

May 16, 2023

Council Chambers  
Vigo County Government Center  
Terre Haute, Indiana

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Mike Morris, Chris Switzer and Mark Clinkenbeard

**Others Present:** County Attorney Terry Modesitt, Cheryl Loudermilk, Tammy York-Allen, Chris Eldridge, Diana Winsted-Smith, Kevin Gardner, Larry Robbins, Kara Wright, Jordynne Shelton, Adam Grossman, Bill Watson, Josie Thompson, Jared Bayler, Tim Cunningham, Bruce Allen, Terry Bays, Tony Cassiseah, 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.** Chief Deputy Auditor Cheryl Loudermilk presented the Board with meeting minutes for May 10, 2023 for approval. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the minutes for May 10, 2023. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Ms. Loudermilk presented the Board with expenditures for the period of May 6, 2023 through May 12, 2023 in the amount of \$3,308,500.03. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve the May 6, 2023 through May 12, 2023 claims in the amount of \$3,308,500.03. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Ms. Loudermilk then presented the Board with payroll for May 10, 2023 in the amount of \$1,194,042.51 for approval. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the May 10, 2023 payroll. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

**AutoClear Contract - Commissioners.** Mark Clinkenbeard explained that this contract was for new baggage scanners. One is being purchased to replace a broken one in the Juvenile Justice Center in the court room and one is for here in the Government Center and will be placed in the northeast lobby for security purposes. The cost is \$40,614. Mike Morris thanked Mr. Clinkenbeard for the time and research that had gone into this purchase. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve this contract. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.


**Public Comments.** John Cross, an attorney for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese Properties Division, said that back in 2016, the Archdiocese and the Board of Commissioners entered into a real property donation agreement related to a small parcel of land located on Samson Road just west of Wabash and south of US 40, whereby the Archdiocese donated this parcel to the Commissioners subject to obtaining a title commitment and doing some simple due diligence, put in publication some recognition and then recording a deed. He does not believe any of that was ever completed. Recently, the Archdiocese and the Parks Department have been in discussions for the Archdiocese to donate the same parcel to the Parks Department. He is here to request an acknowledgement and execution of an agreement which would void that prior agreement, which would be irrevocable. He did have an agreement and acknowledgement with him if the Commissioners were agreeable. This would rescind the prior agreement and the Archdiocese would then donate it to the Parks Department. Adam Grossman, Vigo County Parks Superintendent, said that he had contacted the Archdiocese about the Bicentennial Park trying to acquire the property to build shelters and trails and things of that nature. When it was discovered that the nothing had ever been completed regarding the prior donation, Mr. Grossman said that for the grant and their purposes, it would be better if the property went

directly into the Park Board's name so it could be incorporated into the park and the grant. Chris Switzer said he would like the County Attorney to take a look at the documentation before taking any action on this today. Mr. Cross provided the documentation for review.

**Comments or other business from Commissioners or other Elected Officials.** County Assessor Kevin Gardner advised that Form 11's had been mailed out on April 28. If you have not received one, you should call his office to request a copy. They had received back a large number from the postal service with no forwarding address. These are the numbers that will be used for future property taxes. Any appeal of these figures must be filed with his office by June 15, 2023.

Chris Switzer said it had been planned to take action on an emergency plan of action today but several of the departments have not turned in their forms to Norm Loudermilk. Mr. Switzer said it was important to turn in that information so this can be completed. HR Director Kara Wright asked if these were to be by zone or department. Mr. Switzer said they are by zone.

The next meeting will be May 23, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting recessed at 9:13 a.m.

  
Mike Morris

Attest:

  
James Bramble, Auditor

Chris Switzer  
  
Mark Clinkenbeard