

**County Council Meeting
December 19, 2017**

Present: Jack Kroeger, Blake Bunner, David Gogel, Matt Knepper, Todd Ruxer, Steve Winsett, Aaron Benton, Deputy Auditor Heidi Greene, Attorney Andrew Foster
Absent: Auditor Autumn Winkler

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

Minutes

Winsett made a motion to approve the Public Hearing and regular council meeting minutes from October 17th as presented. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Transfers

Drainage Board

Decrease: Attorney	1000-126-4118.00	\$600.00
Increase: Legal Services	1000-126-4311.00	\$600.00

Commissioner Brown explained that the Drainage Board has requested an attorney be present at all their meetings and a transfer is needed to cover that expense. Benton made a motion to approve the transfer of \$600.00 into legal services. Kroeger seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Surveyor

Decrease: Gas, Oil, Lube	1000-106-4225.00	\$92.26
Increase: Rental Equipment	1000-106-4365.00	\$92.26

Faulkenberg explained that the Rental Equipment account is short \$92.26 and a transfer is needed from gas, oil, and lube. Benton made a motion to approve the transfer. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Jail

Decrease: Overtime	1000-132-4119.00	\$1,960.00
Increase: PT Cook	1000-132-4117.00	\$1,960.00
Decrease: Sr. Jailer	1000-132-4113.10	\$77,812.41
Increase: Jailer	1000-132-4113.00	\$77,812.41

McDurmon explained that there was a shortage in PT Cook and a transfer is needed from overtime to cover the shortfall. A transfer is needed from Sr. Jailer to Jailer due to turnover and the majority being paid from Jailer. Benton made a motion to approve the jail transfers. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Broadband Committee

Gene Steinkamp and the Broadband Committee came before the council to explain the need for an engineering, marketing, feasibility study. Vantage Point did a study like this in 2009 for PSCI to apply for a grant, but the information is now outdated. PSCI paid \$120,000.00 for this study in 2009; they have agreed to allow Vantage Point to use some of the information from the previous study to complete a new study for \$25,500.00. There was much discussion about whether or not the study is necessary and what information it can provide. The study is considered the first step, like a blueprint, to what we need and potential cost. The Broadband Committee is requesting the county pay the \$25,500.00 needed to complete the study. Steinkamp and the committee presented the information to the commissioner's earlier in the day and they are in favor of proceeding with the study contingent on council funding. Kroeger stated that no action could be taken on this tonight, because an additional appropriation would have to be requested. The council will take this under advisement and discuss again at the next meeting.

Pro-Lift Industrial Equipment

Commissioner Brown presented a drawing from Pro-Lift Industrial Equipment for an interior office. A representative from the company was supposed to be in attendance but had something come up and was unable to attend. The proposed office space could be a 28 x 40 unit, which is just under 1,200 sq. ft and can be designed anyway we want it. Brown showed a picture of a finished office that had laminate flooring, windows, 10 ft. ceilings, lights installed and electrical outlets anywhere you choose. An exact price was not given, but an office similar to this would be under \$200,000.00. Brown feels this could be a good option for re-located offices and offices that are currently renting. Instead of paying years of rent it would be an investment on

something we own. Bunner stated that if we have the capability to have all the offices in one building it cuts down on the cost for security also.

Judge Dartt

Dartt stated that he was unable to attend the commissioner's meeting but was informed that the decision was made to move CASA into the jury room on the 3rd floor. This is the simplest option and he is in favor of allowing that on a temporary basis, but it does eliminate any space for attorney's to meet with clients. Universal Design is supposed to be looking into utilizing the space in the auditorium as well. All the offices are trying to work together and get the moves accomplished with as little disruption and expense as possible. Dartt asked what funding should be used to begin the process of moving phone lines, data cables, etc.? Gogel stated that Logsdon had also asked him that question and he felt Cum Cap courthouse maintenance would be a good option for the small stuff at first; there is normally funding left in there at the end of the year. Tom Schipp is working on getting a quote together for the overall project which should be presented soon and then funding can be discussed for it.

2018 Re-Organization Meeting

Gogel made a motion to schedule the re-organization meeting on January 4, 2018 at 8:15 a.m. Benton seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Attorney Foster recommended that the 2017 appointments be extended to the morning of January 4, 2018. Gogel made a motion to extend the 2017 appointments until 8:15 a.m. on January 4, 2018. Benton seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Salary Ordinance

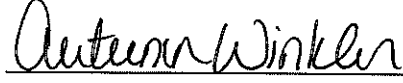
Bunner stated that a revision needs to be made on the 2018 Salary Ordinance before it is approved. The total salary for the 5 Deputy Auditor's was not calculated correctly and needs to be changed. It will be approved at the meeting on January 4th.

Benton made a motion to adjourn. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion was approved. Meeting was adjourned at 6:20 P.M.



President

Attest:



Auditor, Autumn Winkler

