Council Chambers Vigo County Annex Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Mike Morris, Chris Switzer and Brendan Kearns:

Others Present: County Attorney Michael Wright, Auditor James Bramble, Tammy York-Allen, Tim Cunningham, Diana Winsted-Smith, Vickie Oster, Sarah Holbert, Josie Thompson, Kara Wright, Bill Watson, Scott Barbour, Larry Robbins, Kevin Gardner, Joey Lehman, Kenny DePasse, Mayor Duke Bennett, Brian Kooistra, Howard Greninger, Channel 10 News, Channel 2 News, and several members of the public.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mike Morris called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review of Minutes/Claims. Auditor James Bramble presented the minutes for October 12, 2021 regular meeting and minutes for the October 12, 2021 Rezoning meeting. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve both sets of October 12, 2021 minutes. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Bramble then presented the Board with expenditures for the period of October 9, 2021 through October 15, 2021 in the amount of \$442,548.90 plus payroll in the amount of \$1,032,681.85 for a total amount of \$1,475,230.75. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve the October 9, 2021 through October 15, 2021 claims. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Resolution for Casino – Commissioners. This resolution is in support of the application of HR Terre Haute, LLC to receive the license to operate an inland casino in Vigo County, Indiana. This is a resolution anticipated by Indiana Code 4-33-6.7-4(5) which, in the statute, one of the criteria is whether the entity receiving the license has received a resolution of support from the legislative body of the unit where it seeks to locate. This resolution provides that support for HR Terre Haute, LLC's application and provides that approximately \$148,000,000 would be invested in the community with 674 permanent casino jobs, which would result in new tax dollars for the City of Terre Haute, Vigo County, the school corporation, West Central 2025 and the State of Indiana. Brendan Kearns asked if this was similar to what the City of Terre Haute did and Mr. Wright stated that it mirrored their resolution. Mr. Kearns noted that each Commissioner had done a letter of support but an official resolution as a single body gave it a little more teeth. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve the resolution of support. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Local Development Agreement – Commissioners. Mr. Wright then explained that this agreement is another component of the application to the Gaming Commission. The form is the same, with the exception of the applicant now being HR Terre Haute, LLC. This is a form provided by the Gaming Commission and provides the representations, warranties and covenants, the payment obligations, the continuing support obligations and seeks to cover all aspects between the municipal bodies and the entity operating the casino. Mike Morris asked if an entity other than HR Terre Haute, LLC received the gaming license, would that negotiation be open to them. Mr. Wright noted that if HR Terre Haute, LLC did not receive the license, then this would be a void contract and the entity receiving the license, assuming one is granted, would be incumbent to approach the Commissioners to negotiate a new LDA. There was discussion about a local development agreement being a requirement as part of the licensing procedure. House Enrollment Act 1015, which

pertains to the requirements, was also discussed. It was noted that State law sets out how any money is disbursed with any successful applicant. Chris Switzer had several comments on this subject. Among other things, he noted that he personally was in favor of this because it will involve local construction companies. He said that they had met with all the groups and Hard Rock committed to saying that they intended to use local with everything they do. Some companies that said they would not. Brendan Kearns asked that it be clarified that he personally had not met with all the groups, but only Churchill and Full House. Mike Morris noted that he had met all four groups at the Chamber of Commerce meeting but he did not meet with Hard Rock specifically to iron out specifics of this agreement nor any of the other entities. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve the agreement with HR Terre Haute, LLC. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, voting was as follows: Mike Morris – aye; Chris Switzer – aye; Brendan Kearns – aye. Motion passes unanimously.

Municode Quote – IT Department. Michael Wright then introduced a Municode quote for the IT Department for recodification, supplementation and on line code hosting services. Joey Lehman with IT advised that they had spoken to a few companies. This company provided a quote for a little less than the other, works for several different municipalities in Indiana. This will include on line hosting of our Code in a searchable database. There was a brief discussion about the services that will be provided. Once this has been created, it will belong to Vigo County even if we part ways with the company in the future. Only a quote has been provided today. They will need to look at the various components that can be selected and put together a package. Today he is just asking for permission to go forward with the project. Once the project starts, a prospective time frame would be 4-6 weeks, subject to change. A short discussion then took place. The current website was then briefly discussed and Mr. Lehman advised it was currently in a re-design phase. The employee portal has been launched. Discussions will continue in the next week or two and this will be revisited once a contract is in hand.

Environmental Systems Research Institute – Engineer. Scott Barbour, GIS Director, then talked about the ArcGIS Real Time Snow Event software. Having this software would allow the County's resources to be better managed during a snow event. This software will allow him and the supervisors to monitor all aspects of a snow event remotely and in real time, monitor weather and road conditions and other things. He further explained how this information could be used to benefit the County. There are two items listed on the quote, the first being for the server upgrade with a cost of \$18,000 the first year (which includes maintenance). After that it is \$5,000 per year for maintenance. The second item is for \$27,710. This is a "not to exceed" number for the implementation and knowledge transfer and support of the system. This is a 1-time only cost and includes up to 85 hours of support, bringing the total contract price to \$45,710. Once agreement is signed, it is hoped to have this up and running in a couple of months. It is Mr. Barbour's understanding that this will be paid for through the CARES Act money. It is believed that this may be able to tie in and allow the Sheriff's Department access to see road status. E911 and the Vigo County School Corporation have also been involved in these discussions. Discussion continued. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve this contract. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

HWC Agreement to Provide Services - Engineer. Mr. Wright then noted that the next item was a standard INDOT contract between HCW and Vigo County to perform design services for Clinton Road from Park Avenue to Hasselburger. Larry Robbins, County Engineer, said this project had been going for quite a while. He had been in discussion with the consultant about the right-of-way issues. We have the right-of-way now but it is not clean title so that will have to be re-appropriated and re-done. When it used to be Highway 41, the State did not record the right-of-way properly so now it has to be re-done. He is hoping not to approach the maximum contract amount to keep the cost down but they are trying to include everything so they don't have to come back. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve the contract. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Order Renaming and Renumbering Precincts - Commissioners. This is an Order renaming two districts for voter registration purposes. It provides that Precinct 04-D would be renamed 04-B and Precinct 09-A (Prairieton) would be renamed 09-I (NV). Scott Barbour with GIS commented that 04-D was in Harrison Township and they combined 2 and 4 and then renamed the other ones so they would be A, B, C, D. There was a brief discussion about the prefixes and locations. Mr. Wright stated that this is being done because as the census information comes out from the federal government, local governments have to use that information to try and maintain adequate precincting for purposes of equal representation. Precincts are supposed to be roughly the same size in population, districts for Commissioners are supposed to be reflective of each being approximately the same size. If It gets out of whack, we become subject to a lawsuit. This is a reaction to the 2020 census. The State uses it to redraw the State legislative and Congressional districts and then, once that is approved by the governor, it comes to the local unit and they check to see if any of their existing precincts cross through the new State legislative and Congressional districts. If so, they then have to be changed. Local districts can also be redrawn at this time for the Commissioners and the Council based on those or other preferences. This is only done once every 10 years. Discussion of additional specifics continued. Brendan Kearns made a motion to support the Order Renaming or Renumbering the Precincts. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Comment from Commissioners or other Elected Officials. There were none.

Public Comments. There were none.

Today's meeting recessed at 9:46 a.m.

Attest:

James Bramble, Auditor

Mike Morris, President

Chris Switzer, Vice President

Brendan Kearns, Secretary