

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
Minutes
Tuesday September 8, 2015 at 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, Vigo County Annex

Pledge of Allegiance

Bernie Burns, Vigo County Sheriff Department, called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Calling of the roll

Present: Bill Thomas, Kathy Miller, Mark Bird, Mike Morris, Rick Burger.

Absent/Excused: Ed Ping, Tim P. Curley.

Councilman Ed Ping had a medical emergency at home.

Corrections to the journal of the preceding meeting, if needed

None were presented.

Public comment

There was none.

Communications from elected officials of the County

There were none.

Communications from other officials or agencies

There were none.

Reports from standing committees

There were none.

Reports from select committees

There were none.

Ordinances relating to appropriations

Annual Budget Committee

2016 Annual Budget

Non-Binding Recommendations

Motion: To recommend the budgets for the following units be adopted as submitted providing there is a sufficient cash balance to fund the proposed budgets, the increase in the tax levy does not exceed the State Average Growth Quotient of 2.6%, and the tax rate be approved based on the corresponding levies and the Certified Net Assessed Values. These units include Fayette Township, Harrison Township, Honey Creek Township, Linton Township, Lost Creek Township, Nevins Township, Otter Creek Township, Pierson Township, Prairie Creek Township, Prairieton Township, Riley Township, Sugar Creek Township, Terre Haute Civil City, Riley Civil

Town, Seelyville Civil Town, West Terre Haute Civil Town, Vigo County School Corporation, Prairie Creek-Vigo Conservancy, Honey Creek-Vigo Conservancy, Greenfield Bayou Levee and Ditch Conservancy, and Moveover Lake Conservancy District, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mark Bird, **Seconded by** Bill Thomas.
Motion passed unanimously.

First Reading of Binding Recommendations

Tim Seprodi, Vigo County Auditor presented the first reading of the 2016 budgets for the following units:

- Vigo County Public Library
- Terre Haute International Airport
- Honey Creek Fire Protection District
- New Goshen Fire Protection District
- Lost Creek Fire Protection District
- Prairieton Fire Protection District
- Riley Fire Protection District
- Sugar Creek Fire Protection District

Final Reading of 2016 Vigo County Annual Budget

Tim Seprodi, Vigo County Auditor presented the final reading of the 2016 Vigo County Annual Budget.

Motion: To adopt the 2016 budget as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Morris, **Seconded by** Bill Thomas.

Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2015-05

The Annual Budget Committee recommended a 2015 budget reduction in the Health Donation Fund in order to have a positive operating balance at the end of 2016. Councilman Mark Bird verified the Health Department submitted the reduction amounts for 2015 and 2016, the Committee did not make that decision.

Motion: To approve the reduction of the Health Donation Fund for the remainder of 2015, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mark Bird, **Seconded by** Kathy Miller.

Motion passed unanimously.

2015 Salary Ordinance Amendment

The Annual Budget Committee recommended amending the 2015 Salary Ordinance.

Motion: To suspend the rules, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Bill Thomas, **Seconded by** Mark Bird.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: To amend the 2015 Salary Ordinance to state that all vacant positions will be posted and compensated at the new salary schedule adopted for 2016 and not in accordance with the current compensation plan, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mike Morris, **Seconded by** Kathy Miller.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: To reinstate the rules, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mark Bird,
Seconded by Kathy Miller.
Motion passed unanimously.

Honorary resolutions

There were none.

Resolutions relating to fiscal policies of the Council

There were none.

First reading by summary reference of proposed ordinances and resolutions

President Rick Burger assigned Requests of Council to committees for further review.

Appointments

There were none.

Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Kathy Miller, **Seconded by** Bill Thomas.
Motion passed unanimously.