

**WARREN COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY JUNE 27, 2022**

Council present for the meeting: Derek Puterbaugh, John Comer, Matt Commons, Ethan Foxworthy, Sharon Hutchison, Neil Ellis and Brian Jordan.

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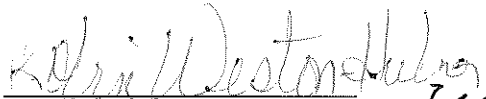
Department Head/Elected Official – Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor; Lori Heidenreich, Treasurer; Craig Greenwood, Commissioner; Clay Andrews, Commissioner; Jill Wilson, HR Director; Hunter Reece, Judge;

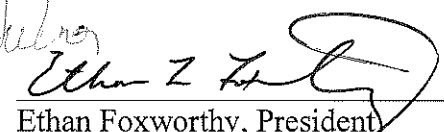
1. The Council Meeting was called to order by Ethan Foxworthy, President of the Council.
2. Ethan Foxworthy, Council President led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. New Business:
 - a. Matt Commons requested to add NICHES land trust draft letter and Health Department. John Comer made a motion to approve the amended meeting agenda with a second from Neil Ellis, all voted in favor.
 - b. Neil Ellis made a motion to approve the May 31, 2022 and June 6, 2022 with a second from Matt Commons, all voted in favor.
 - c. ATC Board Appointment – Matt Commons explained the function of the ATC board and why he is resigning. Matt Commons made a motion to appoint John Comer to the ATC with a second from Sharon Hutchison, all voted in favor.
 - d. 2023 Court and Probation Budget, Judge Hunter Reece – Reece presented the budget explaining new employees. A full-time public defender \$20,000 with benefits, parttime \$15,000 CASA being paid with grant funds. Explained a change from the requested probation officer salary due to State Statute salary increase after receiving master's degree. The only other increases are in salaries, CASA/GAL \$1,000, Public Defender \$45,000 plus health insurance.
 - e. 2023 Council Meeting Dates – Brian Jordan made a motion to approve the 2023 Council Meeting dates with a second from John Comer, all voted in favor.
 - f. Niches Land Trust, Warren Woods – Matt Commons explained the grant application for NICHES to purchase land adjoining the Warren Woods Preserve and has asked the County for a letter of support. John Comer made a motion to approve a letter of support to Niches with a second from Sharon Hutchison, all voted in favor. Hutchison requested Council to all to sign so this will be prepared and Council will sign in Auditor's Office.
 - g. Health Department Reorganization – Discussed letter from Fountain County dissolving the Fountain/Warren Health Department. Discussed options and setting a meeting. Brian Jordan made a motion to call a meeting with the Warren County Board members, Employees, Commissioners, council on July 5th at 4:00 p.m. with a second from John Comer, all voted in favor. Weston-Hubner will contact Barce to be sure they can attend and inquire about funding. Discussed locations for the Warren County Health Department.
 - h. Budget Meeting – Hutchison discussed moving the meeting set for July 25th. Wilson will order lunch for the meeting.
4. Elected Official/Department Head comments:
 - a. Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor – Weston-Hubner stated the NAV for State parcel, Real/Personal, Business Personal Property should be in this week. Additional Appropriations for EMA siren 59,242; Fire Department Donations \$30,000; 4-H Fair Donation \$15,000; HVAC server room \$6,519; Pictometry \$55,000; Cyber Security \$50,000 total of \$215,761 were discussed. Brian Jordan made a motion approve the additional appropriations with a second from Neil Ellis, all voted in favor.
 - b. Abatement for Birkey's Farms – Weston-Hubner explained this was the first on in this year and was missed on at the last meeting. Matt Commons made a motion to approve the Birkey's Farm Store abatement with a second from Brian Jordan, all voted in favor.
 - c. Clay Andrews, Commissioner – Explained the Williamsport pool project information as well as the lack of funds may push back to 2024.
5. Public Comment: No public comment.

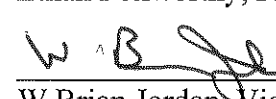
Next Council meeting July 25, 2022 @ 8:00 a.m.


There being no further business Brian Jordan made a motion to adjourn with a second from John Comer, all voted in favor.


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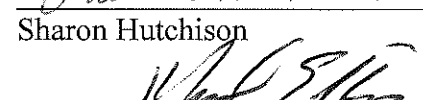

Robin Weston-Hubner



Ethan Foxworthy, President



W Brian Jordan, Vice President


John Comer


Sharon Hutchison


Neil Ellis


Matt Commons


Derek Puterbaugh