

JULY 11, 2022

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL

The Pulaski County Council met in regular session Monday July 11, 2022 7:00PM at the Pulaski County Highway Garage training room. Councilmembers present were Kenneth Boswell, Adam Loehmer, Mike Tiede, Kathleen Thompson, Ronald DeSabatine, and Tim Overmyer with County Auditor Laura Wheeler.

Also present were Greg Kiser, Scott Nelson, Amy Beedy, Wendy Rose, Daryn Wilder, Laura Wilder, Gail Lambert, Connie Ehrlich, Jenny Knebel, Sara Style, Mitch Columbe, Jeff Richwine, and Chris Schramm.

President Boswell opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: CDC

The housing project, a component of the Community Foundation’s Aspirations-in-Action program discussed at length with comments from Wendy Rose, Executive Director of Community Foundation of Pulaski County; and Greg Kiser and Scott Nelson from BraunAbility. Affordable housing is needed in order to get employees in the community. BraunAbility currently has 800 employees and needs 40 more.

Pulaski County CDC has partnered with the Community Foundation to develop a comprehensive housing strategy, analyzed by the Housing Resource Hub, a non-profit housing consultant. The HUB team will conduct a housing symposium July 26th at 8:30AM at Knights of Columbus hall.

Justice Center project complete with IT equipment being installed. Circuit Court and Prosecutor moving in July and August.

Steering committee approved a design program for general planning purposes and department assignments. There will be two points of entrance with north steps as primary entrance and lower-level north entrance as ADA accessible. There will be at least one other emergency exit allowing County personnel with key-car access. Sheriff does not think monitoring courthouse cameras will be feasible for security guards in Justice Center.

All east-annex occupants except Health and Purdue Extension, as well as Adult Learning Center (not a County department) will be relocated. Document scanning and bond-related issues being addressed.

ARSEE Engineers to provide analysis on County Highway Garage roof to determine structural integrity of the beams.

IN RE: ABATEMENTS

The following tax abatements presented for review and approval.

NOTICE OF TAX PAYERS OF APPROVED TAX ABATEMENTS IN ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREAS AS PER I. C. 6-12.1-8 REQUIRING COUNTY AUDITORS TO PUBLISH A LIST OF TAXPAYERS WHO’S APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT HAVE BEEN APPROVED. THE FOLLOWING IS A LISTING OF THE TAXPAYERS IN PULASKI COUNTY, INDIANA		
NAME & ADDRESS	AMOUNT OF DEDUCTIONS 2022 PAY 2023 ASSESED VALUES	NUMBER OF YEARS APPROVED ABATEMENT
STANDARD PROPERTIES 100 Michigan Street Winamac, IN 46996	\$ 102,100 (Real Estate) 294,030 (Personal Property)	10 years 10 years
EDEN VALLEY ENTERPRISES 14655 W 200 S Francesville, IN 47946	\$7,470,895 (Real Estate) 610,930 (Personal Property)	10 years 10 years
FRANCESVILLE DRAIN TILE CORP. P O Box 368 Francesville, IN 47946	12,042 (Real Estate) 206,761 (Personal Property)	10 years 10 years
DERRICK & ABBIE STALBAUM 2597 N 1050 W Medaryville, IN 47957	\$1,120,715 (Real Estate)	10 years
BRAUN CORP 631 W 11 th Street Winamac, IN 46996	\$ 257,074 (Personal Property)	10 years
METAL FAB ENGINEERING, INC. 9341 South State Road 39 Winamac, IN 46996	\$ 53,010. (Personal Property)	10 years

Standard Properties is approved by Winamac Town Council, but the County has to make the tax adjustments. Checks and balances to determine compliancy questioned and discussed.

Kathleen Thompson made a motion to approve the tax abatements as presented, Mike Tiede seconded and motion carried unanimously.

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IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

The following transfers presented for review and approval:

1170-0301 LIT PUBLIC SAFETY/EMS			
From:	31003 Health Services	\$500.00	
	10118 EMS Instructor	1,100.00	
To:	22400 Janitor Supplies		\$500.00
	31400 Pest Control		1,100.00
1000-0005 COUNTY GENERAL/SHERIFF			
From:	11505 Part-time Jailers	\$12,000.00	
To:	17002 Overtime Jailers		\$12,000.00
1000-0626 COUNTY GENERAL/ANIMAL CONTROL			
From:	30702 Animal Housing	\$3,500.00	
To:	30401 Veterinary Services		\$3,500.00

Kathleen Thompson made a motion to approve transfers as presented, Mike Tiede seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Aviation requested \$60,000.00 additional for bulk fuel purchase. Mike Tiede made a motion to approve additional for advertisement, Kathleen Thompson seconded and motion carried unanimously.

The following advertised additional presented for approval:

1000-0005 County General/Sheriff (Motor Vehicles)	\$11,500.00
1176-0530 Motor Vehicle Highway/Administration (Building Improvements)	200,000.00

A \$200,000.00 additional for Highway Garage roof questioned when cost of project is unknown. Replacing 90’ X 120’ portion of roof with corrugated metal and wood trusses may cost that much. Kathleen Thompson made a motion to approve the \$200,000.00 additional as advertised, Mike Tiede seconded and motion passed 4-2 with Ron DeSabatine and Tim Overmyer opposed and Kathleen Thompson, Michael T. Tiede, Adam Loehmer, and Kenneth Boswell in favor. Ronald DeSabatine made a motion to approve advertised additional of \$11,500.00 as presented, Kathleen Thompson seconded and motion carried unanimously. Sheriff’s request is to use the amount they received on a recent trade-in to accessorize their new vehicle.

Kathleen Thompson made a motion to approve and sign the June 13, 2022 regular meeting minutes, Adam Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

2023 budget hearing dates are August 8 and 9 with public hearing date September 12 and adoption date October 10, 2022.

Prices are rising which will cause a shortage in the sheriff’s gas and food budget. Deputies Overtime also expected to run short. Dispatcher part-time pay discussed briefly.

With no other business to discuss, meeting was adjourned at 7:59PM.

Approved and signed this 8th day of August 2022 by the **PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL**.

KENNETH BOSWELL

ADAM LOEHMER

RONALD DESABATINE

MIKE TIEDE

KATHLEEN THOMPSON

TIM OVERMYER

JEROME ‘JERRY’ LOCKE

ATTEST: _____
LAURA WHEELER, AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN