Ripley County Council Meeting

March 21, 2022

Councilman President, Ron Decker, opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call. Present: Ron Decker, President, Steve Gloyd, Peggy Ehlers, Stan Wiedeman, David Tebbing Andrew Decker, Katie Bailey, Amy Copeland; Auditor & John Ertel; Attorney.

Motion: Council member Ehlers made the motion to approve the February 22, 2022 minutes, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Peggy Ehlers, **Seconded by** Andrew Decker. Motion passed 7 yes.

Additional Appropriations					
Health	\$2,000.00	1168.29560.000.0037 Health Maintenance/Operational Supplies	Funds have already been approved by the IDOH for Health Educational/Nursing Operational Supplies		
Note:	Motion: Council member A. Decker made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by Andrew Decker, Seconded by Stan Wiedeman. Motion passed 7 yes.				
Redevelopment	4911.37800. levelopment \$10,585.26 Ripley County Redevelopment		SIRPC payment for serving the fiscal agent for the SEI READI grant		
Note:	Motion: Council member Wiedeman made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by Stan Wiedeman, Seconded by Andrew Decker. Motion passed 7 yes.				
Circuit Court	\$10,000.00	1001.36800.000.0020 County General/Pauper Transcript	Appeal Transcript from murder trial, trial by jury in the adult murder case & additional jury trials		
Note:	Motion: Council member Gloyd made the motion to approve the above additional appropriation, Action: Approve, Moved by Steve Gloyd, Seconded by Peggy Ehlers. Motion passed 7 yes.				
Commissioners	\$937,000.00	8950.49000.000.0000 Coronavirus State & Local (ARP)/Equipment	To help REMC put fiber internet in Ripley County.		

Brian Miller from REMC was in to explain what all was going to be done to put the				
fiber in and where it was going.				
Motion: Council member Tebbing made the motion to table the above additional appropriation, Action: Tabled, Moved by David Tebbing, Seconded by Peggy Ehlers. Motion passed 7 yes.				
Council member Peggy Ehlers is going to call the Holton Town Board to set up a meeting to talk about the REMC internet they are wanting to put in the town.				

New Business:

Note:

EMA - Randy Miller

Mr. Miller was in to talk to the council about upgrading the equipment in the EMA department. Mr. Miller stated he had money left in the 2021 budget but was not able to encumber it due to not having the quote done. He is wanting to put in an additional appropriation for the money next month. The council gave their blessing on the additional.

Area Planning - Vicki Taylor

Ms. Taylor was in for the area planning office. They are needing a new copier/scanner/printer. The quote is for \$4,940.00. The council gave their blessing to do an additional for the next meeting.

Safe Passage - Jan Yorn

Ms. Yorn from Safe Passage was in requesting funding from the ARP funds. The requested amount is \$602,323.00. The Council told Ms. Yorn they cannot commit until we receive the second distribution.

Holton Water – John Meisberger & Mike Stratton

Mr. Meisberger and Mr. Stratton were in about the money they have asked for in April from the ARP money. They were wanting reassurance that the money was going to be given to them.

Council

Council member Decker talked about the Rainy Day Fund and putting some money in the fund. The other Council members were not for this at this time.

Old Business:

Motion: Council member Wiedeman made the motion to appoint Greg Niese to the alcohol beverage board, **Action:** approved, **Moved by** Stan Wiedeman, **Seconded by** David Tebbing. Motion passed 7 yes.

Committee Reports:

Technology Committee – Katie Bailey - none
Solid Waste District – David Tebbing - none
Grants Committee – Stan Wiedeman - none
SEI Regional Planning Committee – Andrew Decker – none
Soil & Water Board – Peggy Ehlers – none

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

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