

**FRANKLIN COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 10, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.  
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203**

The Franklin County Council met in regular meeting on December 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners/Council Meeting Room. Those present were Jeff Koch, Joe Gillespie, Joe Sizemore, Scott McDonough, Glen Bischoff, Becky Oglesby, Dean McQueen and Karla Bauman, Auditor.

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

**Approve Minutes – November 26, 2019: Motion to approve the November 26, 2019 minutes by Glen Bischoff, seconded by Becky Oglesby. Ayes: Joe Gillespie, Becky Oglesby, Scott McDonough, Jeff Koch, Joe Sizemore and Glen Bischoff. Dean McQueen abstained. Motion carried.**

**Judge Cox – CASA (VOCA) Grant:** Judge Cox came before Council to clarify the purpose and intent of the Casa (VOCA) Grant that the County had received in the sum of \$100,000.00 and the 20% match required by the County. Several issues needed to be reviewed and dealt with and Judge Cox stated that this has now happened. It is not his intention that this grant cost the county any additional money for this grant. The grant does require that the administrator be a full-time county employee with benefits. The former director and daughter team have resigned from their positions. At this time, Judge Cox would like \$50,000 appropriated of the \$130,058 that was advertised. He should have some good numbers for the Auditor to work with at the end of the week.

**Resolution 2019-42 – Additional Requests (including tabled matters from November 26, 2019 meeting (Casa Grant)):** Jeff Koch read Resolution 2019-42 into the record. **Motion to approve Resolution 2019-42, with the exception of changing \$130,058.00 to \$50,000.00 by Scott McDonough, seconded by Becky Oglesby, all in favor, motion carried. Motion to transfer from County General to Fund 8310 Casa VOCA grant the sum of \$50,000.00 by Scott McDonough, seconded by Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Resolution 2019-43 – Transfer of Funds:** Jeff Koch read Resolution 2019-43 into the record. **Motion to approve Resolution 2019-43 Transfer of Funds by Scott McDonough, seconded by Becky Oglesby, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Pete Cates, Franklin County Sheriff:** Pete Cates came before Council to request that the part-time jail cook hour pay rate be increased from \$11.08 to \$12.00.

**Ordinance 2019-28 – Calendar Year 2020 Salary Ordinance:** Ordinance 2019-28 was presented to Council for consideration. This ordinance establishes the base biweekly amounts to be paid to all elected officials and employees. It also establishes the hourly rate for part-time employees. **Motion to approve Ordinance 2019-28, with the change requested for the part-time jail position being increased from \$11.08 to \$12.00 by Scott McDonough, seconded by Dean McQueen, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Resolution 2019-44 – A Bond Resolution to Reimburse Expenditures:** Jeff Koch read Resolution 2019-44 into the record. Councilmember Oglesby had some questions in regards to the proposed bond the County was considering in 2020 as well as proposed projects and equipment purchases following a conference she attended on December 9<sup>th</sup> with the AIC. Gabe Gerth with Reedy Financial Group was in attendance and explained the draft Capital Improvement Plan that his firm had prepared. Mr. Gerth explained that this resolution simply allows equipment and/or projects that are done in 2020 to be included as an expenditure of the bond and therefore reimbursable to the fund that paid for it. **Motion to approve Resolution 2019-44 a bond resolution to reimburse bond expenditures by Scott McDonough, seconded by Dean McQueen. Ayes: Glen Bischoff, Joe Sizemore, Dean McQueen, Jeff Koch and Scott McDonough. Nays: Becky Oglesby and Joe Gillespie. 5-2 motion carried**

**Resolution 2019-36 – County Council 2020 Meeting Schedule:** President Jeff Koch asked councilmembers if they had reviewed the schedule and if there were any changes to be made. There being no requested changes or discussion, President Koch asked for a motion on Resolution 2019-36. **Motion to approve Resolution 2019-36 for the 2020 meeting schedule by Glen Bischoff, seconded by Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Resolution 2019-45 – Rules of Procedures for Council Meetings:** Councilmembers discussed the rules of procedures for Council Meetings. Councilmember Gillespie would like to see the section requiring citizens to sign up 10 days in advance removed. Councilmember Oglesby requested that quorum determination and roll call be added to the rules. Grant Reeves, attorney who drafted the proposed rules of procedures was in attendance at the meeting. He stated that in regards to citizen remarks, the chair can recognize anybody. **Motion to alter the draft resolution to strike the section on citizen remarks and roll and quorum determinations added by Glen Bischoff, seconded by Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried.** Attorney Reeves will have the resolution ready for Council to consider and vote on at their first meeting in January, 2020.

**Resolution 2019-46 – Cum Bridge Appropriations and Transfer to Fund 9194 Community Crossing Bridge Grant:** Jeff Koch read Resolution 2019-46 into the record. Auditor Bauman explained to Council why the resolution was needed. **Motion to approve Resolution 2019-46 as presented by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Glen Bischoff, all in favor, motion carried.**

**Economic Development Commission and Brookville Redevelopment Commission Appointments:** John Palmer requested Council to appoint him to the Economic Development Commission and Scott McDonough requested to be appointed to the Franklin County Redevelopment Commission. **Motion to appoint John Palmer to the Franklin County Economic Commission by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Glen Bischoff, all in favor motion carried. Motion to appoint Scott McDonough to the Franklin County Redevelopment Commission by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Glen Bischoff. Scott McDonough abstained. Motion carried. Motion to advertise Council's second appointment to the Redevelopment Commission by Scott McDonough, seconded by Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried.**

Becky Oglesby informed Council that they needed to start thinking about EMS and what we are going to do with that next year.

President Koch asked if there was anything else to come before council. Attorney Reeves asked if Council was going to consider the Engagement Letter with Taft to serve as bond counsel for

the County on the proposed General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020. There was a discussion as to what this would cost the county if signed and when did the clock start on those costs. Attorney Reeves answered Councils' questions as well as the questions asked by Mildred Simmermeyer. President Koch read from the engagement letter that the estimated fee would be \$25,000.00. **Motion to have the president sign the engagement letter with Taft by Scott McDonough, seconded by Dean McQueen. Ayes: Glen Bischoff, Joe Sizemore, Dean McQueen, Jeff Koch and Scott McDonough. Nays: Becky Oglesby and Joe Gillespie. 5-2 motion carried.**

**Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Glen Bischoff, seconded by Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried.**

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mark R. Simmermeyer, Mildred I. Simmermeyer, Betty Lecher, Robert Lecher, Jolene Beneker, R. Teufel, Sara Duffy, Robert Braun, Connie Bischoff, Grant Reeves, Neysa Raible, Peter Cates, J. Steven Cox, Gabe Gerth, Mickey Bell, Veronica Voelker and Robert Braun.

Minutes approved January 7, 2020.

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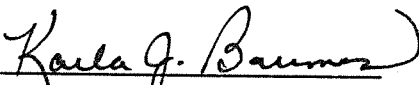
  
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Karla J. Bauman, Auditor