

FULTON COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 6:30 p.m. with Pledge to the Flag. Present: Gary Sriver, Lorie Hurst, Barry Hazel, Jim Widman, Randy Sutton, Phyl Olinger and Auditor Christina Sriver.

ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING BOND PROCEEDS – Jim Widman read Ordinance 102417-A aloud:

FULTON COUNTY COUNCIL
ORDINANCE NO. 102417-A

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE PROCEEDS OF THE LOCAL INCOME TAX
REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS OF 2017

WHEREAS, the County Council ("Council") of Fulton County, Indiana ("County"), has determined to refund the County's Economic Development Income Tax Revenue Bonds of 2010 ("Refunding") as described in an ordinance adopted by the Council on September 19, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that the estimated cost of the Refunding, and the incidental expenses necessary to be incurred in connection with the Refunding and with the issuance of bonds to finance the Refunding will be in an amount not to exceed One Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,650,000); and

WHEREAS, the Council has determined to issue the bonds to fund the costs of the Refunding in an amount not to exceed One Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,650,000); and

WHEREAS, there has been published a notice of a public hearing on the appropriation of the proceeds of the bonds to be held on this date; the hearing has been held and the Council has considered the evidence presented at the hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Council now finds that the County has no funds available or provided for in the existing budget and tax levy which may be applied to the cost of the Refunding, and that a need exists for the making of the additional appropriation hereinafter set out;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FULTON COUNTY COUNCIL THAT:

Section 1. The Council finds that all proceedings required before appropriation of the proceeds of the bonds have been accomplished and completed.

Section 2. For the purpose of paying the costs of the Refunding, and incidental expenses necessary to be incurred with the Refunding and with the issuance of the bonds, an amount not to exceed One Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,650,000) shall be appropriated from the proceeds of the bonds.

Section 3. The Auditor is directed to submit and certify this ordinance and the related proceedings to the Department of Local Government Finance in accordance with IC 6-1.1-18-5.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be effective upon passage.

Presented to the County Council of Fulton County, Indiana, and approved this 24th day of October, 2017, by a vote of 6 in favor, and 0 opposed.

Rochester Mayor Ted Denton took the floor and discussed the proposed County EDIT budget and discussed the recent EDIT request of \$10,000 that was denied. He presented two resolutions passed by the Common Council of Rochester, Indiana, on October 24, 2017: Resolution No. 11-2017 Resolution Repealing Resolution 033-1991 resolving that the City of Rochester shall pursue and receive all funds to which the City of Rochester is entitled under Ind. Cod § 6-3.6 and Resolution No. 12-2017 Resolution Repealing Resolution 01-2009 resolving that the City of Rochester shall hereby no longer assign any economic development area within the jurisdiction of the Rochester Redevelopment Authority to the Fulton County Redevelopment Commission under Ind. Code § 36-7-25-4. He requested meeting with some City Council members, County Council members and Commissioners gather to decide how Rochester will participate in funding FEDCO, Area Planning Commission their obligation on Fourth Street (TIF/Bond). He stated that due to CEDIT fund changes he feels the old agreements are no longer good. County Council stated that the budget for CEDIT money has come from savings that the county had. Jim Widman agreed that it is time to pull the rug out from under the old agreement due to all the changes over the years.

Barry motioned to suspend the rules and read Ordinance 102417-A by title only, Randy seconded; passed 6-0. Jim continued to read the Ordinance by title only. Barry motioned to suspend the rules and read the Ordinance by title only, Randy seconded; passed 6-0. Lorie motioned to approve the Ordinance, Phyl seconded; passed 6-0.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Shannon Shepherd discussed the Health Board’s decision to increase the department’s fees. Barry motioned to approve the fee ordinance, seconded by Gary; passed 6-0.

