

November 21, 2023

Council Chambers
Vigo County Government Center
Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Mike Morris and Mark Clinkenbeard

Others Present: County Attorney Terry Modesitt (via telephone), James Bramble, Cheryl Loudermilk, Tammy York-Allen, Diana Winsted-Smith, Chris Eldridge, Kevin Gardner, Kara Wright, Jordynne Shelton, Bill Watson, Neil Costello, Bruce Allen, Norm Loudermilk, 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. Auditor James Bramble presented the Board with expenditures for the period of November 11, 2023 through November 17, 2023 in the amount of \$1,280,132.99. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the November 11, 2023 through November 17, 2023 claims in the amount of \$1,280,132.99. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Bramble then presented the Board with meeting minutes for November 14, 2023 for approval. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the minutes for November 14, 2023. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Resolution 2023-13 Waiving the Requirements of Member being a member on PTABOA Board - Commissioners. County Attorney Terry Modesitt explained that by statute, you are allowed to waive the requirement that PTABOA board members have a Level 2 or Level 3 license. Since it has been difficult to find anyone for the Board with those qualifications, Mr. Modesitt prepared a resolution waiving those requirements. This had been discussed last week. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-13. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Agreement for Engineering Services Bridge #133 - Engineer. Mike Morris said this is a contract for the replacement of the super structure for Bridge 133 on Morris Place. The goal would be to design the bridge next year and possibly apply for Community Crossings Matching Grant in 2025 or 2026 unless other funding sources can be found. County Attorney Modesitt said he had reviewed it and legally it was okay. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the agreement. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Terre Haute Children's Museum ARPA Grant Agreement for \$75,000 – Commissioners. Mike Morris presented the Grant Agreement that had been prepared for the \$75,000 grant to the Children's Museum from the ARPA funds. Funding has been approved by the Vigo County Council. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the Terre Haute Children's Museum ARPA Grant Agreement. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Terre Haute Chamber of Commerce ARPA Grant Agreement for \$750,000 – Commissioners. Mike Morris then presented the Grant Agreement that had been prepared for the \$750,000 grant to the Greater Terre Haute Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc. from the ARPA funds. Funding has been approved by the Vigo County Council. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the Greater Terre Haute Chamber of


Commerce Foundation, Inc. ARPA Grant Agreement. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Gordon Flesch Contract – Human Resources. Kara Wright, Director of HR, explained that this was a renewal of the copier agreement. There was a small price increase of \$15.00 per month. This is the same thing currently in place but they will get new updated machines and continue the contract. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the contract. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Public Comments. Kathy Brock stated that she was against the carbon sequestration and thanked the Commissioners for going to Washington. Mark Clinkenbeard said that the Commissioners have scheduled a meeting with the State representatives and State senators in early December for an update and will report back after that meeting. Bill Wilson of West Terre Haute also made several comments.

Comments from the Commissioners or Other Elected Officials. Mark Clinkenbeard said the burn ban that had been in place would expire today or tomorrow and they will not be continuing the ban since we had received some much needed rain. It was also announced that there would be no Commissioners Meeting next week due to a state-wide Commissioners Meeting in Indianapolis.

The meeting recessed at 9:10 a.m.



Mike Morris



Chris Switzer

Attest:



James Bramble, Auditor



Mark Clinkenbeard