

## **MINUTES OF THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL**

### **January 13, 2004**

Sheriff Jon Marvel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Sheriff Marvel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kylissa Miller, Assistant Chief Deputy Auditor, took roll call. All members were present.

Mr. Jim Bramble, Auditor, opened the floor for nominations for President of the Council. Mr. Curley nominated Mr. Decker, Mr. Scott seconded. Mr. Roman nominated Mr. Blade, the motion died due to a lack of a second. All members voting aye for Mr. Decker with Mr. Roman abstaining, Mr. Decker is elected Council President.

Mr. Decker called for nominations for President Pro Tempore. Mr. Scott nominated Mr. Curley, Ms. Miller seconds. All members voting aye, Mr. Curley is elected President Pro Tempore.

Mr. Decker announced the Council appointments would be made at the first meeting in February.

Mr. Bramble gave the reading of the call.

Mr. Decker called for the approval of the minutes of the 2004 Budget Hearings, the November 18, 2003 meeting, and the December 16, 2003 meeting. Mr. Curley moves to approve the minutes. Mr. Scott duly seconds the motion.

Mr. Decker called for comments from the Council. Mr. Curley moves to deny the Resolution using EDIT Revenues as a security for the Courthouse project in an effort to speed up the meeting, Mr. Scott seconds. Commissioner Bill Bryan stated that if they use EDIT revenues as a backup, the County would save approximately \$454,112 in interest. Mr. Herschel Friarson, a representative of Crowe, Chizek and Company, added that the marketplace is accustomed to using EDIT revenues as a backup for bond issues and is much more comfortable with it than just a cumulative fund as a backup resulting in a reduced interest rate.

Mr. Decker called for comments from the public. Ms. Patricia Macke with West Central Indiana Economic Development District, Inc. requested the Council to approve Resolution 2004-02 regarding the extension of bus service to the County. Ms. Dianna Williams, an owner of an employment services company, agrees that an extended bus service would be helpful and believes the biggest hindrance to individuals is transportation. Ms. Williams also stated that she believes funding can come out of money budgeted for ARC. Mr. Anderson requested this request go to the Special Projects Committee for review.

Mr. Bill Miller, a taxpayer, requested information on the landfill. Commissioner Bryan reported that in 2003 the County received \$325,000 in tipping fees and received an additional \$650,000 today for 2004. The contract states the County will pay \$840,000 per year, netting to \$190,000 per year with the tipping fees.

Consideration of the call began with the Health Department. Ms. Louise Anderson, Director of Operations, requested approval of additional appropriations for the Education Risk Fund for a training and technical assistance team. All funds will be reimbursed by the Indiana State Department of Health.

Ms. Anderson also requesting approval of the 2004 budget for Local Health Maintenance. Since the budget includes employee raises for more than one step, the request was forwarded to the Personnel Committee.

Mr. John Bacon, with Emergency Planning Right to Know Fund, requesting an additional appropriation. The funds are for the 2004 annual budget.

A request for the approval of the 2004 budget for the Park Non-Reverting Operating fund was submitted. Mr. Bernie Burns, director of Alcohol & Drug, requesting an additional appropriation for the 2003 budget of Drug Free Community.

Mr. Dave Reeves, Building Inspector, requesting an additional appropriation for the cleanup of county property at 13<sup>th</sup> and Hulman. The Department of Redevelopment is donating \$15,000 towards the cleanup.

Mr. Tony Miller, Director of Data Processing, requesting an additional appropriation to purchase software for the website. The new software will be more user friendly and will allow each department to post to the website.

Mr. Bramble requesting approval of the 2004 Salary Ordinance.

Mr. Decker called for comments from the public. Ms. Louise Anderson thanked the Council for the funding for the website. She believes it to be a move forward.

Mr. Decker called for comments from the Council. Mr. Decker stated that as the chair of the Budget Committee, he is going to ask each office to appoint a representative to speak on behalf of the employees for that department regarding what is important to them.

Mr. Decker also stated that in order to keep the committees active, he is making the following appointments:

Personnel Committee

Cedric Blade (Chair)  
Effie Miller  
Darrick Scott

Special Projects Committee    Turk Roman (Chair)  
  Effie Miller  
  Brad Anderson

EDIT Committee                    Dave Decker (Chair)  
  Darrick Scott

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

## **MOTIONS**

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#### **Minutes of the 2004 Budget Hearings, November 18, 2003, & December 16, 2003**

**Meetings** – Mr. Curley moves to approve the minutes of the 2004 Budget Hearings, November 18, 2003, & December 16, 2003 meetings as submitted, Mr. Scott seconds the motion. All members voting aye, the motion passes.

**Resolution 2004-01** – Mr. Curley moves to deny Resolution 2004-01 regarding the use of EDIT revenues as a security for the bond issue of the Courthouse project, Mr. Scott seconds. All members voting aye with the exception of Mr. Roman and Mr. Blade, the motion passes. Mr. Anderson abstained from the vote.

**Health Education Risk** – Mr. Scott moves to approve the \$650 to #4415-27 Registration Fees, \$600 to #437-20 Travel, and \$50 to #437-40 Mileage. Mr. Blade seconds. All members voting aye, the motion passes.

**Local Health Maintenance** – Mr. Blade moves to approve the 2004 budget as submitted, Ms. Miller seconds. The motion and second are withdrawn. Mr. Anderson moves to send the request to the Personnel Committee, Mr. Scott seconds. All members voting aye, the motion passes.

**Emergency Planning Right to Know** – Mr. Anderson moves to approve the 2004 Annual Budget as submitted, Mr. Curley seconds. All members voting aye, the motion passes.

**Park Non Reverting Operating** – Mr. Anderson moves to approve the 2004 Annual Budget as submitted, Mr. Scott seconds. All members voting aye with a roll call vote, the motion passes.

**Building Inspection** – Mr. Anderson moves to approve \$15,000 to 433-15 Code Enforcement, Mr. Scott seconds. All members voting aye, the motion passes.

**Data Processing** – Ms. Miller moves to approve \$11,500 to #433-30 Contractual Services and \$15,000 to #445-50 Software, Mr. Blade seconds. All members voting aye,

the motion passes.

**2004 Salary Ordinance** – Mr. Anderson moves to approve the 2004 Salary Ordinance, Mr. Blade seconds. All members voting aye, the motion passes.

**Adjourn** – Mr. Blade moves to adjourn the meeting 8:12 pm, Mr. Curley seconds. All members voting aye, the motion passes.

*Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in full and adopted as written this 17th day of February 2004.*

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_____	Brad Anderson	_____
_____	Cedric Blade	_____
_____	Tim P. Curley	_____
_____	Effie N. Miller	_____
_____	Turk Roman	_____
_____	Darrick C. Scott	_____

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David W. Decker, President

*Attest:*

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James W. Bramble  
Auditor