

September 27, 2016

A meeting of the Monroe County Income Tax Council convened on September 27, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. in the Nat U. Hill Courtroom in Bloomington, Indiana. Members of the Monroe County Income Tax Council are Monroe County, City of Bloomington, Town of Ellettsville and Stinesville. All held individual meetings to vote on their respective resolutions. The outcome of those meetings follows:

The Bloomington Common Council meeting was called to order by Andy Ruff, President. A motion was made to suspend the rules and Susan Sandberg, Vice President, presided over the meeting. The City of Bloomington Common Council unanimously passed Resolution 16-16, To Vote in Favor of a Monroe County Local Income Tax Council Ordinance Imposing a Local Income Tax Rate for Public Safety and Casting the City of Bloomington’s 59 Votes in Favor of the Ordinance.

Cheryl Munson, President of the Monroe County Council called their meeting to order. Monroe County Council passed Resolution 2016-34, To Vote in Favor of a Monroe County Local Income Tax Council Ordinance Imposing a Local Income Tax Rate for Public Safety and Casting the Monroe County Council’s 36 Votes in Favor of the Ordinance.

The Stinesville Town Council meeting was called to order by President Kim Cunningham. Stinesville Town Council unanimously passed Resolution 2016-10 supporting the Monroe County Income Tax Council Ordinance.

The Ellettsville, Indiana, Town Council participated in a public hearing of the Monroe County Income Tax Council on Tuesday, September 27, 2016, at the Nat U. Hill Courtroom. Scott Oldham called the meeting to order at 6:51 p.m.

Roll Call: Members present were Scott Oldham, President; Dianna S. Bastin, Vice President; and Kevin Farris. Brian Mobley and Scott Thomas were absent. Sandra Hash, Clerk-Treasurer, and Darla Brown, Town Attorney, were also present.

Scott Oldham explained the purpose of this meeting is to consider Resolution 21-2016 which is similar to those passed by the Bloomington Common Council and Monroe County Council.

Darla Brown, Town Attorney, explained the procedure for passing an ordinance on first reading is different than what Monroe County is required to follow. The Town is required to follow I.C. 36-5-2-9.8 which requires a two-thirds vote of all elected members, after unanimous consent of the members present, to pass an ordinance at the same meeting it is introduced. There is a quorum of the Town Council so they can conduct the public hearing portion of the meeting and treat this meeting as the first reading on this resolution to pass an ordinance. The second reading and vote on the resolution will take place at the Town Council meeting on October 10, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Ellettsville Fire Department Training and Conference Room.

Dianna S. Bastin reiterated what has been heard from the City of Bloomington and Monroe County Councils. Ellettsville has a real need for public safety because it needs to also grow. The Town is growing so more law enforcement and fire personnel are needed. She will cast her vote for public safety portion of the resolution and hopes it will not be used for economic development. Mr. Farris concurred.

Scott Oldham thanked the members of the other boards who discussed this at length and arrived at an equitable decision for all involved and the Monroe County Income Tax Council for this meeting.

Scott Oldham entertained a motion to table voting on this resolution until October 10, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. when the full Town Council can meet to vote on Resolution 2016-21 and cast their five votes for the Monroe County Income Tax Council. Kevin Farris so moved. Dianna S. Bastin seconded. Roll call vote: Scott Oldham – yes; Dianna S. Bastin – yes and Kevin Farris – yes. Motion carried 3-0.

Adjournment

Scott Oldham entertained a motion to adjourn. Dianna S. Bastin made the motion to adjourn. Kevin Farris seconded. Scott Oldham adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Scott Oldham, President

Dianna S. Bastin, Vice-President

Scott Thomas

Kevin Farris

Brian Mobley

Sandra Hash, Clerk Treasurer