

**County Council Meeting
September 17th, 2019**

Present: Aaron Benton, Todd Grundhoefer, Blake Bunner, David Gogel, Steve Haaff, Matt Knepper, Attorney Andrew Foster, Auditor Heidi Greene

Meeting was called to order by President Blake Bunner at 5:05 P.M.

Minutes

Knepper made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 16th, 2019 meeting. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Additional Appropriations

County General/Surveyor:

1000/Office Equipment -\$1,301.00

Auditor Greene explained the Surveyors office is one of the offices that is need of a new computer to stay in compliant with Windows starting January 14th, 2020. Benton made a motion to approve the \$3,301.00 out of County General Fund. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion was approved.

County General/Treasurer

1000/Office Machines – \$7,806.00

Auditor Greene explained the Treasurer's office is also in need of upgrading computer to stay in compliance with Windows. Benton made a motion to approve the amount of \$7,806.00 out of county general. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved.

County General-COIT-LIT/Assessor

1000/Expert Services - \$2,502.00

Assessor Jane McGinnis explains this is to pay Patriot Engineering and Environmental, Inc. for the services regarding waste water pollution control equipment deduction claimed in AK Steel appeals and litigation. Benton made a motion to approve the \$2,502.00 out of County General-COIT-LIT, Knepper seconded the motion, motion approved.

Misdemeanant/Sheriff

1175/Cell Phones - \$3,600.00

Chief Deputy Higginbottom explains that there are insufficient funds for the remainder of 2019 in the cell phone account. Gogel made a motion to approve the \$3,600.00 out of Misdemeanant, Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved.

CUM CAP Development/Commissioners

1138/Lightening Strike 2019

Commissioner Seiler states this was advertised for the lightening strike at the jail. He states the money is not needed at the moment as we are waiting on the insurance to pay. He requests this be table until further notice. Knepper made a motion to table the request. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved.

Transfers

Spencer County Highway Department

Decrease Account: 1176-001-1131.00 \$640.00

Increase Account: 1176-001-1115.00 \$640.00

Decrease Account: 1176-002-2232.00 \$4472.00

Increase Account: 1176-001-1441.00 \$4472.00

Decrease Account: 1176-002-2231.00 \$2150.00

Increase Account: 1176-001-1361.00 \$2150.00

Gina Mullen from the highway department requests additional hours for Mr. Gelarden at \$36.62 per hour. She states that is the most he can make for this year.

Mullen explains that the \$4472.00 is for the replacement of the computers to stay compliant with Windows.

Mullen states that the \$2,150.00 is to replace the air conditioning unit at the highway department. Grundhoefer made a motion to approve the \$640.00, \$4472.00 and \$2150.00. Knepper seconded the motion, motion approved.

Auditor

Decrease Account:	1000-102-4363.00	\$3500.00
Decrease Account:	1000-102-4322.00	\$2480.00
Decrease Account:	1000-102-4321.00	\$4087.00
Increase Account:	1000-102-4442.00	\$10067.00

Greene explains this is for the replacement of computers to stay in compliance with Windows cyber coverage. She states this money was in her budget she is just requesting a transfer. Benton made a motion to approve the transfer requested amount. Knepper seconded the motion, motion approved.

Probation/ Annual Report

Maralee, Chief Probation Officer, presents their annual report for grant year 2018-2019. She requests approval to submit the report to the state. Benton asks if the case load had increased in the past year. Maralee states it has increased in the past year but everything seems to be going smoothly. Benton made a motion to approve the probation annual report. Haaff seconded the motion, motion approved.

Dick Hedrick/Community Corrections/Annual Report

Hedrick with Community Corrections presents the annual report for grant year 2018-2019. He states the report has 3 main headings, Effectiveness, Recommendations and Accomplishments. He states the adult rating for reporting is 54%. The adult drug court has had a 65% success rating. Some of the requirements are drug screening, daily meetings, community service and 18 months is the minimum term of the program. He states he would like to see the numbers in the 70% to 80% range. But this program is dealing with individuals who have addictions with a strong hold on their lives. Benton made a motion to approve the annual report. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved.

Justin Wolf/Grandview Solar

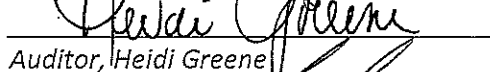
Wolf explains the purpose of tonight's meeting is to approve the SB-1 Form. This project is estimated at 75 million dollar project. He states they are requesting the standard abatement of 10 years the same as Troy Solar project. McGinnis states this abatement is not on real property. She states the property assessment will always go to the property owner and will change from agricultural to commercial. With that being said the tax rate will be higher on commercial property. Wolf states Grandview Solar would reimburse the landowner the difference in the taxes from agricultural to commercial assessment. McGinnis also speaks of an issue with the map that was presented. The parcel #74-16-05-100-004.000-010 is a 75.5 acre piece of ground that is within the town of Grandview. Haaff asks Wolf if this has been presented to Grandview. He states it has not. Donna Burroughs, Grandview Clerk-Treasurer, states she believes the town would entertain speaking with Grandview Solar. She also states she would like the town of Grandview attorney to review. Foster states he believes if the map is modified removing the parcel in question the abatement could be signed by the Council. Wolf states he would like to work directly with the town of Grandview. The parcel in question will be excepted out and the map updated in regards to the abatement. Benton made a motion to amend the map for the ERA area excluding the parcel #74-16-05-100-004.000-010. Grundhoefer seconded the motion, motion approved. Knepper made a motion to approve the SB-1 Form as presented. Haaff seconded the motion, motion approved.

Benton made a motion to adjourn, Knepper seconded the motion, motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 6:18 P.M.



President

Attest



Auditor, Heidi Greene

