

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: Lisa Fisher, Lance Collier, Todd Chase, Mat Dutkiewicz, Andy Haskell, Randy Leap and Mike Bear and the county auditor, Gayle Sullivan.

Lisa called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mat made a motion to approve the minutes with Randy making a second. All in favor.

#1 Old Business**#2 New Business:**

Jon Bond with a casino update. January was not a good month for Belterra. Discussion was had by all. Lisa also spoke about the Belterra settlement. Discussion was had about the settlement but ultimately it will be Stacey Mathews decision on the matter.

Brittany Carfield-GBS billing for 2023 and 2024. Both bills were received on the same day. She was unaware that this bill was coming and did not allow for this in her budget. She has a fund that can be for a partial payment and is asking the council to pay the remainder. Andy made a motion to pay the balance of \$6494.26 with Todd making a second, pending the perpetuation fund availability. All in favor.

Moorefield Bennington Sewer/Animal Shelter-Jamie Peters asked for approval to backfill the animal shelter manager. Discussion was had about the different situations for the animal shelter. Lance makes a motion to reopen that position with a second by Mat at a \$45,000.00. All in favor. Bennington Sewer-the estimate was for \$350,000 for redoing the sewer district. Finally got a quote and it was \$630,000. Discussion was had. Also, Jamie wanted to discuss about the county employees working 36 or 40 hours. Discussion was had.

Brittany Carfield-replacing employee that is retiring. Discussion was had and with that Lance made a motion to replace the deputy for the clerk's office. No second. Motion failed for lack of a second. Andy would like to make a motion to postponed and revisit in 90 days. Randy making a second. Lisa, Todd, Mat, Andy and Randy-yay Lance and Mike -nay Motion passed.

Budget Calendar-Organization schedule for budget hearings. July 17-Auditor should have all information in office by this date. Discussion was had about using the budget calendar. Mat made a motion to approve and Andy second. All in favor.

PAC Committee-Lisa withdrew her name from the PAC committee. There is only one person from council needed.

Pete Swango/board appt-Alcohol and Tobacco opening-Andy made a motion to approve Scotty Moore with Randy making a second. All in favor. Economic Development-Andy made a motion for Colleen Lay and Todd making a second. All in favor. Re-development Committee-Lance made a motion for Gene Crabtree and Andy making a second. All in favor. Todd made a motion for Eric Swank with Mat making a second. All in favor.

Belterra Sharing-Discussion was had about casino revenue sharing. SCER needs a \$100,000. To help with their budget. Mat made a motion to take \$100,000 from savings to SCER and Randy made a second. All in favor

#3 Board Reports:

Lance-no Mike and Mat-no
Randy-no Lisa-no
Andy-corridor open
Todd-Terry Goode spoke from Rural Development.

Adjournment

Tonight was Randy's last meeting and will be going to the Commissioner's position. With no further business to come before council, Andy made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Randy. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Lance Fisher

Andy

Todd Chase

AJ

Lance M. Call

Mike Ben

Attest:

Gayle Sullivan

Gayle Sullivan, Auditor
Switzerland County, Indiana

