## July 28, 2003

Council Chairman, Paul Sites, called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M. with Richard Pepple absent. Leon Ridenour shared a prayer, and minutes of the 6/23 meeting were approved with two corrections, moved by Joann Rauh, second by Ted Little, and passed. In reference to wage discussions concerning County General budgets only, Council would not increase wages for one department that was able to cut 5% from their 2004 budget and still have sufficient funds for wage increases. In reference to new handicapped accessible voting machine requirements, Paul rather than Ted, talked to state officials about funding constraints. Council changed its September meeting from the 15th to the 8th, at 8:00 A.M. In response to Gary Nose's suggestion to allot more time for their budget hearing schedule, Council will meet at 9:00 A.M. on 8/25/03, hear Additional Appropriation and Transfer Requests at 1:00 P.M., then resume budget hearings until 4:00 or 5:00 P.M. as needed. Hearings will resume on 8/26 at 9:00 A.M. and continue through the day as needed. Hearings will recess between 12:00 noon and 1:00 P.M. both days. County Clerk, Lori Draper, presented a document fee schedule for Council review. All court costs are set by legislative law, but copy costs of documents may be set on the local level. Lori recommends: (1) Copy of Court documents fee of one dollar per letter or legal size page, including a page only partially covered with writing for general public and attorneys not of record. (2) Transmitting of documents by facsimile fee: (a) Two dollars for the first page transmitted and (b) One dollar for each additional page. Fees collected would be deposited in the Clerk's Record Perpetuation fund and may be used for the preservation of records and the improvement of record keeping systems and equipment. Gary moved approval to adopt the fee schedule as recommended, second by Ted, and passed. Co Treasurer, LuAnn Layman reports the Hayes Lemerez facility has filed Chapter 11 bankruptcy. They have delinquent taxes and have offered to pay the taxes in a lump sum, less 5 to 10 %, or make monthly payments for 6 years at 6% interest. The county can't collect the 10% late fee on bankruptcy properties. Hayes Lemerez asked for a decision by 7/31. Council consensus is to accept 95% of the balance due if that is legal. They asked LuAnn to check with the Treasurer's Association and the Association of Indiana Counties for guidance. In response to Ted's question, Sheriff Leroy Striker reports most offenders are repeat offenders. Striker and Little agree inmates need to be more responsible for the cost of incarceration, and user fees are an option. The Sheriff is waiting for a legal interpretation on various possible fees from the State Board of Accounts. Meanwhile Leroy is working toward more home detention and work release, in an effort to cut both costs and the census. There are 5 on work release now, and the Sheriff collects 20% of their wages. Striker suggests a one time fee of \$30.00 for any inmate jailed for more than 2 consecutive days, if it's legal. Gary and Ted asked about moving to a central dispatch system. Striker thinks there are many positives, but startup costs would be high. He will form a committee to study the matter. After addressing the Additional Appropriation and Transfer requests, Leon moved to adjourn, second by Eugene Schenkel, and passed.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE VII-2003 AMOUNT AMOUNT AYE NAY REQUESTED APPROVED COUNTY GENERAL

County Extension 440 Capital Outlay (grant appropriation) \$ 2,100.00 \$ 2,100.00 6 0 A grant awarded thru the Community Foundation for meeting presentation equipment. Joann moved approval, second by Ted, and passed.

County Commissioners 174 Personal Services (Sheriff pension) 5,592.00 6 0 Collections for 5/03 for Civil papers served. Joann moved approval, second by Ted, and passed. Ted would like the option of using riverboat gambling funds rather than county general funds, researched. Ted, Joann and Commissioner, Les Templin, will do research. COUNTY HIGHWAY

General and Undistributed

4441 Capital Outlay (advertising error)19,959.0019,959.0060Amount wasn't advertised correctly at budget time, State Board of Accounts wanted that<br/>corrected. Ted moved approval, second by Gene, and passed.60

COUNTY HEALTH

quito traps.Joann moved approval, second by Leon, and passed.319Other Services/Charges (meningitis vaccine)3,788.003,788.0060

Vaccine for college students, they pay for the service. Leon moved approval, second by Joann, and passed.

## CLERK'S PERPETUATION

442 Capital Outlay (copy machine) 7,000.00 0.00 Request withdrawn for now. Clerk, Lori Draper, was looking at a reconditioned unit, and wants to learn the cost of a new copy machine, or a lease agreement. E-911

111	Personal Services	(coordinator wages)	27,392.00	0.00
112	Personal Services	(2 dispatcher wages)	53,784.00	0.00
171	Personal Services	(benefits, Soc Sec)	6,210.00	0.00

Not needed, these requests were approved by Council in January, 2003 372 Other Services/Charges (map upgrade) 28,500.00 28,500.00 6 0 Funds were allocated by the state to upgrade mapping system, needs appropriated. Joann moved approval, second by Gene, and passed.

412 Capital Outlay (tower & equipment) 58,317.00 58,317.00 6 0 \$35,000. to purchase old REMC tower that houses county equipment. Joann moved approval, second by Gene, and passed. \$23,317. is requested to move fire equipment to the top of the tower and add a repeater system to improve communications with Lagro, Urbana and Lincolnville. Joann moved approval, second by Gene, and passed. HEALTH MAINTENANCE

216Supplies (nurse supplies)164.0060316Other Services/Charges (Hepatitis vaccine)180.00180.0060For nurse supplies (216) and hepatitis vaccine purchased by Southwood teachers (316).Joann moved approval on both items as requested, second by Ted, and passed.164.0060