

**REGULAR MEETING - WEDNESDAY AT 5:00 P.M.**

The Switzerland County Council met in regular session pursuant to law and by being duly advertised.

Those present: council: Tom Conroy, Steve Crabtree, Jeff Darling, Terry Hall, Mike Jones, Rachel Schuler, and Glenn Scott, the sheriff, Roy Leap, and the auditor, Gayle Rayles. Attorney Cody Kendall was absent.

The meeting was opened by Roy who also led the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes of the February 13<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Jeff, seconded by Tom and the motion passed with Glenn and Rachel not voting as they did not see the minutes ahead of time to read them over.

**#1 Ginger Furnish - Purdue Extension Office**

Ginger came to discuss the summer work study program. She said the county has allowed \$2,500.00 for this and the state previously would match the funds. It is now called Earn Indiana with approximately 650 positions available in the state of Indiana and they are spread over 3 different semesters. This will be an internship opportunity for college students in the summer. The office has to apply for this internship and they don't know if they will qualify for funding and they do not apply until the first of April. Ginger is asking if the council would give another \$1,000.00 and they will take \$500.00 more out of their extra clerical line item so they can have a summer assistant able to make up to \$4,000.00; in case they can't get the internship. This would be a local college student.

Terry made a motion to approve the \$1,000.00 if needed, seconded by Steve. Rachel asked where it would be paid from; the decision will be made when/if the time comes. The motion carried.

**#2 Transfer Ordinance**

The following transfer ordinance was approved on a motion by Glenn, seconded by Rachel and all agreed.

**TRANSFER ORDINANCE**

Pursuant to Auditor's Bulletin of July 1972, and also Public Law Number 54 of 1971, the County Council has the authority to transfer funds to different appropriations from one major classification to another within a department or office, at any regular public meeting.

COUNTY GENERAL FUND	AMOUNT
ASSESSOR	
100 PERSONAL SERVICES	
4118 EXTRA CLERICAL	<b>DECREASE</b> \$1000.00
4120 LEVEL II APPRAISER	<b>INCREASE</b> \$ 500.00
4121 LEVEL II-DEPUTY	<b>INCREASE</b> \$ 500.00

Adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013.

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**#3 Animal Shelter Employees' Hours and Wages**

This was tabled from the last meeting. There was some discussion concerning this topic. The employees currently work 34 hours but they would like to work a 40-hour week due to not being able to use their earned comp time. The actual increase in money would be \$9,984.50 total for both employees for 2013. These 2 employees are on call 24 hours per day 7 days per week. This money would have to come from riverboat revenue.

Glenn wanted to know if this increase would open council up for other issues with other employees if it is agreed to. After much discussion, reiterating the fact that they are on call 24/7, it was agreed upon that they deserve the money but where to take it from is the question.

Rachel made a motion to take the \$9,984.50 out of the Rainy Day Fund, seconded by Steve and all agreed except for Terry who abstained.

Mike and the council commended Keli and Tara for the work they have done.

**#4 After-Prom Donation**

They council gave the After-Prom Committee \$2,000.00 on a motion by Glenn, seconded by Jeff and all agreed. This is from Council's casino money.

**#5 Special Meeting Date**

The council talked about setting up a meeting to award the casino money requests and finding the necessary money.

Glenn thought that Gayle should call the Cincinnati Reds tomorrow and tell them "thanks but no thanks" and Terry agreed.

There was further discussion concerning House Bill 528 and the effect this would have on the county.

Steve said he would like to wait until a decision is made on House Bill 528 to schedule a meeting on the money requests. A special meeting date could be decided at the April 10<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

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With no further business to come before council, Steve made the motion to adjourn seconded by Tom and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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Gayle A. Rayles, Auditor  
Switzerland County, Indiana