

WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM – ZOOM CONFERENCE
107 W. Locust Street
Boonville, Indiana
July 2, 2020
6:00 PM

The Warrick County Council met in regular session in the Warrick County Courthouse, 107 W. Locust Street, Boonville, Indiana. All Council Members were present except Charles Christmas and David Hachmeister who were present by Zoom Conference Call allowed by Emergency Health Declaration for the State of Indiana due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

Attorney Cliff Whitehead and Administrator Krystal Powless were in attendance.

Auditor Debbie Stevens and Secretary Kristine Georges attended and recorded the minutes.

Council President, Greg Richmond, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Greg Richmond: Roll Call.

Krystal Powless: Charlie Christmas?

Charlie Christmas: Present.

Krystal Powless: David Hachmeister?

David Hachmeister: Here.

Krystal Powless: Cindy Ledbetter?

Cindy Ledbetter: Present.

Krystal Powless: Ted Metzger?

Ted Metzger: Present.

Krystal Powless: Brad Overton?

Brad Overton: Here.

Krystal Powless: Richard Reid?

Richard Reid: Present.

Krystal Powless: Greg Richmond?

Greg Richmond: Here. Everyone is present.

SHERIFF BUSINESS
COMMISSARY REPORT

Sheriff Wilder: Thank you, Mr. President for letting me go first. I'm going to remove my mask so I can be heard a little better since no one's around me here. Once I leave, Sargent Marvin Bruce will remain if you need anything. He'll be present too. The first item on my agenda is, underneath my business is I turned in a Commissary Report. I think I sent that by email to you and Krystal and she shared it, I think, with all the Council members, correct?

Councilman Metzger: Yep.

Sheriff Wilder: That's just my annual report. If anyone would like to cover that first, if there's any questions in reference to that report.

Councilman Richmond: Anybody have any questions?

UNIFORMS
HELMETS AND SHIELDS FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Sheriff Wilder: If not, I'm going to move on. Keep me in line if I get off on the wrong ones here. I printed out a sheet for each of you. You'll see on your desk there in front of you. It is a sheet that has the contract that I have with Vanderburgh County and in the contract we house their prisoners when we have the space. And as you can see in 2019 we received over a hundred and forty thousand dollars (\$140,000.00) from Vanderburgh County. And so far in 2020 we received forty-two thousand (\$42,000.00). That money goes directly into the General Fund and then you guys can spend that as you see fit. Hopefully, maybe back with the Sheriff's Office when needed. That's kind of why I share some of that information is because I'm coming to you obviously to speak on some things about money. I believe there's an additional appropriation there under Uniforms for eighteen thousand dollars six hundred and three (\$18,603.00). What that request is for, and did everyone receive a copy of the invoices? I sent those also. What I'm asking for is helmets and shields. When I say, facial shields, for every officer in our department and then also some, the best way to put it is the protest riot shields, just a plastic shield to protect themselves along with the helmet and the shield. I'm not wanting to buy riot gear, what you see on television with some. I think that's probably needed in some places. At one (1) time, many years ago, we had these helmets and they disappeared over the years. With the local, not the local, but the unrest in the county, there was some potential that some of this was going to spread and still can

into our community. And I reached out to (inaudible) the State Police with their resources because this was not just a, this was a nation-wide community wide, State-wide potential problem. Their resources were elsewhere. So, what we found is if there was an issue here within our community, the deputies didn't, what I feel, have the equipment needed to protect themselves. We're not looking for rubber bullets. We're not looking for teargas. We wouldn't want to use that in our own community. But, I do think that our officers should have the equipment, if they have to deal with something in the community, that would at least protect themselves also. And that's what this request is for. I would love to answer any questions, but that, these quotes, we've got several, but that's what, basically, it's a helmet with a face shield and then some just shield that would protect them from any type of thing thrown at them or anything like that.

Councilman Reid: How much protection is that?

Sheriff Wilder: Well, the helmet is probably the most important cause it protects your head, bricks, rocks, anything that's thrown at an officer. The shield is more to keep spit different things, liquids thrown at you, things. You know, it's kind of hard to come and ask for this because we haven't needed it. And I hope we never do. But at the time it's needed, you're gonna call us and we, I want to protect whatever it may be and we need to have those officers be protected. So, that's, that's, we just feel like this, this isn't probably done, some of the unrest. Our community may never see it. They may. But if it does, our guys will stand up and be ready to take the call. But let's protect them when they do that also. So that's what I'm asking. I think this is a very small price to pay. Now, with that being said, there's some other things we're going to cover later if you saw my Commissary report. I've got a hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000.00) in there. I plan on, I will split this with the County. There's some other things I'm wanting to do also with this money for different things that you won't see in front of you that we're going to be using out of Commissary. We're going to buy another car. We'll also be buying, (inaudible) to Dispatch and buying some other equipment. So, I do have some money to use, but I do believe it's appropriate for the County to step up and help with a little bit of it too because of the importance of what this is for our department and stuff. So, you know, I would like to see at least if not all, half. And I'm willing to spend out of my Commissary cause it's that important. But, as we know, there's one (1) other thing on the agenda behind here that's up for discussion and it's kind of an expensive item too though, so. I don't know if you would like to discuss that, Mr. President, the other item. It's just a discussion, but it is a monetary item. Or would you just rather stick with this right now?

SHERIFF SALARY SALARY ORDINANCE

Councilman Richmond: First, let's do your Salary Ordinance, that part of it, to comply the statutory regulation and rules.

Sheriff Wilder: Okay.

Councilman Richmond: That's one thousand seven hundred forty-five dollars and seventy-five cents (\$1,745.75). Salary Ordinance and the Additional Appropriation is that same amount. Do I have a motion or discussion?

Councilman Overton: Motion to approve.

Councilman Reid: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Brad and second by Rick. Any discussion?

Councilman Christmas: I'll second that motion.

Councilman Richmond: Okay, thank you. Brad beat you to it, Charlie.

Councilman Christmas: Sorry to hear it.

Councilman Richmond: Okay. Is there any discussion? All those in favor, raise your right hand? That's all here. How about the two (2) that are listening, if you have a nay, speak up. That's all seven (7) of us. Seven, zero (7-0) then for that part.

Councilman Christmas: Wait a minute.

UNIFORMS DISCUSSION CONTINUED

Councilman Richmond: Now, the Uniform section, the eighteen thousand six hundred three dollars (\$18,603.00). So you would be okay with splitting that nine thousand three hundred two dollars (\$9,302.00) and you nine thousand three hundred two dollars (\$9,302.00) from the Commissary?

Sheriff Wilder: Yes.

Councilman Richmond: What's the Council think about this?

Councilman Reid: So moved.

Councilman Overton: Second.

Councilman Christmas: I think the Council ought to go and pay for the whole thing. This is Charlie. I think we ought to pay for the whole thing.

Councilman Richmond: Okay. I had a motion I think by Rick. And Rick, was your motion half?

Councilman Richmond: Okay. When, we're working over the internet, there's a little lag. And so Charlie, you're coming in a little bit behind and you're hearing a little bit behind. So, I apologize for that. I'll try and pause a little bit. Half would be nine thousand and basically three-o-two (\$9,302.00) rounded off. And the second was by Brad. Any discussion on that issue?

Councilwoman Ledbetter: Just out of curiosity, is there any way that we can get reimbursed for that by COVID money, with the mask at least? The face shield?

Sheriff Wilder: I know we can turn it in and all they can do is tell us no. The Commissioners know a little bit, Heather needs, I mean, I don't know. That would be my answer.

Councilwoman Ledbetter: It'd be worth looking into.

Sheriff Wilder: It would be worth looking into. We can definitely...

Roger Emmons: Roger Emmons, County Administrator, Commissioner's Office. John Goth is our County Attorney working on this. And so, we'll turn it in. It's wise to turn it in to get some of that money and he has to go through the requirements to see if it's eligible. But, he will do that.

Councilman Richmond: And if it's reimbursable, we'll get that back. Okay, so the motion by Rick Reid. Second by Brad Overton. Nine thousand three hundred two dollars (\$9,302.00). All those in favor that are here, raise your hand. That's all of us here. If there are any nays from David and Charlie, say so. I'll record that vote as seven, zero (7-0) then.

LEXIPOL PROPOSAL DISCUSSION

Councilman Richmond: Alright, the rest of your discussion, Sheriff.

