

**FRANKLIN COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2019, 7:00 P.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM #203**

The Franklin County Council met in regular meeting on February 26, 2019, at 7:00 pm. in the Commissioners/Council meeting room. Those present were Joe Gillespie, Becky Oglesby, Scott McDonough, Dean McQueen, Joe Sizemore, Glen Bischoff, Jeff Koch, President and Karla Bauman, Auditor.

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

Approve Minutes – January 22, 2019: Motion to approve the January 22, 2019 minutes by Scott McDonough, seconded by Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried.

Aaron Bell, SE IN Solid Waste District – Annual Report: Aaron Bell with SE IN Solid Waste District came before council to present the 2018 Annual Report. He directed council members to page 4 of the report for their review. He highlighted that recycling volumes continue to increase in all categories and that they have a new public outreach coordinator to emphasize promotion and awareness. He also highlighted some items they would be working on in 2019. There will be possible shredding opportunities and difficult disposal dates to be held monthly April thru August.

Grant Reeves – Salary Ordinance Amendments: Grant Reeves presented to council the amendments that were made to the 2019 Salary Ordinance following a meeting between Tom Linkel, Sheriff Department and County Council members. The language describing the certification pay was changed and the ILEA and CDL pay was added to the base amounts for Sheriff deputies and Highway truck drivers. Language was added to the first page describing “probationary Sheriff Deputies” and highway employees “who do not obtain a CDL within 90 days”. **Motion to approve Ordinance 2019-06; An Ordinance Amending Salary Ordinance 2018-24 by Scott McDonough, seconded by Dean McQueen, all in favor, motion carried.**

Ordinance 2019-05 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2012-25 Providing for Payment of Certain Election Expenses: Jeff Koch read Ordinance 2019-05 into the record.

Discussion: There was a discussion led by councilwoman Becky Oglesby on whether or not it was necessary to have this ordinance immediately effective in 2019 with the 2019 Budget already set. She stated she thought the ordinance would be fine with an effective beginning date of 2020. Auditor Bauman stated that the ordinance was already signed by Commissioners with an effective beginning date in 2019 and that the town elections should not affect the poll worker pay for 2019 as stated in the ordinance. **Motion to approve Ordinance 2019-05, an ordinance amending Ordinance 2012-25 providing for payment of certain election expenses by Dean McQueen, seconded by Joe Sizemore. Ayes: Bischoff, Sizemore, McQueen, McDonough, Gillespie Nays: Becky Oglesby Motion carried.**

Ordinance 2019-07 Ordinance Establishing Cash Change Funds for County Offices: Jeff Koch read Ordinance 2019-07 into the record. Discussion: Councilwoman Becky Oglesby questioned Treasurer Voelker as to why her office needed \$1,000 instead of \$500 to make change. Treasurer Voelker stated that she did not care if the \$1,000 was given or not. She would maintain \$1,000 in her cash drawer. Auditor Bauman stated that many offices who collect fees do not want a cash drawer and use the Treasurer's office to make change. Her office had to do that in the past and that is why she asked for the increase with her fund. She further stated that the Assessor was presently using her own money to fund her cash change drawer. **Motion to approve Ordinance 2019-07, an ordinance establishing cash change funds by Glen Bischoff, seconded Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried.**

Grant Reeves also mentioned to County Council that the Franklin County Redevelopment Commission will be receiving the impact statement from the proposed TIF expansion within the next few weeks.

Park Board Appointment – Darren Brack – 4 years: Discussion – Councilwoman Becky Oglesby questioned how the names presented were gathered and given to County Council for consideration. Councilman Scott McDonough agreed and stated that he thought that the appointments made by council should be more public in the hopes of getting more people interested. Councilwoman Becky Oglesby and councilman Scott McDonough will form a committee to review all boards appointments that County Council has. They would like to have the list available sometime in the fall for advertising the 2020 appointments. **Motion to appoint Darren Brack to a 4-year term on the Park Board by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Glen Bischoff, all in favor, motion carried.**

Batesville Memorial Public Library – Mark Masavage: Council received a letter from Batesville Memorial Public Library recommending Mark Masavage as a joint appointment along with Ripley County Council. **Motion to appoint Mark Masavage to the Batesville Memorial Public Library Board by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Glen Bischoff, all in favor, motion carried.**

Resolution 2019-04 – Additional Appropriations: Jeff Koch read Resolution 2019-04, Additional Appropriation Resolution into the record. Discussion: Councilwoman Becky Oglesby questioned Recorder Bischoff on her request for \$1,200 for Service Agreements at this time since we are only in February. Recorder Bischoff explained that she needed \$795.00 now for an invoice which is currently due for the service agreement on the view scan and will need another \$600 in July for the copy star printer. Recorder Bischoff stated that her Recorder Perpetuation Fund could not be used to pay for these expenses. She further stated that her perpetuation fund should not be used for any purpose not having to do with record preservation. By example, she stated that the perpetuation fund could only be used to pay for part-time help in her office, if they exclusively worked on record preservation. If they answered the phone or assisted a customer, those wages could not be paid from the perpetuation fund and needed to be paid from a different fund. Councilwoman Oglesby stated that Recorder Bischoff needed to get her budget in order for the 2020 budget year. Councilwoman Oglesby suggested that county council's contingency fund be used to cover this expense. **Motion to approve**

