



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2011  
5:30 P.M.  
AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, CHANGES OR ADDITIONS
4. CONSENT AGENDA
  - A. Minutes of Regular Council Meeting, June 21, 2011
  - B. Minutes of Council Workshop July 5, 2011
  - C. Village Manager's Report
  - D. Financial Reports and Statistics
5. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS
6. PUBLIC COMMENTS
  - A.
7. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS
  - A. Branch County Sheriff's Department Update
  - B. Branch County Commissioner Update
  - C. Fire Department Update
  - D. Utility Department Update
8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - A.
9. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Seal Coating and Crack Sealing Work for 2011
  - B.
  - C.
10. CLOSED SESSION
  - A. C&D Lawsuit Settlement Negotiation
11. PUBLIC COMMENTS
12. ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION
  - A.
13. ADJOURNMENT

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2. **Annual Audit.** The auditors reported a positive position for the 2010 audit report. The county held its expenses to over **\$400,000.00 less than planned, and revenues were over \$50,000.00 more than expected.** The county continues to maintain a frugal position in holding its fund balance at approximately 18%. The auditor encouraged the county to fully consider and be careful and investigate the pros and cons of any changes they may be looking at as they move forward. Some of the counties that they audit have made perceived positive changes that have negatively impacted the counties.

3. **Reduced Support.** Sheriff Canon commended the Reserves and Posse for their coverage and help during the storm over the Holiday weekend and also attendance at the local parades, but informed that the numbers are decreasing. **The Posse numbers have gone down to 12** and they are recruiting because they like to have 16 to 18 members. This is not unique to Branch County as other counties are experiencing the same issue. The cost factors have impacted the reduced numbers.

- The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday weekend was quiet and relatively safe. There were only two fireworks complaints submitted as normally there are numerous complaints made over the weekend.

- The Female jail population is maintaining a level of overcapacity.

- There will be additional State Troopers assigned to the Coldwater post by Oct. 1, 2011.

4. **COA Pays off Debt Early.** The Commission on Aging is taking advantage of the opportunity to save funds by paying off bonds early. The COA has the funding available to pay this debt early, which amounts to approximately \$682,000.00 and results in approximately **\$183,386.00 savings.**

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## Number of Events by Nature

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<<No Nature Entered>>	4
911 HANG UP OR OPEN LINE	1
ALARM	5
ANIMAL CRUELTY	1
ANIMAL RELATED	12
ASSAULT	3
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	7
BOL BE ON THE LOOKOUT	3
CAR DEER PDA	1
CIVIL DISPUTE	5
CONVULSIONS / SEIZURES	3
CUSTOMER TROUBLE	1
DIABETIC PROBLEMS	1
DISABLED PERSON	1
DISTURBANCE	4
DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE	4
DRUNK OR INTOXICATED	1
ESCORT FUNERAL OR BANK	2
FAILURE TO PAY	6
FIGHT	3
FIRE ALARM	1
FIRE CRACKERS	2
HARASSMENT	1
JUVENILE PROBLEM	1
LARCENY	8
LIQUOR INSPECTION	6
LOUD MUSIC	1
MEDICAL FIRST RESPONSE	3

Nature	# Events
MOTORIST ASSIST	1
NEIGHBOR TROUBLE OR	1
OVERDOSE	1
PEACE OFFICER / CIVIL	5
PERSONS ASSIST	1
PREGNANCY / CHILDBIRTH	1
PROPERTY CHECK	32
PROPERTY LOST OR FOUND	1
RECEIVE INFORMATION	4
ROAD HAZARD	1
RUNAWAY	1
SICK PERSON	2
SUSPICIOUS SITUATION	5
SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE	6
THREATS	2
TRAFFIC STOP	37
TRAFFIC VIOLATION	1
TRAMATIC INJURIES	1
TRESPASSING	1
UNKNOWN FIRE	1
UNKNOWN INJURY ACCIDENT	2
WARRANT/PAPER SERVICE	1
WELFARE CHECK	2
	201



**TO:** Village Council  
**FROM:** Eric Zuzga, Village Manager  
**SUBJECT:** Sealcoating and Crack Sealing  
**DATE:** July 18, 2011

The Road Commission will be in later this month or early in August to perform seal coating and crack sealing on several streets. The following streets are slated for seal coating.

Street	Segment	Length	Width
Berry	US 12-Liberty	1139'	23'
West	US 12-Cemetary	963'	22'
West Jefferson	Main-Berry	1811'	25'
West Liberty	Main-Beckwith	2344'	23'
Cole	Arnold-Main	1351'	30'
Arnold	Cole-US 12	1159'	28'
Wood	Orange-Liberty	740'	20'
Wood	Liberty-Glenn	861'	31'
Hawley	37 Hawley-Brown		

The following streets are slated for crack sealing.

Street	Starting Point	Ending Point
North Main	US-12	Railroad
South Main	US-12	Village limits
Village Parking lot		

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