

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. The council attorney, Cody Kendall, was absent.

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

#1 Additional Appropriation Ordinances

The following additional appropriation ordinance was approved on a motion by Tom, seconded by Steve 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:

COUNTY GENERAL FUND	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
<i>COMMISSIONERS</i>		
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
4312 TELEPHONE	\$30,000.00	_____
4347 WORKMAN'S COMP	\$ 3,000.00	_____
4348 LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$ 390.00	_____
4359 CARE OF PATIENTS IN INSTITUTIONS	\$ 100.00	_____
TOTAL COUNTY GENERAL FUND	\$33,490.00	_____

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COUNTY OPTION INCOME TAX FUND	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
100 PERSONAL SERVICES		
4121 SHERIFF DEPT OVERTIME	\$20,000.00	_____
TOTAL COUNTY OPTION INCOME TAX FUND	\$20,000.00	_____

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Additional Appropriations cont'd

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GUARDIAN AD LITEM FUND	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
4301 CASA GRANT	\$ 1,907.23	_____
TOTAL GUARDIAN AD LITEM FUND	\$ 1,907.23	_____

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CUMULATIVE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
5300 CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$37,000.00	_____
TOTAL CUMULATIVE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$37,000.00	_____

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Additional Appropriation ordinances cont'd

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EMERGENCY PLANNING/LEPC FUND		AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
300	OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
	4312 TELEPHONE	\$ 1,000.00	_____
	4379 LODGING/MEALS	\$ 100.00	_____
400	CAPITAL OUTLAY		
	4412 OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,300.00	_____
TOTAL EMERGENCY PLANNING/LEPC FUND		\$ 3,400.00	_____

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COUNTY TECH/ED CENTER FUND		AMOUNT APPROVED	AMOUNT REQUESTED
200	SUPPLIES		
	4219 MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	\$ 500.00	_____
300	OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
	4313 MAINTENANCE	\$ 5,000.00	_____
TOTAL COUNTY TECH/ED CENTER FUND		\$ 5,500.00	_____

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#2 Commissioner Steve Lyons via Telephone – Road Repairs

Steve called in to inform council that there is some serious damage to some county roads after the downpour of rain. The commissioners are having FPBH look at the damages from the engineering side, Connie Wallace is looking at them from the EMA, and John Day of the highway department is also involved. Steve is checking with INDOT to see if they will give any financial help and Katie Collier, of S.W.C.D., has said that maybe there would be money for assistance available through them. He was informing them that the repairs would be costly and they would need financial assistance. The repairs could possibly cost \$500,000.00.

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BELTERRA FUND	AMOUNT APPROVED	AMOUNT REQUESTED
100 PERSONAL SERVICES		
4123 SHERIFF'S INCENTIVE	\$26,000.00	_____
TOTAL BELTERRA FUND	\$26,000.00	_____

#3 Transfer Ordinance

The following transfer ordinance was approved on a motion by Glenn, seconded by Steve 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			
4221 DISASTER BODY POUCHES	DECREASE		\$1,000.00
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES			
4320 LAB & HOSPITAL FEES	INCREASE		
			\$1,000.00

Adopted this 9th day of July, 2014.

REGULAR MEETING – PAGE 5**#4 Budget Meeting Dates**

Mike said the budget workshop will be scheduled when Frank Cummings has his information ready. The following dates have been set: September 10th, the non-binding review will be done during this regular meeting, September 11th will be the first publication of the budget, September 18th will be the second publication of the budget, September 22nd will be a public hearing for the budget, and then at the October 8th regular meeting, consideration for adoption of the budget will be given.

There is a special meeting scheduled for July 30th to give consideration to the casino distributions for 2015. The meeting is on a Wednesday evening at 5:00 p.m.

Jeff had emailed Gayle and asked her to get some information together concerning casino revenue percentages so the council members could look at it before the July 30th meeting; which she did.

#5 County Road Situation

Terry asked where things were at with all of the slides on the county roads. Council will have to come up with some funds to help with the repairs; possibly just using the chip and seal money they were originally going to give the commissioners. He thought that some of the money that is just given away/out should maybe be held back to fix the roads. Gayle is to contact the commissioners and see where they are with starting the chip and seal.

Mike asked if council should hold off on deciding the casino percentages until they see what needs to be done about road repairs. Terry is talking about holding the money that is to be distributed now not - just in 2015. Glenn asked what was in the rainy day fund. Gayle went upstairs to get the figure.

While council was waiting on Gayle, they called Commissioner Steve Lyons to ask him if the highway department had purchased any supplies yet for the chip and seal that needs done. He said they have bought stone; he wasn't sure if John has ordered the oil or not yet. Council told him that all or part of the chip and seal money may have to go toward fixing all of the slides on the county roads. The commissioners have discussed the same option.

Gayle said the next distribution for council would be \$512,000.00 making the balance about \$388,000.00 and then the rainy day fund increase would be \$205,000.00 making that balance \$300,000.00. Then the infrastructure distribution would be \$73,000.00 and they have an equipment payment due so that balance would be about \$205,000.00.

Steve Lyons called back to inform council that they have had the courthouse roof looked at for repair along with the guttering. They are going to get pricing for these repairs. Rachel asked about an estimate of cost – Steve said maybe \$35,000.00 or less.

Rachel asked what the council's commitments would be that have to come out of their \$388,000.00. Gayle said she didn't have the numbers in front of her. She said she knew there is a payment due to Friendship and MainSource. The MainSource and Friendship payments have been coming out of the Rainy Day Fund. Gayle said the usual payment would be approximately \$60,000.00; she will email the figures to them tomorrow.

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County Road Situation cont'd

Terry asked if there is a way to have \$250,000.00 to work on the roads and to get the needed courthouse repairs done. The \$250,000.00 would be over and above the \$600,000.00 for chip and seal.

Gayle said the revenue sharing, that is left that is going to be distributed the next time, would total approximately \$1,257,000.00 to all of the entities including the county's portion. Times are lean. The trustees, the Town of Patriot, the fire chiefs, and the school would still get their distributions, which is really last quarter's because of the delay.

Steve Crabtree suggested calling a special meeting once the highway department knows some actual costs for repairs and when council knows exactly how much money there will be to spend; the rest of council agreed to this.

With no further information to come before council, Glenn made the motion to adjourn which was seconded by Steve and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Attest: _____
Gayle A. Rayles, Auditor
Switzerland County, Indiana