

November 2, 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, Tammy York-Allen, Tim Cunningham, Diana Winsted-Smith, Josie Thompson, Bob Leib, Jennifer Lewis, Bruce Allen, Todd Thacker, Bill Watson, Kevin Gardner, Kara Wright, Sheriff John Plasse, Larry Robins, Terry Bays, Joey Lehman, 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 Board with expenditures for the period of October 23, 2021 through October 29, 2021 in the amount of \$1,293,113.91 plus payroll in the amount of \$1,035,137.55 for a total of \$2,328,251.46. There was a brief discussion about the claims for CG Incentive and what they covered. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve the October 23, 2021 through October 29, 2021 claims. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Bramble then presented the minutes for the regular meeting held October 26, 2021 and bid opening minutes for the Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment for the Jail held October 28, 2021. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the October 26, 2021 minutes and the October 28, 2021 bid opening minutes. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

**Body Cameras – Sheriff’s Department.** Sheriff John Plasse noted that this matter had been discussed at a prior meeting and the County Council had approved the expenditure at their October meeting. The total amount is \$552,449. He now has the contracts from BodyWorn for signature by the Commissioners. The question arose regarding the grant that had been applied for to cover the cost of this and Sheriff Plasse said that they had not yet received any notification but are hopeful that it will be awarded. If so, it would cover/reimburse half the cost. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve the BodyWorn contracts. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

**Municode Contract - Commissioners.** This is the contract for the Recodification Supplementation and Online Code Hosting Services. This was discussed at last week’s meeting and approval and execution of these contracts today will allow the project to move forward. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve the contracts. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

**Comment from Commissioners or other Elected Officials.** Mike Morris and Brendan Kearns both noted that they had received comments regarding the Assessor’s flyover that had been approved last week and would like further explanation. Kevin Gardner, County Assessor, advised that there are benefits for both taxpayers and the County. A yearly flyover will flag any changes in both removal or additions of structures so that the Assessor’s Office can adjust the assessment accordingly, up or down. The flyover works hand in hand with the change finder program. The change finder flags the changes during the flyover. Mr. Gardner also noted that the current program in place is a 6-year contract which provided for a flyover every two years. Broken down over the span of that contract, a flyover every two years costs \$192,000. The newly approved contract,

which provides for a flyover every year, costs \$120,000 annually. So there is a significant savings for the cost of the service and is beneficial to both taxpayer and the County. It also provides more current and accurate data.

Chris Switzer noted that Building Inspection had cleaned up a property in West Terre Haute this past week that had been a problem for close to ten years. Mr. Switzer had been contacted by a person who wished to remain anonymous but wanted to thank the Building Inspection department for getting that property cleaned up. Mr. Switzer had also talked to some neighbors in the area and everyone was extremely happy but wondered what steps would be taken to control further dumping, etc. on that site. Signs will be going up soon to prohibit dumping.

**Public Comments.** There were none.

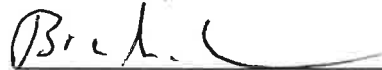
Today's meeting recessed at 9:18 a.m.



Mike Morris, President



Chris Switzer, Vice President



Brendan Kearns, Secretary

Attest:

  
James Bramble, Auditor