

## DUBOIS COUNTY COUNCIL

October 14, 2020

The Dubois County Council conducted a Public Hearing on Wednesday, October 14, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners/Council Chambers of the Courthouse Annex. Present at the hearing were Council members Jerry R. Hunefeld, Craig M. Greulich, Michael W. Kluesner, Mary E. Beckman, Doug M. Uebelhor and Auditor Sandra L. Morton. Sonya Haas joined via teleconference. Charmian R. Klem was absent. A quorum was declared present and President Hunefeld called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### **RE: MINUTES**

President Hunefeld asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the September 21, 2020 meeting. On motion made by Mary E. Beckman, seconded by Doug Uebelhor, the minutes were approved 6-0.

### **RE: PUBLIC HEARINGS – 2021 BUDGETS**

Being the advertised time, President Hunefeld opened the Public Hearing for comments on the 2021 Northeast Dubois County School Corporation Budget. There being no comments, on motion made by Craig M. Greulich, seconded by Doug M. Uebelhor. The Council voted unanimously to close the Public Hearing 6-0.

President Hunefeld opened the Public Hearing for comments on the 2021 Northeast Dubois Fire Protection District Budget. There being no comments, on motion made by Mary E. Beckman, seconded by Michael W. Kluesner, the Council voted unanimously to close the Public Hearing 6-0.

President Hunefeld opened the Public Hearing for comments on the 2021 Airport Authority Budget. There being no comments, on motion made by Doug Uebelhor, seconded by Craig M. Greulich, the Council voted unanimously to close the Public Hearing 6-0.

President Hunefeld opened the Public Hearing for comments on the 2021 Solid Waste Management District Budget. There being no comments, on motion made by Michael W. Kluesner, seconded by Mary E. Beckman, the Council voted unanimously to close the Public Hearing 6-0.

President Hunefeld opened the Public Hearing for comments on the 2021 County Budget. Public comments were made by three individuals with concerns of funding sources used for the Justice Project, the need for rehabilitative services, and the economic impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic. President Hunefeld presented information on the Justice Study in response to the concerns presented. On motion made by Mary E. Beckman, seconded by Michael W. Kluesner, the Council voted unanimously to close the Public Hearing 6-0.

### **RE: 2021 PROBATION SALARY DISCUSSION**

Chief Probation Officer Jennifer Lampert returned to request reconsideration for wage increases for the two Probation Assistants in the 2021 Budget as presented on September 21, 2020. Superior Court Judge Mark R. McConnell was also present. Discussion was held. Currently the increases have been included in the proposed 2021 budget. Consensus was to allow the wage increase over 1.5% previously denied on August 10, 2020.

### **RE: NEXT MEETING**

The County Council will meet at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, October 26, 2020, in the Commissioners/Council Room in the Courthouse Annex. A motion was made to adjourn by Doug Uebelhor, seconded by Mary E. Beckman. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.