

**County Council Meeting
Budget Adoption Hearing
October 16, 2018**

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

Meeting was called to order by President Blake Bunner at 4:30 P.M.

Bunner read aloud the budget amounts on the Form 4 as follows:

	Adopted Budget	Adopted Levy	Tax Rate
COIT	\$500,000.00	0	0
General	\$8,119,824.00	\$8,039,437.00	0.5829
Reassessment	\$289,310.00	\$300,000.00	0.0218
Highway	\$4,731,152.00	0	0
Local Road & Street	\$360,000.00	0	0
Cumulative Bridge	\$507,300.00	\$486,805.00	0.0300
Health	\$280,610.00	\$300,000.00	0.0218
County 4-H	0	\$71,000.00	0.0051
Cumulative Capital Development	\$285,338.00	\$243,402.00	0.0150
<u>Economic Dev Income Tax CEDIT</u>	<u>\$2,500,000.00</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	\$17,573,534.00	\$9,440,644.00	0.6766

Plat Book Update	\$9,800.00
Probation User Fee	\$58,165.00
E911	\$145,529.00
Local Health Maintenance Grant	\$36,766.00
Pre-Trial Diversion	\$44,084.00
Tobacco Settlement Local Health	\$16,722.00
Cornerstone Perp	\$20,250.00
<u>Law Enforcement Fund</u>	<u>\$7,000.00</u>
Total	\$338,316.00

	Adopted Budget	Adopted Levy	Tax Rate
Solid Waste District	\$992,101.00	\$421,819.00	0.0306
Carter Fire District	\$156,000.00	\$126,322.00	0.1187

Auditor Winkler explained that we should receive the 1782 notice before the end of the year and we can make adjustments at that time if we choose.

Benton made a motion to approve the Form 4 as presented. Knepper seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Ruxer made a motion to adjourn the Budget Adoption hearing. Kroeger seconded the motion, motion was approved. Meeting was adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

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Present: Blake Bunner, Aaron Benton, Steve Winsett, Jack Kroeger, David Gogel, Matt Knepper, Todd Ruxer, Attorney Andrew Foster, 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 minutes from August 21st and September 18th as presented. Kroeger seconded the motion, motion was approved.

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Additional Appropriations

County General – Animal Control

Shelter Worker - \$875.00

Vet Services - \$2,000.00

Utilities - \$1,500.00

Commissioner Brown explained that the Animal Shelter has closed for the time being, so the \$875.00 additional funding for shelter worker is not needed. The utilities will remain on at the shelter, so the \$1,500.00 for utilities will be needed to finish the year. The last additional appropriation request for \$2,000.00 for vet services can be lowered to \$1,035.00 which is the amount of the outstanding bills we have to pay. Kroeger made a motion to approve the \$1,500.00 for utilities and the \$1,035.00 for vet services. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion was approved.

County General – Courthouse

Janitor Supplies - \$1,500.00

Commissioner Brown stated that as you can see we have a nice clean courthouse and Donna needs some additional funding for janitor supplies. Auditor Winkler stated that during courthouse renovations and moving offices, Donna was deep cleaning in each room before furniture, etc. was moved in. Benton made a motion to approve the \$1,500.00 for janitor supplies. Knepper seconded the motion, motion was approved.

County General – Circuit Court

Pauper Attorney - \$35,000.00

Judge Dartt explained that the latest reimbursement will not be back before the end of the year, so they need additional funding to finish the year. Dartt stated that pauper attorney fees are reimbursed at 40%, so this is new money but a portion of it will be reimbursed next year. Ruxer made a motion to approve the \$35,000.00 for pauper attorney. Knepper seconded the motion, motion was approved.

