

WARREN COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY MAY 30, 2023

Council present for the meeting: Ethan Foxworthy, Matt Commons, Sharon Hutchison, Dwain Akers, Ben Dispennett, Neil Ellis.


Public: Caleb Stamm, Melinda Bradbury, Steve Eberly, Bob Shoemaker, Josh Zuerner, Matt Straw, Elizabeth Straw, Carolyn Orr, Katelyn Straw, Mark Straw, Brian Jordan, Phil Halsma

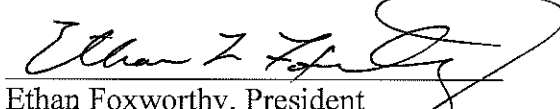
Department Head/Elected Official – Robin Weston-Hubner, Chief Deputy Auditor; Jud Barce, County Attorney; John Comer, Commissioner; Clay Andrews, Commissioner; Craig Greenwood, Commissioner; Anthony Pruitt, Sherriff.


1. The Council Meeting was called to order by Ethan Foxworthy, Council President.
2. Ethan Foxworthy, Council President led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. New Business:
  - a. Ethan Foxworthy requested to add Resolution for Broadband Project with Joink to agenda. Weston-Hubner requested to add Birkey's Farm Store to the Abatements. Matt Commons made a motion to approve the agenda seconded by Neil Ellis, all voted in favor.
  - b. Sharon Hutchison requested to amend minutes adding Neil Ellis to attendance. Ben Dispennett made a motion to approve the Council minutes for April 24, 2023 Council Minutes seconded by Dwain Akers, all voted in favor.
  - c. Broadband RFP – Ethan Foxworthy opened the public hearing. Ben Dispennett, LEDO Director, explained the procurement process, the 7 proposals submitted and the final proposal submitted for consideration. Selected proposal was Joink LLC. Josh Zuerner, Joink LLC, explained their proposal and process of installation. The broadband project will be accessible to 55% of Warren County or 2080 homes. This project will begin in June and finish May 2025. Public comments were taken.
  - d. Resolution Authorizing the Final Execution of the Public-Private Partnership to Engage Joink LLC as the Partner to Initiate the Final Project Scoping, Scheduling and Fiber Broadband Build-Out. Matt Commons made a motion to approve Resolution # 2023-0530B seconded by Neil Ellis, all voted in favor. Neil Ellis made a motion to close the public hearing seconded by Dwain Akers, all voted in favor.
  - e. Additional Appropriation Resolution – Weston-Hubner explained the Resolution for Fund 4917 - Baker Tilley \$10,000; Fund 4918 – Community Improvements \$25,000; Fund 4917 – Tower Equipment \$50,000; Fund 4917 – Litzenberger Building \$4,300. Matt Commons made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-0530D Additional Appropriations seconded by Neil Ellis, all voted in favor.
  - f. 23 Pay 24 Abatements –
    - i. Tru-Flex – Weston-Hubner explained this is a town of West Lebanon abatement.
    - ii. Kuri Tec – Sharon Hutchison made a motion to find that Kuri Tec Real Property substantially complied with their Statement of Benefits seconded by Dwain Akers, all voted in favor. Matt Commons made a motion to find that Kuri Tec Personal Property substantially complied with their Statement of Benefits seconded by Dwain Akers, all voted in favor.
    - iii. Stewart Grain – Sharon Hutchison made a motion to find that Stewart Grain Real Property substantially complied with their Statement of Benefits seconded by Ben Dispennett, all voted in favor. Matt Commons made a motion to find that Stewart Grain Personal Property substantially complied with their Statement of Benefits seconded by Ben Dispennett, all voted in favor.
    - iv. Willow Dairy – Sharon Hutchison made a motion to find that Willow Dairy Real Property substantially complied with their Statement of Benefits seconded by Ben Dispennett, all voted in favor. Matt Commons made a motion to find that Willow Dairy Personal Property substantially complied with their Statement of Benefits seconded by Sharon Hutchison, all voted in favor.
    - v. Jordan Creek Wind Farm – Matt Commons made a motion to find that Jordan Creek Wind Farm Real Property substantially complied with their Statement of Benefits seconded by Neil Ellis, all voted in favor. Neil Ellis made a motion to find that Jordan Creek Wind Farm Utility substantially complied with their Statement of Benefits seconded by Matt Commons, all voted in favor.
    - vi. Liquid Feed Transport – Ben Dispennett made a motion to find that Liquid Feed Transport Real Property substantially complied with their Statement of Benefits seconded by Matt Commons, all voted in favor.
    - vii. Birkey's Farm Store – Ben Dispennett made a motion to find that Birkey's Farm Store Real Property substantially complied with their Statement of Benefits seconded by Neil Ellis, all voted in favor.
  - g. 2024 Budget Information – Weston-Hubner explained the July 24, 2023 Budget Meeting schedule.
4. Old Business:
5. Elected Official/Department Head comments:
6. Public Comment: Discussion with concern to Incorporated Town access, residents outside of incorporated town access.

Next Council meeting June 26, 2023 @ 8:00 a.m.

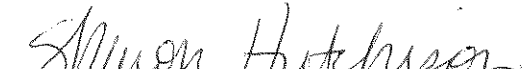
There being no further business Matt Commons made a motion to adjourn seconded by Neil Ellis, all voted in favor.


ATTEST:   
Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor

  
Ethan Foxworthy, President

  
Matt Commons, Vice President

  
Dwain Akers

  
Sharon Hutchison

  
Neil Ellis

  
Ben Dispennett

  
Russell K Hart