Sheriff Wilder: Yeah, my last thing, and I believe I shared this too. If you didn't get it, let me know. It was a short little synopsis about Lexipol and there was also a proposal and a quote. I'll be brief cause I did send an email and if you read that, it kind of explains it. But Lexipol has taken, partnered with Indiana Sheriff's Association to help review everybody's standard operating procedures to make sure that they're up to date following the current trends or state laws. I meant to bring my SOP book up here and you would see it, sitting down here it's big and it's got Sheriff's names on it from several before. Some of them even have my name that have been updated over time. The Merit Board, which is a civilian review board of the Sheriff's Department reviews/oversees our operating procedures at the Sheriff's Office, at times we're lucky enough to have an Attorney on there that kind of helps oversee it. But that's still just more by appointment if there's one (1) or not. But it's time that I think especially with what we're seeing in the world and here locally and regionally about reform and there's things that definitely in different parts of policing that reform's probably going to be good. And I think that's starts with looking, doing a good review of our policies and making sure they don't contradict state law, county ordinances, or even old SOP's within there. I've read them all. Sargent Marvin Bruce just tested, I'm sure he read them all. It's very hard to remember them all. I mean it's hard to lay a guideline out for law enforcement if you've ever seen the law books, the law library, kinds of the things we're supposed to know and act on. But, anyways, this company here would review all that. They've done many companies or departments here within Indiana. I found out just the other day, I talked to Chief Eric Mitchell, they do Newburgh Police Department. So, basically, what they would do is review, follow up on all of our SOP's, see if they meet law, this and that, and find where they think is deficiencies or needs to be additions. None of that can be done without the Sheriff and Merit Board approval. So, if they suggested something, then we would still approve it. Probably the key thing I think is the most important, what they can do is once they do this review and rewrite policy or help us get policy that needs to be rewritten, is then weekly they send out tests or a quiz to each officer. That officer is basically given a scenario. He does it and it's basically asking questions on how to do the scenario based on our SOP's. Well, if he gives the wrong answer, he has to do further review and if he gets it right, it's documented that he understands that SOP. I think that's very important for that officer, for his, for his liability. For me as the Sheriff and for us as the County, cause that's where people get sued on liability and not understanding their policies and following their policies. So, for me as the Sheriff and I hope as the County, this is very important and I just hate throwing myself under the bus, but I'm just not smart enough to do this by myself and review all of them. And I think this company, especially since they're doing many Sheriff's Departments throughout the state, police departments just (inaudible) like Newburgh and stuff. So, once again, we're only here to discuss this. But, I'm bringing it to you because once again, I believe in this so much. I'm gonna put my money where my mouth is and get Commissary involved. But, I would hope when I come for the additional appropriation that you guys would look to split the initial cost with me and then look to help try and retain that annual fee. But, I'd like to not necessarily need a yes today, but at least to have some discussion to make sure maybe you're on board with this or if you think it's just a waste of time.

Councilman Reid: I think it's a good idea.

Councilman Richmond: Given all the new legislation that may be coming out of this, and it would help us avoid lawsuits.

Councilman Metzger: Doesn't the Sheriff's Association help you with a lot of this stuff?

Sheriff Wilder: No, well, they're helping with this, if you saw, because they've got teamed up with Lexipol and there's a discount on there even though it's still pretty expensive.

Councilman Metzger: Yeah.

Sheriff Wilder: They help get the discount. They don't help with policies and procedures. A lot of times we'll reach out to other Sheriff's and say, hey, do you have a policy on this and they send us theirs so we don't have to reinvent the wheel and then we kind of make it into our own. But, there's so many times that one (1) policy may say something here that's been written years ago and nobody's looked at it forever. And then we've written another here and they kind of contradict each other and we didn't even realize it. So, they kind of find those snags and errors too. But...

Councilman Metzger: So, besides Standard Operating Procedure, once they rewrite that, they don't have to be rewritten that often.

Sheriff Wilder: No, it probably won't be.

Councilman Metzger: Mainly be a training thing?

Sheriff Wilder: It will be mainly training, but also just like this where the new laws came out such as hands free or some other law, what we're gonna see here in reform, I assume is no chokeholds and things like that. That would probably, I mean there's gonna be things they continually update your manual with each year also as law and reform and different things change and the best practices and things like that.

Councilman Metzger: And the Association doesn't really help out with that?

Sheriff Wilder: No, because every department's a different department. I mean, you know, they don't, they don't do your SOP's or anything. They have nothing, because that's all controlled then by the Merit Board by local Merit Boards. And you know, I can't speak for every department. I know they're supposed to have Merit Boards. I mean we follow those rules. I know I can't speak for every Sheriff's Office or Police Department. So.

Councilman Metzger: Right. But it is Indiana law, Indiana law?

Sheriff Wilder: What's Indiana law?

Councilman Metzger: What you go by.

Sheriff Wilder: Well, of course, you're always governed by law and then we have procedures, cause as the Sheriff's Department, we make, some departments can have a practice where we'll never run lights and sirens in the car. That wouldn't be Indiana law. That would be a policy of the department.

Councilman Metzger: Right.

Sheriff Wilder: We have policy on certain things that we wouldn't run lights and sirens to. So those are all, even though, we may be very different from Vanderburgh on that instance in stuff.

Councilman Metzger: I'm just trying to evaluate the value of the service.

Sheriff Wilder: Okay, yeah, I'm just trying...

Councilman Metzger: Once the standard operating procedures in order. It's mostly training.

Sheriff Wilder: It's in order, mostly training and just updating the newest laws.

Councilman Metzger: Thank you.

Councilman Reid: Who does those things on the video where you have scenarios? Is that the same people? Those are kind of scary. (Inaudible).

Sheriff Wilder: Yeah, a lot of that we've learned to do in house. We hire companies. BitCo, I believe, the insurance, they bring in, they've got some resources that I think that's what you guys saw that, was that the National Association of Counties, whatever the name when they go up there, I think that same thing or BitCo or Bliss McKnight brought that in for us. So, we reach out to them for liability. One (1) thing I should mention, I don't know if I put it in that email, Bliss McKnight will also pay for ten percent (10%) of this too because they believe in it and the liability. I'd love to see them pay more, but they're willing to give ten percent (10%). So...

Councilman Metzger: (Inaudible).

Sheriff Wilder: I think they would tell you by that, just there, that they believe there's some value to this. And one (1) thing also, just to kind of answer your question, Ted, a little bit, if in a year or two (2) we decide we no longer use Lexipol, these SOP's are ours. They can't take them away. They're ours to keep.

Councilman Metzger: Right.

Sheriff Wilder: So, if we just choose that we're not getting the value out of the annual upkeep, we can no longer do that. And they're still our SOP's to keep.

Councilman Metzger: Good.

Sheriff Wilder: But, that's why I wanted to have some discussion, cause I'm going to move forward with this but I was hoping to have you guys' blessing that I would think you would at least be on board with, once again maybe go in halves with me on this at least when I come back.

Councilman Reid: Sounds good to me.

Councilman Metzger: I don't have any problem with it.

Councilman Richmond: I think it's a wise move.

Sheriff Wilder: Well, I just want to say as the Sheriff, I'm proud to be a Sheriff of our community. Our community has

You know, they're a person behind that badge that has kids, family, and I think we have that here. But, we don't want to just rest on that. And as the Sheriff's Department, that is the Council, the Commissioners, or anyone else in this community, we want to be a part of the solution, not part of the problem. So, I will come to that table or speak to anybody anytime. So, reach out to me if you ever need anything from the Sheriff's Office.

Councilman Metzger: Thank you, Sheriff. We appreciate you.

Sheriff Wilder: Thank you.

Councilman Reid: Keep up the good work.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES JUNE 4, 2020

Councilman Richmond: Now, we'll go back to Item #1 on the agenda. The Minutes. It's the Minutes of the June 4th meeting that was all on Zoom. Anybody have any corrections? I read them all. And they look appropriate to me.

Councilman Metzger: Motion to approve.

Councilman Reid: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Ted to approve. Second by Rick. Discussion? All those in favor raise your hand. That's all of us here. The two (2) that are on Zoom, if you have, if you do not approve, say, nay. So, I'll record that vote seven, zero (7-0).

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS TAX PHASE IN - EURONIQUE

Councilman Richmond: Item 2A. Tax Phase In. This is Euronique and I believe they've asked to table it.

Steve Roelle: Correct. Good evening, Steve Roelle, Economic Development. Been working with Scott over there at Euronique, and we both agreed just to table it as they just need to turn in more paperwork. Not a problem. They are a fantastic company. Just south of Elberfeld that continues to expand here in Warrick County. So, I will see you for that one (1) in August.

Councilman Richmond: Do I have a motion to table that?

Councilman Reid: Motion to table.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Rick to table it. Is there a second?

Councilman Metzger: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Second by Ted. Any discussion on that? We don't discuss that. All those in favor? That's everybody here. How about the two (2) on Zoom? Any nay, votes, say, nay. Seeing none, I'll record that seven, zero (7-0).

