

May 25, 2021

Council Chambers
Vigo County Annex
Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Mike Morris, Chris Switzer and Brendan Kearns.

Others Present: County Attorney Joel Modesitt, County Attorney Michael Wright, Auditor James Bramble, Cheryl Loudermilk, Tammy York-Allen, Adam Grossman, Scott Barbour, Kevin Gardner, Kara Wright, Diana Winsted-Smith, Kim Bennett, Kylissa Miller, Tim Cunningham, Bill Watson, Bruce Allen, Joey Lehman, Howard Greninger, 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 minutes for May 18, 2021 for approval. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the May 18, 2021 minutes. Chris Switzer 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 May 15, 2021 through May 21, 2021 in the amount of \$10,663,195.50. There was a discussion regarding the amount of the claims this week. Mr. Bramble explained that Harrison Township and the City of Terre Haute had requested an advance on their June settlement from their share of the property taxes and various other taxes that are collected. Any advance requested is deducted from the settlement that is distributed later. Settlement is required to be made by June 30 of each year. Commercial Vehicle Excise Tax ("CVET") had also been distributed. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve the claims for May 1, 2021 through May 7, 2021. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Annual Report of BOC – Vigo County Auditor. James Bramble explained that this is a report that has to be sent in annually to the Board of Education. It is a Congressional School Fund. Mr. Bramble gave a brief history on how this fund was created and is used. Mike Morris made a motion to approve this report. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Schneider Geospatial Professional Services Agreement – Scott Barbour/Larry Robbins. Scott Barbour, GIS Director, explained that this is a professional services agreement with Schneider Geospatial to provide on-line permitting. Any permits that have to be applied for will be able to be obtained on-line rather than making an appointment and coming in to the office to get them in person. A summary of how this will work was discussed. The ultimate goal is to allow people to be able to obtain permitting without face-to-face contact quicker and easier than they can now. It should also allow this to be paid for from the CARES Act. It is hoped that this will be fully functional by this Fall. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve this agreement. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Resolution 2021-10 – Commissioners Approving Remote Meeting Participation Protocols. This Resolution will approve and adopt remote meeting participation protocols as set forth by the State. Discussion took place as to some of the requirements. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve execution of this Resolution. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Medical Provider Agreement – Community Corrections. Bill Watson, Director of Court Services, explained that there are two contracts being presented for approval today for their dual diagnosis program. The number of people coming to the program has greatly increased and they need to add providers in order to continue providing service in a quick, timely manner. There was a brief discussion about how this works. The program, so far, is quite successful. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve the contracts with Ethos Care and Talkspace Network, LLC. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Watson also noted that they had not, as of yet, been able to get the clean-up crew going due to the fact that they have been unable to fill a position for a driver to follow the work release defendants. The job consists of driving a van, turning on the flashing lights, setting out safety barricades and driving down the road behind the work release participants and watch them pick up trash and set the bags alongside the road. The job is for 32 hours per week and pays \$17.00 per hour. They are taught basic first aid and CPR just in the event it would be needed. They can't get anybody to apply for the job. Consequently, they cannot start the clean-up program until they fill the position. They have enough funding to hire two people but can't anyone apply to even fill one position at this point.

Memorandum of Understanding for Restroom Facility. Adam Grossman, Superintendent of Vigo County Parks, presented a Memorandum of Understanding for execution between the Parks Department and Ivy Tech regarding maintenance of a restroom being placed at the Ruble Park trailhead which is on Ivy Tech land. Mr. Grossman expressed his appreciation for support of this project. County Attorneys Joel Modesitt and Michael Wright had both reviewed and approved the Memorandum. Brendan Kearns gave a brief summary of what the project entailed. It was also noted that if anyone wanted to volunteer to help the Department in preparing the trails, they should contact the Parks Department office to get involved. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion was unanimously approved.

The Terre Haute Quarter Midget Association is hosting a national race on July 28-August 1. They are requesting that the surrounding streets, particularly the street at 30th and Houseman be closed for the event. It was noted that Larry Robbins, Highway Superintendent, was on board with this request. This was done last year. Mike Morris made a motion to approve this request. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion was unanimously approved.

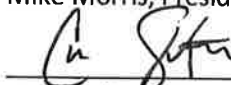
Comment from Commissioners or other Vigo County Representatives. Chris Switzer gave a brief summary of the connector walkway project to West Terre Haute. It is nearing completion much sooner than originally anticipated. The Commissioners have decided upon a name for the walkway and he anticipates that they are about a month away from officially opening it to the public. It is not yet open to the public.

Public Comments. There were none.

Today's meeting recessed at 9:35 a.m.



Mike Morris, President



Chris Switzer, Vice President

Attest:


James Bramble, Auditor

Brendan Kearns, Secretary