

BLACKFORD COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES OF

November 4, 2020

The Blackford County Council met at 6:00 p.m. on the first floor of the Blackford County Courthouse located at 110 W Washington Street, Hartford City, Indiana for the regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 4, 2020. The meeting was also available on Zoom

President Dan Borgenheimer called the meeting to order.

Those members answering roll were Dan Borgenheimer, Kyle Lechien, Jack Beckley, Patrick Cale, Fred Tobey and Karen Mealy. Ryan Goodspeed was on Zoom.

Also present were: in person were Auditor Sharon Hartley, John Oxley, Warren Brown, Bruce Edgington, Tyler Hunt and Deb Perry. Attending on Zoom were Kelly Cale, Kathy Goodspeed, Mary Beal and Ryan Goodspeed.

The minutes of the October 7, 2020 Regular Council meeting were approved as Amended* on a motion by Jack Beckley and 2nd by Patrick Cale. The vote was 7/0. (*The board wants more information in the minutes on the request from Paul Schriver concerning the Drainage Board Secretary's pay and paying from the Surveyor Perpetuation Fund. The recording will be reviewed and details noted below.)

Revision to October 7, 2020 minutes: Surveyor Paul Schriver asked to pay the Drainage Board Secretary from the Surveyor Cornerstone Perpetuation fund for extra hours she works. All work from the Cornerstone Perpetuation Fund must be for Cornerstone work. Discussion has some Council members not wanting to set precedent that extra hours can be worked if the pay comes from a fund other than County General. Other members feel that if the work needs done and she has the expertise, she should be the one working. Council did not make a motion but agreed all work possible should be done within the 35 hours set on the Salary Ordinance. Any hours worked for Cornerstone Perpetuation should be tracked on a separate time card.

Committee Reports:

- Community Corrections Kyle Lechien -- next meeting 1/17
- Solid Waste District Dan Borgenheimer -- no meetings
- Economic Development -- Ryan Goodspeed -- no report
- Blackford Development -- Patrick Cale --see Warren Brown report below.
- LEPC -- Ryan Goodspeed -- no report

BCEDC Director Warren Brown reported 1.) things are moving forward on the revolving loan through the OCRA Grant. 2.) Work is being done for a \$90,000 plan grant for Hartford City water/waste water system. 3.) The Gillman project is waiting for INDOT approval. 4.) The Early Childhood Coalition is moving forward. 5.) Work will begin next week on the Newberry building. 6.) The housing study is complete.

Highway Supervisor Bruce Edgington announced he will retire in early 2022. He hopes his replacement will be promoted from current employees. He is asking to hire one driver/operator so all seasons of training can occur. There is enough money in the budget. Council would like a commitment from the Commissioners to promote from within before they approve a new driver hire. Edgington was asked to come back in January to revisit this issue.

Council had talked about having the County Farm appraised. The cost would be \$1,500. Council decided not to have an appraisal done at this time.

Financial Reports for COUNTY GENERAL

Ending Cash Balance as of 10/31/2020	\$ 2,700,149.48
Total Expenditures for October 2020	\$ 382,379.23
Total Revenue for October 2020	\$ 499,460.64

Transfers:

8901 CARES Grant \$347,054 to 1000 County General

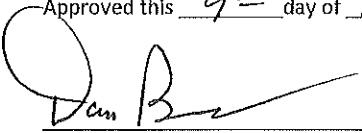
Fred Tobey moved to approve the transfer requests and Patrick Cale 2nd. The vote was 7/0.

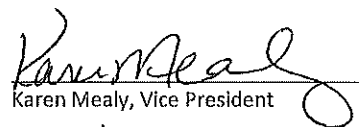
Co. Gen. – Pros	\$ 38.73 from Travel to Dues & Office Supplies
	\$195 from Postage to Operating Supplies
	\$ 50 from Training & Education to Operating Supplies
	\$212.62 from Custom Hire to Operating Supplies
Ch Sup	\$211.52 from Meals & Lodging to Office Supplies
	\$144.69 from Travel to Operating Supplies
Sup. Ct	\$1,000 from Psychiatric Services to Legal Research Material
Jail	\$2,500 from Telephone to Operating Supplies
LIT Public Safety	\$5,208 from LT to Training & Education

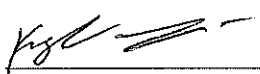
Jack Beckley moved to approve all of the transfer requests and Karen Mealy 2nd. The vote was 7/0.

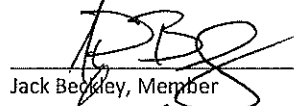
There being no further comment Kyle Lechien moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Jack Beckley 2nd and the vote was 7/0.

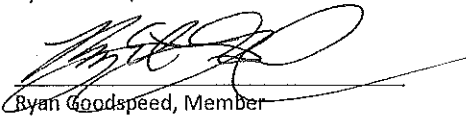
Approved this 9th day of December, 2020.

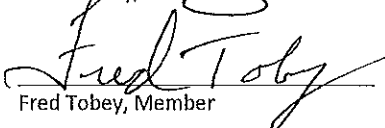

 Dan Borgenheimer, President

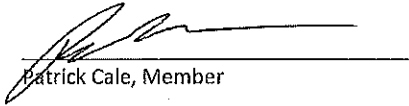

 Karen Mealy, Vice President

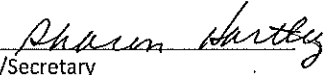

 Kyle Lechien, Member


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 Ryan Goodspeed, Member


 Fred Tobey, Member


 Patrick Cale, Member

Attest: 
 Auditor/Secretary