

SULLIVAN COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES

AUGUST 24, 2020 4:30 PM

SULLIVAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE

SULLIVAN, INDIANA

Tim Abrams, called the meeting to order and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call of members present:

Tim Abrams – Council President, Logan Pearison – Vice President, Larry Kinnett – Member, Nick Cullison – Member, Jerry Payne – Member, Curt Bedwell – Member and Duane Wampler, Member by phone.

Minutes

One set of minutes to be signed and one set to be re-signed as the signed page had been copied over by

the next months minutes. Motion by Jerry to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Nick,

all in favor, motion carried.

Dr. Michael Gamble

Dr. Gamble asked the Council for another full-time nurse and to amend the 2020 salary ordinance in order for him to hire another nurse. His request is due to the amount of overtime Kelly Wood was putting in due COVID-19. Logan made a motion to amend the 2020 salary ordinance and to add another full-time nurse per Dr. Gamble's request and for it to end December 31, 2020, seconded by Duane, all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution

The Council has a that they need Resolution to approve:

Resolution to Approve a Petition to the Department of Local Government Finance to Increase the Maximum Levy for Property Taxes Due and Payable in 2021. This resolution is petitioning the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF) for an increase to the county's permissible ad valorem property tax levy for property taxes due and payable in 2021.

Motion made by Curt to sign the resolution seconded by Logan, all in favor, motion carried.

(See Exhibit "A")

Common School Funds

Jessi Harris, gave Ed Linneweber all of the information on the common school funds that the Council is transferring to the State for Ed to prepare a resolution for the Council to sign.

Tonya Bedwell

Tonya appeared before the Council to request an Additional Appropriation for the 2020 General Election. Tonya needs additional appropriations for the election for the following line items from County General to the following accounts:

Election Programming / Maint & Support	\$10,600.00	1000-32102-000-0121
Election Clerk	\$ 4,800.00	1000-11701-000-0121
Election Judge	\$ 5,070.00	1000-11501-000-0121
Election Inspector	\$ 3,000.00	1000-11401-000-0121

Duane made a motion to allow these four additional appropriations, seconded by Nick, all in favor,

motion carried.

Ed Linneweber

Ed Linneweber of Rowe Law Firm, has accepted a full-time position with the Greene County Prosecutor's Office and will be stepping down as the Council attorney. He said if the council is interested, Luke Rowe of Rowe Law Firm would be interested in assuming the duties as their attorney, he has a local office in Sullivan. Motion made by Curt to hire Luke Rowe, seconded by Jerry, all in favor, motion carried.

Old Business

PERF / Retirement

Discussion was had pertaining to PERF and some type of retirement for the county employees.

Tim asked Duane to work with on getting something together for the employees. Duane said he hates to give control away to Indianapolis.

Nick said that he would like to have an opportunity to look further into the current retirement with OneAmerica and to see what the Commissioners were considering. Nick said we would

EXHIBIT "A"

SULLIVAN COUNTY COUNCIL

Resolution #: 2020-7

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A PETITION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE TO INCREASE THE MAXIMUM LEVY FOR PROPERTY TAXES DUE AND PAYABLE IN 2021

WHEREAS, pursuant to House Enrolled Act 1113, Section 28, Sullivan County, Indiana (the "County" may petition the Department of Local Government Finance for an increase to the county's permissible ad valorem property tax levy under IC 6-1.1-18.5 for property taxes due and payable in 2021.

WHEREAS the amount of the increase is equal to the difference between:

(1) the lesser of:

(A) the county's maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levy under IC 6-1.1-18.5 for property taxes due and payable in 2020; or

(B) the ad valorem property tax levy adopted by the county fiscal body for property taxes due and payable in 2020;

and

(2) the county's ad valorem property tax levy under IC 6-1.1-18.5 as certified by the Department of Local Government Finance for property taxes due and payable in 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF SULLIVAN COUNTY, INDIANA THAT:

The executive of the county shall submit a petition to the Department of Local Government Finance to increase the County's levy for property taxes due and payable in 2021 by \$253,985.

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Adopted by the County Council of Sullivan County, Indiana, this 24th day of August, 2020.

SULLIVAN COUNTY, INDIANA, COUNTY COUNCIL

YES

NO



Tim Abrams

Tim Abrams



Larry Kinnett

Larry Kinnett



Duane Wampler



Duane Wampler



Logan Pearson

Logan Pearson



Jerry C. Payne

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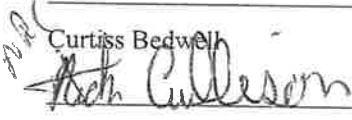


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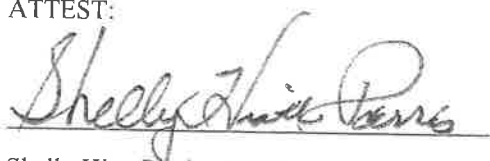


Nick Cullison



Nick Cullison

ATTEST:



Shelly Hiatt Parris, Auditor