

April 25, 2023

Commissioners' Conference Room
Vigo County Government Center
Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Mike Morris, Chris Switzer and Mark Clinkenbeard

Others Present: County Attorney Terry Modesitt, James Bramble, Cheryl Loudermilk, Tammy York-Allen, Diana Winsted-Smith, Chris Eldridge, Kara Wright, Jordynne Shelton, Kara Wright, Kevin Gardner, Ricky Hammond, Josie Thompson, Amanda Bales, Joey Lehman, Tim Cunningham, Bill Watson, Norm Loudermilk, Bruce Allen, John Childs, Howard Greninger, Tony Cassiseah, Jason Lester, 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 meeting minutes for April 18, 2023 and rezoning minutes for April 18, 2023 for approval. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve both sets of minutes for April 18, 2023. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Bramble presented the Board with expenditures for the period of April 15, 2023 through April 21, 2023 in the amount of \$308,584.97. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the April 15, 2023 through April 21, 2023 claims in the amount of \$308,584.97. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Food Protection Ordinance – Health Department. Amanda Bales said that this concerns raising fees for permits for food establishments. She worked with the Board to update the ordinance, adding some new definitions that correspond with State rules that have been updated. For the fee increases, they compared fees for counties of like size and put the fees in line with them. Fees have not been raised since 2012. She reviewed a few of the changes. Jim Bramble asked if something could be added to address Food & Beverage tax enforcement. His main concern was with the temporary permits and the fact that they were the hardest to make sure that the proper Food & Beverage tax was being paid. Ms. Bales said she would get with Mr. Bramble and the Board about adding that revision. Chris Switzer then made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-02. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

SJCA Fee Proposal – Larry Robbins. Mr. Robbins said this is a fee proposal to evaluate Bridge 133 on Morris Place over Honey Creek (just north of Highway 63 on Morris Place which is the south route to get into S&G Excavating). There was a bridge failure about 8 months ago and there are some other issues with that bridge. He would like SJCA to evaluate that bridge and see whether it is a candidate for rehab or if it needs to be replaced. County Attorney Terry Modesitt looked at the contract, asked for a couple of changes (which have been made) and is being presented today. The cost of this evaluation is \$22,000. The bridge was initially closed last September but opened to 1-lane traffic about a month and a half later. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve this fee proposal. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion was unanimously approved.

County Credit Cards Approvals – Commissioners. There were several agreements for approval. Several people have left and new people have taken their place necessitating the need for these approvals. Departments include Building Maintenance, Group Home, Adult Protective Services, Harrison Township,

Purdue Extension, and the Health Department. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve the agreements. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Amendment to Professional Services RJL for ARPA and Consulting Services Related to ARP (Baker Tilly) – Commissioners. Chris Switzer said that Baker Tilly and RJL Solutions had been assisting the County with the planning and use of the ARPA funds and making sure that everything is used properly and done correctly for any future government audits. Agreements are already in place with both entities but it is going to take quite a bit more time and money to get these things accomplished and these are amendments to those agreements. Fees for RJL Solutions will be 1.5% of all the American Rescue Plan funds received which will amount to \$390,000. Baker Tilly does not have a set amount but charges an hourly rate for time spent. The money for those fees will not come from the County budget but from the American Rescue Plan funds. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve RJL Solutions and Baker Tilly amendments to their contracts. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Insurance Renewal – Jason Lester. Jason Lester of Sycamore Agency presented insurance documents for benefits renewal for county employees. Ancillary coverages, which would include the dental (HRI/Paramount), vision (Sun Life/VSP), group life (Sun Life), as well as the transplant policy (United Healthcare), will have no increase in premium for the coming year. A third party administrator (UMR) administers the claims for the health and prescription drugs. He recommended staying with them. Optum Rx is the prescription benefit manager and he also recommended staying with them. He said that switching carriers for the Stop Loss Insurance from Sun Life to Tokyo Marine/HCC and increasing the deductible from \$100,000 to \$125,000 would result in a savings of \$426,485 to the County. There was a short discussion. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve HRI/Paramount for dental, Sun Life/VSP for vision, Sun Life for group life, United Healthcare for group life/AD&D, raising stop loss from \$100,000 to \$125,000 and moving to Tokyo Marine/HCC, and retaining Sycamore Agency. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Public Comments. There were none.

Comments or other business from Commissioners or other Elected Officials. Larry Robbins gave a short update on the Springhill Road project. Springhill Road was closed yesterday and gave details on the limited access and detours. That closure will be at least 90 days and then move on to the second phase and will allow for 1-lane eastbound travel. This will be at least through November. He hopes to get everything done this construction season but delays with the utilities have already delayed the start but they hope to finish yet this construction season.

Treasurer Josie Thompson said she would be putting together an update soon on how things are progressing with Invoice Cloud since it has become available for use.

Chris Switzer noted that the County Council meeting would be held on Wednesday, May 3, instead of Tuesday, and that the Commissioners meeting would also be scheduled for May 3 because of early voting. Both meetings are scheduled for the Council Chambers. He also briefly reviewed the four matters the Commissioners will be taking before the Council meeting next week for funding. Those matters deal with: (1) getting a security x-ray machine for the Government Center and replacement of one for the Juvenile Center. He also thanked the Council for approving additional building security; (2) painting/rehab work on the Community Corrections building and buildings located on 13th Street housing county records; (3) removal of the old International Paper building near The Mill. It is important to note that said building is owned by the County and does **not** belong to The Mill. The County is meeting the standards set for county residents for clean-up; and (4) funding from the ARP Plan for replacement/repair of infrastructure.

The next meeting will be May 3, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting recessed at 9:35 a.m.


Mike Morris

Attest:


James Bramble, Auditor


Chris Switzer


Mark Clinkenbeard