

**UNION COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES  
JUNE 16, 2016**

**PRESENT:** Russel Rude, Tim Williams, James Hensley Jr., Dannie Witter, Jack Heeter, Burke Thomas, Richard Blank, Pam Tharp, Matt Snyder, Dale Dishmond, Jim Crouch, and Gene Sanford.

President Russel Rude opened the meeting by leading the group with the pledge to the flag. Heeter moved to approve the minutes of the May 19 meeting. Hensley seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT FUNDING:** The Auditor reported that tax distributions had been made and the Health Department would repay the \$35,000 loan by the end of the month. Diane Timberman, Health Board members, and the Auditor would meet by the end of the month to review the budget status.

**CLERK:** Clerk Loree Persinger stated that the 16 year old copier in their department had failed and was beyond repair. She stated she had three quotes from the Office Shop and they have provided her with a loaned copier, but understood the additional appropriation still needed to be advertised. After some discussion, the Council asked her to get quotes from other vendors and they would take up the matter at their next meeting.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:** Council received notice that the Community Crossings matching grant program deadline has been extended to July 29<sup>th</sup>. They also received information concerning what funds could be used for the match and the procedure to accomplish this. The Commissioners and Highway Department are working on getting the required assessments done and determining which projects they want to submit for the program. Council discussed at length the matching program and possible funding sources. Treasurer Bonnie Adams stated there would be 2 \$250,000 CD's come due in July. More discussion will follow at the July meeting.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:** None

**TRANSFERS:** For County General, Blank moved to decrease Jail Part time \$5,000 and increase Jail Overtime \$5,000. Hensley seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.

**MISC:** Rude stated that he planned to attend the State County Council meeting on Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> and any other members were welcome to join him.

It was announced that Dr. Larry DeBuer, an economist from Purdue, would hold a focus group for county leaders from Eastern Indiana at 11:00 AM on Tuesday July 21 in Connersville, after which he would present a talk on local government funding for Eastern Indiana counties. Several Council members stated they hoped to attend.

There being no further business, Thomas moved to adjourn. Blank seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.

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Attest \_\_\_\_\_, Auditor \_\_\_\_\_