ORDINANCE No. 102417-A.1

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR ORDINANCE NO 06182013-A

WHEREAS, Fulton County, Indiana, previously enacted Ordinance 06182013-A, adopting a Fee Schedule for various Health department fees; and

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Board of Health has recommended that said Fee Schedule should be amended; and

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Council has reviewed the recommended Fee Schedule proposed by the Fulton County Health Board and has determined that said Fee Schedule should be adopted as recommended by the Fulton County Health Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that Ordinance No. 06182013-A shall be amended and the Fee Schedule, as attached, incorporated and marked Exhibit A, shall be enacted.

This Amendment to Ordinance No. 06182013-A shall be in full force and effect on the date of passage.

EXHIBIT A FEE SCHEDULE

Environmental Health Services:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Temporary Food Permit	\$40.00
Food Permits	\$100.00
Water Samples	\$40.00

Nursing Services:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Vaccines	Cost of Vaccine + 10%
TB Skin Testing	Cost of Vaccine + 10%

TB Medication	\$0.00
Vital Records Services:	
<u>Service</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Birth Certificates	\$8.00
Death Certificates	\$12.00
Coroner Continuing Education	\$2.25
Genealogy (1-5 searches)	\$10.00
Genealogy (over 5 searches)	\$20.00
Affidavits Certificates (includes Birth Certificate)	\$20.00
Home Births (Includes Birth Certificate)	\$35.00
Notary Public (Not concerning office business)	\$3.00

COUNTY FUNDS – Russell Phillips questioned the financial condition of the county. Council discussed that the refunding bond that was just approved did not require a rating due to the fact that we are a sound organization. Mr. Phillips questioned the use of CEDIT funds that were proposed for the 2018 budget; he questioned how a renovation to the current jail or building a new jail would be funded. Council stated a bond would be necessary; an income tax would be the most likely way to pay for the bond. Council explained some of the revenue base and growing funding needs and how tax rates are established. Discussion ensued concerning the new park at 9th and Main.

HIGHWAY – John Geier reported on activities including mowing, pipe and culvert work, and paving. He has recently had a truck bed and stone chipper sandblasted and painted. The paving on Park Street and Zebra Lane needs striped and the Mayor stated that the City will be doing that. John is working with USI to mediate the remaining bump at the bridge on Old 31. John discussed the proposed projects for the Community Crossings Grant. With remaining funds that were not used for last year's grant he would like to pave County Road 650 E to Fort Wayne Road; Council approved. The Town of Akron has offered to sell the county their used jet rod machine for \$4,000; Council approved. Larry (EMA) has attained a military recovery vehicle from Pulaski County for county use. John has gotten a quote from CINTAS to require uniforms for Highway employees and the increase (from renting) is not significant. Bid letting is scheduled for November 17th.

SHERIFF – Chris Sailors presented a brochure of current jail standards and asked for questions concerning September reports. He reviewed the jail population report with daily average around 100. Sheriff Sailors is still working with Josh and the camera company to resolve camera issues. He is also continuing to look into accepting credit card payments. Also, he is still gathering quotes for a new truck for the department; it may not be available until after the first of the year. In 2018 he would like to rotate out a few more vehicles. He is working with the Mental Health Addiction Task Force and he is looking internally at two programs in the jail. Celebrate Recovery would be an afternoon class held by a local Pastor. The second program would be for drug education to continue sobriety upon leaving jail through a partnership with 4-County that would involve weekly meetings beginning before the inmate is released. He and the Jail Commander have already identified about thirty inmates that could benefit from the program. He anticipates having to send approximately 45 inmates out, if he can find beds, to hold them in another county.

EMA – Larry requested to be notified when Barry Hazel is officially replaced by Jim Showley for the LEPC/EMA Boards so he can report to the State. The LEPC grant was submitted last week. The four proposals for SHSP were all denied; he is waiting for the score sheets to see the reasoning. He is still working on the multi-hazard plan update grant.

E911/COMMUNICATIONS – Gail announced that the EMS Director has resigned from Lutheran EMS and a few of the Supervisors have been taking over. There is a EMS board meeting tomorrow morning. Lutheran EMS has been provided an EMT class in Fulton County working with Rochester Fire Department. The class is offered to anyone who is a First Responder in Fulton County. It is approximately a 6-month class. Gail has awarded lifesaver pins to two employees for life saving techniques. Safety Training will be offered on December 11th.