LIT (CEDIT) - Highway

Paving Projects - \$250,000.00

Superintendent Kenney and Highway Admin Mullen came before the council to request \$250,000.00 for paving projects to finish 2018. There have been 5 price increases throughout the year, which ran us short on funding to complete all the projects. Benton made a motion to approve the \$250,000.00 for paving projects out of the LIT fund. Kroeger seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Pre-Trial Diversion – Prosecutor

Office Supplies - \$600.00

Travel - \$900.00

Training - \$900.00

Deputy Prosecutor Tom Pulley was in attendance and explained that the request for \$900.00 for travel and \$900.00 for training is to attend the winter conference in December. The request for \$600.00 for office supplies is to get them through the end of the year. Benton made a motion to approve the \$2,400.00 additional appropriation as presented. Kroeger seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Jane McGinnis – AK Steel Appeal

McGinnis and Attorney Lindsey came to discuss the Ice Miller bill of \$303,000.00 that needs to be paid for their work on the AK Steel Appeal. Lindsey explained that there is approximately \$73,000.00 left in the AK Steel Settlement Funds, so we need to discuss how the remainder of the bill will be paid. After discussion it was decided to pay \$70,000.00 out of the AK Steel settlement funds and to instruct the auditor to request an additional appropriation for the remaining \$239,000.00 out of the COIT fund 1120 for the November meeting.

Statewide 911 – Dispatch

Software - \$38,525.00

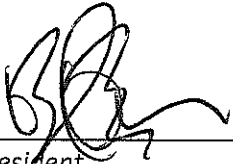
Communications Director Kati Richard came to explain the I AM RESPONDING software and the benefits to all emergency personnel in the county. There is capability to include floor plans for buildings, add fire hydrants etc. The call can be either text or emailed out and gives the first responders the ability to respond to dispatch if they can respond. When they enter a structure their phone becomes like a tracking device so their location is known at all times. Some fire depts. have already signed a contract for this software, but Richard is requesting the county sign a contract that makes this software available to all departments. If the county purchases this

software the departments that already have I AM RESPONDING will be reimbursed what they have paid and this will allow departments that can't afford it to have it as well. Richard's request is for a 5 year contract in the amount of \$38,525.00. Gogel stated that with the ever changing technology he feels a 5 year contract is too long. Something better could come along and we would be stuck under contract. There was discussion about what length of contract would be best to give ample time to use the software and see how it works, but not be locked in for too long a period. Knepper made a motion to approve a 3 year contract for \$24,936.00. Ruxer seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Legal Report

Attorney Foster stated that he contacted the DLGF about the question of whether or not the applied for tax abatement for the Troy Solar project would be automatic if the property/project transferred to a new owner and he has heard no response. The project is not due to be complete until 2020 and the council feels if Vectren wishes to proceed with an abatement they would have to re-apply in their own name.

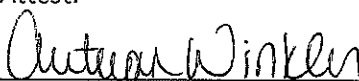
Ruxer made a motion to adjourn. Knepper seconded the motion, motion was approved. Meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.



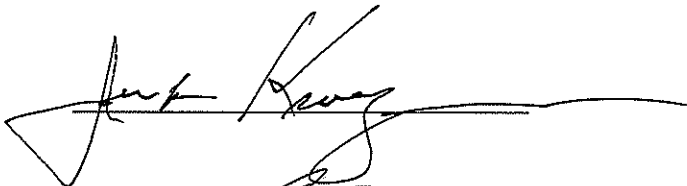
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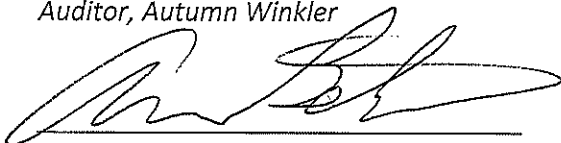
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Attest:


Auditor, Autumn Winkler



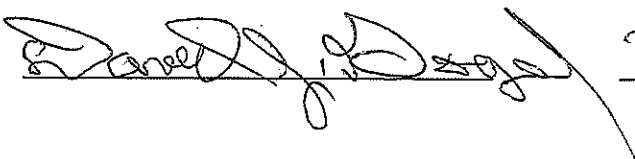
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