CIHOLAS PROPERTIES – STATEMENT OF BENEFITS REVIEW

Councilman Richmond: 2B, Tax Phase In, Ciholas Properties, LLC, statement of benefits review.

Steve Roelle: Okay, so, Ciholas, and I think, Cliff, correct me if I'm wrong, Vicky McDonald from Ciholas, who is their Director of Operations, she was here with me last year for this abatement, is online via Zoom. We requested that after talking to Krystal about limiting people in the room today. So, both Ciholas and ALCOA will be joining us online. Since you guys have seen these abatements from myself and Larry Taylor over the last couple of years, I will try to be brief. I sent County Council updates, kind of my notes on these abatements. ALCOA continues to do what they said they were going to do on their SB-1 as far as property and personal equipment on their SB-1. They had twenty-seven (27) employees total. They are currently today at thirty-three (33). They pay extremely well to specialty engineering firm. If you have the opportunity to follow them either on Facebook or if you ever get inside you will see they do some pretty unique stuff. Their technology's been in space. Diffused bombs in Iraq and Afghanistan. Technology that's been in the Olympics and our recommendations in compliance, myself and Vicky are here if there's any questions.

Councilman Metzger: Is this the last time they're here now?

Steve Roelle: This is not. This is the ten (10) year abatement and currently we are in year six (6).

Councilman Metzger: Okay. I think I asked you that last time.

Steve Roelle: That's okay. That's why I've got the notes here, Ted.

Councilman Overton: Motion to approve.

Councilman Reid: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Motion to approve and that would, would that be tax phase in, both of them, 2B and C.

Steve Roelle: Yeah, I talked about both of them. They're in compliance for both of those two (2). One (1) is real and one is personal property.

Councilman Richmond: So, Brad, would that be 2B and C?

Councilman Overton: Yeah, except 2B and C where we talked, I thought we, yeah, we're just giving Ciholas and ALCOA both at the same time.

Steve Roelle: I'm just going on Ciholas as (inaudible).

Councilman Richmond: Ciholas only. They had two (2) of them.

Councilman Overton: Cause I'm looking at Ciholas, okay, so Ciholas 2B and 2C, yes.

Councilman Richmond: Okay, is there a second?

Councilman Reid: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Second by Rick. Any discussion? All in favor raise your hand. One (1), two (2), three (3), four (4). Opposed?

Councilman Metzger: Abstain.

Councilman Richmond: Okay. How about the two (2) that are listening in? Say nay, if you oppose it.

Councilman Christmas: Who abstained?

Councilman Richmond: Charlie, you're abstaining?

Krystal Powless: No, he said who.

Councilman Christmas: Who is? I said, who did it?

Councilman Richmond: Ted has abstained.

Councilman Christmas: Okay.

Councilman Richmond: So that would be six, zero, and one abstention, Ted. (6-0-1). Alright. That's 2B and C.

ALCOA – STATEMENT OF BENEFITS REVIEW

Councilman Richmond: Now, 2D, Tax Phase In, ALCOA, Statement of Benefits Report Benefits Review.

Steve Roelle: Okay, so ALCOA has three (3), the same as last year, that's up. That's the 2008 Abatement for the power plant boiler optimization, 2014 Pusher/Preheat (inaudible) Abatement, and then also the 2018 smelter restart where they started up three (3) of the five (5) pot lines again. I gave you guys all the notes. The 2014/2018 are pretty straight forward abatements on both investments. And on employment the 2008 Abatement is the one (1) that we spent some time on last year just to kind of clean that up. We worked with Baker-Tilly and the Auditor's Office and Cliff and Krystal due to the size and scope of that project. Some of that equipment was put online over multiple years and so they do have a little bit of this abatement left. We have verified that again this year. They're on for employment and they're on for investment. Kari Fluegal and, is Evan Quinley also on?

Cliff Whitehead: (Inaudible).

Steve Roelle: Kari Fluegal with ALCOA, the Communications lead is on if there's any questions for Kari or any questions for myself. Our recommendation is they continue to be in compliance on all three (3) of these abatements.

Kari Fluegal: This is Kari Fluegal, Evan Quinley is on, his screen name is actually Will on this particular (inaudible). So if you can add him, he has something to say.

Councilman Richmond: We are working on that.

Evan Quinley: Okay, thank you, everybody. Good evening. I just wanted to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Evan Quinley. I'm the new Operations Manager for Warrick Operations. I'd like to begin by thanking you for hearing these three (3) renewal requests this evening. Each one (1) of these projects that you are reviewing tonight has been critical for ALCOA to sustain and grow our business here. These three (3) projects together are responsible for over three hundred and sixty (360) jobs providing more than twenty-five million (\$25,000,000) in salaries annually. And these three (3) projects also substantially increased our assessed value in Warrick County, and we appreciate your votes to continued support of these projects. Would also like to note, source of pride for us at Warrick Operations, that we just celebrated on June 9th, our 60th Anniversary. The pandemic, you know, drastically changed our plans for a huge community wide celebration. But, we are going to press forward with that soon as, as soon as we can. But we're certainly proud to have reached such a milestone and done so with your support. For six (6) decades, ALCOA Warrick Operations has (inaudible) and our facilities have been added and modified, thousands of employees have come and gone through the plant and we produce more than twenty-eight million (28,000,000) pounds of metal in those sixty (60) years. And just to put that in prospective, those aluminum beverage cans if you stack them end to end, it'd go to the moon and back a hundred and forty-six (146) times. So, it's an amazing stack. But today, at Warrick Operations, we have a talented and diverse team of more than eighteen hundred (1,800) employees and we continue to modernize things for the future. Essentially, one (1) of the things we're talking about at the plant right now was the new

want to say thank you and I'm happy to answer any questions that you may have for me. And I certainly look forward to meeting you in person as, after we get through this pandemic.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you, Evan. Council have any comments or questions? Seeing none, do I have a motion?

Councilman Reid: Motion to approve.

Councilman Overton: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Have a motion by Rick Reid and second by Brad Overton to approve all, it's the three (3) of them, right?

Councilman Overton: Um hum.

Councilman Richmond: Any discussion? All those in favor? That's all five (5) of us here. The two (2) that are listening in on Zoom? We have a nay? Hearing none, I'll record that seven, zero (7-0).

Councilman Reid: Thank you for your sixty (60) years.

Councilman Richmond: Yeah, congratulations on the sixty (60) years.

Evan Quinley: Thank you.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you, Evan and Kari for joining us.

COMMISSIONER BUSINESS EQUIPMENT

Councilman Richmond: Next up, Commissioner Business, the E-911, Equipment. And this money comes out of E-911 money. It's not taxpayer money. Yeah, you kind of pay fees for that.

Roger Emmons: Roger Emmons, Commissioners' Office. I'm here with Dave Woolen, the EMA Director. As I understand it, this is to replace five (5) radios that could not be upgraded. And Dave has the invoice in case you have any specific questions.

Dave Woolen: We had five (5) handheld radios that two (2) of them are down and they said could not be repaired. And the other three (3) could not be upgraded any further than where they are at. So, we're wanting to replace all of them so that we'll be ready for the next five (5), eight (8) years. They don't seem to last near as long as they used to. But anyway, for the five (5) radios, programming, extra battery charges, three (3) years warranty and I put this to the EMA Board. We got three (3) bids from Kenwood, Motorola, and Harris. And the Board voted to go with the Motorolas at ten thousand seven hundred sixty-three dollars and two cents (\$10,763.02).

Councilman Metzger: That includes all the programming and charges you just mentioned?

Dave Woolen: That's everything. Ready to go.

Councilman Hachmeister: Motion to approve by David.

Councilman Overton: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Motion to approve by David and seconded by Brad. Any discussion or questions? All those in favor raise your hand. That's all five (5) of us here. Any nays that are listening? David or Charlie?

Councilman Christmas: No, I'm all for it.

Councilman Richmond: I'll record that as seven, zero (7-0). Thank you.

Roger Emmons: Thank you very much.

NEWBURGH/CHANDLER PUBLIC LIBRARY BUSINESS RESOLUTION 2020-07

Councilman Richmond: Newburgh/Chandler Public Library Business, the public hearing on what would be Resolution 2020-07 for an issuance of bonds and additional appropriations to renovate the two (2) libraries with some issues.

Trista Smith: Hello, my name is Trista Smith. I'm the Director of the Newburgh/Chandler Public Library. Brad's going to pass out a packet for you guys that has a lot of the information that we emailed out to you. But just so you can go, have it in front of you when we present that information.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you.

