

MINUTES
ELKHART COUNTY COUNCIL
July 14, 2012

The meeting of the Elkhart County Council was called to order by Sheriff Brad Rogers at 8:00 a.m., in Room 104 of the County Administrative Building, Goshen, Indiana. Members present were John K. Letherman, Dennis E. Sharkey, David Foutz, David Hess, Darryl Riegsecker, Randall D. Yohn and David Ashe.

Also present were Dawn Truex, Chief Deputy Auditor, Craig Buche, County Attorney and Gordon Lord, County Attorney.

MINUTES: Approval of minutes for June 16, 2012.

On motion made by Riegsecker seconded by Hess and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved as received.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COMMISSIONERS: No report.
COUNCIL: Hess and Letherman gave a short report.
AUDITOR: No report.
SHERIFF: No report.

EDC MATTERS: Declaratory Resolutions Designating Economic Revitalization Area and Qualifying Certain Real Estate Improvements and Certain Personal Property for Property Tax Phase-In, CC-2012-07 and CC-2012-08.

Dave Ogle introduced Forest River as one of the largest employers in Elkhart County with excellent wage rates. He stated that the two projects before the Council are only 2 of 5 total projects, the other projects will be heard by other Councils in the County. The project, as a whole, includes \$7 million in investment and 445 jobs.

Mike Stump, Public Relations for Forest River, was present to answer any questions. Sharkey asked how they will keep track of whether 445 jobs are actually acquired, given the large number of plants that Forest River owns. Ogle stated that the numbers are shown on the state forms that are filed every year by the company. Forest River, as a whole, must report their number of jobs at the beginning of the project and each year thereafter during the abatement.

Craig Buche briefly explained each Declaratory Resolution.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Riegsecker and unanimously carried, the Council approved Declaratory Resolution CC-2012-07 (Forest River Millersburg). (Page 233)

On motion made by Sharkey seconded by Yohn and unanimously carried, the Council approved Declaratory Resolution CC-2012-08 (Forest River Harter Drive, Middlebury). (Page 234)

TRANSFERS REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION:

A. GENERAL FUND (#001)

1. Court Services (168)

From	4259	Capital Supply Items	327.00
To	4539	Office Equipment	327.00

B. COUNTY HEALTH OPERATING (#102)

1. Tobacco Settlement (348)

From	4245	Incentives	500.00
To	4317	Publications other than legal	500.00

C. AUDITOR'S INELIGIBLE DEDUCTION FUND (#223)

1. Auditor (980)

From	4345	Rent-Copy Machine	2,000.00
To	4545	Data Processing Hardware	2,000.00

On motion made by Sharkey seconded by Foutz and unanimously carried, the Council approved these transfer requests.

The preceding Emergency Transfer Ordinance was then duly adopted.

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TRANSFERS NOT REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION: Available in Auditor's Office.

OTHER BUSINESS:

(a) Changes to Sheriff's Pension Plan.

Donna Flagg, of Morgan Stanley, explained to the Council that Morgan Stanley will still manage the Sheriff's pension fund, however, they will no longer be the trustee of the plan. The Sheriff's Department Merit Board has chosen Comerica Bank to be the new trustee of the plan. Their function will be administering checks and filing a year-end report. Morgan Stanley will still continue to manage the fund through investing.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Riegsecker and unanimously carried, the Council approved this change in the Sheriff's Pension Plan.

(b) Ordinance Adopting Amendment to Elkhart County Government Personnel Policy and Standard Procedures Manual, CC-2012-06.

Craig Buche explained this ordinance to the Council.

On motion made by Sharkey seconded by Ashe and unanimously carried, the Council approved CC-2012-06.

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(c) Repeal of Tax Sale Ordinance CC-2012-05.

Craig Buche explained the repealing ordinance, CC-2012-09.

On motion made by Foutz seconded by Riegsecker and unanimously carried, the Council approved CC-2012-09. (Page 237)

AUDIENCE ITEMS:

None

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 8:43 a.m. on motion by Sharkey seconded by Ashe and unanimously carried.

Audie Hostetler
Recording Secretary

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