

COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 10, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, John Mallers.

A. Call the Meeting to Order

1. Roll Call

The following members were present: Ron Deer, John Myers, Jonathan T. Myers, John Mallers, and Melinda Griesemer. Pamela Burton was present via Zoom. John Ditmars was absent.

2. Invocation

Ms. Griesemer gave the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Burton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of the 6/10/2024 Agenda:

Mr. Mallers noted there was a revision to the Health Department's transfer request on item 6a of the Consent Agenda.

Betsy Swearingen, Director of Health, stated her department ordered promotional materials; however, they were not approved by the State as they normally have been in the past.

All votes were taken in a roll call format.

Ms. Griesemer made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Mr. John Myers seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

5. Public Comments (5 minute time limit)

Ms. Griesemer recognized the 80th Anniversary of Dooms Day that was on June 6th and gave a brief history of the event.

B. Approval of Ordinance 2024-05 (First Reading): *An Ordinance of the Johnson County Council Authorizing the Issuance of Local Income Tax Revenue Bonds (with Property Tax Pledge) for the Purpose of Providing Funds to Acquire, Construct, Install, Rehabilitate, and Equip Certain Correctional Facilities and Rehabilitation Facilities and to Pay Incidental Expenses in Connection Therewith and on Account of the Issuance of the Bonds*

Jeff Peters, Peters Franklin Financial Advisor, was present to explain the bond process. The total amount of the project is estimated to be about \$38.4 million; however, some cash reserve will be used, so the actual amount of the bond will be less. He then explained the current revenue stream that would get this bond repaid in approximately 10 years and why it is being structured this way.

Kevin Walls, Commissioner, was also present in the audience for this request.

Adam Gadberry, County Attorney, noted that this is the first reading, and the Council has time to decide the funding sources and final bond amount prior to the second reading.

A brief discussion was held regarding funding sources and the current bond market.

Mr. Jonathan T. Myers moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2024-05 as presented. Mr. John Myers seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

C. Routine Matters – Consent Agenda

By a single motion, the Board approves the following items, which may include Salary Ordinance Amendments, Additional Appropriations, Reductions, and Transfers. Any items listed on the consent agenda may be removed by a Council member and moved to the regular agenda.

Mr. John Myers made a motion to approve the following requests as amended. Ms. Griesemer seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

- 1. *Approval of 5/6/24 Special Joint Meeting with Commissioners Minutes*
- 2. *Approval of 5/13/24 Special Meeting Minutes*
- 3. *Approval of 5/13/24 Regular Meeting Minutes*
- 4. Emergency Planning/Right to Know (#1152)
 - (a) *From: 1152.31000.00000.0212 Professional Services* \$ (5,000.00)
 - To: 1152.44100.00000.0212 Misc Equipment* \$ 5,000.00
- 5. 16.585 Drug Court Adult 22 (#8252)
 - (a) *From: 8252.19900.00000.0138 Overtime* \$ (1,500.00)
 - From: 8252.32000.00000.0138 Dues & Subscriptions* \$ (540.00)
 - To: 8252.31500.00000.0138 Travel & Training* \$ 2,040.00
- 6. 93.268 Supplemental Immunization (#8955)
 - (a) *From: 8955.11400.00000.0210 Part Time* \$ (13,050.00)
 - From: 8955.14200.00000.0210 Fica-Social Security* \$ (1,074.79)
 - From: 8955.19900.00000.0210 Overtime* \$ (284.62)
 - From: 8955.25100.00000.0210 Wearing Apparel* \$ (428.86)
 - From: 8955.24100.00000.0210 Educ & Pub Info Materials*** \$ **(2,642.48)**
 - To: 8955.14300.00000.0210 PERF* \$ 78.36
 - ~~*To: 8955.24100.00000.0210 Educ & Pub Info Materials*~~ ~~\$ 14,009.91~~
 - To: 8955.31000.00000.0210 Professional Services* \$ 750.00
 - To: 8955.42000.00000.0210 Operating Equipment*** \$ **16,652.39**
- 7. 93.323 CDMCF Juv Detention (#8266)
 - (a) *AA: 8266.44100.00000.0140 Misc Equipment* \$ 22,618.56
- 8. Phelps Charitable Fund (#4113)
 - (a) *AA: 4113.42700.00000.0128 Capital Improvements* \$ 1,490.99

D. Salary Ordinance Amendments, Additional Appropriations, Reductions, and Transfers:

1. County Health (#1159)

Mrs. Swearingen was present to request additional appropriations to cover the cost of new equipment, contracts, and service agreements for the computer systems in the new Health Department and Coroner building. She noted Jeff West, IT/GIS Administrator, agreed to take over the costs following the 3-year start-up period.

Mr. Jonathan T. Myers made a motion to approve the request as presented. Mr. John Myers seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

- (1a) *AA: 1159.40100.00000.0210 Office Equip/Furniture* \$ 31,822.00
- (1b) *AA: 1159.36000.00000.0210 Equipment Repair & Maint* \$ 3,681.00

2. Comm Corr Juvenile Grant 24-25 (#9136) *represents annual salary

Damon Cox, Assistant Director, was present to request appropriations of the annual Community Corrections Juvenile Grant for 2024-2025.

Mrs. Burton made a motion to approve the request as presented. Mr. John Myers seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

(2a) AA: 9136.11400.00000.0213	Part Time	\$ 25,000.00
(2b) 9136.11400.00000.0213	– Part Time – approval of hourly rate of \$20.00/hour	
(2c) AA: 9136.11579.00000.0213	Juv Case Mgr (1)	\$ 27,600.00*
	(max bi-weekly pay of \$1,061.54)	
(2d) AA: 9136.11582.00000.0213	Juv Case Mgr (4)	\$ 27,600.00*
	(max bi-weekly pay of \$1,061.54)	
(2e) AA: 9136.11758.00000.0213	Juv Director	\$ 75,400.00*
	(max bi-weekly pay of \$2,846.15)	
(2f) AA: 9136.11762.00000.0213	Juv Field Officer	\$ 27,600.00*
	(max bi-weekly pay of \$1,061.54)	
(2g) 9136.11763.00000.0213	– Program Therapist – approval to change title to Behavioral Health Specialist	
(2h) AA: 9136.11763.00000.0213	Program Therapist	\$ 29,100.00*
	(max bi-weekly pay of \$1,119.23)	
(2i) AA: 9136.14200.00000.0213	Fica-Social Security	\$ 16,241.00
(2j) AA: 9136.14300.00000.0213	PERF	\$ 20,978.00
(2k) AA: 9136.21500.00000.0213	Office Supplies	\$ 661.00

3. Family Resources & Ed 24-25 (#9161) *represents annual salary

4. Community Corrections JPI (#4950)

Mr. Cox was also present to request appropriations of the 2024-2025 Family Resources & Education Grant and some transfers for the Community Corrections Juvenile Project Income Fund.

Mr. Deer made a motion to approve the requests as presented. Mr. John Myers seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

(3a) AA: 9161.11581.00000.0213	Juv Case Mgr (3)	\$ 29,900.00*
	(max bi-weekly pay of \$1,150.00)	
(3b) AA: 9161.14200.00000.0213	Fica-Social Security	\$ 2,287.35
(3c) AA: 9161.14300.00000.0213	PERF	\$ 3,348.80
(3d) AA: 9161.21500.00000.0213	Office Supplies	\$ 117.85
(4a) From: 4950.21500.00000.0216	Office Supplies	\$ (500.00)
From: 4950.23000.00000.0216	Educational Materials	\$ (500.00)
From: 4950.25801.00000.0216	Food	\$ (500.00)
From: 4950.31000.00000.0216	Professional Services	\$ (5,500.00)
To: 4950.11400.00000.0216	Part Time	\$ 7,000.00

5. County Highway (#1176)

6. Local Road & Street (#1169)

Luke Mastin, Highway Supervisor, was present for multiple requests. He explained items 5a and 5b were to change the current technician position back into a mechanic position (at a salary of \$53,565; not \$56,565). He stated that the technician position salary did not align with the current competitive market salaries; however, there is an internal employee that is willing to move to the mechanic position. He noted this position is hard to fill and having someone with experience and familiarity with the fleet is an asset.

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Next, Mr. Mastin then explained items 5c and 6a are both requests to appropriate additional funding to purchase trucks and equipment. Lastly, he added 5d is for services to install a new intersection alert system.

A brief discussion was held regarding the timing of the change and the structure of the positions.

Ms. Griesemer made a motion to approve the requests as presented. Mr. Deer seconded the motion, which carried 4-2; Mr. Jonathan T. Myers and Mr. Mallers both voted nay.

(5a) Reduction: 1176.12410.00202.0201	Technician	\$ (43,979.00)
(5b) AA: 1176.12302.00204.0201	Mechanic (1)	\$ 53,565.00
(5c) AA: 1176.44100.00204.0201	Misc Equipment	\$ 560,000.00
(5d) AA: 1176.31000.00202.0201	Professional Services	\$ 29,430.00
(6a) AA: 1169.44100.00000.0207	Misc Equipment	\$ 300,000.00

D. Other Business

1. Approval of Form CF-1/Real Property for Martin & Jackson Umbarger for the benefit of an entity to be formed [current owner: Roy Umbarger & Sons Inc]
2. Approval of Form CF-1/PP for Martin & Jackson Umbarger for the benefit of an entity to be formed

Mr. Gadberry explained the annual approval process for the abatement requests.

Mr. Jonathan T. Myers made a motion to approve the two above requests as presented. Mr. John Myers seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

3. Approval of Form CF-1/Real Property for Sonoco Flexible Packaging Inc

Mr. Deer made a motion to approve the request as presented. Mr. John Myers seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

E. Old & New Business

1. Edinburgh Wright-Hageman Public Library Board Appointee – Correction to Form

Mr. John Myers moved to approve the clerical correction as presented. Mr. Jonathan T. Myers seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

2. Approval of Ordinance 2024-06: Amended Annual Salary Ordinance

Mr. Mallers noted this is to adjust the Community Corrections Grant as well as the Highway Department position changes approved this evening.

Mr. John Myers moved to approve Ordinance 2024-06 as presented. Mr. Jonathan T. Myers seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

Mr. Mallers then asked if the Council was fine with Michael Reuter, Financial Advisor for the County, to attend the first day of budget hearings around 10:30, similar to last year's schedule. The Council members were in agreement that would be fine.

F. Adjournment – Next regular meeting July 8, 2024

There being no further business, Mr. Mallers moved to adjourn. Mr. John Myers seconded the motion, which carried 6-0.

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Pamela Burton, Council Member



John Mallers, Council Member



Ron Deer, Council Member



Jonathan T. Myers, Council Member



Melinda Griesemer, Council Member




John Myers, Council Member



John Dilmars, Council Member

Attest:



Elizabeth A. Alvey, Johnson County Auditor