MINUTES
JACKSON COUNTY COUNCIL
August 16, 2017
8:00 AM
Regular Meeting to be followed by 2018 Budget Hearing.

Members Present: Councilman Leon Pottschmidt, Councilman Michael Davidson, Councilman John Nolting, Councilman Dave Hall, Councilwoman Ann Cain and Councilwoman Bridey Jacobi

Members Absent: Councilman Brian Thompson

The Lord’s Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Councilwoman Bridey Jacobi called the Regular meeting to order at 8:00 AM.
Sheriff Carothers performed the swearing in of the Council.

Councilman Leon Pottschmidt made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2017 regular meeting. Councilman Michael Davidson seconded. Four (4) yes votes, motion carried.
(Councilwoman Ann Cain and Councilman Dave Hall not present at this time)

Reports from Other Committees:
Councilman Nolting stated that the Plan Commission met last evening and approved forwarding on an Alley vacate in Freetown to the County Commissioners.

End of Reports from Other Committees.

New Business

County Council review of Estimated Levy Limitations and estimated reductions due to circuit breakers for all Political Subdivisions in the County. Gabe Gerth with Reedy Financial Group presented a summary for all units of government within Jackson County which included estimates provided by the State. After discussion and review, the Council recommends that all units remain within the growth quotient factor of 4% for the ensuing budget year. A recommendation letter was approved and is to be sent to all units along with the meeting minutes as directed by State. Councilman Michael Davidson made a motion to approve. Councilman Pottschmidt seconded. Five (5) yes votes, motion carried.
(Councilman Hall not present for this vote)

Kay Schwade with GFC LLC came before Council with Additional Appropriation 2017-#18 for the Vernon Township Fire Protection District. Councilwoman Bridey Jacobi performed the 1st reading of the Additional Appropriation. Councilman Pottschmidt made a motion to approve upon 1st reading. Councilman Davidson seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried. The additional is for the following:
   $15,000 for Truck purchase
   $10,900 for demolition of Building on property owned by district
Councilwoman Jacobi performed the 2nd reading of Additional Appropriation 2017-#18. Councilman Nolting made a motion to approve. Councilman Pottschmidt seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.
Auditor Kathy Hohenstreiter then presented Additional Appropriation 2017-#17. Councilwoman Jacobi performed the 1st reading. Councilman Pottschmidt made a motion to approve upon 1st reading. Councilman Nolting seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried. The Additional Appropriation Ordinance reads as follows:

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Councilwoman Jacobi then performed the 2nd reading. Councilman Hall made a motion to approve. Councilman Michael Davidson seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Plan Commissioner Conner Barnette then asked Council to consider paying for a portion or all of his Cell Phone expense during the Construction phase of the Judicial Center. Currently he is using his personal cell phone for all calls for the Plan Commission. Councilman Hall made a motion to approve paying Barnette’s cell phone bill from the Rainy Day Fund- $75,000 appropriated for relocation expense. Councilman Pottschmidt seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

Sheriff Mike Carothers presented Council with the July 2017 Jail Report, Meal Expenditure Report, Dog Detention Report and Judicial Statistics Report. The Sheriff also reported that the Department is working on finding some place with room to place some of the inmates.

Highway Supervisor Jerry Ault then appeared before Council with the following:
- Has spoken with Comcast. They should be out Monday or Tuesday to move the wires, so the Plan Commission building can be moved.
- The Commissioners approved the purchase out of Cum Cap for snow plow equipment and salt equipment for the new bridge foreman’s truck, from Meyers Equipment for $10,475.
- Reported the 25-30 mile of chip and seal is done
- Bridge 183 – Moving forward with permits, should get blueprints soon to start work
- Pay Increase – the 2018 budget was turned in with a 3% pay increase. Commissioners are allowing the Highway Dept to request a 7% increase due to the change in the CDL requirements for the employees.

Human Resource Director Jeff Hubbard informed Council that their appointee to the Brownstown Library Board term will be up at the end of August. After discussion, Councilman Hall made a motion to appoint Jordan McKinley to the board. Councilman Pottschmidt seconded. Six (0) yes votes, motion carried.

Councilman Hall made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Nolting seconded. Six (6) yes votes, motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 at 8:00 AM.

Signed this 20th day of September, 2017.

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Michael Davidson                    David Hall
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Leon Pottschmidt                    John Nolting
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Bridey Jacobi                       Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest