

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 and Rachel Schuler; and county Auditor, Carolyn J. Green.

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

The minutes of the previous meeting of March 11th were approved as presented on a motion by Mike, by Todd and the motion carried.

#1 Jon Bond – Casino Revenue Update

Jon presented scenarios of projected annual losses in gaming taxes assuming the Belterra Casino reopening dates of May 1, May 8, May 15, May 22, May 29, or June 5. The end of Belterra’s fiscal year is June 24th. The council members have talked with the entities involved in the quarterly distribution, and all of them understand the situation of lost revenue. Suggestions on how to save as much money as possible were presented.

Lisa made a motion to freeze the distributions and gifts to the entities involved until the next meeting, seconded by Mike and the motion carried with a vote of 4 to 3. Rachel, Andy and Lance opposed the motion.

It was also agreed that they would talk with the sheriff regarding employees and new purchases.

#2 New Business

The Louis and Clark National Historic Trail: A Louis and Clark National Historic Trail support letter, received from tourism, was read. Andy made a motion to support this, seconded by Lisa and the motion passed.

#3 Additional Appropriation Ordinances

The following additional appropriation ordinances were approved as read on a motion by Lance, seconded by Todd and the motion carried.

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 (1000)	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
<i>JAIL</i>		
200 SUPPLIES		
4242 PRISONER FOOD	\$ 134.35	_____
TOTAL COUNTY GENERAL FUND	\$ 134.35	_____

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Additional Appropriation Ordinances cont'd

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GUARDIAN AD LITEM FUND (1213)	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
4301 CASA GRANT	\$3983.00	_____
TOTAL GUARDIAN AD LITEM FUND	\$3983.00	_____

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

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NURSE MANAGED CLINIC FUND (4014)	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
300 OTHER SERVICES/CHARGES		
4319 INDIGENT SERVICES	\$2000.00	_____
TOTAL NURSE MANAGED CLINIC FUND	\$2000.00	_____

#4 Revised Salary Ordinance – Coroner Department

A request from the coroner for a revised Salary Ordinance was presented. After some discussion, Rachel made a motion to table the request for more information, seconded by Lisa and the motion carried. Coroner Clinton Earls will be asked to come to the next council meeting.

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With no further business to come before council, Lisa made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Lance and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Attest: _____
Carolyn J. Green, Auditor
Switzerland County, Indiana