

FULTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, August 15, 2017

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 6:35 p.m. with Pledge to the Flag. Present: Gary Srivier, Lorie Hurst, Jim Showley, Barry Hazel, Jim Widman, Randy Sutton, Phyl Olinger and Auditor Christina Srivier.

SHERIFF – Chris Sailors reviewed the July reports. The financial software should be up and running next week. He is holding a new gun user class; registration filled in two days. A second will be offered. With the courts and clerk going to e-Filing, he would like to write e-Tickets; it would make processing simpler and quicker. He is negotiating with the insurance company currently damaged vehicle. The new Animal Control officer’s first official day is tomorrow. He has 2 full-time positions to fill at the jail and a part-timer. He will have an additional appropriation request for utilities before the end of the year; also an additional request for \$25,000 for inmate holdings.

HIGHWAY – John Geier reported on activities including mowing and chip sealing. The wheel tax money was used to chip and seal. Lucas street is done except for the dry wells which they are working on now. The paver is being delivered next week; he will be getting \$700 reduced from the price for the delivery delay. He hasn’t received the results of the Community Crossings Grant application yet. John went to an INDOT class teaching Road and Bomb Safety.

IT DEPARTMENT/MAINTENANCE –The generator has a leak in the fuel tank. Hermann & Goetz will replace under warranty within the next couple weeks. The new server room in the basement is coming along; core drilling is done and Koorsen will be on-site soon for the next stage of the project. Josh reviewed the roof inspections of the county buildings. The jail and sheriff’s department roofs both need to have work done. The courthouse roof has lost a few slate tiles and the chimney needs tuck pointed. Council recommends completing all three projects. Chris may be able to help at the jail with financing the project; Josh has enough in the maintenance budget to pay for the repairs. The cooling project at the 911 center will be starting soon. The punch list for DNT at the courthouse to complete the remodel project still has three items that need to be completed before final payment is given.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS -

Department	Fund	Account	Amount
Probation	Alcohol & Drug	Personal Services	\$28,928
For probation officer salary; mistakenly appropriated to Adult User Fee fund which will not be able to sustain. Barry motioned to approve, seconded by Phyl; passed 7-0.			
EMA	LIT Public Safety	Other Services & Charges	\$3,700
To upgrade Fulton County’s Nixle service. Barry motioned to approve, seconded by Phyl; passed 7-0.			
Akron Town	EDIT	Other Services & Charges	\$10,000
For the Town of Akron’s sidewalk project. Jim Showley motioned to approve, seconded by Gary; passed 7-0.			

MINUTES – Phyl motioned to approve minutes for the July 18th joint session and the July 18th normal session, seconded by Barry; passed 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS – Lorie discussed attending the Council’s state-called meeting and requested that Christina distribute materials to other Council members.

NEW BUSINESS – Council recommends staying within the DLGFs estimated property tax levy limits and estimated reductions due to circuit breakers for each taxing unit.

Phyl stated that Council on Aging is having a community appreciation cookout on August 24th at 11:30 and extended an invitation. Barry announced that the LEPC will be having a safety exercise near Moss Creek (Winamac) at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday. Council will meet on September 12th at 8:00 a.m. for a public hearing to discuss county budgets.

Jim Widman spoke with a Council member from Carol County to discuss their low inmate count and found that they send many inmates out of county and have limited staff because they were struggling to fund county payroll.

ADJOURN – Gary motioned to adjourn at 7:38 p.m., seconded by Jim Showley; passed 7-0.

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ATTEST: _____
Christina Sriver, Fulton County Auditor