

**FRANKLIN COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**August 31, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.**  
**COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203**

The Franklin County Council met for a public hearing and regular meeting on August 31, 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 and Jeff Koch. Not present: Scott McDonough and Joe Gillespie. A quorum was present. Karla Bauman, Auditor was also in attendance.

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

**Public Hearing – Resolution 2020-21 Usage of Public Safety Income Tax:** President Jeff Koch read Resolution 2020-21, a resolution designating the usage of public safety income tax for PSAP and for EMS and Volunteer Fire Services. A copy of said resolution is attached hereto. There were no comments by the public. Council discussed what amounts should be designated for the volunteer fire departments. **Motion to designate \$6,000 for the following volunteer fire departments: Blooming Grove VFD \$6,000; New Trenton VFD \$6,000; Drewersburg VFD \$6,000; Metamora VFD \$6,000 and Eagle Fire Company \$6,000 by Glen Bischoff, seconded by Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried. Motion to approve Resolution 2020-21 as presented with \$6,000 to the volunteer fire departments listed by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Glen Bischoff, all in favor, motion carried. Motion to close the public hearing by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Becky Oglesby, all in favor, motion carried.**

President Koch opened the regular meeting.

**Old Business and Approval of July 28<sup>th</sup>, August 17<sup>th</sup>, August 18<sup>th</sup> and August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes: Motion to approve the July 28<sup>th</sup>, August 17<sup>th</sup>, August 18<sup>th</sup> and August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Glen Bischoff.** Becky Oglesby requested that the proposed budget that was approved on August 19<sup>th</sup> be attached to the August 19<sup>th</sup> minutes. Joe Sizemore rescinded his motion. **Motion to approve the July 28<sup>th</sup>, August 17<sup>th</sup>, August 18<sup>th</sup> and August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes with the approved budget being attached to the August 19<sup>th</sup> minutes by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Glen Bischoff, all in favor, motion carried.**

**New Business:**

- A. Jennifer Proffitt – Health Department Salary Adjustment:** Jennifer Proffitt attended the council meeting via Zoom to request council make a salary adjustment for the supervisor nurse. She reiterated that this was not a raise but an equity adjustment. She is requesting that the salary be changed to \$47,804, an increase of \$4,753. This adjustment would be comparable to what colleagues in neighboring counties are making. President Koch stated that his goal with next year's budget was not to have to lay anybody off. At this time, we do not know what kind of impact there will be on our revenue. Becky Oglesby and Jeff Koch

both stated that there would be no salary raises this year. President Koch asked if there were any further questions from council. There being none he thanked Jennifer for her time.

- B. Resolution 2020-20: Request for Additional Appropriation:** President Koch read Resolution 2020-20, a resolution for additional appropriation. There were three additional appropriation requests for the LIT Economic Development Fund, Rainy Day Fund and CASA/VOCA Grant Fund. **Motion to approve Resolution 2020-20 as presented by Becky Oglesby, seconded by Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried.**
  
- C. Resolution 2020-19: Transfer of Funds:** President Koch read Resolution 2020-19, 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. **Motion to approve Resolution 2020-19 Transfer of Funds Certificate as presented by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Becky Oglesby, all in favor, motion carried.**
  
- D. Review and Approve Council Claim – Reedy Financial Group:** Council reviewed Invoice 6573 from Reedy Financial Group for services provided in July, 2020 in the sum of \$6,980.31. **Motion to approve and have the President sign the Reedy Financial Group invoice in the sum of \$6,980.31 dated August 1<sup>st</sup>, by Joe Sizemore, seconded by Dean McQueen, all in favor, motion carried.** Becky Oglesby stated that she did not think Council should be paying Reedy for work they are doing for highway. President Koch said he would speak with the Commissioners.
  
- E. Cedar Grove – Request to approve 2021 Budget:** President Koch requested that the Auditor publish the Cedar Grove request to approve their 2021 budget for public hearing on September 22, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.
  
- F. Any other Business:** Councilmember Oglesby clarified that the \$700,000.00 amount budgeted for health insurance in 2021 is not a true increase for insurance but rather the amount needed to fund the health insurance. The amount funded in recent budgets had been decreased and now additional amounts are needed. Auditor Bauman also clarified that the new bond would not be used for the 2020 27<sup>th</sup>. A previous appropriation made for the bond from county general that was not used will be used for the 27<sup>th</sup> pay.

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

Others Present: Christina Persson

**Minutes approved September 22, 2020.**

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Joe Gillespie and Scott McDonough were not present for the 8-31-2020 meeting.

ATTESTED BY:

*Karla J. Bauman*

Karla J. Bauman, Auditor