July 8, 2025

Council Chambers Vigo County Government Center Terre Haute, Indiana

Present: Mark Clinkenbeard, Mike Morris, Chris Switzer

Others present: Attorney Terry Modesitt, Auditor Larry Hutchings, Chief Deputy Auditor Morgan Elkins, Tammy York-Allen, Bob Rhodes, Joni Wise, Kevin Gardner, Chris Eldredge, Bruce Allen, Devan Gackle, Jordynne Gackle, Vickie Albright, Jared Bayler, Norm Loudermilk, several members of the public.

Pledge of Allegiance. Mark Clinkenbeard called the meeting to order at 9:00a.m.

Review of minutes/claims. Auditor Larry Hutchings presented the Board with the minutes from the July 1, 2025 Meeting for approval. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the July 1, 2025 Meeting minutes as presented. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. With a voice vote of 3-0 the motion was passed.

Larry presented the claims docket dated June 27, 2025 through July 4, 2025 in the amount of \$619,559.18 was presented to the Board. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve the claims docket dated June 27, 2025 through July 4, 2025 in the amount of \$619,559.18. Mike Morris seconded the motion. The motion passed upon a 3-0 vocal vote.

Larry then presented the payroll docket dated June 27, 2025 through July 4, 2025 in the amount of \$1,767,967.65 was presented to the Board. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve the claims docket dated June 27, 2025 through July 4, 2025 in the amount of \$1,767,967.65. Mike Morris seconded the motion. The motion passed upon a 3-0 vocal vote.

Appointment to Airport Board

Mark Clinkenbeard presented a certificate of appointment of Mike Morris to the Terre Haute International Airport Board of Directors reading:

"This is to certify that you, Ivan Morris, are appointed to the Terre Haute International Airport Board of Directors effective this 8th day of July 2025, for a four year term, expiring on June 30, 2029.

In testimony wheras, the Vigo County Board of Commissioners have hereunto set their hands and seal this 8th day of July, 2025."

Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the appointment of Ivan Morris to the Terre Haute International Board of Directors. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 vocal vote.

Mike Morris gave a brief update on the various projects at the Terre Haute airport including a new hanger and progress on a solar farm.

Alley Vacation – Ordinance No. 5

Scott Barbour approached the Board with an Ordinance vacating an alley in Prairieton Township. Scott said the Board had previously preliminarily approved this alley vacation. He said the only adjoining property owner was the Prairieton Cemetery Association. Mike Morris asked why a vacation of theif particular alley was necessary. Area Planning Director Jared Bayler clarified that since the property owner wanted to build homes on the property, they needed the extra space the alley provided to be in compliance with a rule in Indiana preventing homes from being constructed within 100 feet of a cemetery. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 5 Vacating a Public Alley Located in Prairieton Township, Vigo County, Indiana. Mike Morris seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 vocal vote.

Public Comments

Shannon Giles with Tobacco Free Vigo approached the Commissioners and provided updates on a cigarette tax that had gone into effect July 1st. She went over the recent Indiana Youth Tobacco Survey and said in 2024 one in thirty middle school students, and one in twenty high school students had tried tobacco products and data showed our area was below the national averages. She said ecigarette use is a major issue among the younger population. Chris Switzer asked Shannon about what a potential marijuana industry would look like in Indiana. Shannon said at the moment the political will was not there on Indiana for recreation Marijuana use. She did say the recent cigarette tax was a huge help for state budgeting this cycle however, and Indiana may consider the tax revenue from marijuana in the future.

Comments or other business from Commissioners or other Elected Officials.

Mike Morris reminded the public to visit the County Fair.

The meeting was recessed at 9:19 a.m.

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Attest:

Larry T. Hutchings II, Auditor