

**FRANKLIN COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 28, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203**

The Franklin County Council met in regular meeting on June 28, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Commissioners/Council Meeting Room. Those present were Jeff Koch, President, Joe Gillespie, Scott McDonough, Carroll Lanning, Brian Patterson, Joe Sizemore, Glen Bischoff and Karla Bauman, Auditor.

The meeting was called to order and pledge of allegiance was led by Jeff Koch. Mr. Koch also took roll call and a quorum was present.

Old Business: May 24, 2022 Minutes: Motion to approve the May 24, 2022 minutes by Scott McDonough, seconded by Carroll Lanning, all in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

John Palmer – ARPA Update: Mr. Palmer came before council to present five projects that were approved by Commissioners at their meeting. He is now seeking Council's approval on the following projects:

Project 1 - \$6,289.35 to Metamora Fire Department for radios;

Project 2: \$465,000 for ADA Access improvement at the Government Center;

Project 3: \$488,325 for repairs to the roof at the Government Center;

Project 4: \$20,000 for secure email, and

Project 5: \$20,000 for consulting fees to Reedy Financial Group.

Mr. Palmer also discussed the \$100,000 for a new ambulance for Franklin County EMS.

Motion to approve Projects 1-5 as presented and to be funded by the ARPA grant by Scott McDonough, seconded by Joe Sizemore, all in favor, motion carried. Mr. Palmer requested that 2 Council members as well as the Auditor attend a meeting prior to Council's next meeting to discuss the fire department request for ARPA funds. Jeff Koch and Joe Gillespie will attend that meeting.

Reedy Financial Group Invoice # 8457: Motion to approve the Reedy invoice (#8457) in the sum of \$4,680.30 by Scott McDonough, seconded by Joe Gillespie, all in favor, motion carried.

Barada Law Office Invoice #25681: Motion to approve the Barada Law Office invoice #25681 in the amount of \$841.75 by Carroll Lanning, seconded by Joe Gillespie, all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 2022-17 – Transfer of Funds: President Koch read Resolution 2022-17 a resolution to transfer funds. **Motion to approve Resolution 2022-17 for transfer of funds by Scott McDonough, seconded to Glen Bischoff, all in favor, motion carried.**

Resolution 2022-18 – Requests for Additional Appropriation: President Koch read Resolution 2022-18 a resolution for additional appropriation. Councilmembers discussed the requests from Commissioners to spend \$300,000.00 from the Old State Road 1 fund for low water crossings, ford and slabs. County Engineer, Larry Smith, said he didn't think they needed the \$300,000.00 at this time and thought that request could be withdrawn. **Motion to approve Resolution 2022-18 requests for additional appropriation, with the exception of the \$300,000.00 from the Old State Road 1 by Scott McDonough, seconded by Glen Bischoff.**

Commissioner Wendel asked Council if they could hire a new mechanic and pay for his CDL testing. Councilmember Koch did not think that was fair to the other highway workers. Council took no action on this request.

Public Safety Requests: President Koch acknowledged receipt of public safety requests from the following organizations:

1. Cedar Grove Fire Department - \$ 18,986.40
2. New Trenton Fire Department - \$ 25,000.00
3. Blooming Grove Fire Department - \$ 20,000.00
4. Drewersburg Fire Department - \$ 13,024.80
5. Eagle Fire Department – 9,000.00
6. Franklin County EMS - \$ 500,000.00

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

Others Present: Faye Hay, Tom Wilson, Gerald Wendel, Austin Jolliff, Eugena Monroe, Pete Cates, Jolene Beneker, John Palmer, Mary Strong and Jana Selke.

Minutes approved July 28, 2022.

AYES:

Joe Gillespie

Joe Sizemore

NAYS:

Joe Gillespie

Joe Sizemore

Carroll Lanning

Carroll Lanning

Scott McDonough

Scott McDonough

Glen Bischoff

Glen Bischoff

Brian Patterson

Brian Patterson

Jeff Koch

Jeff Koch

Attested By:

Karla J. Bauman, Auditor