

July 29, 2019

SPECIAL SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL

The Pulaski County Council met for a special session on July 29, 2019 at 7:00PM EDST at the Pulaski County Highway Garage Training Room, Winamac, IN.

Those present for the Council were Jerry (Jay) Sullivan, Michael T Tiede, Kathleen Thompson, Scott Hinkle, Ken Boswell, Brian Young and Auditor Laura Wheeler. Ronald DeSabatine was absent.

Also present were Patty Sullivan, Jessye Gilley, JoLynn Behny, Jeff Johnston, Teresa Bryant, Jenny Keller, John Behny, Sue Fox, Sheri Gaillard, Teri Hanson, Andrea Keller, Celinda Briney, Karla Pemberton and Doug Hoover.

The Purpose of the Special Session is to hear 2020 department budget request.

Jerry Sullivan open the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: ELECTION BOARD

Pulaski County Clerk JoLynn Behny presented the 2020 budget for the election board. She was accompanied by Jessye Gilley and Patty Sullivan both members of the election board. The election board budget is up about \$8000.00 for 2020 because it is a presidential election year. The budget does not include any payroll but does include compensation for the Boards and the total budget is \$70,100.00. Each town is billed for their portion of the election expense. There is an expected voting machine upgrade that will cost the County \$45,000.00 but it is not required for 2020.

IN RE: CLERK

Behny also presented the Clerk's 2020 budget. Very little change in 2020 budget from 2019 budget.

IN RE: SURVEYOR/DRAINAGE BOARD

Jenny Keller presented the Surveyor's 2020 budget. Several line items were discussed for cuts. Ditch expenses are itemized at the end of the year and County General is reimbursed by the maintenance funds.

The Drainage fund discussed as well.

Board fee raises discussed briefly.

IN RE: TREASURER

Teresa Bryant presented the Treasurer's 2020 budget with very little change from current year outside of salaries.

Postage and postage meter discussed briefly. Auditor and Clerk are working on alternate solutions for postage.

IN RE: RECORDER

Sue Fox reported that she went off what she spent last year and she has never had to ask for any additional. Scanning documents to store as electronic files is in the indexing state and should be complete by year end. This cost is coming out of the Recorder's perpetuation fund. Last year, the Recorder's office brought in \$26,900.00 from fees.

IN RE: CORONER

John Behny reviewed the Coroner's budget with little change.

IN RE: EMA/LEPC

Sheri Gaillard discussed the EMA and LEPC budgets. There were some small reductions to her budget.

Generally, what is spent out of the LEPC budget is reimbursed at the end of the year by the State. LEPC purchased the drone, which all departments can use.

IN RE: HEALTH

Teresa Hanson complained about computers. The Health Department receives two grants from the State which pays wages, Social Security and PERF. Outsourcing food inspections discussed briefly.

IN RE: BUILDING INSPECTOR

Doug Hoover and Karla Pemberton discussed the Building Inspector and Planning commission budgets for 2020 which is \$6800.00 less than 2019 and includes a 10% raise for Doug and moving Karla to full time. Solar panels discussed briefly.

Agriculture exempt fees discussed.

Brian Young made a motion to adjourn at 9:21pm, Kenny Boswell seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Signed and dated this 9th day of September 2019.

Jerry (Jay) Sullivan

Kenny Boswell

Scott Hinkle

Ronald DeSabatine

Michael T Tiede

Brian Young

Kathleen Thompson

ATTEST: _____
Laura Wheeler, Auditor Pulaski County, IN