Trista Smith: The first page is just some statistics about the library. The second part is going to be the financial presentation and then the big pages are the schematics. So, as you can see on the agenda, I'm here to ask for the approval of bonds for the Newburgh/Chandler Public Library, not to exceed two point seven-five million dollars (\$2,750,000.00). The Chandler Library was built thirty-two (32) years ago and since then has been faithfully serving the Chandler community, but has had very minimal modifications and updates. We're looking to repair, renovate, and update the building and the property to insure it can continue to faithfully serve the Chandler community. Some of the facilities needs are fixing the current drainage system and adding new ones to stop erosion around the building which is

causing the landscape to shift and creating tripping hazards. Repaving and resealing the parking lot. Replacing the concrete bridge that is no longer structurally sound. Modernizing the elevator. Thinning out the woods and the ditches to increase safety and help with water drainage and update the interior with new lighting and furniture. These are all critical repairs that will eliminate the threat of serious injury of patrons and insure the building is able to be used for the foreseeable future. We're also looking to do a few smaller but equally necessary improvements at the Bell Road Branch such as resealing the windows throughout the building to address reoccurring leaks, renovate that café space to make it into a multiuse program space, address erosion around the pond and other exterior repairs that have been deferred since the building was opened. I know your primary question is what effect this will have on our taxpayers. We are structuring the bond so that our tax rate is in line with what it is now. The bond is within the General Obligation limits specific to the Newburgh/Chandler Public Library and it in no way effects the Council's ability to issue debt for other entities. Because we have an appointment board, we are required to go through this process with the Council. The Newburgh/Chandler Public Library offers so much to the community. We have mobile hot spots for people to check out if they don't have internet access at home. Public computers for the many individuals that need assistance doing essential things online like filing for unemployment, filling out a job application or writing a resume. Meeting spaces for local non-profits and other groups, passport processing as well as a great collection of books and other materials. These projects will address the immediate capital maintenance needs of our facilities and allow us to continue to meet those patrons' needs and expectations for years to come. I'd like to have Jack Favor from Hafer Design, the architect that's been working with us with the schematics and Ryan Fetters from Baker Tilly to go over the financial impact.

Jack Favor: Hello, I'm Jack Favor with Hafer. I don't, I don't know how helpful it would be to go through each sheet that you have right there. But just to build on what Trista has said, I would just like to tell you the work that needs to be done and then if you have specific questions about the schematic design documents there, we can go to those specific sheets. In the packet, Bell Road Branch is discussed first and like Trista said, the major issue there at Bell Road is all the windows are missing what's called an end dam and they're all leaking considerably and there's a great deal of damage on the interior of the building and also on the exterior. So, all the windows have to be removed and the dams need to be placed and the original windows would be put back in. There's also a café that's there that's not, is no longer functioning as a café and there's an opportunity to make it an actual useful space instead of it just sitting there being not really used. But because of the, the existing utilities that are there, it's a great opportunity to make it a very multifunctional space. And then lastly, there are some site issues and paving issues and landscape issues that need to be addressed for Bell Road. And so that is all in that part of the schematic documents. The, the project where there is considerably more work is Chandler Library. Hafer was the original architect for the building. And when you go there it's still, still looks good. I'm biased because I work for the company that did it. Right? But, it needs some love. It hasn't had any work done to it since it's been built. It's been a testament to the library that it's in such good care because of how it's been handled. But it really has reached its lifespan. The documents that you have in front of there, in front of you talk about reducing trees on the property. It's really overgrown and there are some definite safety issues there. And if we can reduce some of the tree coverage that's there and create some visibility, it'll definitely be a much safer environment. There's significant storm water drainage revisions that are needed to the property to address erosion that's taking place. And also, to stop rainwater from entering into the building and damaging it. There's parking lot repairs. There's a bridge, if you're familiar with the building, it's built on a slope and there's a concrete bridge that goes into it. And it's, it's got a lot of damage to it. And we're working with a structural engineer to make repairs and do it in a very efficient and economical way. For energy efficiency, we're wanting to reseal or replace all the weather seals at the doors and windows to make them much more efficient building. And the elevator is, is so old that their parts are very expensive to replace. And it would be very expensive to actually install a new elevator, so, what we can do is a modernization of it which means things that the shaft can be kept. Some parts that are not expensive or unique can remain and the main cab can be replaced. And so, it's a win as far as the cost for making those replacements. The interior lighting, it's original to the building. And we're talking, the light level is very low. So, we'd like to improve the lighting. New lights, new fixtures and then also all of the carpet, the walls, the paint, the furniture. Everything is original to the building and it's showing a lot of wear. And as part of the project, the intent is to upgrade those and make it truly a special place for people to come in our community to learn and to gather information. So, I don't know if you have any specific questions about the document that you have in front of you. I've got a copy of it here. I can do my best to answer your questions.

Councilman Reid: How long will your renovation take?

Jack Favor: How long should the renovation take? The, the Bethel Manor, or, excuse me, the Bell Road Branch, that one (1) is tricky because of the amount of time. That's probably a smaller, probably a three (3) month process. The, the Chandler is going to have to be phased and you would have to do the upper four (4) or lower level first so they can stay in operation. And even then, it might have to be phased by each floor too. So, that extends it. I'm thinking it could be like a nine (9) month process. We haven't looked at it from that standpoint. But my gut is telling me it's a nine (9) to ten (10) month process.

Councilman Reid: The solar panels on Bell, are they still (inaudible).

Jack Favor: I'm sorry?

Councilman Reid: The solar panels?

Jack Favor: Have we considered solar panels?

Councilman Reid: No, on Bell Road.

Jack Favor: Oh, there was discussion, I need to confirm that. Do you remember what the plans to do with the solar panels? I...

Trista Smith: I'm not sure.

Jack Favor: Are they still in operation? I'm not sure they are.

Trista Smith: I think what's happened, the solar panels are still working but the thing that collects, the battery pack, we had some issues with those. They have to be rotated. So, we have some that work and some that don't right now. So, the solar panels are operating but not at the capacity that they could be.

Jack Favor: That's not part of the scope of the project. So, that's why I apologize. I don't know the answer to that. Yeah.

Councilman Reid: I know those, (inaudible), as well.

Jack Favor: Yeah. Yeah, I mean they're both, I have to say, we do a lot of work with different libraries and this library, I'm biased, this, Bell Road is my library. I live right down the street from it and go to it. And Trista's doing a great job organizing this and it really, the work that is being done, they've been very good stewards about what should be done and nothing extravagant and really trying to make it as nice as possible without going overboard.

Councilwoman Ledbetter: The trails out at Chandler that are going to open up in those woods right there, are they going to be paved. Are they going to be...?

Jack Favor: That's a very, it's funny you ask that. Because, I was just talking to the landscape architect. There's two (2) ways we could do it, one (1) is a compacted gravel which is good for drainage and it's less expensive. But anybody in a wheel chair, it's not as convenient. The other option is to go with a permeable pavement and that would allow the water to drain when it gets in there and somebody could be in a wheelchair and access it, but it is more expensive. And so, we have to put those prices together, get with the board and have them evaluate what path type they want. It would still, either option could be use because you know you go to parks, they're not always paved. But one (1) is more convenient than the other, so I think really what it comes down to is, is seeing, comparing the cost and if, where they fit in the budget. Yeah, great question.

Councilman Overton: So, I've got a few things here. And I'll, just to, little bit of history, we lived in Chandler from over, gosh, let's see, eight (8) years, nine (9) years. And my daughter, she loved to go over there. And I don't know, remember Miss Cindy used to be in there, some of the others...

Trista Smith: She retired.

