

**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, Todd Chase, Lance Collier, Andy Haskell, Elizabeth Jones, Lisa Fisher, Rachel Schuler, and the county auditor, Carolyn Green.

The meeting was called to order by Elizabeth with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**#1 2020 Reorganization**

A motion to appoint Rachel as President was made by Lance, seconded by Andy and the motion failed. A motion to appoint Elizabeth as President was made by Lisa, seconded by Mike and the motion carried.

A motion to appoint Lisa as Vice-President was made by Mike, seconded by Todd and the motion carried.

**#2 Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes as presented of the December 11<sup>th</sup> meeting was made by Andy, seconded by Lance and the motion passed.

**#3 Chris See – Jeff-Craig Volunteer Fire Department: Funding**

Chris made a funding request of \$7,360.40 for a shortage and for a change in the funding of the fire departments which is distributed by the Fire Chiefs Association. After some discussion, the topic was tabled by consensus until the March meeting.

**#4 Gayle Rayles – Belterra Repayment Schedule**

Gayle gave an overview of the Belterra tax dispute repayment schedule. A motion was made by Lisa to have the first payment be covered by the Rainy Day Fund with no repayment by the units receiving the property taxes. This would be the taxes for 2009 pay 2010 through 2014 pay 2015, seconded by Rachel and the motion passed. How to pay the remaining 5 payments was tabled.

**#5 Casino Sharing**

Andy made the motion for no changes from 2019 which was seconded by Rachel for discussion. When the vote was called there were 3 votes in favor, so the motion failed.

After some discussion a motion to table the subject was made by Lance, seconded by Lisa and the motion failed.

A motion to leave the distributions the same except for the Fire Chief's Association was made by Lisa, seconded by Todd and the motion passed with a vote of 5-2.

The subject of the Fire Chiefs Association portion was tabled until the March meeting.

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With no further business to come before the council, Lisa made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Lance and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

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Carolyn J. Green, Auditor  
Switzerland County, Indiana