



**FRANKLIN COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
October 27, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203**

The Franklin County Council met for a public hearing and regular meeting on October 27, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners/Council Meeting Room, #203. President Koch took roll call. Those present were Becky Oglesby, Glen Bischoff, Dean McQueen, Joe Sizemore, Jeff Koch, Scott McDonough, Joe Gillespie and Cheryl Campbell, deputy auditor. A quorum was present.

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by President, Jeff Koch.

Public Hearing was opened.

Public Hearing – Resolution 2020-28 – Springfield Township Budget Approval Establishing Appropriations and Tax Rates for 2021: President Koch stated that due to conflicts Council is required to review Springfield Township's 2021 budget. Councilmembers reviewed the proposed budget for Springfield Township. **Motion to approve Resolution 2020-28 establishing appropriations and tax rates for Springfield township 2021 budget by Scott McDonough, seconded Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried.**

Motion to close the public hearing and open regular meeting by Joe Sizemore, second by Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried.

Old Business: September 22, 2020 Minutes & October 6, 2020 Minutes: Motion to approve the September 22, 2020 Minutes by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the October 6, 2020 Minutes by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

Resolution 2020-26 Additional Appropriation Requests: President Koch read Resolution 2020-26 requests for additional appropriation. Councilmember Oglesby asked about the money that was appropriated for the K9. Where did the \$20,000 go? Sheriff Cates replied that he did not get \$20,000 to purchase the K9 in his 2020 budget. Councilmember Oglesby stated that Council appropriated \$20,000.00 from their contingency line for the Sheriff's K9 during budget workshop. Councilmembers further discussed with Sheriff Cates what items he needed to get thru the rest of 2020. **Motion to approve Resolution 2020-26 for additional appropriations by Scott McDonough, seconded by Glen Bischoff. Ayes: Glen Bischoff, Dean McQueen, Joe Sizemore, Joe Gillespie, Scott McDonough and Jeff Koch. Nays: Becky Oglesby**

Resolution 2020-27: Request to Transfer - President Koch read Resolution 2020-27, a resolution to transfer certain existing appropriations which will not be needed for the purpose of which it was appropriated and that other existing funds are in need of the obligated balance. Councilmember Oglesby questioned the longevity for the CASA. She questioned if it was for the Director or secretary and has that person been here for one year or not. Councilmembers discussed that it would be fraud to receive longevity and not to have been employed for one year. They also stated that they are just transferring funds and that it is the Auditor who pays out the longevity. **Motion to approve Resolution 2020-27 requests for transfer as presented by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried.**

Resolution 2020-29: Resolution to transfer \$1,100,000.00 from Fund 4605 to Fund 1000: Council did not receive the proposed resolution to transfer the \$1,100,000.00 from Fund 4605 to Fund 1000 and will table until the November 24, 2020 meeting.

Review & Approve Council Claims for Unpaid Invoices: Council reviewed the prepared claim for Reedy Financial Group, Invoice #6745 in the sum of \$5,798.78. Councilmember Oglesby asked if the invoice included bond work for which they were paid \$30,000.00. President Koch reviewed the invoice and stated that it did not include bond work. Councilmember Oglesby stated that the invoices always say the same thing. President Koch stated he could talk to Reedy about changing the words on their invoice. Councilmember Oglesby would like to see specific detail, as in if a call is made by President Koch to Reedy the invoice should reflect that. President Koch will talk with Reedy about including more detail on their invoices. **Motion to approve the Reedy Financial Group invoice in the sum of \$5,798.78 by Scott McDonough with the request they provide more detail on the invoices to the County, seconded by Becky Oglesby, all in favor, motion carried.** Council reviewed the invoice by Barada Law Offices, number 21846 dated October 11, 2020 in the amount of \$446.25. **Motion to approve the Barada Law Office invoice in the amount of \$446.25 by Scott McDonough, seconded by Glen Bischoff, all in favor, motion carried.** Council reviewed the invoice from AIC for Council dues dated February 14, 2020 in the amount of \$140.00. **Motion to approve the AIC invoice in the sum of \$140.00 by Scott McDonough, seconded by Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried.**

Brookville Lake Regional Waste District Appointment: President Koch stated that there is a vacancy on the board and that he has received a letter from the board that Tyler Bothast is interested and they have submitted his name for consideration. **Motion to appoint Tyler Bothast to the Brookville Lake Regional Waste District by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Glen Bischoff, all in favor, motion carried.**

Council Finance Committee's proposal for 2020 Bond Expenditures: The finance committee, Jeff Koch, Scott McDonough and Becky Oglesby, met several times to discuss what expenditures the bond should be used for and presented those recommendations to Council. Scott McDonough presented those recommendations as follows:

- \$18,000 – APC Software
- \$22,000 – Park for resurfacing roads
- \$12,000 – for 10 Computers
- \$8,000 – Commissioner's Wifi
- \$38,000 – Sheriff phone system
- \$250,000 – Courthouse bell tower
- \$3,000 – Recorder

\$5,000 – Sheriff Body Armor
\$125,000 – Sheriff Control Board
\$30,000 – EMA ~~computer and laptops~~ *Equipment*
Balance to highway – approximately \$592,000

No action or motion to approve the bond recommendations. Department heads are required to present to Council with quote prior to purchase. Mr. Linkel reported to Council that they had received three quotes for the snow trucks and the cost will be approximately \$293,000.00. Council’s attorney, Grant Reeves, stated that the bond money was fluid and the expenditure amounts could still change. Mr. Linkel also spoke with Council about the remainder of CARES Act money that will be reimbursed to the County. He would like to see the balance of funds used for Covid-19 related items like a generator for the Government Center and for the Sheriff’s control board.

Mildred Simmermeyer – Mrs. Simmermeyer questioned Council about the recent bond and if in fact an interest payment was due on July 15, 2020. Councilmember Oglesby believed that to be a typo. She also questioned the expenses that were paid to Taft, Reedy Financial Group and Barada. She asked if the 1.7% interest rate was per annum or compounded. President Koch did not know. She stated that the bond was like a taxpayer loan.

Tom Linkel – Tom Linkel also presented a \$2,643.59 invoice for a contract for the management of a hazardous event. Funds were not appropriated in Commissioners 2020 budget to pay for this annual contract. Council advised Mr. Linkel to prepare an additional for next month’s meeting.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Dean McQueen, all in favor, motion carried.

Minutes approved November 24, 2020

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Joe Gillespie

Joe Gillespie



Becky Oglesby

Becky Oglesby



Jeff Koch

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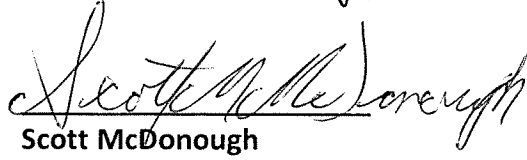
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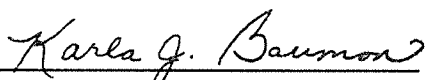
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ATTESTED BY: 
Karla J. Bauman, Auditor