

**PERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES – FEBRUARY 25, 2016**

The Perry County Council met on the above date at 4:30 p.m. as was duly advertised. Council members in attendance were: Steve Goodson, Ron Crawford Sr., Dianne Rudolph, Jody French, Danny Bolin, J.R. Flynn and John Taylor. A media representative from the *Perry County News* was also present, along with Council Attorney Jim Tyler.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting on January 28, 2016 had been mailed to council members for their review. Ron made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, second made by J.R. Flynn. Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Perry County Health Department requested an additional appropriation within the Health Fund for health insurance in the amount of \$4,740.00. Health Nurse, Sara Gehlhausen, commented to the Council that grants should not be funding her family insurance. She informed them that she had contacted the State Health Department and was told that if the insurance had been covered by the County before, then it cannot be switched to pay from grants now. If so, then this puts the Health Department in jeopardy to get any grant money in the future. Steve did inform Sara that she and her family are covered by the insurance. Steve stated they would look at this request later in the year after they know the circuit breaker credit loss for the Health Fund which is due to the low cash balance. Steve asked for a motion for this request. It died for a lack of a motion.

Perry County Sheriff, Alan Malone, requested an additional appropriation request within the Misdemeanant Fund in the amount of \$3,406.35 for Repairs – Building & Fixtures. Sheriff Malone commented that this will deplete this fund. Ron made the motion to approve the request and John seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 16-CC-02

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 COUNTY COUNCIL OF PERRY COUNTY, PERRY COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE TAXING UNIT THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY ARE HEREBY APPROPRIATED OUT OF THE FUNDS NAMED AND FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED, SUBJECT TO LAWS GOVERNING THE SAME:

HEALTH FUND	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	AYE	NAY
<u>PERRY COUNTY HEALTH DEPT</u>				
#1159-610-1000.23 HEALTH INSURANCE	\$ 4,740.00	\$ 0		0
HEALTH FUND TOTAL:	\$ 4,740.00	\$ 0		0
<u>MISDEMEANANT FUND</u>				
<u>PERRY COUNTY JAIL</u>				
#1175-380-3000.61 REPAIRS-BUILDING & FIXURES	\$ 3,406.35	\$ 3,406.35	7	0
MISDEMEANANT FUND TOTAL:	\$ 3,406.35	\$ 3,406.35		

ADOPTED THIS 25th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2016

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STEVE GOODSON /S/
 RON CRAWFORD SR /S/
 DIANNE G RUDOLPH /S/
 JOHN J TAYLOR /S/
 JODY FRENCH /S/
 DANNY BOLIN /S/
 J.R. FLYNN /S/

ATTEST:

PAMELA L GOFFINET /S/
 PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS – AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Michael Elamon, CPA spoke for the Airport Authority. He explained to the Council that the additional appropriation that is before them is the same as the budget that was submitted last fall. He called Robert Norris, field representative with the Department of Local Finance, and he said that the 2015 budget was not submitted on time in the Gateway program. The State did not approve the 2016 budgets, so now the only way to have a budget for 2016 is to request an additional appropriation. Jody made the motion to approve the additional for the Airport Authority, seconded by Danny. Motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 16-AA-01

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AIRPORT AUTHORITY FUND	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	AYE	NAY
#2101 Membership & Dues	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00	7	0
#2101 Operating Supplies	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	7	0
#2101 Repair & Maint. Supplies	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	7	0
TOTAL SUPPLIES	\$ 1,800.00			
#2101 Professional Services	\$ 5,100.00	\$5,100.00	7	0
#2101 Communication & Trans	\$ 3,500.00	\$3,500.00	7	0
#2101 Printing & Adv.	\$ 750.00	\$ 750.00	7	0
#2101 Insurance	\$ 11,000.00	\$11,000.00	7	0
#2101 Utility Services	\$ 4,500.00	\$4,500.00	7	0
#2101 Repairs & Maint.	\$ 18,850.00	\$18,850.00	7	0
TOTAL OTHER SERVICES AND CHARGES	\$ 43,700.00	\$43,700.00		
TOTAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY FUND	\$ 45,500.00	\$45,500.00		

CUMULATIVE AIRPORT BUILDING FUND

#2190 T-Hanger	\$ 40,000.00	\$40,000.00	7	0
TOTAL CUMULATIVE AIPORT BLDG FUND	\$ 40,000.00	\$40,000.00		

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MILEAGE ORDINANCE

Auditor Pamela Goffinet presented the Council with a Mileage Ordinance to go in effect on March 1, 2016. Pam explained that the County has always followed the State’s rate for mileage reimbursement. The County has used the State’s rate of \$.40 per mile since July 23, 2015 and the State has now reduced the amount to \$.36 per mile. Ron made the motion to approve the Ordinance, second made by Jody. Motion carried 7-0. Steve signed the Ordinance. (see attachment “A” O-CC-16-1)

PERSONAL PROPERTY ORDINANCE

Mendy Lassaline, County Assessor, approached the Council about a personal property ordinance that can be passed to receive tax dollars back from a bill passed that incorporated IC 6-1.1-3-7.3. She explained that all personal property acquisition price less than \$20,000.00 will be tax exempt. This means the County will lose 1,045,744 in assessed value. This will be taxes effective with 2016 payable in 2017. By passing the Ordinance for ones under the \$20,000 the County can charge a tax by a tier system with the highest amount not exceeding \$50.00. This is a way for the County to get some tax dollars back. The property owners do have to sign verifying their amount is under the \$20,000. The Council discussed it but no decision was made at this time. They asked the Assessor to calculate the amount of tax dollars that will be lost in each taxing unit.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Perry County Auditor, Pamela Goffinet, informed the Council about the Association of Indiana Counties Southwest District meeting to be held on April 20, 2016 at the Huntingburg Convention Center in Dubois County. If anyone is planning on attending, please let Administrator Teresa Kanneberg know by March 16, 2016 so she can get reservations turned in.

Danny left at 5:10 p.m.

DATA PIT STOP, INC – FINANCIAL PLANNING

Darrin Bates, owner of Data Pit Stop from Muncie, In, came before the Council to discuss financial planning for the County. At this date he does financials in 14 counties. To begin with, he praised the Council and told them they had done the right thing on adopting the taxes that the County has. He was commenting on the County’s different income taxes and doing the best with what we have concerning the EDIT plan. Darren informed them that where they are losing money is with the circuit breaker. One suggestion he had was to move around the .06 CEDIT Homestead rate and shift it to qualifying residents instead of only ones with a homestead. Then he showed his program to the Council and explained some of his reports. There are several reports that would help the Auditor’s office on finding information. The fee for Data Pit Stop’s program is \$6,000.00 per year with numerous pages of reports. There is no extra fee for support. Darren did tell them that he really can’t help them unless they adopt another tax to compensate their losses.

There being no further business to come before the council, Jody made the motion to adjourn the meeting, and J.R. seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0, with adjournment at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes approved this 24th day of March, 2016.

President, Perry County Council

*Minutes prepared by:
Pamela L Goffinet, Perry County Auditor*