

RECORD OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNCIL OF ORANGE COUNTY, INDIANA
MARCH 18, 2021 AT 5:00PM

OFFICIALS PRESENT were Council members Alan Waynick, Chad Hager, Robin Stackhouse, Jack Hinkle, John Robert (Bob) McDonald, and Zach Brown. Not present was Matt Henderson. Also present was Auditor Lonnie Stroud, Sheriff Josh Babcock, and County Attorney JC Tucker.

Chad Hager led in the Pledge to the Flag. Zach Brown gave prayer.

Council President, Chad Hager called the meeting to order.

Minutes from February 18th meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes as written was made Alan Waynick seconded by Jack Hinkle, and carried 6-0.

JC Tucker, Orange County Attorney, presented Ordinance 2021-02 Additional Appropriation Resolution of the County Council of Orange County, Indiana. Ordinance appropriates the \$1,900,000 local income tax revenue bond to purchase building and property at 1352 West Hospital Road, Paoli, IN. the hearing was opened for public comment. With no public comment the public hearing was closed and a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-2 was made by Alan Waynick, seconded by Jack Hinkle, and carried 5-0-1 with Zach Brown abstaining.

Carl Anderson, Orange County Highway Superintendent, gave highway report. Carl requested that the Truck Driver and Operator that are paid from the Bridge fund be moved to the Highway fund retroactive January 1st 2021. Auditor Stroud prepared salary ordinance amending the number of Truck Drivers and Operators that are paid from the Highway Department for Council's consideration. Motion to approve the two position be moved from Bridge fund to Highway fund retroactive January 1, 2021 and the funds be corrected to reflect the change was made by Zach Brown, seconded by Robin Stackhouse, and carried 6-0. Auditor Stroud will prepare a reduction in budget for Cumulative Bridge Fund and an additional appropriation request for Highway Fund to be published and presented at the next Council meeting for consideration and vote.

Sheriff Josh Babcock gave February stats. Sheriff reported that there was and inspection by the Indiana Fire Marshall and the Jail Inspector. The reports and correction are being completed and address.

Danny Hudelson, Hudelson Machine, presented a request for 10-year abatement of personal property and real estate. Stroud reported that the portion that could be abated would only be additional assessed value and not the existing property or equipment. Motion to approve the 10-year abatement for both personal property and real estate was made by Zach Brown, seconded by Alan Waynick, and carried 6-0.

Auditor Stroud presented the Council with an amended salary Ordinance for the Maintenance Director. The hours for the position were increased from 35 hours to 40 hours. The same rate of pay was given for the additional 260 hours, increasing the salary to \$44,898. There was comment from the audience that was heard by the Council. Motion to approve the salary with the understanding that no comp-time or overtime would be claimed was made by Zach Brown, seconded by Alan Waynick, and carried 6-0. Auditor Stroud requested permission to correct the life insurance clearing fund #5205 for \$350 and the Air Evac clearing fund #5208 for \$55. Stroud will transfer cash from the Health Insurance clearing fund. The correction is necessary because of uncollectable premiums. Motion to allow the corrections was made by Jack Hinkle, seconded by Robin Stackhouse, and carried 6-0.

Additional appropriations and transfers were presented and passed with proper motion and vote.

With no further business to discuss the motion to adjourn was made by Zach Brown, seconded by Bob McDonald, and carried 6-0.

Chad Hager, President

Attest: _____
Lonnie Stroud, Orange County Auditor