Resolution 2019-04, except for the \$1,200 request by the Recorder, which should be paid from County Council Contingency by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 2019-05 – Reductions: Jeff Koch read Resolution 2019-05, a resolution to reduce appropriations into the record. **Motion to approve Resolution 2019-05, reducing appropriations by Scott McDonough, seconded by Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried.**

Resolution 2019-06 – Transfers: Resolution 2019-06 was read into the record by President Jeff Koch. Councilwoman Becky Oglesby asked Commissioner Linkel about the transfer for part-time help in the Commissioner's office. Commissioner Linkel explained that part-time help was needed to cover for sick days, etc. and for training a new person due to the present secretary retiring. **Motion to approve Resolution 2019-06 for transfers by Scott McDonough, seconded by Dean McQueen, all in favor, motion carried.**

Requests to Amend Salary Ordinance: Discussion: Assessor, Brenda Eckerle came to the meeting to explain to council that she was recommending that council appoint Mary Ann Bridges to the PTABOA Board and also to amend the salary ordinance on how the board members were paid. She asked to have the rate paid for board members on a per diem basis (\$100 per day) instead of the present \$10.00 per hour rate. **Motion to appoint Mary Ann Bridges to the PTABOA Board by Becky Oglesby and seconded by Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried. Motion to change salary ordinance for PTABOA Board members eliminating the up to per hour to \$100 per diem, keeping the total at \$1,000 by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried.**

Councilwoman Becky Oglesby discussed with Commissioner Linkel the request to change the salary ordinance by adding \$14,112.00 for a mowing crew and why this was not done at budget time. Commissioner Linkel explained that they had asked for three new positions at budget time but later changed their minds. It was their intention at budget time to have the three new positions also do the mowing. Councilmember Oglesby requested that Commissioners find a different means of paying for the mowing crew by transfer and that this matter be tabled. Auditor Bauman stated that council had already approved the additional request of \$14,112.00 for mowing crew under Resolution 2019-04. Councilmember Oglesby requested that Commissioners find a different means of paying for the mowing crew by transfer and that this matter be tabled. **Motion to table amending the mowing crew on salary ordinance by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Glen Bischoff. Ayes: Bischoff, Koch, Gillespie and Oglesby Nays: McDonough, Sizemore and McQueen.**

Motion to amend Salary Ordinance for Part-time help in the Commissioners' office by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion to amend the 2019-04 Additional Resolution by tabling the request of \$14,112 for the mowing crew by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Glen Bischoff. Ayes: Oglesby, Gillespie, Sizemore and Bischoff Nays: McDonough and McQueen Motion carried.

Funds 4910 and 4913: Auditor Bauman stated she will have Grant Reeves review all issues and ordinances covering these two funds and bring back to council at a later time.

2018 Encumbrance: Auditor Bauman explained to Council members that the Clerk had filed an encumbrance in December, 2018 that was attached to a claim and not filed with the encumbrances. Upon reviewing the form attached to the claim, the encumbrance was timely filed. **Motion for the Auditor to include the Clerk’s encumbrance in the amount of \$389.98 from 2018 by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Scott McDonough, all in favor, motion carried.**

County Council Consultant: Jeff Koch read a letter from Reedy Financial Group on the various services that this firm could provide to the County. Councilwoman Becky Oglesby spoke about the bond expiring in a few years and that council could use their guidance with that. She also stated that the rates by the various cumulative funds like cum cap and cum bridge should be reviewed to see if we are receiving the full amount that we can. Councilman Gillespie stated he thought the consultant would be beneficial to him with being a new member. Councilman Bischoff stated that he wanted to understand where the money is and how much we have. Councilman Koch said a consultant would help council members stay on top of things and compliant with SBOA. Councilman Koch will forward the contract to Grant Reeves for his review and council will consider at their next meeting. **Motion to prepare the transfer of \$65,000 from county council contingency budget account line to a new account line to be established for this contract by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Glen Bischoff, all in favor, motion carried.**

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

Others Present: Perry Knox, SJCA, Dick Robertson, SJCA, Aaron Bell, Michael Oberofell, USI, Connie Bischoff, Mark R. Simmermeyer, Mildred I. Simmermeyer, John Estridge, Pete Cates, Greg Mehlbauer, Robert Braun, Doug Graf, Sara Duffy, Brenda Eckerle, Daryl Kramer and Veronica Voelker

Minutes approved March 26, 2019.

Ayes:

Nays:



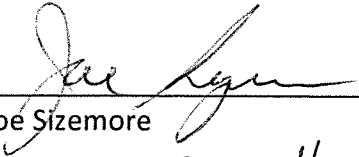
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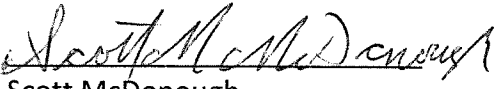
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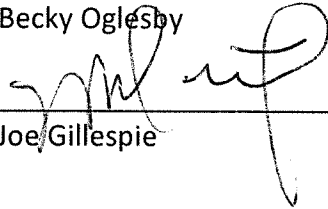


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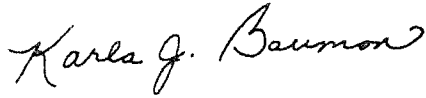
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ATTESTED BY: 

Karla J. Bauman, Franklin County Auditor 