Councilman Overton: Yeah, she did. She, her and my daughter have stayed in communication. She still sends her cards and they, yeah, so that's really sweet. So, I've got some history there. And then we used to have a little Spanish club and the kids would go in. So, we've got some real connections there with that library. So, I mean we've always loved that. She, my daughter come over there and she'd (inaudible) her books off and get all choked up about it thinking about it, thinking about my daughter being young for a change. Anyway, okay, so, out of, get away from that for a second. And then the Bell Oaks Library, I mean that place is, I mean that's been (inaudible), there visiting a friend who came down and done some pod cast and we were back there working on some pod cast back in some of the rooms and there's just some great, definitely some great things. And I think the way the County is moving now, is Steve still in here? Yeah, he's back there. I mean I've been out to Scales and saw the new pavilion the other day, and those floors and everything, I forgot to text Ben. But, so we're definitely making some great improvements on these things. And then the Courthouse, I mean that was a great thing we done here as well. Even though, even all that being said, I always think that a lot of things come in and these are things that we really, really hope to get. And so, my thought would be, where can we trim some things back? Cause first off, I understand that structural improvements, I mean I understand those things just have to be made. I mean, regardless, we were in this building here. I mean we had to make some structural improvements or we were going to end up in even a bigger problem that what we had. And I think the thing we did with the Courthouse that I think all of us are pretty proud of, I mean it came in at a certain price tag and I know we were kind of able to whittle those costs down from what the initial costs were. So, we were able to get some savings. So, that would be just some kind of sharing some questions here, but my first one (1) would be, you know, kind of, where are we at with things that we really would like to have as far as some aesthetics and where are the things that we need to have to keep us, you know, getting into dire circumstances. Nobody wants to see that happen. But I really enjoy all those facilities. And then another question I've got as far as like some of that, you know, like the trees and the pathways, have you explored asking or checking with some of the local construction and perhaps landscaping areas that they might be willing to donate some time or some money for that. Cause I know a lot of people, whether you want to say it or not, a lot of people like to see their name out. Might get some stamps on some posts and that ways hey, Colonial donated this. Or whatever it might be. I mean those are some things that we're looking at as far as doing what the Parks as well, trying to get some naming rights. You know, something becomes the Colonial Pathway. That's the only think I can think of right now. And then another question I've got for you is, like energy savings. What are we seeing as far as cost that we're going to be seeing? Cause I know you mentioned some windows and some things like that. So, have you looked at where we would be at as far as looking at what kind of money we'd be possibly saving on energy costs? Sorry, kind of hit you with a lot of different things. I really meant to get to some of your, your meetings, but I've kind of been tied up the last couple weeks and I think I'd emailed you trying to get to those things. So, I hate to just dump a big load on you. But I just wanted to kind of see where you're at on those thoughts.

Jack Favor: Sure. I'll do my best to answer.

Councilman Overton: Sure, sure.

Jack Favor: So, the first thing is that what you're seeing is only the schematic documents. We still have design, development, and construction documents, so we're very early, so I don't have all the answers for all the questions. But, it seemed like the main item that had to do with the cost is prioritization. Which parts of the project are a priority and what parts of the project are a, it'd be really nice to have.

Councilman Overton: That's the difference, when I went to buy a Ford, and I ended up buying a, I wanted a Lincoln but I ended up with a Ford. So.

Jack Favor: Right. Right. So, for me, for Chandler, it's, the issues with the water, the bridge, the elevator, and also, I mean, you wouldn't have, you wouldn't live in a house, or I wouldn't think, after a while if you live in your house after

thirty (30) years, you're going to have to replace the carpet or you're going to have to paint the walls. And lights start to break and so there's just some upkeep that are naturally apparent. The site, as far as the, the path, and thinning out the trees, that could be a separate phase that could be like you're saying, get people to, contractors involved and donate time and sweat equity and materials. And that would make a lot of sense there. From an interior standpoint, the other way is to get, that happens with a lot of other libraries we work with, is basically you get almost like a patron for a space. It could be the Toyota Team space or the Ciholas Team space. I'm saying that cause my son works at Ciholas, right?

Councilman Overton: Sure.

Jack Favor: So, there's, there's naming rights that take place on the interior that also help offset some of those costs But we're really too early in that. But what we have done, we have started to think about things that could be an alternate to the project if you're familiar with construction. An alternate is basically a list of items that we ask for a separate price when the bid, when the contractor give a bid to do the work. And those would be, well, if we choose to leave this, there could be this savings. Or if we choose to add this, it could be them. And so, what we'll do is we'll have a series of those. If things come, if the bid come in and they're really high, we can lower the costs and start to think of those now, which we're doing. Right now, the market is, because of the pandemic, the market is actually good for construction cause we're seeing prices going down because there have been projects that have been put on hold. So, this is actually a very good time to go forward with construction projects. Trying to think through all your other questions.

Councilman Overton: Well, I think you hit the structure.

Jack Favor: I thought of one (1). Energy efficiency.

Councilman Overton: yes.

Jack Favor: So, we're, we're taking care of the weather seals for windows. We're fixing water damage that's taking place due to how the windows were installed originally on Bell Road. But at Chandler, we're also adding additional insulation and we're really trying not to do a lot to the structure, because we don't want to add a lot of costs. And so, but one (1) of the things we can do, is in the attic space, is add additional insulation to help control that envelope and get it to be a more insulated building which should lower the cost. What savings is this? I don't know. Honestly, I don't know right now. But also, from a lighting standpoint, I don't know right now what the cost savings is over the LED's to the existing fluorescents, but I know that's something I will send to you after I talk to our electrical engineers and have them calculate it. I just don't know since we're so early into it. We're really, the library, we interviewed them considerably and did a study on what they wanted and they, they did not ask for anything, from my experience about libraries, that seemed like, wow, you're really wanting to do that. Really, they're trying to be good stewards of their money. Yeah.

Councilman Overton: Yeah, and that's, these masks. I'd like to just take them and light them on fire. I had to teach a class today for four (4) hours and this thing just kept going down and it's driving me nuts. But that's a different story. Yeah, so I mean that's, those are really my big concerns, because I'm not sure, and I've, are we, are you coming forward, we're not coming for a final approval here or where are we at on, as far as this? I mean are we just...?

Jack Favor: I'm here to talk about the design. We have bond counsel here.

Councilman Hachmeister: This is David and I'd like to make a motion to approve the Resolution, to approve the GO Bonds.

Councilwoman Ledbetter: I'd like to second.

Councilman Richmond: Have a motion by David and second by Cindy.

Cliff Whitehead: Brad, just to answer your question. This is the one (1) and only time they must come before the Council to approve.

Councilman Overton: Okay, that's what I was thinking.

Councilman Richmond: And two (2) points, that right now, as he said, building costs have come down quite a bit now and builders are available. Where if you would have gone back to February and March, in that time period, it was hard to get people to construct things. They were so busy. And then the interest rates are at an all-time low. So...

Councilwoman Ledbetter: And I'd also like to share that those woods, there's, there's a safety issue there. We've got kids back there doing drugs. We have homeless people in those woods. It's right across the street from the school. We need to clean it up, open it up, and give Chandler teenagers a nice safe place to have some good quality time.

Councilman Richmond: We even had somebody in there build a deer stand I was told.

Trista Smith: He was telling his son how to do it.

Councilman Overton: And once again, my only issue with this is I think we've been, and I understand that it's the selling point is we're not raising taxes any. But we're also not reducing anything. We're just basically extending this continuing bond and kind of moving it forward. So, my goal would be for us to come back with some number to perhaps show us were we can have some cost savings or we can do some of these things. Instead of just moving forward tonight. I mean I don't know that there's, I don't know if there's necessarily has to be approved tonight and we couldn't push this off for a month to try and get some of these numbers back. But that's my biggest concern. I'm just, I kind of like to see some of this other information and I think perhaps there's some additional research that could be done. Because if we put this off tonight, is this going to throw this project into a complete disarray or grind it to a halt? I guess

Councilman Richmond: Come up to the mic and identify yourself, please.

Brad Bingham: Brad Bingham, Barnes and Thornburg, Bond Counsel to this project. From a timing perspective, it's not fatal if it's not approved tonight. But, we don't have a lot of extra wiggle room in terms of timing, just the way things would play out. As Jack mentioned there in the middle of the discussion, the bond process at this point, that's not going to be completed probably until, we're thinking about construction bids late September/October time frame. The actual bond sale wouldn't occur until November. But, you take those actions predicated on having financing in place, so I think it would be a bit of a concern if this doesn't go forward tonight. What does that do to the other work, other steps in this process? I guess the one (1) thing I would throw out there is just that the Library Board considered a variety of options. This is not where they started. In fact, at one (1) point, it was a complete rebuild, a brand-new library in Chandler because of all the issues that are there. And this is where they've landed after considerable study for over a year, maybe close to two (2) years. This is a set of projects that they landed on. So, I think, I would ask the Council to give some deference and weight to the library and their board in terms of the project that they've come up with and presented here tonight.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you.

Councilman Overton: Thanks.

Cliff Whitehead: (Inaudible) before we vote, we open it up to members of public, if there's any comments (inaudible).

Councilman Richmond: Okay, anybody from the public that is here or on Zoom wish to speak to it?

Steve Roelle: I'd like to say a quick word. Is that okay?

Councilman Richmond: Yes. Steve, come on.

