

December 4, 2000

Council chairman, Robert Whitesel, called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. with all members present. Leon Ridenour shared a prayer, and minutes of the 11/13 meeting were approved as written moved by Richard Pepple, second by Ted Little, and passed. Since the local fiscal body is now responsible for setting mileage rates for their locale, and gas prices are increasing, Rich moved to increase the rate to \$.32 per mile, effective 1/1/01 second by Ted, and passed by all. Council set their meeting schedule for 2001: at 8:00 A.M. on 1/29; 4/2; 6/4; 7/16; 9/10; 10/22; and 12/3. Their budget hearings will be Aug. 20th and 21st at 2:00 P.M. All meetings are in the Auditor's office in the courthouse. Commissioner, Brian Haupert, updated on the ambulance service concern for the northern part of the county, since Life-Med indicates federal changes may force them to give up emergency transports. Paul Sites noted the Town of North Manchester, Manchester College and Peabody and Timbercrest homes may need to contribute money to keep the service. The latter two are frequent users of the service, and all are tax exempt. Our contract with Life-Med expires the end of the year, and Brian is meeting with interested parties to resolve the problem. Larry Rice, highway supervisor, reported work on CR 175 and CR 180 is completed, they're working on Durnbaugh Road now, and federal project bridges # 13 and # 28, refurbishing projects, are in the paperwork stage, while work is progressing on the Carroll St. bridge replacement. Council members and Commissioners thanked Bob Whitesel, whose tenure ends at year's end, for his contributions to the Council, and reminded him he will be missed.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE IX 2000

	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	AYE	NAY
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COUNTY GENERAL

County Commissioners

399 Other Serv/Chgs (Wards of Court)	\$100,000.	\$100,000.	7	0
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Probation director, Tina Edwards, reports an average of 11 juveniles in detention daily, the number is stagnant or down a little from last year. They also use intensive supervision and electronic monitoring in lieu of detention. They see about a 15% repeat offender figure based on their monthly reports, and offenders still in detention from prior years contribute to the cost of this program. Ted moved to approve as requested, second by Eugene Schenkel and passed.

County Council

310 Other Serv/Chgs (legal consultant)	7,200.	7,200.	7	0
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For legal counsel in Prosecutor Plummer vs Co. Council lawsuit. Paul moved approval as requested, second by Gene, and passed by all.

Circuit Court

319 Other Serv/Chgs (pauper counsel appeals)	6,000.	6,000.	6	1
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When a defendant loses a case in a jury trial, they have the right to appeal, and everyone does. Gene moved to approve, second by Paul, and passed with Gary Nose voting nay.

COUNTY HIGHWAY

Administration

1331 Other Serv/Chgs (advertising)	400.	400.	7	0
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Larry Rice, supervisor, says he had four unexpected advertisements for new employees, as people accept job offers with higher pay.

1341 Other Serv/Chgs (liability insurance)	8,836.	8,836.	7	0
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Larry never knows at budget time what workman's comp rates will be. It's based on a state, not local, average. Rich moved to approve both requests, second by Ted, passed.

ELECTRONIC MONITORING

311 Other Serv/Chgs (electronic home detention)	19,000.	19,000.	7	0
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Clients pay for this privilege, money collected needs appropriated, so they may administer the program. Ted moved to approve, second by Rich, and passed.

WABASH COUNTY CREDIT

416 Capital Outlay (No. Man. Indust. east)	11,326.	11,326.	7	0
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Additional needed to pay the December installment, as this year's costs are higher than estimated, although the overall project cost was lower than anticipated. The county pays 80% of the principal plus interest, and No. Manchester pays 20%. Not enough is budgeted for 2001, either. Gene moved to approve as requested, second by Leon, and passed

TRANSFER RESOLUTION II, 2000

COUNTY GENERAL

Sheriff

Increase:

225 Supplies (garage & motors)	\$ 16,184.	\$16,184.	7	0
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Needed for car maintenance and repairs.

324 Other Serv/Chgs (extraditions)	900.	900.	7	0
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More than estimated for in the 2000 budget.

Decrease:

312 Other Serv/Chgs (medical/dental)	17,084.	17,084.	7	0
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Gene moved to approve all transfers for the Sheriff, second by Paul, and passed by all.

Emergency Management

Increase:

361 Other Serv/Chgs (repairs/maintenance)	215.91	215.91	7	0
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Needed due to additional expenditures for communications equipment repairs, required FCC license and new repeater installation.

Decrease:

447 Capital Outlay (vehicle lease)	215.91	215.91	7	0
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Leon moved to approve the transfer as requested, second by Ted, and passed.

Jail

Increase:

224 Supplies (janitor supplies)	1,800.	1,800.	7	0
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Money shortfall for needed supplies

Decrease:

312 Other Serv/Chgs (medical/dental)	1,800.	1,800.	7	0
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Gene moved to approve as requested, second by Paul, and passed.

Circuit Court

Increase:

319 Other Serv/Chgs (pauper counsel, appeals)	8,000.	8,000.	7	0
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Needed for defendant right to appeal when they lose their case.

Decrease:

122 Personal Serv (IV-D Commissioner)	1,000.	1,000.	7	0
123 Personal Serv (IV-D Reporter)	200.	200.	7	0
136 Personal Serv (grand jurors)	3,000.	3,000.	7	0
211 Supplies (general office)	300.	300.	7	0
212 Supplies (tapes)	500.	500.	7	0
216 Supplies (law books)	3,000.	3,000.	7	0

Gene moved to approve transfers as requested, second by Rich, and passed.

Superior Court

Increase:

440 Capital Outlay (equipment)	10,500.	10,500.	7	0
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For purchase of computer and digital recording equipment, a switch from tapes to C.D.'s. Council denied funds for this in the 2001 budget, and anticipate approval of this request will precipitate a like request from Circuit Court next year.

Decrease:

135 Personal Serv (petit jurors)	7,000.	7,000.	7	0
317 Other Serv/Chgs (pauper counsel, conflict)	3,500.	3,500.	7	0

Rich moved to approve the transfer request, second by Gary, and passed.

E-911

Increase:

211 Supplies (supplies)	300.	300.	7	0
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Shortfall in money for supplies

Decrease:

412 Capital Outlay (equipment)	300.	300.	7	0
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Leon moved to approve, second by Gene, and passed. No further business, they adjourned.

/s/ Robert Whitesel /s/ Leon Ridenour /s/ Richard Pepple /s/ Ted Little
/s/ Gary Nose /s/ Eugene Schenkel /s/ Paul Sites

ATTEST: Carol Stefanatos, Auditor