

Ripley County Council Meeting

June 17, 2024

Councilman President, Ron Decker, opened the County Council Meeting with the Pledge of the Allegiance.

Roll Call.

Present: Ron Decker, President, Stan Wiedeman, Andrew Decker, David Tebbing, Peg Ehlers, Diane Macek, & Amy Copeland, Auditor. Katie Bailey & John Ertel, Attorney were absent.

Motion: Councilman Tebbing made the motion to approve the May 20, 2024 meeting minutes, **Action:** Approved, **Moved by** David Tebbing, **Seconded by** Stan Wiedeman. Motion passed 6 yes & 1 absent.

Motion: Councilman A. Decker made the motion to approve the June 5, 2024 special meeting minutes, **Action:** Approved, **Moved by** Andrew Decker, **Seconded by** David Tebbing. Motion passed 6 yes & 1 absent.

State Representative – Alex Zimmerman

Mr. Zimmerman came in to the council to talk about the Volunteer Fire Department Public Safety Tax. This tax can be up to .05% of the public safety tax. The fire departments also stated that we need to do more research on Senate Bill 33. The Council had a discussion on this and stated they would be looking into it more for the fire departments.

Transfers 2024				
Sheriff	\$1,603.55	1001.14491.000.0007 County General/14th Deputy	1001.11100.000.0007 County General/Elected Official	Sheriff salary based on 60% of Prosecutor salary, and it changes on 7/1/2024
Note:	Motion: Councilman A. Decker made the motion to approve the above transfer, Action: Approve, Moved by Andrew Decker, Seconded by David Tebbing. Motion passed 6 yes & 1 absent.			
Sheriff	\$4,659.00	1001.14491.000.0007 County General/14th Deputy	1001.33401.000.0007 County General/Mobile Radios	Purchase of a mobile radio for a deputy.
Note:	Motion: Councilman Wiedeman made the motion to approve the above transfer, Action: Approve, Moved by Stan Wiedeman, Seconded by Diane Macek. Motion passed 6 yes & 1 absent.			
Additional Appropriations				
Commissioners	\$35,175.00	1001.41004.000.0018 County General/Courthouse Renovation		Veregy money they paid for the rent and upgrades to the Jeff French property.

Note:	Motion: Councilman A. Decker made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by Andrew Decker, Seconded by David Tebbing. Motion passed 6 yes & 1 absent.		
EMS LIT Public Safety	\$235,560.00	1236.19921.000.0055 LIT EMS/EMTs	To hire 8 full time EMTs
EMS LIT Public Safety	\$18,021.00	1236.12600.000.0055 LIT EMS/Social Security	To hire 8 full time EMTs
EMS LIT Public Safety	\$26,383.00	1236.18100.000.0055 LIT EMS/Perf	To hire 8 full time EMTs
Note:	Motion: Councilman Ehlers made the motion to table the above 3 additional appropriations, Action: Tabled, Moved by Peggy Ehlers, Seconded by Diane Macek. Motion passed 6 yes & 1 absent.		
RCCF Park Restroom Renovation	\$3,218.00	9191.36106.000.0000 RCCF Park Restroom Renovation/Building Maintenance	To fix the bathrooms at the park.
Note:	Motion: Councilman A. Decker made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by Andrew Decker, Seconded by Stan Wiedeman. Motion passed 6 yes & 1 absent.		
Sheriff	\$10,500.00	2005.43815.000.0000 K9 Donation/Canine	To purchase a K9 for the Sheriff Dept.
Note:	Motion: Councilman A. Decker made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by Andrew Decker, Seconded by Peggy Ehlers. Motion passed 6 yes & 1 absent.		
Commissioners	\$750,000.00	8950.37813.000.0000 ARP/Sunman Sewer Project	The Town of Sunman sewer project.
Note:	Motion: Councilman Tebbing made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by David Tebbing, Seconded by Peggy Ehlers. Motion passed 6 yes & 1 absent.		

New Business:

Sheriff – Rob Bradley & Lee Davidson

Sheriff Bradley was in with Enterprise Fleet Management for the car management in the Sheriff Department. The Council thought it was a great 5 year plan and gave their blessing for the Commissioners to sign a contract. Mr. Davidson also talked to the Council about the budget and the Council told him they would like to see a matric program started.

Old Business:

The Council discussed the comprehensive plan that Mary McCarty is working on for the county.

Committee Reports:

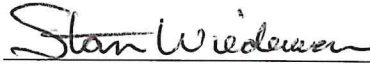
- Economic Development – Andrew Decker - none
- Technology Committee - Katie Bailey - none
- SEI Regional Planning Committee – Diane Macek - none
- Solid Waste District - David Tebbing - none
- Grants Committee - Stan Wiedeman – none

Motion: Councilman Wiedeman made the motion to Adjourn, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Stan Wiedeman, **Seconded by** Peggy Ehlers. Motion passed 6 yes & 1 absent.

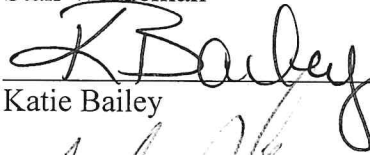
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ATTEST: