

MADISON COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES
December 8, 2009

The Madison County Council was called to order by President William Savage. The following Council Members were present:

John Bostic, Jr.
Larry Crenshaw
Mike Phipps
Gary Gustin
Buddy Patterson
Bill Savage
Larry Higgins

Also present were County Auditor Kathy Stoops-Wright, First Deputy Auditor Patty Mauck and Council Attorney Jim Wilson.

Minutes for October 26, 2009 and November 16, 2009 were approved upon motions made by John Bostic and seconded by Buddy Patterson.

7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried.

Council Attorney presented Ordinance No. 2009-12A and Ordinance No. 2009-12B to the council for their approval.

Motion was made by John Bostic to read Ordinance No. 2009-12A by title only. Motion seconded by Larry Higgins.

7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried

Council Attorney Jim Wilson read said Ordinance No. 2009-12A, Ordinance authorizing the County of Madison, Indiana to make emergency temporary loans to refund those made to meet current running expenses for the use of the General Fund and the Health Fund of the Issuer, in anticipation of and not in excess of current taxes levied in the year 2008, and collectable in the year 2009 (which were originally anticipated for collection in 2010); authorizing the issuance of taxable temporary loan tax anticipation warrants to evidence such loans and the sale of such warrants to the Indiana Bond Bank; and appropriating and pledging the taxes to be received in such funds to the punctual payment of such warrants including the interest thereon. Said Ordinance is for the 2009 Year-End Warrant Assistance Program with the Indiana Bond Bank.

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Motion was then made by John Bostic and seconded by Buddy Patterson to consider Ordinance No. 2009-12A.

7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried.

Motion was made by John Bostic and seconded by Buddy Patterson to approve Ordinance No. 2009-12A. A roll call vote was taken:

Phipps – aye	Patterson – aye
Crenshaw – aye	Higgins - aye
Gustin – aye	Savage - aye
Bostic – aye	

7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried.

Motion was made by John Bostic to read Ordinance No. 2009-12B by title only. Motion seconded by Larry Higgins.

7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried

Council Attorney Jim Wilson read Ordinance No. 2009-12B, An Ordinance authorizing the County of Madison, Indiana, to make temporary loans to meet current running expenses for the use of the General Fund and the Health Fund of the Issuer, in anticipation of and not in excess of current taxes levied in the year 2009, and collectable in the year 2010; authorizing the issuance of temporary loan tax anticipation warrants to evidence such loans and the sale of such warrants to the Indiana Bond Bank; and appropriating and pledging the taxes to be received in such funds to the punctual payment of such warrants including the interest thereon. Said Ordinance is for the 2010 Advance Funding Program with the Indiana Bond Bank.

Motion was made by John Bostic to consider Ordinance No. 12B. Motion seconded by Buddy Patterson.

7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried.

Motion was made by John Bostic to approve Ordinance No. 12B. Motion seconded by Buddy Patterson. A roll call vote was taken:

Phipps – aye	Patterson – aye
Crenshaw – aye	Higgins – aye
Gustin – aye	Savage – aye
Bostic – aye	

7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried.

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Property Manager Denny Williamson requested from the Council to replace his full time maintenance personnel at the Jail due to the current employee leaving. Motion was made by John Bostic and seconded by Buddy Patterson to approve request.

5 Ayes 2 Nays (Gustin and Phipps) Motion carried.

Sheriff Ron Richardson requested from the Council to replace a non-merit employee at the Jail due to the current employee moving into the full time maintenance slot at the Jail. Motion was made by Buddy Patterson and seconded by Larry Crenshaw to approve request.

5 Ayes 2 Nays (Gustin and Phipps) Motion carried.

Sheriff Richardson presented a letter to the Council concerning the furlough order given by the Council. In consideration to the safety and security of the citizens of Madison County and officers and employees of the Madison County Sheriff's Department and Detention Center, he requested that they exempt the Sheriff's Department and detention center from the furlough order. He said that the FOP Bargaining Committee member informed them that they would be addressing contract violations with the County if they enforced the furlough. The sheriff had several employees come to him with voluntary holidays and voluntary days off in the Jail and Dispatch Division savings \$10,804.45; Patrol Division savings \$11,679.16; Admin Division savings \$4,465.38; Invest Division savings \$3,528.04; Records Division savings \$2,760.96 and Govern Center Division \$2,760.96. Total over all savings to Gen Fund \$25,194.50.

