

JULY 10, 2023

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL

The Pulaski County Council met in regular session Monday July 10, 2023 7:00pm at the Pulaski County Highway Garage training room. Councilmembers present were Kenneth Boswell, Michael Tiede, Tim Overmyer, Jeffrey Richwine, Bradley Bonnell, Jerome Locke with County Auditor Laura Wheeler. Sheila Hazemi Jimenez was present by Zoom

Also present were Nathan Origer, Rex Allman, Celinda Briney, David Olds, Gary Kruger, Isaiah Tidwell, Judge Chrystal Brucker, Joe Moyer and Sheriff Chris Schramm.

President Boswell opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: CDC

Ordinance 2023-05, which will establish an Economic Development Commission and Department of Economic Development, presented for review and approval. Discussion followed and Michael Tiede making a motion to table for further review, Tim Overmyer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: HEALTH

The State Health discussed briefly. New positions and furniture/equipment is being considered. New hire, Edwina Guffey as the food/environmental inspector discussed. Council informed that if this is not the vacated position per Matrix, then Council needs to approve position and wages. Options discussed and it was agreed that Edwina Guffey would be hired for the vacated position.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

The following transfers were presented for review and approval:

8912-0610 CARES LHD/HEALTH DEPT			
From:	38010 Contracted Services	\$9,800.00	
	40460 Computer Software & Hardware	320.00	
To:	44700 Patient Care Services		10,120.00

Michael Tiede made a motion to approve transfers as presented, Jeffrey Richwine seconded and motion carried unanimously.

The following additional was presented for review and approval to advertise:

1112-31801	Professional Services	\$200,000.00
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The Courthouse project delays have led to more design and other costs than what was expected prior to bond issuance. About \$300,000.00 of the original \$350,000.00 additional has been spent. Funds will come out of LIT-Economic Development. Jeffrey Richwine made a motion to approve for advertising, Jerry Locke seconded and motion passed with Tim Overmyer opposed.

The following advertised Additional was presented for review and approval:

1175	Misdemeanant/Building Structure Repairs	\$26,510.00
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This is for the new air conditioner at Justice Center. Jeffrey Richwine made a motion to approve additional as advertised, Michael Tiede seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Michael Tiede made a motion to approve and sign the May 8, 2023 and June 12, 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Pay raise and cost of living for the 2024 budget discussed. After some consideration it was recommended that the Matrix be demolished in 2024 and use the regional average plus 5% cost of living for the 2024 budget prior to review by Council. These figures can be adjusted lower at budget hearing.

Jerry Locke resigned from the ADA committee. Bradley Bonnell agreed to replace him.

With no other business to discuss, meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

Approved and signed this 14th day of August 2023 by the **Pulaski County Council**.

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KENNETH BOSWELL

MICHAEL TIEDE

JEFFREY RICHWINE

TIN OVERMYER

BRADLEY BONNELL

JERRY LOCKE

SHEILA HAZEMI-JIMENEZ

ATTEST: _____
LAURA WHEELER, AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN