

**Daviess County Council Meeting
Minutes
April 12, 2023**

Meeting began at 9:00 A.M. in the Daviess County Commissioners' Room, Daviess County Government Center. *(The Public was invited to watch a live stream of the meeting, go to www.daviess.org and click "Watch Public Meetings")*

Roll Call.

Present: Darin Holder, Marilyn McCullough, Matt Meredith, Mike Myers, Mike Sprinkle, Tom Schaffer, Vice President, Tony Duncheon, President (Not voting).

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEETING MINUTES 3/08/2023

Motion: Approve meeting minutes for 3/8/2023 as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Matt Meredith, **Seconded by** Mike Myers.

Motion passed unanimously.

WESTGATE ONE LLC-TAX ABATEMENT

Bryant Niehoff, Executive Director of Daviess County Economic Development Corporation, and Paul Kite, representative of Westgate One LLC, came to the Council to request approval of SB-1 and Resolution for approval of Statement of Benefits form SB-1/RP. Westgate One LLC is applying for a 10-year real property tax abatement at 100% for years 1 through 10 and year 11 starting full taxes being paid on property. The Council previously approved a 20-year 100% personal property tax abatement with NHanced Semiconductos, Inc, Everspin Technologies, Inc, Trusted Semiconductors Solutions, Inc. And Reliable MicroSystem on March 8th, 2023. Mr. Niehoff, stated the Economic Development agreements that were discussed in earlier meetings are in the last stages with four operating corporations (NHanced Semiconductos, Inc, Everspin Technologies, Inc, Trusted Semiconductors Solutions, Inc. And Reliable MicroSystem). Mr. Niehoff stated that he recommends approval of SB-1 and Resolution with the contingency upon finalizing the Economic Development Agreements. Mr. Kite stated that this is a 40-million-dollar investment of a 150,000 sq ft building for office and a manufacturing facility for microelectronics but doesn't include the clean room investment. This investment will generate 300 to 400 jobs with average salaries of \$100,000.00. Grant Swartzentruber, Daviess County Attorney, read Resolution for the Approval of Statement of Benefits Form SB-1/RP aloud to the Council and gave a brief overview of the tax abatement timeline.

Motion: Approve SB-1 and Resolution contingent to Economic Development Agreements, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Sprinkle, **Seconded by** Matt Meredith.

Motion passed unanimously.

Tony Duncheon, Daviess County Council, asked Bryant Niehoff, Executive Director of Daviess County Economic Development Corporation, to stand at the podium. Mr. Duncheon thanked Mr. Niehoff for all his hard work that he has done for both the Economic Development Corporation and Daviess County. Mr. Duncheon gave him his best as he goes into his next career venture.

PIRANHA SHREDDING- LAUREN MILTON

Lauren Milton, Daviess County Clerk, came before the Council, to talk about her Piranha Shredding contract. Ms. Milton stated that with the Courthouse renovation, the Clerk's staff are currently scanning court files and then they will need to be shredded. Piranha Shredding is a shredding and recycling

company based in Evansville. The contract was previously approved by Commissioners on 3-14-2023. Piranha Mobile Shredding charges \$48.00 per pickup which includes the first 300 pounds. Pickups over 300 pounds are \$.16 per pound and a \$5.00 fuel surcharge per pickup. Pick up will be for five containers every two weeks. The Council suggested that the funds for Piranha Shredding be paid using the Clerk's Perpetuation fund (1119). Ms. Milton stated that her perpetuation fund can only be used for restoration of records and is very limited. Darin Holder, Daviess County Council, questioned if Prosecutors' Office is already using Piranha Shredding, why do we need two contracts? Jennifer Welsh, Daviess County Auditor, stated that it was questioned during the Commissioners' meeting but they had to have two contracts so they can bill separately. Matt Meredith, Daviess County Council, asked to get clarity on if shredding of recorded documents could be paid using the Clerk's Perpetuation fund. Ms. Welsh stated that it can be researched and then an additional appropriation within the Clerk's budget or the Clerk's Perpetuation budget specifically for next month.

Lauren Milton, Daviess County Clerk, stated that she is asking for an additional appropriation to hire additional staff for scanning purposes only and office equipment. This additional staff would only be employed until scanning is completed. After some discussion from the Council on an extra computer, it would be best to buy a new computer that can be used within office after the courthouse renovation.

MIDWEST PRESORT AGREEMENT-CRYSTAL OSTBY

Jennifer Welsh, Daviess County Auditor, talked on behalf of Crystal Ostby, Daviess County Assessor, on the Midwest Presort Form 11. Ms. Welsh stated it was approved at the Commissioners' meeting on 4/18/2023. Ms. Welsh stated that Ms. Ostby wants to go ahead and send them out this year.

VISITORS BUREAU COMMISSION

Tony Duncheon, Daviess County Council, stated that the Visitors Bureau Commission and Chamber of Commerce are currently working out some details on their contract. Grant Swartzentruber, Daviess County Attorney, explained at the last Council meeting it was agreed upon to bring funds back in house and to also update ordinances and processes. Jennifer Welsh, Daviess County Auditor, stated Misty Bickett, Chief Accounting Officer, and herself have met with the Visitors Bureau Commission to discuss transitioning funds back into the county through the Auditor's office. Ms. Welsh stated the physical check hasn't been written to the county but will be by the end of April. Marilyn McCullough, Daviess County Council, stated that the Visitors Bureau Commission has talked to Ms. Bickett about incoming invoices to get the process started. Mr. Duncheon stated that the Council wants to see numbers in advance from both the Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau in order to have a better understanding on decisions. Mr. Swartzentruber suggested that a Council member and a Commissioner participate in helping with the transition with both the Chamber of Commerce and Visitors Bureau Commission. Mr. Swartzentruber stated he has emailed suggested modifications on the Ordinance and wanted some feedback. Mr. Swartzentruber suggested this Ordinance be added on next month's agenda.

YMCA DONATION- doc1, doc2

Paula Vantyle-Smith and Jessika Henning from the YMCA, came before the Council to discuss the benefits of the YMCA. The Commissioners approved a \$50,000.00 donation at the 3/14/2023 meeting, with the Council deciding what fund to use. Tom Schaffer, Daviess County Council, suggested to the YMCA to explore The Help program that is launching in a couple of months and to submit a grant application.

Motion: Approve \$50,000.00 donation coming out of the River Boat fund (1191), **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Matt Meredith, **Seconded by** Tom Schaffer, Vice President.
Motion passed unanimously.

DAVISS COUNTY AIRPORT

Matt Meredith, Daviess County Council, gave an overview of what was discussed at the Commissioners' meeting on 4-11-2023. Mr. Meredith stated that Nick Kowalkowski, representative of Woolpert Engineering, came to discuss different costs associated with the Airport extension project. The Commissioners approved moving forward with the Airport extension project. The project will cost around 1.5 million dollars with the Airport using \$700,000.00 of their funds and different options for other funding, the County will fund the rest. Mr. Meredith explained that contracts are being finalized within the Aviation Board and then will be presented to Council. Mr. Meredith stated that once the project is completed and accounts rise there is fully refundable grant money for the FFA (Federal Aviation Administration). David Gray, Board of Aviation, came before the Council to talk about the benefits of extending the runway. Mr. Gray stated that extending the runway will put the Daviess County Airport into a different category that offers FAA grants that can help with their future projects as well.

WAGE COMMITTEE SELECTION

Tony Duncheon, Daviess County Council, stated that the 2023 Wage Committee selections are as follows: Tony Duncheon, Matt Meredith, and Tom Schaffer.

SALARY ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

- a. **Clerk's Perpetuation**
Part Time- 17001 \$20,000 annual \$17.77 hourly

Motion: Approve Salary Ordinance Amendment for Clerk's Office, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Matt Meredith, **Seconded by** Marilyn McCullough.
 Motion passed unanimously.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

COUNTY GENERAL- Report

<u>TREASURER-SECOND DEPUTY</u>	\$1,187.92
<u>TREASURER-SS/MEDICARE</u>	\$90.88
<u>TREASURER-PERF</u>	\$133.05
TOTAL	\$1,411.85

Motion: Additional Appropriations, approved as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Sprinkle, **Seconded by** Mike Myers.
 Motion passed unanimously.

EDIT-Report

<u>OTHER DISBURSEMENTS</u>	\$20,000.00
TOTAL	\$20,000.00

Motion: Additional Appropriations, approved as presented, **Action:** Approve **Moved by** Tom Schaffer, Vice-President, **Seconded by** Darin Holder.
 Motion passed unanimously.

