# THE SHELBY COUNTY COUNCIL

The Shelby County Council met on Tuesday February 18, 2025, at 6:30 p.m., present were council members, Mohr, Langkabel, Haacker, O'Connor, Ruble, , and the County Auditor.

# **MINUTES:**

Motion to approve Minutes from January 21,2025 meeting was made by Langkabel, seconded by Mohr, approved 5-0.

#### **TRANSFERS & ADDITIONALS:**

#### **TRANSFERS:**

PSAP – Request to transfer \$7,110.00 from 1235-41100-0000 (Equipment) to 1235-21100-0000 (Office Supplies). Motion to approve was made by Mohr, seconded by O'Connor, approved 5-0.

#### ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS:

HIGHWAY- Request for an additional appropriation in fund 1176-1235-0533 (General Labor) in the amount of \$33,000.00. Motion to approve was made by O'Connor, seconded by Langkabel, approved 5-0.

RECYCLING DISTRICT- Request for an additional appropriation in fund 8210-2025-01 (General Fund) in the amount of \$1,009,990.00. Motion to approve was made by Mohr, seconded by Langkabel, approved 5-0.

# **MISCELLANEOUS:**

# YOUTH ASST. PROGRAM UPDATE:

Melissa O'Connor gave an update on everything that happened in 2024 with the Youth Asst. Program. She spoke about the events, grants, upcoming events. Melissa handed out a packet with the information to the Council members. This was information only; no action was needed.

#### **CORONER / ORDINANCE FEE SCHEDULE:**

Coroner Rund presented the Council with Ordinance 2025-04. This Ordinance will raise the Coroner's fees to be more in line with the rest of the state. Motion to approve was made by O'Connor, seconded by Ruble, approved 5-0.

### **COUNTY COUNCIL LIAISONS:**

At this time, Haacker presented the other council members with a list of liaisons. Haacker asked if everyone was ok with their liaisons. Motion to approve the liaisons was made by O'Connor, seconded by Langkabel, approved 5-0.

# MARCH COUNCIL MEETING DATE CHANGE:

President Haacker advised there would not be enough members to have a quorum at the March 18, 2025, meeting so the meeting will be changed to Monday March 24, 2025 @ 6:30. Motion to approve was made by Haacker, seconded by Langkabel, approved 5-0.

# **COUNCIL ATTORNEY:**

Haacker advised Councilmen O'Connor had been working with Jody Butts with Stephenson & Rife, LLP, to become the Council Attorney. Jody has agreed to be the attorney for the council. There will be a \$8,000.00 retainer (meetings) and then an hourly rate for other projects. Motion to approve was made by O'Connor, seconded by Langkabel, approved 5-0.

#### **SHERIFF:**

Sheriff Koch advised the Council he is still working on pricing for body cams. Koch advised he has received three quotes ranging from 170K to 389K. Koch advised they are working on getting quotes from both the body cams and the car cams. The current car cams company has gone out of business and the cameras are at the end of life. Ranging costs for both are between 420K and 700K. They are hoping to have everything put together for the March meeting. This was information only. No action was needed.

#### **MONTHLY FINANCIAL MEETINGS:**

Discussion of the Monthly Financial Meeting was brought up about leaving it open door or closed. After discussion, the council decided to leave it closed door and rotate who attends the meetings. No action was taken.

# **HUMAN RESOURCES:**

Donna let the council know back in 2023 the council set an emergency part-time rate of \$30.00 an hour for dispatch. The Council has had to go back every 6 months and adopt another Ordinance to extend the pay. They are asking for the rate to be cut back to the 10-year rate \$29.647 per hour so they do not have to keep reviewing this and adopting it again. There was concern about cutting someone is pay after being paid hire rate and for only .35 cents on the hour. It was explained that these part-time dispatchers were let know this will not last forever, this is temporary. Tisha Debaun explained they are increasing the full-time employees and have been cutting back on the part-time hours. Motion to table this until next month's meeting to gather more information was made by Ruble, seconded by Langkabel, approved 5-0.

# MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE:

Mike Carpenter had a question in regard to broadband. He wanted to know if any money went with the letters that were sent out. Haacker advised no these letters where only letters of support for those companies to come into the county and provide broadband services. No action was taken.

Blake Newkirk questioned why they would make the financial meetings closed, she feels if all the board members want to be there they should be allowed. She also feels that by keeping them closed it feels like they are hiding something. This was information only; no action was taken.

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