County Council Meeting
January 16, 2024

Present: Aaron Benton, Steve Haaff, David Gogel, Justin Grose, Brian Greulich, Susan Harris, David Fromme, and Auditor Melissa L. Bunner. Not Present Attorney Andrew Foster.

Meeting was called to order by President Benton at 5:00 P.M.

Minutes
Fromme made a motion to approve the minutes from December 19, 2023. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fromme made a motion to approve the minutes from the County Council Re-Organizational meeting on January 2, 2024. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Additional Appropriation

	Amount Requested	Approved
Fund Name: 1000 COUNTY GENERAL		
Other Services & Charges: Courthouse Repairs	$150,000	$150,000

Greulich made a motion to approve. Haaff seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fund Name: 1159 HEALTH		
Other Services & Charges: Communicable Disease	$ 5,000	$ 5,000

Gogel made a motion to approve. Greulich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fund Name: 1168 LOCAL HEALTH MAINTENANCE		
Other Services & Charges: Community Partners Funding	$125,000	$125,000

Haaff made a motion to approve. Fromme seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fund Name: 9125 CO AG CRISIS SCHOOL GRANT		
Capital Outlay: Equipment	$ 27,500	$ 27,500

Grose made a motion to approve. Gogel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Transfers

SPENCER COUNTY PROSECUTOR - 0009	**Amount**	**Approved**
Increase Account: 1000-13101		
Personal Services: Office Cleaning	$1,300	$1,300
Decrease Account: 1000-23100		
Personal Services: Cleaning Supplies	$1,300	$1,300

Gogel made a motion to approve. Fromme seconded the motion. Motion carried.

SPENCER COUNTY E911	**Amount**	**Approved**
Increase Account: 1222-36100		
Other Services & Charges: Maintenance Contract	$6,300	$6,300
Decrease Account: 1222-38110		
Other Services & Charges: E911 Service Contract AT&T	$6,300	$6,300

Fromme made a motion to approve. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.

EMA / Mark Lautner & Stephanie Melton
Lautner provided two (2) quotes for the 300' tower in Chrisney that needs repair. The first quote is for $12,205.00 and covers the repair. The second quote is for $15,653.00 and covers a new E1 RF Dual Lonestar Lighting System. The Commissioners at an earlier meeting today approved the $15,653.00 contingent upon County Council funding. **Gogel motioned to advertise $15,000 out of County General COIT. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Lautner provided a quote from Harmonic Electronics for parts and programming for the radios donated from the Sheriff's Department. The quote totaled $16,987 for thirty-two (32) radios. The Commissioners at an earlier meeting today approved this amount. **Haaff motioned to advertise $17,000 out of County General COIT. Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Indiana Regional 15 / Nathan Held
Held presented the 2013-2023 Spencer County Projects. The highlights include the following:
City of Rockport Historic Preservation ($500,000)
Town of Santa Claus Water Improvements ($1,132,046) (EDA)
Town of Chrisney Wastewater / Drinking Water Improvements ($700,000) (OCRA)
Town of Chrisney Recreational Trails ($150,000) (DNR)

Town of Dale Wastewater ($700,000) (OCRA)
Town of Dale Broadband Plan ($50,000) (OCRA)
Town of Grandview Water Improvements ($491,675) (OCRA)
Town of Grandview Masterplan ($90,000) (OCRA)
Town of Richland Comprehensive Plan ($40,000) (OCRA)

Held provided a list of "Project Prioritization for 2023". These projects are divided into six (6) categories: Economic Development, Infrastructure, Transportation, Planning, Community Facilities, and Public Safety. As funding becomes available for any of these projects listed under these categories, they are ready to go. The Commissioners can review these projects and let him know if they want to add or change something. Held has until the end of March to make changes.

Appointment / Economic Development Commission
Melvin Held is stepping down from the EDC. His most recent appointment was a four-year appointment in January 2022 and was set to expire on December 31, 2026. This is being tabled until the next meeting.

ARPA
At the Commissioners meeting dated January 2, 2024, ARPA funding was approved for TFS in the amount of $11,671.86. This project is for concrete work around the courthouse to alleviate the basement flooding. **Greulich approved the ARPA funding. Fromme seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Legal Report
Nothing to report.

Old Business
Nothing to report.

New Business
Sheriff's Department – Maintenance Contracts. Benton discussed how this line item was missed during budgets. **Gogel motioned to advertise $36,000 out of County General Jail. Grose seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

2024 Certified Budget Order was received this week. **Fromme motioned to approve the 2024 Certified Budget Order as presented. Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

Greulich made a motion to adjourn. Haaff seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:29 P.M.

President

Attest: Auditor, Melissa L. Bunner