom Engineered Wheels, Inc. appeared before Council to begin the process of requesting tax abatement.

Snyder stated Custom Engineered Wheels, Inc. is the international headquarter for engineered wheels and has been located in Warsaw for approximately thirty (30) years. Snyder then stated the company is in expansion mode due to increased demand. Snyder added the expansion includes the purchase of new manufacturing equipment as well as and information technology equipment. Snyder then added real estate improvements will be completed also. Snyder stated some of the real estate improvements have begun due to the seasonality of the work however the resolution has been drafted with a waiver for work already begun. Snyder stated currently the company has 76 full-time employees with up to fifteen (15) full-time temporary employees due to the seasonality of the work. Snyder stated the tax abatement request includes the addition of thirteen (13) permanent full-time employees.

Snyder requested Council approve a declaratory resolution that would initiate the process for a public hearing in November for tax abatement as well as a waiver that would allow for the installation of new equipment that previously began. Snyder noted Custom Engineered Wheels, Inc. will be requesting ten (10) year abatement on both real and personal property.

President Harold Jones reminded Snyder the next Council meeting is a week early on November 4, 2010 due to the Veteran's Day holiday.

Council Member John Kinsey expressed concern with granting ten (10) year abatement on both real and personal property. Snyder explained as the property is landlocked and expansion is limited, the size and type of machinery must be adjusted to fit into the building.

Council Member Brad Tandy requested a breakdown for the real and personal property abatements. Snyder then provided the information requested.

Council Member Larry Teghtmeyer opposed the resolution due to the ten (10) year term. Snyder informed Teghtmeyer if he needs any additional information for the abatement to let him know.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Approve resolution to proceed with tax SECOND: Tom Anglin abatement hearings for Custom Engineered

AYES: 5 NAYES: 1 Wheels, Inc.

MOTION CARRIED

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 10-10-14-001 ERA**

As recorded in of the office of the Kosciusko County Recorder

## IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR NEW HIRES FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

Sheriff Rocky Goshert and County Administrator, Ron Robinson, requested permission to hire three (3) employees due to vacancies resulting from resignations at the Work Release Center. Sheriff Goshert stated all three (3) vacancies happened in the last month leaving the Work Release Center understaffed. Sheriff Goshert noted due to the timing, he did not have time to approach Council prior to replacing two (2) of the three (3) positions.

Council Member Brad Tandy questioned whether the positions were entry level. Sheriff Goshert responded all three (3) positions are entry level.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Allow Sheriff to fill three (3) positions for

SECOND: Bob Sanders Work Release Center.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### IN THE MATTER OF COURTHOUSE UPDATES:

County Administrator, Ron Robinson, gave the following updates to Council:

- ❖ Lift on the Courthouse lawn has been used for maintenance on and around the Courthouse, maintenance that was previously hired out; and
- ❖ Full-time housekeeping person resigned but he intends on filling that position with a part-time person.

# IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR NEW HIRE FOR CLERK'S OFFICE:

County Administrator, Ron Robinson, on behalf of County Clerk, Jason McSherry, requested permission to fill one (1) full-time position vacated by a retirement. Robinson noted McSherry would like to fill the position with an employee that is currently working part-time.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Allow Clerk to fill full-time position as

SECOND: Brad Tandy requested.

AYES: 6 NAYES: 0

## IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT INTRODUCTION:

County Administrator, Ron Robinson introduced Scott Tilden as the new Highway Superintendent appointed by the Commissioners. Robinson explained Tilden has 27 years of experience as Superintendent in Fulton County.

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL November 4, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, November 4, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold JonesCharlene Knispel - AbsentTom AnglinLarry Teghtmeyer - AbsentJohn KinseyBrad Tandy - Absent

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by President Harold Jones. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey.

## **IN THE MATTER OF 2010 SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT:**

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented a salary ordinance amendment stating this is for a deputy moving from a level III to a level II due to reclassification of duties retroactive to October 25, 2010.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve salary ordinance amendment as

SECOND: John Kinsey presented.