Steve Roelle: Steve Roelle, Economic Development. And I just want to, I'll be really, really brief. This is not an Economic Development project, but I was lucky enough for them to share it with me. To review, and I think it kind of goes to what Brad said, a lot of projects come across our desk, so we did look at not only the financing but also the project. And just really quickly, I tell my small team almost every day, Economic Development's making Warrick County a better place to work and live. And I feel very strongly that libraries are a big part of that equation. I have a lot of similar stories like Brad that my kids grew up in the library. My son refuses to read on a Kindle cause he has to go get a real book. He's currently reading all the Stephen King novels. So, he's in high school. So, but, being at the library a whole bunch myself, whether that's running Cub Scout meetings or going to board meetings, or bringing my kids to story hour, Lego hour, to books, you get to see how well the libraries are used by our community. From the youth and small story hour time to seniors to technology to I drop my children off for tutoring at the library. So, I just want to say, as far as we, I believe very strongly that it is a piece of our community and it's a part of Economic Development and it's a part of making Warrick County a better place to work and live. We've done a lot of upgrades as Brad mentioned at Scales Lake this year for the first time since 1988. The Courthouse got upgraded. We have to keep our libraries evolving with the times so that they're not only a strong part of our past, but a big part of our future. We did look over the bond agreements as well and they're very similar to the way we would recommend suggesting them where they're not backed by the County's obligation and the fact that it was already mentioned, that they're set up so that they're not affecting the tax rate. So, that's it.

Councilman Reid: Hey, Steve, can you assist them on those paths too?

Steve Roelle: I mean, when they move forward with that, I think the path is the easiest, it's a good question, Rick. Cause I've been involved so much with the trails. I certainly agree with both what Jack and Brad said. But as they get a little further along, I'm a big fan of naming rights and knocking on doors and I'm not afraid to do it. So, there are certainly some things, you know, people don't like to sponsor new water heaters and windows, but things like, and it's just the truth, things like paths or a new meeting room or converting a project room. Those are certainly things that are on the table. It's just hard for them to know that today. And so, I think they're being responsible with the debt that they have as their current debt rolls off and they're looking towards the future.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you.

Councilman Metzger: Thank you.

Councilman Richmond: Anyone on Zoom?

Cliff Whitehead: No.

Councilman Richmond: Okay, we have a motion before us. Motion made by David and second by Cindy to, I'll read by title here.

Councilman Reid: You got a Resolution?

Councilman Richmond: Resolution, Warrick County Council Resolution 2020-07, a Resolution of the Warrick County Council approving the issuance of General Obligation Bonds of the Newburgh/Chandler Public Library and the appropriation of the proceeds thereof and investment earnings there, thereon to pay cost of certain long-term capital maintenance, improvement, and equipping projects and related costs. So, I have a motion and second. Any further discussion? All those in favor raise your hand. Opposed? Four (4) and one (1) here. And anybody that's on Zoom, Charlie and David, if you oppose, say nay.

Cliff Whitehead: (Inaudible), never mind.

Councilman Christmas: Who, who made the (inaudible)?

Councilman Richmond: The, the motion was made...

Councilman Christmas: Who made the motion?

Councilman Richmond: The motion was made by David and seconded by Cindy. Are you voting yes or no?

Councilman Reid: He's asking (inaudible).

Councilman Christmas: I'm voting yes.

Councilman Richmond: Okay. Alright. The negative vote was for Brad. So, I have six to one with Brad opposing (6-1 with Brad Overton opposing). So that's passed. Thank you very much.

Councilman Reid: Good luck on that.

Trista Smith: Thank you.

CORONER BUSINESS GENERAL – BODY COOLER

Councilman Richmond: Coroner Business, Additional Appropriation, General of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).

Cliff Whitehead: She is on Zoom.

Coroner Seaton: Hello.

Councilman Metzger: Hello.

Coroner Seaton: Hi. So, you want me to just explain this?

Councilman Richmond: Sarah, identify yourself first.

Coroner Seaton: This is Sarah Seaton, Warrick County Coroner.

Councilman Richmond: Thank you. Yes, you can explain now.

Coroner Seaton: Okay, so several years ago we had a donation of a two (2) body, body cooler. I'm not really sure where that, who, where the donation came from. But it's been housed in the garage in non-use since I took office. When we faced the COVID situation and we were encouraged to find (inaudible) come out and get estimates on what it would cost to get that up and rolling. And so that is basically to cover the cost of getting that up to date so it can be maintained and utilized. So, currently, of course we may face a second wave of COVID and all of that, but currently on another note, we, we often times, usually ten (10) to twelve (12) times a year, we have a situation where we have a deceased and we need to do something with the body while the family figures out arrangements, while we find family and we don't necessarily need an autopsy. But we don't have a place to take that person so we take them to Vanderburgh County and they charge a hundred dollars (\$100.00) to store them until we can figure out disposition for them. This would also alleviate that hundred dollars (\$100.00) each time we have to utilize storage.

Councilman Richmond: Would this qualify you think maybe for COVID reimbursement?

Coroner Seaton: I'm certainly willing to try. Because that was, you know, that was what sparked the interest in trying to get it up and going anyway.

Councilman Richmond: Okay.

Dave Woolen: This is Dave Woolen with Warrick County EMA. We are right now in the process of getting quotes for a mobile morgue for the County on the Cares Act which would not cost us anything. So, I've got feelers out. I've got two (2) bids back. I'm waiting for a third. So, and this would be a twenty (20), twenty (20) body mobile morgue that we could park. Self-contained. It will run on a generator or electric. So, we are in the process of looking at that right now. Just to let everybody know.

Coroner Seaton: Right. Will that be running twenty-four (24), seven (7), three-sixty-five (365)? Or just as needed for disasters?

Dave Woolen: It can run twenty-four (24), seven (7) if you park it at your place and plug it in.

Coroner Seaton: I don't know that I would necessarily want to incur that expense.

Dave Woolen: Well, you can park it out at your building and plug it in and it would run twenty-four (24), seven (7).

Coroner Seaton: What would be, I guess, and then I'm just going to argue, what would be the difference in keeping a twenty (20) body cooler at all times when like maybe ten (10) or twelve (12) times a year we're gonna need to use it.

Dave Woolen: The way I understand it from the people I've talked to, within four (4) hours it would be down to temperature. So, I don't know if that's too long a time for you. I'm not sure. I asked for some input on it and I haven't gotten a lot. But I am trying to get some quotes for that. Just to let you know.

Councilman Richmond: Okay. Thank you.

Coroner Seaton: Yeah.

Coroner Seaton: It's a two (2) body storage.

Councilman Overton: Two (2)? Okay, thank you.

Councilwoman Ledbetter: Sarah, that's in addition to what you already have?

Coroner Seaton: We don't have storage in Warrick County. We always use Vanderburgh County. So, every time we have to use storage it's a hundred dollars (\$100.00) per body.

Councilman Richmond: I wonder if we could justify this and the mobile cooler to the Cares Act.

Coroner Seaton: Well, its two (2) separate, you know, departments, obviously.

Councilman Richmond: And where would you keep this?

Coroner Seaton: Right now, it's in the garage where our van is by the Boonville Fire Department down on Fourth Street.

Councilman Richmond: Would it need to be...

Coroner Seaton: By EMS.

Councilman Richmond: Would it need to be placed in a secure location?

Coroner Seaton: That building is secure. And we can also lock that cooler.

Councilman Richmond: Okay.

Councilman Reid: Is that going to be large enough?

Coroner Seaton: Plenty large. Yeah.

Councilman Richmond: Waiting on anything else by the Council or a motion.

Councilman Reid: I'll make that motion.

Councilwoman Ledbetter: I'll second it.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Rick Reid and second by Cindy. Any further discussion?

Councilman Overton: Well, it doesn't seem like a lot of sense to have something, if it's broke and we can't even use it. Was there, is there any way as far as this one (1), Sarah, if we purchased a new... somebody out of the shower?

Councilman Reid: (Inaudible).

Councilman Christmas: Hey, that was a question I had.

Councilman Overton: So, yeah, so is there...

Councilman Christmas: Greg?

Councilman Richmond: Brad's talking.

Councilman Overton: So, Sarah, what would a new one (1), I wonder if we purchased like the brand new, if you purchased a brand new one (1), what would that cost? I wonder if that would be able to get more in line with reimbursement through the Cares Act.

Councilman Christmas: Greg.

Coroner Seaton: Like...

Councilman Christmas: Greg.

Councilman Richmond: Okay, Charlie would like to speak. Go ahead, Charlie. Go ahead, Charlie.

Councilman Christmas: (Inaudible) some information that we could buy this new and end up getting reimbursed on this, it would save us a lot of money.

Coroner Seaton: Okay. Yeah, I mean I can look into what a two (2) body cooler would, would run. I just, you know, I don't know, we just have this one (1). So.

Councilman Richmond: I would like to see some research done. If we're getting Cares money for the portable one (1), would that conflict with us getting a new one (1) or from making this repair? Either one (1). Can we give it a month?

Coroner Seaton: Sure.

Councilman Richmond: And if you would get with Dave and the Commissioners and talk to them about getting a direction in this as to the Cares Act reimbursement, I'd appreciate it.

