

WABASH COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

The Wabash County Council met in session on Monday, October 22, 2018 in the Commissioner's Meeting Room of the Wabash County Courthouse. Chairman Randy Curless called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Six Council members were present: Curless, Matt Mize, Matt Dillon, Lorissa Sweet, Philip Dale and Kyle Bowman. Council member Barbara Pearson was absent. Councilman Bowman led in a word of prayer and Curless led the Pledge of Allegiance. The proceedings of the meeting were recorded by the County Auditor's office.

Chairman Curless requested that those present silence their cell phones and stated that all public comments regarding agenda and non-agenda items are permitted and encouraged.

The first order of business was to review the minutes of the September 11th, 12th, and 13th budget hearings for 2019 and the September 24th budget hearing adoption for 2019 and the September 24, 2018 regularly scheduled Council meeting. Dillon made a motion to approve the minutes for the budget hearings and for the regular September meeting. Dale seconded the motion and it passed by a 5-0 vote with Mize abstaining due to his absence from the September 24th meeting.

The next order of business was the advertised final adoption of the Wabash County Solid Waste Management District's 2019 budget. Solid Waste Director Jen Rankin was present in order to answer questions and address comments. No questions or public comments were heard. Dale made a motion to approve the Wabash County Solid Waste Management District's 2019 budget. Dillon seconded the motion and it passed by a 6-0 vote.

The next order of business was to address the 2019 Wabash County Salary Ordinance created from the 2019 Wabash County Budget Adoption as approved on September 24, 2018. Dale made a motion to approve the 2019 salary ordinance as submitted. Dillon seconded the motion and it passed by a 6-0 vote. Dillon made a motion to suspend the rules requiring a second reading of the ordinance. Sweet seconded the motion and it passed by a 6-0 vote.

The next order of business was to address the requests for a Transfer of Funds from one budgeted line item/account to another. Present for the requests were County Extension/Health & Human Science Educator Mindy Mayes, and

Commissioner Brian Haupert. Superintendent John Martin was not present for his request.

**TRANSFER RESOLUTION
2018-85-03**

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

SEC. 1 Be it ordained by the Wabash County Council of Wabash County Indiana, that for the expense of said county government and its institutions for the year ending December 31, 2018, the following sums of money are hereby transferred and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

SEC. 2 WHEREAS, it has been shown that certain existing appropriations now have unobligated balances which will not be needed for the purposes for which appropriated, it is further resolved that the following existing appropriations be reduced in the following amounts.

GENERAL FUND #1000

DECREASE:

Purdue Extension/Dept.20	Amount Requested	Amt. Approved	AYE	NAY
#1000-30230-000 Travel/Mileage	\$800.00	\$800.00	6	0

INCREASE:

Purdue Extension/Dept.20	Amount Requested	Amt. Approved	AYE	NAY
#1000-21100.000 Office Supplies	\$800.00	\$800.00	6	0

Explanation submitted by Angela Christopher, Purdue Extension Director – Need to purchase a new computer workstation since the existing one is over 20 years old and not enough in the office supplies account. Would like to transfer funds from Travel/Mileage account for this purchase.

Dillon made a motion to approve the request. Mize seconded the motion and it passed by a 6-0 vote.

DECREASE:

Courthouse Complex/Dept.32	Amount Requested	Amt. Approved	AYE	NAY
#1000-40310-000 Phone system	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	6	0

INCREASE:

Courthouse Complex/Dept.32	Amount Requested	Amt. Approved	AYE	NAY
#1000-21600.000 Janitorial Supplies	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	6	0

Explanation submitted by Commissioner B. Haupert: The Janitorial Supplies account was underestimated for 2018.

Dillon made a motion to approve the request. Dale seconded the motion and it passed by a 6-0 vote.

LOCAL ROADS AND STREETS FUND #1169

DECREASE:

Town Streets	Amount Requested	Amt. Approved	AYE	NAY
#1169-40740-000.0000	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	6	0

INCREASE:

On-Call Engineering	Amount Requested	Amt. Approved	AYE	NAY
#1169-30642.000.0000	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	6	0

Explanation submitted by John Martin, Highway Superintendent – Need to transfer funds in order to cover road rating and asset management plan to make Wabash County eligible for the Community Crossing Matching Grant Fund. The County may then apply for grant money in order to improve CR 1100N from SR 13 to Taylor Drive.

Dillon made a motion to approve the request. Dale seconded the motion and it passed by a 6-0 vote.

Council reviewed:

September 2018 Auditor & Treasurer Financial Reports

September 2018 Wabash County Solid Waste Mgmt. District Income & Expense Statement

Letter from City of Wabash’s Mayor Long regarding a meeting concerning the current drug crisis.

Curless reminded members that there is no November Council meeting and that the next meeting is the final one for the year on December 3, 2018. With no other business to come before the Council, Chairman Curless adjourned the meeting.

The following individuals also attended the October 22nd Council meeting:

**If any names are spelled incorrectly, we apologize.*

Deputy Auditor B.J. Grube, Attorney Mark Frantz, “The Paper” news reporter, Josh Sigler and “Wabash Plain Dealer” news reporter, Andrew Christman.