AYES: 4 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### IN THE MATTER OF 2011 SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, also presented a salary ordinance amendment for 2011 stating this is for the deputy moving from a level III to a level II.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Approve salary ordinance amendment as

SECOND: John Kinsey presented.

AYES: 4 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR AUDITOR:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, requested a transfer of \$600.00 from the Part-Time account to the Financial/Settlement Deputy account. McSherry explained this transfer will cover the shortfall for 2010 due to the reclassification of a deputy from a level III to a level II.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve transfer of \$600.00 from

SECOND: Tom Anglin 100-11301-000-005 Part-Time

AYES: 4 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-11057-000-005 Financial/Settlement

Deputy.

#### IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF 2011 FUNDS FOR AUDITOR:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, requested a transfer of \$3170.00 from the Part-Time account to the Financial/Settlement Deputy account. McSherry explained this transfer is for 2011 funds to cover the shortfall due to the reclassification of a deputy from a level III to a level II.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve transfer of \$3170.00 from

SECOND: Tom Anglin 100-11301-000-005 Part-Time

AYES: 4 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-11057-000-005 Financial/Settlement

Deputy.

# IN THE MATTER OF CUSTOM ENGINEERED WHEELS, INC. TAX ABATEMENT HEARING:

Attorney Steve Snyder, on behalf of Custom Engineered Wheels, Inc. appeared before Council for the public hearing on tax abatement and waiver for Custom Engineered Wheels, Inc. Snyder stated ten (10) year tax abatement is requested on both real and personal property. Snyder explained the property is landlocked and expansion is limited; therefore, the size and type of machinery must be adjusted to fit into the building. The hearing was opened for public comment of which there was no one in attendance that spoke in opposition to the abatement request.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Approve ten (10) year tax abatement and SECOND: Tom Anglin waiver for both real and personal property for AYES: 4 NAYES: 0 Custom Engineered Wheels, Inc. as requested.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

RESOLUTION NO. 10-10-14-001 ERA RESOLUTION NO. 10-10-14-002 ERA As recorded in of the office of the Kosciusko County Recorder

## IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR NEW HIRE FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR:

County Administrator, Ron Robinson on behalf of County Assessor, Laurie Renier, requested permission to hire one (1) employee to fill a vacancy resulting from an employee who left for medical reasons. Robinson agreed with Renier regarding the need to fill the vacant position.

Council Member Bob Sanders questioned where the County obtains their employee applications. Robinson replied the County receives 5-7 applications per week and applications received are held open on file for some time.

MOTION: Tom Anglin TO: Allow County Assessor to fill one (1)

SECOND: Bob Sanders position as requested.

AYES: 4 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

#### IN THE MATTER OF COURTHOUSE UPDATES:

County Administrator, Ron Robinson, updated Council noting seven (7) trees in varying degrees of rot or old age were removed from the Courthouse lawn. He added some may be replanted in the spring.

#### IN THE MATTER OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT PLAQUE PRESENTATION:

Council Member, Tom Anglin, presented Council President Harold Jones with a plaque for his service to the County Council from 1991 to 2010. Anglin bestowed his appreciation on behalf of Council to Jones for his years of service and wished Jones well in his retirement. President Jones thanked Council and the County for allowing him to serve in that capacity.

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

# KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL December 9, 2010

The Kosciusko County Council met for their regular meeting on Thursday, December 9, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom of the Courthouse, 100 W. Center St., Warsaw, IN. Those present were:

Harold Jones - *Absent* Charlene Knispel – *Absent* 

Tom Anglin Larry Teghtmeyer John Kinsey Brad Tandy

Bob Sanders Marsha McSherry, County Auditor

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Tom Anglin. The meeting was opened with the pledge and a prayer by John Kinsey.

# IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SUPERIOR I:

Judge Duane Huffer requested a transfer of \$2,000.00 from the Jury Per Diem/Travel/Meals account to the Court Ordered Services account. Judge Huffer explained this transfer will cover the shortfall for 2010 due the County's obligation to continue to provide a guardian ad litem for a child even though the State took over that responsibility.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve transfer of \$2,000.00 from SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer 100-11529-000-043 Jury Per Diem/Travel/Meals

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-31017-000-043 Court Ordered Services.

# IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SUPERIOR I:

Judge Duane Huffer requested a transfer of \$8,000.00 from the Jury Per Diem/Travel/Meals account to the Court Ordered Attorney account. Judge Huffer explained this transfer will cover the shortfall for 2010 due the County's obligation to provide a court appointed attorney for the indigent.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve transfer of \$8,000.00 from SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer 100-11529-000-043 Jury Per Diem/Travel/Meals

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-31060-000-043 Court Ordered Attorney.

## **IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR SUPERIOR I:**

Judge Duane Huffer requested a transfer of \$6,000.00 from the Jury Per Diem/Travel/Meals account to the Legal Research account. Judge Huffer explained one (1) service was taken out of the budget but a shortfall still occurred for 2010.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve transfer of \$6,000.00 from SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer 100-11529-000-043 Jury Per Diem/Travel/Meals

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-21010-000-043 Legal Research.

## IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE:

County Administrator, Ron Robinson requested a transfer of \$12,000.00 from the Housekeeping account to the Part Time Housekeeping account. Robinson explained for new hires he has replaced all full-time positions with part-time positions and this transfer will cover the shortfall for 2010.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve transfer of \$12,000.00 from

SECOND: John Kinsey 100-11068-000-006 Housekeeping

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-11316-000-006 Part Time Housekeeping.

## IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR JAIL:

Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested a transfer of \$200.00 from the Longevity account to the Work Release Staff account. Sheriff Goshert explained the funds are to cover a shortfall from when the Work Release Center was short-handed and extra help was required.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Approve transfer of \$200.00 from

SECOND: Bob Sanders 100-11090-000-013 Longevity

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 to

MOTION CARRIED 100-10108-000-013 Work Release Staff.

#### IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR NEW HIRES FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested permission to hire two (2) employees due to vacancies resulting from retirement of Deputy Bales and Deputy Springer. Sheriff Goshert added the new hires will be at a lower pay rate than the retiring deputies.

Council Member Brad Tandy questioned whether the positions were entry level. Sheriff Goshert responded they were.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Allow Sheriff to fill two (2) positions for

SECOND: Bob Sanders Sheriff's Department.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

#### IN THE MATTER OF KCODE 2011 BUDGET REQUEST:

Heather Desenberg, KCODE, presented the 2011 KCODE budget to Council for their review. Desenberg stated the goal of KCODE this year was to award as many grants as possible. Desenberg added the Meth Awareness Partnership with Unity Way and Serenity House requested funds for 2011; and with this being such a worthy cause, KCODE attempted to provide them with the maximum grant funding possible. Desenberg explained the Meth Awareness Partnership held forums in the County to raise awareness regarding the meth drug problem; adding the forums were well received by the County. She also noted the meth awareness billboards are being revived and will be going up again throughout the County. Desenberg further explained to receive KCODE funding an organization must submit a grant relating to drugs and alcohol.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Approve KCODE 2011 Budget Request

SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer as presented.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

## IN THE MATTER OF YEAR END TRANSFER RESOLUTION:

County Auditor, Marsha McSherry, presented a year end transfer resolution for Council's approval allowing the Auditor to transfer any funds necessary to allow all accounts to end the year in the black.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve Year End Transfer Resolution

SECOND: John Kinsey as presented.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

RESOLUTION 10-12-09 – YEAR END TRANSFERS As recorded in of the office of the Kosciusko County Recorder

## IN THE MATTER OF 2011 INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH SOLID WASTE DISTRICT:

Marsha McSherry, County Auditor, presented an Inter-local Agreement between the County and Solid Waste District. McSherry explained the Agreement allows the County Auditor to serve as Controller of the Solid Waste District for 2011.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Approve the Inter-local Agreement SECOND: Bob Sanders between the County and Solid Waste District AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 for County Auditor to serve as Controller as

MOTION CARRIED presented.