Coroner Seaton: Okay, I don't, I'm afraid it's going to be one (1) of those things, until we apply for it, we're not going to know.

Councilman Richmond: That's true.

Coroner Seaton: We'll certainly work on it. I can tell you from my standpoint, my needs, a twenty (20) body mobile morgue is way more than we need. And I did talk with EMA and I talked with the Commissioners and I went to my friend, a pathologist and it's absolutely nothing he can use as far as, you know, (inaudible) a mobile morgue, is really just a misnomer. It's just a big refrigerated truck that you know we don't really have the need for at this time. But I can revisit that with them.

Councilman Richmond: We do have a motion on the floor by Rick and second by Cindy. If there's not any more discussion we need to take a vote on that, unless you all would want to amend.

Councilman Reid: I can withdraw until next month.

Councilman Richmond: Is that okay with you?

Councilwoman Ledbetter: I'm okay with that. Sarah, I just want to say thank you for trying to fix the broken one (1), cause that's usually what you're told to do. You did a good job.

Coroner Seaton: Yeah, that's, okay, thank you.

Councilman Richmond: Now, can we ask about tabling so we don't have to re-advertise?

Councilman Reid: Motion to table.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Rick Reid to table.

Councilwoman Ledbetter: And I'll second that.

Councilman Richmond: And Cindy to table. Okay. All those in favor of tabling? That, one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4) of us here. David, are you okay with tabling?

Councilman Hachmeister: Yes, the only thing I would like to add, is I would like to know the exact cost on repairing as well as (inaudible) the new one (1), than just a five thousand dollar (\$5,000.00) figure. And I agree to table it.

Coroner Seaton: I, yeah, I'll tell you it was thirty-eight hundred dollars (\$3,800.00), but just for wiggle room in case they ran into something else. They already came and gave me a quote (inaudible).

Councilman Richmond: Charlie, are you in agreement to table it?

Councilman Christmas: Yes, I am.

Councilman Richmond: Okay, so that motion is seven, zero (7-0) to table. That will be on next months.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS DISTRICT 3 FOREMAN

Councilman Richmond: Let's see, we've done, we're down to six (6) now. Highway Business, Salary Ordinance, District 3 Foreman, thirteen thousand sixty dollars (\$13,060.00). And then with that is the additional appropriation, thirteen thousand sixty dollars (\$13,060.00). Do we want to do them both together?

Councilman Overton: I'll make a motion to approve both of these since they're based on Employee Handbook (inaudible).

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Brad. Is there a second.

Councilman Reid: Second.

Councilman Richmond: Second by Rick.

Councilman Christmas: Who seconded that? Rick?

Councilman Richmond: I'll put you down, Charlie, since it's delayed. So, Charlie seconded it. Brad and Charlie seconded. Any discussion? All those in favor? Okay, that's all five (5) of us here. If there's a nay vote, let me know, Charlie and Dave. Hearing none, that is seven, zero (7-0) to approve that one (1).

HEALTH BUSINESS ANIMAL CONTROL – VAXCARE

Councilman Richmond: And now we've done seven (7), number eight (8), Health Department, this I think is their regular reimbursement. Animal Control, four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4,500.00). Vaxcare, two thousand seven hundred ten dollars (\$2,710.00) for a total of an additional appropriation of seven thousand two hundred ten dollars (\$7,210.00).

Councilman Overton: Motion to approve.

Councilman Christmas: Charlie, second it.

Councilman Richmond: Charlie seconds it.

Councilman Christmas: I was second.

Councilman Richmond: Gotcha. Motion by Brad, second by Charlie. Any discussion? All those in favor? That's all five (5) of us here. If there's a nay from Charlie or Dave let me hear it. That's seven, zero (7-0) then.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS
HEALTH INSURANCE**

Councilman Richmond: Council Business, the Health Insurance. You got a print out of the latest situation and that is going to be a strain again. We have all these numbers here. I'm going to read them real quick if you bear with me. Additional Appropriation, Health Insurance, to go from:

(Councilman Richmond read the following into the Record):

COUNTY GENERAL Health Insurance	1000	17300.000.0068	\$125,400.00
HCOUNTY COUNCIL Health Insurance	1000	17300.000.0061	\$11,900.00
DRUG COURT (FUND 4921) Health Insurance	4921	17300.000.0000	\$5,100.00
HIGHWAY Health Insurance	1176	17300.000.0533	\$20,400.00
CENTRAL DISPATCH Health Insurance	1000	17300.000.0303	\$28,645.00
PARKS & RECREATION Health Insurance	1219	17300.000.0000	\$11,900.00
HEALTH Health Insurance	1159	17300.000.0000	\$10,200.00
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Health Insurance	1112	31412.000.0000	\$8,500.00
ELECTION Health Insurance	1215	17300.000.0000	\$1,700.00
PROPERTY REASSESSMENT Health Insurance	1224	17300.000.0000	\$6,800.00
CUMULATIVE BRIDGE Health Insurance	1135	17300.000.0000	\$5,100.00
CUMULATIVE DRAIN Health Insurance	1141	17300.000.0000	\$3,400.00
BUILDING COMMISSION Health Insurance	4908	17300.000.0000	\$3,400.00
STORM WATER MANAGEMENT Health Insurance	1197	17300.000.0000	\$11,900.00
RAINY DAY Health Insurance	1186	19600.000.0000	\$300,000.00
PRE-TRIAL Health Insurance	2504	17300.000.0000	\$850.00
CIRCUIT COURT PROBATION Health Insurance	2001	17300.000.0000	\$850.00
Total			556,045.00

Councilman Richmond: And there will be a need for more. Do I have any motion on that?

Councilman Overton: So, what amount are we wanting to, we wanting to, we looking at funding this whole...?

Krystal Powless: What?

Councilman Overton: Well, he said he wanted a motion.

Krystal Powless: Yeah, it'd be everything. Five-fifty-six (\$556,000.00).

Councilman Richmond: So, we would be making a motion of five hundred fifty-six thousand forty-five dollars (\$556,045.00). That's what was advertised.

Councilman Overton: Guess (inaudible).

Councilman Richmond: So, are you making that motion?

Councilman Overton: Yeah, I guess so. That's a motion. I made a motion.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Brad. Is there a second?

Councilman Overton: Make a motion not to pay it (inaudible) work.

Councilman Christmas: Charlie to second that motion.

Councilman Richmond: Charlie seconds. Any discussion now? All those in favor? That's all five (5) of us here. Is there any objection from Charlie or Dave? Hearing none, that is a seven, zero (7-0) also.

Councilman Overton: I kind of, I'd like to make a comment in regards to that. Or just some additional stuff if you don't mind, Mr. President. I wouldn't mind us trying to look as some additional ways to try to tackle this. Cause we're going

to have to try to make some kind of changes. I'm not for sure that some of the Commissioners might be listening in on this or not. I mean, I'm definitely willing to participate at looking at some, some things that we may have to do to do this to try to get these costs, I don't know if we're going to get them down. But, we'll have to do something to try to fight this a little bit. Because eventually we're going to get in trouble. So...

Heather Soberg: If I may.

Councilman Richmond: Come up and identify yourself, please.

Heather Soberg: Heather Soberg with the Commissioners' Office. I have actually tagged four (4) other different insurance companies, different brokers, different opportunities, sent information to them. I'm looking for bids to better our situation. Because we continue to see this climb in the claims and I keep getting told by our current broker, well, sometime we'll have a better year. And I have not seen a better year in four (4) years. Trying to find another avenue and see (inaudible) some savings.

Councilman Overton: You know, and there might, we might have to look at something creative, funding possibilities as well. Or some other things and we can kind of leave that open for discussion.

Heather Soberg: Yeah, and I don't think that it would be a bad consideration at this point in time, especially as these costs continue to increase, that we may need to start looking at some employee involvement in the premiums. So.

Councilwoman Ledbetter: When will we see any benefit from the Tri-State Community Clinic?

Heather Soberg: We're actually going to be meeting with them next, not next week, but the week after to review that.

Councilman Overton: This (inaudible).

Krystal Powless: (Inaudible). So, would you (inaudible).

Councilman Overton: (Inaudible).

Heather Soberg: And how that has benefitted us. It's not going to be a great (inaudible).

Auditor Stevens: Hold on. You guys are on the microphone. You're talking when someone else is talking.

Krystal Powless: Sorry.

Councilman Overton: Sorry, yeah.

Heather Soberg: I don't feel it's going to be a great picture because the first year that we had, we've had three (3) to four (4) months of their doors essentially closed. They did a lot of telephone, telemedicine things. But our numbers definitely did go down. If we had a whole year to look at, it would be a better picture with that, but we'll be meeting and reviewing all of the medications they disbursed and all of the visits they've had so we can assess whether that has been beneficial to us or not.