Auditor, Kathy Stoops-Wright, addressed the Council concerning the furlough order, that all County General Fund employees take four unpaid days off before the end of the year. She stated to them that if any changes were to be made to that order, concerning who would be exempt from the order, she would need it to be voted on so she could verify payroll to the Commissioners that all were compliant to the order.

Ann Roberts, CJC Director, informed the Council that with her employees following the furlough order she has had to give part time employees hours to cover those that had to take off and she isn't saving anything for the County. She is also asking that the employees of MCCC be exempt for the last two days of furlough since they have already taken the first two days off.

Motion was made by John Bostic to cancel the furlough order all together and pay for the shortfall in cash flow with the Rainy Day Fund. Motion seconded by Buddy Patterson. Patty Mauck, Auditor's office 1st deputy, stated that there would not be time to appropriate money out of the Rainy Day fund. Motion was withdrawn.

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Motion was made by Larry Crenshaw and seconded by Buddy Patterson to exempt all Jail and Sheriff Department employees from the furlough order and exempt the MCCC employees starting Saturday December 12th at 11p.m. from the furlough order.

7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried.

Council Attorney prepared an amended Salary Ordinance No. 2009-12C for the furlough order and the exemptions to that order.

Motion to read Salary Ordinance No. 2009-12C by title only made by Larry Crenshaw and seconded by Gary Gustin.

7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried.

Motion was then made to consider Salary Ordinance No. 2009-12C by Larry Crenshaw and seconded by Buddy Patterson.

7 Ayes 0 Nays Motion carried.

Motion to approve Salary Ordinance No 2009-12C by Larry Crenshaw and seconded by Buddy Patterson. Roll call vote was taken:

Phipps – aye	Patterson – aye
Crenshaw – aye	Higgins - aye
Gustin – aye	Savage - aye
Bostic – aye	

7 Ayes 0 nays Motion carried.

Council Attorney also reported to the Council that they can not reduce an Elected Officials line item once it is set for the year, unless the year is there first year in office. If the Elected Official wants to comply with the furlough order they would have to return money to the County General Fund by check.

A committee was formed, consisting of Mike Phipps, Larry Crenshaw and Bill Savage, to track revenue money for 2010 and keep up on where the County is periodically and report it to the Council.

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Councilman Larry Higgins, asked the Council to reduce his pay slot to \$12,000.00/year for 2010 budget. Motion to approve made by Larry Crenshaw and seconded by Buddy Patterson. The following Salary Ordinance No. 2009-12C was approved.

6 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Abstain (Phipps) Motion carried.

**MADISON COUNTY COUNCIL
MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA
ORDINANCE NO. 2009-12-C**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2009 SALARY ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes that the County finances are such that the revenues anticipated for the year 2009 were not sufficient to fund budgeted salaries, operations, and/or wages; and,

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary to reduce the wages of certain employees in the County.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, the above set forth Salary Ordinance for the calendar/fiscal year of 2009, is hereby amended as follows:

Each line item wage/salary for all County General Fund employees shall be reduced by an amount equal to four (4) days pay with the exception of the following County General Fund employees, the wages of whom shall be reduced by the amount equal to the number of days so indicated:

- A. General Fund Employees in the Sheriff's budget - -
0 days.
- B. General Fund Employees in the Jail budget - - 0
days.
- C. Madison County Community Corrections budget - -
3 days.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all days taken off without pay by General Fund employees after November 16, 2009, and before the date of this Ordinance shall be a credit on the required days/wage reductions set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all furlough days required herein must be completed before December 19, 2009.

PASSED AND ENACTED BY THE MADISON COUNTY COUNCIL,
MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA, THIS 8TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2009.

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MADISON COUNTY COUNCIL

ATTEST:

BY: S/William Savage
Presiding Officer

S/Kathy Stoops-Wright
Madison County Auditor

S/Buddy Patterson
Councilman

S/Larry Higgins
Councilman

S/John Bostic Jr.
Councilman

S/Gary Gustin
Councilman

S/Larry Crenshaw
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The reorganization meeting is set for January 12, 2010.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.