

**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: Mike Bear, Steve Crabtree, Terry Hall, Elizabeth Jones, Rachel Schuler, and Glenn Scott, and the auditor, Gayle Rayles. Councilman John Gary Welch was absent.

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

The minutes of the previous meetings of August 12<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and September 1<sup>st</sup> were approved as presented on a motion by Rachel, seconded by Elizabeth and all agreed.

**#1 Katie Collier – SWCD – Indian Creek Watershed Project Update**

Katie came to give the council a quarterly update on the Indian Creek Watershed Project. The project completion date is January 31, 2016. They have paid 21 landowners out of the 30 participants who signed up. So far they have paid 45% of their allotted money for a total of \$91,205.55 within the 44,000 acres watershed area.

Katie and Cheryl Furnish, who also works for the SWCD, are discouraged because it is only 45% of the money and since it is a new farm bill the money has to go back to the EPA. If it was in the last farm bill they would have let them extend the contract.

But to put it in perspective, they also just received a grant for Indian-Kentucky which includes Ripley County, part of Switzerland County, and part of Jefferson County. They have 160,000 acres and the same amount of cost share has been allotted to this project. So the cost share for the 44,000 was quite a bit in comparison.

Rachel asked why only 45% and Katie said they had it over allocated by \$100,000.00 with the 30 people who had signed up but they knew the people would do a lot of the work themselves plus people don't have a lot of money for the projects they would like to do. Steve Lyons, was in the audience and asked if it was too late to apply and Katie said no.

**#2 2016 Budgets Non-binding Review**

Gayle gave all members a copy of the budgets. The school corporation on the top is just for review and they cannot make any changes; the rest of the budgets they are able to make changes to if they so desire.

Josh asked that all of the budgets be sent to the commissioners as well. Gayle said she would scan and email them a copy.

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**2016 Budgets Non-binding Review cont'd**

Steve made a motion to approve the following 2016 budgets for the non-binding review, seconded by Terry and all agreed. The following budgets were reviewed and approved:

- Cotton Township
- Craig Township
- Jefferson Township
- Town of Vevay
- Pleasant Township
- Posey Township
- Town of Patriot
- York Township
- Library

The council reviewed the 2016 budget for the Switzerland County School Corporation also.

**#3 Transfer Ordinances**

The following transfer ordinances were approved on a motion by Elizabeth, seconded by Mike 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
<i>CORONER</i>			
200	SUPPLIES		
	4218 LATEX GLOVES	<b>DECREASE</b>	\$ 100.00
	4219 BIO-HAZARD BAGS	<b>DECREASE</b>	\$ 100.00
	4220 HAZ PROT SUPPLIES	<b>DECREASE</b>	\$ 500.00
300	OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
	4316 DUES	<b>DECREASE</b>	\$ 375.00
	4321 HOSPITAL FEES	<b>INCREASE</b>	\$1253.47
	4323 VEHICLE MISC/REPAIR	<b>DECREASE</b>	\$ 178.47

Adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of SEPTEMBER, 2015.

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**Transfer Ordinances cont'd**

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<b>COUNTY GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
<i>ANIMAL SHELTER</i>	
200 SUPPLIES	
4216 UNIFORMS	<b>INCREASE</b> \$800.00
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES	
4331 FUEL	<b>DECREASE</b> \$800.00

Adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of SEPTEMBER, 2015.

**#4 Additional Appropriation Ordinances**

The following additional appropriation ordinance was approved on a motion by Steve, seconded by Elizabeth and all agreed.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget:

SEC. 1 BE IT ORDAINED by the County Council of Switzerland County, Indiana that for expenses of said municipal corporation, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

<b>COUNTY GENERAL FUND (1000)</b>	<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>AMOUNT APPROVED</b>
<i>COMMISSIONERS</i>		
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
4311 POSTAGE	\$ 1200.00	_____
4313 MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS	\$ 8000.00	_____
4348 LIABILITY PREMIUM	\$ 3405.00	_____
<b>TOTAL COUNTY GENERAL FUND</b>	<b>\$12605.00</b>	_____

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**Additional Appropriation Ordinances cont'd**

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<b>COUNTY OPTION INCOME TAX FUND (1121)</b>	<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>AMOUNT APPROVED</b>
<i>SHERIFF</i>		
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
4316 BONDS & PREMIUMS	\$ 390.00	_____
<b>TOTAL COUNTY OPTION INCOME TAX FUND</b>	<b>\$ 390.00</b>	_____

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<b>LOCAL ROAD AND STREET FUND (1169)</b>	<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>AMOUNT APPROVED</b>
200 SUPPLIES		
5231 STONE/GRAVEL	\$20000.00	_____
<b>TOTAL LOCAL ROAD AND STREET FUND</b>	<b>\$20000.00</b>	_____

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<b>COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND (1169)</b>	<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>AMOUNT APPROVED</b>
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
5371 RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT	\$ 8000.00	_____
6363 REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT	\$ 3000.00	_____
6364 REPAIR PARTS	\$ 503.00	_____
6367 WRECKER SERVICE	\$ 1800.00	_____
<b>TOTAL COUNTY HIGHWAY FUND</b>	<b>\$13303.00</b>	_____

The following additional appropriation ordinance was approved on a motion by Terry, seconded by Elizabeth and all agreed.

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<b>LOCAL HEALTH DEPT TRUST FUND (1206)</b>	<b>AMOUNT REQUESTED</b>	<b>AMOUNT APPROVED</b>
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
4318 MAINT FOR LIFELINE SCREENINGS	\$7450.00	_____
<b>TOTAL LOCAL HEALTH DEPT TRUST FUND</b>	<b>\$7450.00</b>	_____

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**#5 2016 Riverboat Revenue**

Gayle gave the council a report showing the current status and another report showing how the money is divided up. Terry suggested making the decision to have the county keep all of it. These amounts were based on the county receiving \$8,000,000.00.

It was decided to let everyone take the information home and look it over before any discussion or decisions. A special meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m. to address this issue.

**#6 2016 Budgets**

Gayle gave the council updated 2016 budget information for their review. These are the numbers that were agreed upon at the last meeting. Gayle has to input all of the budget information into Gateway for the public to have access to. This information does not include the salary ordinance. A public meeting date is set for 10:00 a.m. on September 21st. Then in October the budget can be approved locally.

With no further business to come before council, Elizabeth made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Steve and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

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Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gayle A. Rayles, Auditor  
Switzerland County, Indiana