Councilwoman Ledbetter: Can you update the Council with that information?

Heather Soberg: Absolutely.

Councilman Richmond: Was that the meeting I was invited to?

Heather Soberg: Um hum.

Councilman Richmond: Yeah, thank you.

Heather Soberg: Yes, Sir.

Councilman Richmond: Yeah, I was representative of you all. They call me sometimes when they have these meetings. I'm going to go to that.

Councilman Overton: Thanks, Heather.

Heather Soberg: Thank you.

(July Appropriations are located on Pages 19 through 20 of these Official Minutes)

OTHER BUSINESS GROWTH QUOTIENT

Councilman Richmond: Okay, under other business, some good news, for now. Our growth quotient is projected, it's just been put out by the Department of Local Government Finance four-point-two percent (4.2%). All that's going to be zapped up in medical insurance money though I'm sure, and more. So, that's, that's kind of some good news. But this is the best year it's going to be for a while because it's a five (5) year average of the economy, economic growth. And up until March, we were having great economic growth for the last five (5) years. Well, since COVID come along, things have kind of gone for the swing downward. So, look for it being less next year.

Councilman Christmas: Greg, this is Charlie.

Councilman Richmond: Yeah. Yeah, I've got you.

Councilman Christmas: I have something I need to bring up, needs to be brought up before the Board. Something that's been going on for over a year and a half (1 ½). A year and a half (1 ½) ago, the police department, fire departments, and town, especially like Chandler Fire Department, came to this Council requesting funds, a taxation that would help supply them and keep them in business. And believe you me, there's not a one (1) of us on here that doesn't need the police, fire and EMA and the whole nine (9) yards. We need them. And they need us to support them. And this thing has been going on for a year and a half (1 ½). A year ago, Ted made a motion to study it. It was seconded by Rick and we agreed to study it. It's been a year. It's time to get off, quit studying, and trying to kill it by studying. Let's bring it to a vote. Let's show the citizens of Warrick County that this Council supports our emergency people. I mean support them big time. This means we have to support them with funds in order for them to do their job. It's time we bring this thing to a vote. Either vote it up or vote it down. If you vote it down, you should show the public where you stand. If you vote it up, you show the public where you stand. It's time this Council gets up and shows them where we stand. That's all I have to say at this time.

Councilman Richmond: I appreciate that. I understand your frustration. A lot of this, I think, got a slowdown and came to a big halt with the current health environment that we have going on right now. I know that committee basically quit meeting because we couldn't get together in groups to meet and we keep hoping that this will go away. But, it hasn't decided to do that yet. So...

Councilman Christmas: It's not going to go away. We're going to have to vote on it and get it over with. If we vote it in, alright, so we're going to have to make arrangements to have to do what we have to do to get the job done. If we vote it out, it's over with. But, let everybody stand up and be counted how they personally feel and show the citizens in this County as they feel as an individual. I spent fifty (50) some odd plus years in the fire department service. I spent thirty-three (33) years in the police department service. I served on the Emergency Board for Warrick County. I say these things need to be done and we need to take care of it, not just sitting around and talk about it. Lip service doesn't get anything done. Physical service does.

Councilwoman Ledbetter: I want to say right now, we have a lot of unemployed people that can't pay their rent or their mortgage and we've got groceries, sometimes we've got meat costing eight (\$8.00) and nine dollars (\$9.00) a pound. I'd hate to put a tax increase on our residents right now. I think it's the wrong time.

Councilman Christmas: If their house burns down, they won't need to worry about it.

Councilman Richmond: Any other Council members wish to speak.

Councilman Reid: We're still looking at the Jailhouse too. You know, (inaudible) new jail.

Councilman Richmond: Yes, and there is a needs assessment being done on the new Jail.

Councilman Reid: And that's why I thought (inaudible).

Councilman Richmond: Or renovation, yeah. That is, that needs assessment just started.

Councilman Christmas: For a year, you've had a year to get it done.

Councilman Richmond: It will be three (3) or four (4)...

Councilman Christmas: You've had a year to get it done.

Councilman Richmond: It will be three (3) or four (4) months before they are complete with that study.

Councilman Reid: (Inaudible).

Councilman Richmond: Yeah, and they'll be able to tell us, do we really need a new Jail? Cause they're kind of going to look into a crystal ball, which really isn't. And they're going to look at all the aspects or other, do we need to renovate. Can we do something with what we have now other than Jail and build a new one (1), or whatever. And they'll come back to the committee with their report on that. That, to my understanding, is not costing us anything. That's just a need assessment. So...

Councilman Metzger: I agree with Cindy, we're just not ready to do that yet.

Councilman Christmas: You agreed to that. You started that argument.

Councilman Richmond: The timing is a little bit, timings a little bit off right now. And so, it will come back again for discussion in better times, I think. So, I appreciate your viewpoint, Charlie, and I sympathize and understand completely. But, if there's not any motion to do so here? Anybody else have anything to come before us? Anybody from the public? Before we adjourn, I just want to make mention that my, personally, number one (1) priority is the public health and safety and welfare of our community that we live in. That's all of us. And also, our Council members. That is a priority for me. And this meeting has been a hybrid meeting on Zoom, which means anybody from the public could tune in and be a part of it. They raise their hand or make a note that they want to speak. They can be a part of it. It is public. We're not trying to do anything and keep the public out. So, I need to make that known to everybody cause there were some things going around that because we placed some restrictions on the meeting like we suggest, we can't demand face masks. We also spaced everybody out; even the Council is spaced out apart from the six (6) foot social distancing. And then we had a number, maximum number that we could house in here during the time and that's strictly for the safety. Warrick County has had twenty-three (23) new cases just this week. And if anyone had done any research on how serious COVID is, it's not just the flu. It affects body organs all over you. It affects everybody differently. No one knows how you'll react when you get it. But it is, I'm in my seventieth (70th) year this year and I've

never seen anything like this in my lifetime. And I just don't want it to get worse, so we're doing everything we can to do our part. I hope that you will understand that. We didn't ask for this. We didn't want it. We didn't plan for it. No one ever thought, it was like a horror movie that's finally come true. I mean we've watched horror movies in the past that we know's just a movie. This is not a movie. This is real life. And, and your, the public safety and welfare, that's a priority for me. And, and that's why I made that decision to put the restriction that we had and the restriction is allowed by the Governor's Executive Order. And maybe the communication on my part wasn't good enough, that I didn't have the order down or something like that. We do the best we can and my heart, I hope you'll understand and know that my heart's in the right place and I love everybody in this County. This County is, there's none better. And I just love my County very much. So, anyway, with that, I'll call for a motion.

Councilman Reid: Motion to adjourn.

Councilman Richmond: Motion by Rick. Second by...?

Councilman Metzger: Ted.

Councilman Richmond: Ted. All those in favor? Aye. Thank you. (Motion carried 7-0).

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

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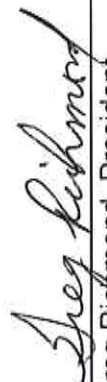

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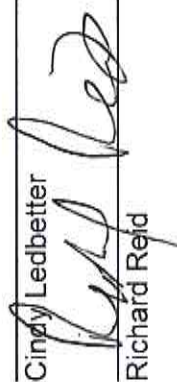
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Sec. 1 Be it ordained (resolved) by the Warrick County Council, Warrick County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the taxing unit the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the proposed specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

FUND	APPROPRIATION NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
E911	1222.44000.000.0000	Equipment	\$10,764.00	10,764
Total E911			\$10,764.00	

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1000	17300.000.0061	\$11,900.00	
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1176	17300.000.0533	\$20,400.00	
1000	17300.000.0303	\$28,645.00	
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1197	17300.000.0000	\$11,900.00	
1186	19600.000.0000	\$300,000.00	
2504	17300.000.0000	\$850.00	
2001	17300.000.0000	\$850.00	
Total		556045.00	556,045

Sheriff	1000.11100.000.0005 Sheriff Salary	\$1,745.75	1,745.75
Total Sheriff	1000.24500.000.0005 Uniforms	\$18,603.00	18,603
		\$20,348.75	20,348.75
Health	1159.22500.000.0000 Animal Control	\$4,500.00	4,500
Total Health	1159.21375.000.0000 Vaxcare	\$2,710.00	2,710
Coroner		\$7,210.00	7,210
Total Coroner	1000.21100.000.0007 General	\$5,000.00	5,000
Highway		\$5,000.00	5,000
Total Highway	1176.11380.000.0530 Forman	\$13,060.00	13,060
Total Taxpayers		\$13,060.00	13,060

Taxpayers appearing in the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The Board will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a Certified Copy of the action.

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