## IN THE MATTER OF 2011 INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH KCCRVC:

Marsha McSherry, County Auditor, presented an Inter-local Agreement between the County and KCCRVC. McSherry explained the Agreement allows the County Auditor to serve as Controller of the KCCRVC for 2011.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve the Inter-local Agreement SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer between the County and KCCRVC for County AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 Auditor to serve as Controller as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

## **IN THE MATTER OF 2011 SHERIFF'S CONTRACT:**

Marsha McSherry, County Auditor, presented the 2011 Sheriff's contract for approval. McSherry noted the contract includes a 2% salary increase. Sheriff Rocky Goshert requested his salary be capped at the 2011 rate for the remainder of his four (4) year term in office.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Approve 2011 Sheriff's contract with 2%

SECOND: Bob Sanders increase as presented and freeze for the AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 remainder of term in office pursuant to

MOTION CARRIED Sheriff's request.

# IN THE MATTER OF ALCOHOL & BEVERAGE COMMISSION APPOINTMENT:

Vice-President Tom Anglin noted the existing appointment of Kenneth Johnson.

MOTION: Brad Tandy TO: Approve re-appointment of Kenneth SECOND: John Kinsey Johnson to Alcohol & Beverage Commission.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

# IN THE MATTER OF AREA PLAN COMMISSION APPOINTMENT:

Vice-President Tom Anglin noted a recommendation of Jim Moyer to replace Charlene Knispel.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Approve appointment of Jim Moyer to

SECOND: Bob Sanders Area Plan Commission.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### IN THE MATTER OF KDI APPOINTMENT:

Vice-President Tom Anglin noted the existing KDI appointee is Council Member, Bob Sanders.

MOTION: Larry Teghtmeyer TO: Approve re-appointment of Bob Sanders

SECOND: Brad Tandy to the KDI Board.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

#### IN THE MATTER OF PTABOA APPOINTMENTS:

Vice-President Tom Anglin noted the existing PTABOA appointees are Susan Myrick and Brock Ostrom.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Approve Susan Myrick and Brock SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer Ostrom to the PTABOA Board as requested.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

# **IN THE MATTER OF REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS:**

Vice-President Tom Anglin noted the existing appointments of Larry Teghtmeyer and Bill Warren.

MOTION: John Kinsey TO: Approve re-appointment of Larry SECOND: Bob Sanders Teghtmeyer and Bill Warren to the AYES: 5 NAYES: 0 Redevelopment Commission.

MOTION CARRIED

## IN THE MATTER OF SOLID WASTE DISTRICT APPOINTMENT:

Vice-President Tom Anglin noted the existing appointment of John Kinsey.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve re-appointment of John Kinsey

SECOND: Larry Teghtmeyer to Solid Waste Board.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

MOTION CARRIED

# **IN THE MATTER OF WAGE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:**

Vice-President Tom Anglin noted the existing appointments of Brad Tandy and Larry Teghtmeyer.

MOTION: Bob Sanders TO: Approve Re-appointment of Brad Tandy SECOND: John Kinsey and Larry Teghtmeyer to Wage Committee.

AYES: 5 NAYES: 0

**MOTION CARRIED** 

Being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

## **KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL**

Harold Jones, President	Tom Anglin, Vice President
John Kinsey	Charlene Knispel
Bob Sanders	Brad Tandy
Larry Teghtmeyer	Attest:
, ,	Marsha McSherry, County Auditor