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THE MARTIN COUNTY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

April 5, 2021

MINUTES

The Martin County Council convened in regular session Monday, April 5, 2021, in the Commissioners’ Room at the Courthouse located at 129 Main Street, Shoals, Indiana. Councilmen attending: Warren Albright, Randy Wininger, James Stiles, Keith Gibson, Adam Greene and Councilwomen Barbara McFeaters and Sheri Bowling. Also attending were Auditor Bobbie Abel; Deputy Auditor Sydney Blankenbaker; Sheriff Travis Roush; Kim Showalter; Barb Hager; Dave Sutton; Scott Seals, Highway Superintendent; Terri Alcorn, Highway Clerk; Dena Held, 4-h Educator Purdue.

President Albright called the meeting to order with the Pledge to the Flag at 6:00pm.

The minutes from the meeting held March 1, 2021 were approved with a motion made by Councilman Wininger, seconded by Councilwoman Bowling. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Dena Held, 4-H Educator Purdue; presented the Statewide 4-H Annual Report for 2020. Ms. Held stated that the Farmers to Families program provided over $300,000.00 worth of food for Martin County in 2020. They will be hosting two Stop the Bleed classes one on Thursday, April 15th at 6:30 pm and one on Tuesday, April 27th at 6:30 pm. Contact the Extension Office for more details.

Angie Risacher, Director Martin County Alliance, reminded everyone of the Radius Economic Development Conference in June.

Travis Roush, Sheriff, approached the Council about a land acquisition opportunity. The Council advised him to proceed. Sheriff Roush advised that there are currently eighty-one inmates housed with thirty-one from Vigo County.

The following additional appropriations were approved as follows:

Cumulative Bridge/ Contract Services in the amount of $17,200.00 with a motion to approve made by Councilman Stiles, seconded by Councilman Greene. All in favor, motion passed.

Community Crossings Grant/Paving Project in the amount of $187,802.00 with a motion to approve made by Councilwoman McFeaters, seconded by Councilman Stiles. All in favor, motion passed.

MVH Restricted/Local Match in the amount of $400,000.00 with a motion to approve made by Councilman Wininger, seconded by Councilman Greene. All in favor, motion passed.

Commissioner/Professional Services in the amount of $55,000.00 with a motion to approve made by Councilman Stiles, seconded by Councilwoman Bowling. All in favor, motion passed.

Councilman Wininger addressed the maintenance of the generator at the 4-H Community Building. He stated that the funding was decreased during budget hearings but maintenance still needed to transpire. Dave Sutton asked whose responsibility it was or who owned it. A discussion followed. President Albright stated it is an emergency facility for the County.

A motion to approve Resolution 2020-11 Martin County Council and Martin County Board of Commissioners joint resolution establishing procedure for Cares Act Reimbursement of Public Health and Public Safety payroll costs was made by Councilwoman McFeaters, seconded by Councilman Greene. All in favor, motion passed.

Bobbie Abel, Auditor, advised that another Councilmember was needed to interview potential Financial Advisors for the County. Councilwomen McFeaters and Bowling had previously committed. Councilman Greene stated he would participate.

Auditor Abel, informed the Council that a committee still needs to be formed to plan the expenditures of the American Recovery Plan funds and to establish the fund before receiving the money in May.

Auditor Abel submitted the monthly financial statement.

Important Dates:

Safety Meeting for April 14, 2021 @ 9:00 am

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm with a motion made by Councilman Gibson and seconded by Councilwoman McFeaters, all were in favor and the motion passed. The next Council meeting will be held Monday, May 3, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

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Warren Albright Randy L. Wininger

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Sheri Bowling J. Keith Gibson

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Adam Greene Barbara McFeaters

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James A. Stiles

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 Bobbie Abel, Martin County Auditor