

## AUGUST 8, 2012

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Starke County Council and meet in a special session at 8:00AM in the Annex meeting room, Knox Indiana and the following proceedings were held to wit:

The meeting was called to order by Council President Dave Pearman. He advised the purpose of the meeting was to review the county departments' 2013 budgets.

Absent from the meeting were Councilmen Mark Smith and Tony Radkiewicz.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Clerk's budget, after a reduction to office supplies, in the amount of \$1000.00. Councilman McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Auditor's budget as was presented, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with four ayes, and one nay (Benninghoff).

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Treasurer's budget after a reduction of \$1,000.00 in the Lock Box fees line item, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes. During the discussion of the Treasurer's budget, Councilwoman Benninghoff left the meeting.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Recorder's budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sims, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Sheriff's budget after adding \$2,250.00 to the cell phone line item. The motion was seconded by Councilman McLaughlin, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Sims made a motion to approve the Surveyor's budget as presented, and seconded by Councilman Semans. The motion passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Coroner's budget with the following reductions: reduce the pay to the 2012 rate, cut the postage by \$100.00, cut the transportation to move bodies by \$800.00, cut mileage by \$100.00, cut the telephone completely out of the budget, and cut autopsy fees by \$2,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sims and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Prosecutor's Department 008 budget as presented, and seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the Election Board with the following reductions: cut \$1,000.00 from office supplies, cut \$1,000.00 from election supplies, cut \$2,000.00 from postage and cut the advertising line item completely. Councilman Sims seconded the motion, and it passed with all ayes.

Councilman Sims made a motion to approve the EMA/EMS budget with the following reductions: cut advanced EMT by \$10,088.00 and move the balance of that line item to part time staff, cut \$20,000.00 from the ambulance supplies, cut \$9,200.00 from ambulance equipment, and cut the advertising line item completely. The motion was seconded by Councilman Semans and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Extension Office's budget with a \$ 1,015.00 cut to the travel expense line item. The motion was seconded by Councilman McLaughlin and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Planning Commission's budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman McLaughlin, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Sims made a motion to approve the Drainage Board's budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Semans, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Veteran Service Officer's budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman McLaughlin, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Commissioners' budget after the transfer of \$50,000.00 from workman's compensation to health insurance. The motion was seconded by Councilman McLaughlin, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Courthouse Maintenance budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman McLaughlin, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the jail budget with an increase of \$3,614.00 to the jail nurse line item. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sims, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Annex Building Maintenance budget with the addition of \$2,276.00 to the janitor line item. The motion was seconded by Councilman McLaughlin, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Circuit Court budget after a reduction in the amount of \$4,000.00 of the jury pay line item. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sims, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the BZA budget as presented, seconded by Councilman Pearman. The motion passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Soil & Water Department budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Pearman, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the Prosecutor's Department 032 budget after a \$15,000.00 reduction to the medical insurance line item. The motion was seconded by Councilman McLaughlin, and passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the County Council's budget, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the IT Department budget as presented. Councilman McLaughlin seconded the motion, and it passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the Assessor's Office as presented, seconded by Councilman Sims. The motion passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the Jury Pay Fund as presented, seconded by Councilman Sims. The motion passed with all ayes.

Councilman McLaughlin made a motion to approve the budget of both the Supplemental Juvenile Probation Fund, and the Supplemental Adult Probation Fund as presented. Councilman Sims seconded the motion, and it passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the Pre-Trial Diversion Fund, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the County Highway Department as presented, seconded by Councilman Sims. The motion passed with all ayes.

Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the Local Road & Street Fund, seconded by

Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes.  
Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the Health Department as presented, seconded by Councilman Sims. The motion passed with all ayes.  
Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the Local Health Maintenance Fund, seconded by Councilman McLaughlin. The motion passed with all ayes.  
Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the 911 Department after the following reductions: cut \$500.00 from the clothing allowance line item, and cut \$2,000.00 from the telephone line item. Councilman Sims seconded the motion, and it passed with all ayes.  
Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the Cumulative Capital Development Fund as presented, seconded by Councilman Sims. The motion passed with all ayes.  
Councilman Semans made a motion to approve the budget of the Tobacco Settlement Fund as presented, seconded by Councilman Sims. The motion passed with all ayes.

With there being no further business, Councilman Semans made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Sims. The motion passed with all ayes and the meeting was adjourned at 3:00PM.

**August 8, 2012**

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Dave Pearman, President

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Mitch Semans, Vice President

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Judy Benninghoff

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Marvin McLaughlin

ABSENT \_\_\_\_\_  
Mark Smith

ABSENT \_\_\_\_\_  
Tony Radkiewicz

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Robert Sims

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Katherine Chaffins,  
Starke Co. Auditor & Council Secretary