HEALTH INSURANCE – Alan McCloskey from Consolidated Union discussed services that he would provide through group health medical insurance including preventative services and coverage, educational programs, return of premium and out-of-network coverage. Rick Ranstead stated that the premium increase with our current carrier for 2018 is \$208,000 or 25%. Employees should work with the insurance company to help keep rates; preventative care will be key to keeping the rates down.

RESOLUTION – A resolution abolishing Courthouse/Annex revenue from EDIT funds was presented and read aloud:

COUNTY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

No. 102417-B

WHEREAS, Fulton County has imposed the Economic Development Income Tax under IC 6-3.5-7 (“EDIT”) at a rate of one hundred seventy-five/one thousandths percent (0.175%) annually on the adjusted gross income of County Taxpayers, with one tenth of one percent (0.10%) dedicated to economic projects and seventy-five/one thousandths of one percent (0.075%) dedicated to a courthouse annex project; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 1999, the Fulton County Council passed Resolution #051899-1, a copy of which is attached, that pledged EDIT revenues for the payment of lease rental due under a lease that was established for a courthouse annex project; and

WHEREAS, the County Council covenanted that it would take no action to rescind EDIT or reduce the EDIT rate as long as lease rentals are payable under the Lease, and

WHEREAS, the final payment of the Courthouse & Annex Lease payment was made on December 5th, 2016, and

WHEREAS, the County Council has determined that the need for the distributive share of the EDIT Revenues that are dedicated to a courthouse annex project are no longer needed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the entire amount of EDIT Revenue that is received by the County biannually from the County Auditor at a rate of one hundred seventy-five/one thousandths percent (0.175%) annually on the adjusted gross income of the County Taxpayer, will be wholly dedicated to economic projects. Additionally, the remaining funds being held in

the Courthouse & Annex Lease payment fund (Fund No. 4602) shall be transferred to the County EDIT fund (Fund No. 1112) and the Courthouse & Annex Lease payment fund shall be retired.

Randy motioned to approve the Resolution, seconded by Lorie; passed 6-0.

MINUTES – Minutes from September 19th moved for approval by Randy, seconded by Phyl; passed 6-0.

TRANSFERS –

Department	Fund	From Account	To Account	Amount
Sheriff	County General	Medical & Hospital	\$10,000	
		Part-time Cook	\$5,400	
		Health Insurance	\$4,600	Prisoner Meals
To fund prisoner meals through the end of the year. Phyl motioned to approve, seconded by Gary; passed 6-0.				
Probation	County General	Dues	-\$150	
		Postage	-\$250.00	
Probation	County General	Repair Equipment	-\$450	
		Gas/Oil	-\$350	\$600
To pay the amounts in the Postage and Gas/Oil accounts. Barry motioned to approve, Phyl seconded; passed 6-0.				
Prosecutor	County General	Witness Fees		
			Trans & Depo	\$183.00
Randy motioned, seconded by Gary; passed 6-0.				

OLD BUSINESS – Gary stated that the last payment from the Hazardous Waste Committee to the state for the wells has been made and they will find out how to distribute the money left in the fund; they meet again in November. Phyl motioned to appoint Jim Showley to the EMA and LEPC Boards, Barry seconded; passed 6-0. Randy motioned to approve Barry replacing Jim Showley to the Job Classification Committee, seconded by Gary; passed 6-0. Randy updated on the Courthouse remodel; the last payment won't be made until the job is fully completed.

NEW BUSINESS – Russell Phillips requested to have the information that will be presented at the public meeting concerning the wind farm before the meeting. It was stated that the public meeting is for presenting the material; there will time for public comments, there will not be a question and answer segment.

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

FULTON COUNTY COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____
Christina Sriver, Fulton County Auditor