The Dubois County Council conducted its monthly meeting and budget hearings on August 12, 2019, at 8:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the Courthouse Annex. Present at the meeting were Board members Jerry R. Hunefeld, Charmian R. Klem, Craig M. Greulich, Mary E. Beckman, Sonya Haas, Michael Kluesner, Doug Uebelhor, Deputy Auditor Mary Lueken and Auditor Sandy Morton. President Hunefeld asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the last meeting. On motion made by Charmian Klem, seconded by Mary E. Beckman, the minutes were approved as written. The motion carried unanimously.

**RE: 2020 BUDGET – NON-BINDING REVIEW OF TAXING UNITS**

Auditor Sandy Morton presented the Council Worksheets from all non-binding taxing units for review. Upon review of the budgets for Bainbridge Township, Boone Township, Cass Township, Columbia Township, Ferdinand Township, Hall Township, Harbison Township, Jackson Township, Jefferson Township, Madison Township, Marion Township, Patoka Township, City of Jasper, City of Huntingburg, Town of Ferdinand, Town of Holland, Town of Birdseye, Greater Jasper School Corporation, Southeast Dubois School Corporation, Southwest Dubois School Corporation, Dubois County Contractual Library, Huntingburg Public Library and the Upper Patoka River Conservancy District, on motion made by Charmian Klem, seconded by Sonya Haas, the unanimous Council recommendation for each unit was no changes were to be made.

**RE: 2020 COUNTY DEPARTMENT BUDGET REVIEWS**

Each Department head appeared to present their requested budget for 2020. Salary increases were discussed. A motion was made to budget for a 2.5% increase for all employees with the exception of State mandated wages by Doug Uebelhor, was seconded by Craig Greulich and carried unanimously. It was the consensus of the Council not to deviate employees from their current wage classifications unless noted below.

The following motions were made for budget requests:

- **Title IV D Prosecutor** - A motion was made to approve requesting $9,000 for building rent and to keep expenses for office cleaning, yard maintenance and trash removal in the budget by Mike Kluesner, seconded by Charmian Klem. The motion carried.
- **Soil and Water** – A motion was made to approve the request to change the Administrative Assistant from Part time to Full time status by Charmian Klem, seconded by Craig Greulich. The motion carried.
- **Park Fund** – A motion was made to reduce the requested transfer from Park to Non-Reverting from $100,000 to $50,000 by Craig Greulich and seconded by Mike Kluesner. The motion carried.
- **Prosecuting Attorney** – A motion was made to approve the request for a new Prosecutor’s Assistant by Doug Uebelhor, seconded by Craig Greulich. The motion carried.

**RE: NEXT MEETING**

The County Council will meet at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, September 23, 2019, in the Commissioner /Council Room in the Courthouse Annex. A motion was made to adjourn by Doug Uebelhor, seconded by Charmian Klem. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.