CLERK'S PERPETUATION -Report

<u>PART TIME</u>	\$20,000.00
<u>SOCIAL SECURITY</u>	\$1,530.00

OFFICE EQUIPMENT

\$3,000.00

TOTAL \$24,530.00

Motion: Additional Appropriations, approved as presented, **Action:** Approve , **Moved** by Matt Meredith, **Seconded** by Mike Myers.
Motion passed unanimously.

OPIOID RESTRICTED FUNDS -Report

PREVENTION AND EDUCATION \$68,700.00

TREATMENT SERVICES \$40,700.00

RECOVERY SERVICES \$32,954.23

TOTAL \$142,354.23

Motion: Additional Appropriations, approved as presented, **Action:** Approve **Moved** by Darin Holder, **Seconded** by Mike Sprinkle.
Motion passed unanimously.

OPIOID UNRESTRICTED FUNDS - Report

RECOVERY SERVICES \$1,000.00

PREVENTION AND EDUCATION \$1,000.00

REPAIR & MAINTENANCE \$12,500.00

VEHICLE \$44,500.00

COMMUNITY OUTREACH \$1,500.00

TOTAL \$60,500.00

Motion: Additional Appropriations, approved as presented, **Action:** Approve , **Moved** by Matt Meredith, **Seconded** by Marilyn McCullough.
Motion passed unanimously.

DEPT OF HEALTH IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM - Report

SUPPLIES \$2,017.52

CONTRACT SERVICES \$450.00

TOTAL \$2,467.52

Motion: Additional Appropriations, approved as presented, **Action:** Approve **Moved** by Mike Sprinkle, **Seconded** by Mike Myers.
Motion passed unanimously.

ARPA- Report

SHERIFF-NEW CARS \$58,500.00

TOTAL \$58,500.00

GRAND TOTAL \$309,763.60

Motion: Additional Appropriations, approved as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Sprinkle, **Seconded by** Mike Myers.
Motion passed unanimously.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

COUNTY GENERAL-SOIL & WATER

FROM: OFFICE RENT TO: OFFICE SUPPLIES \$3,402.00

Motion: Transfer listed above, approve as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Sprinkle, **Seconded by** Darin Holder.
Motion passed unanimously.

CONVENTION, VISITOR & TOURISM

FROM: INNKEEPER'S TAX/VB TO: OFFICE SUPPLIES \$562.60

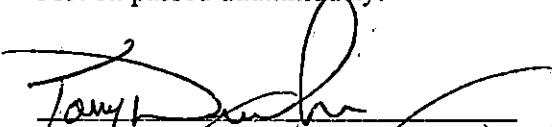
Motion: Transfers listed above, approve as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Matt Meredith, **Seconded by** Tom Schäffer, Vice President.
Motion passed unanimously.

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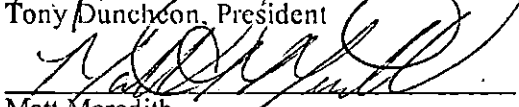
b. Daviess Community Hospital Finance Committee 3/16/2023

ADJOURN

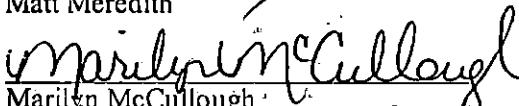
Motion: Adjourn, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Tom Schaffer, Vice President, **Seconded by** Matt Meredith.
Motion passed unanimously.



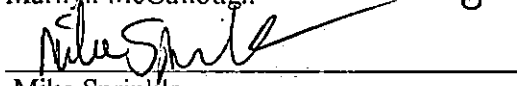
Tony Dunchon, President



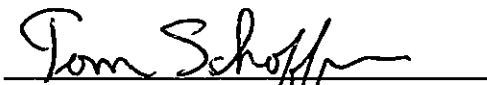
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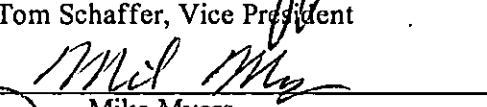
Marilyn McCullough



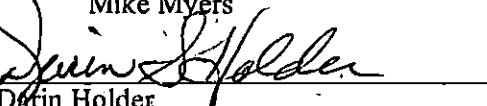
Mike Sprinkle



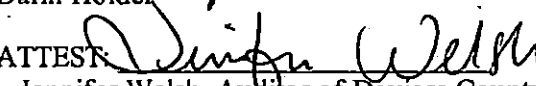
Tom Schaffer, Vice President



Mike Myers



Darin Holder

ATTEST: 

Jennifer Welsh, Auditor of Daviess County