

January 23, 2024

Council Chambers
Vigo County Government Center
Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Chris Switzer, Mike Morris and Mark Clinkenbeard

Others Present: County Attorney Terry Modesitt, Cheryl Loudermilk, Tammy York-Allen, Diana Winsted-Smith, Chris Eldridge, Jordynne Shelton, Kara Wright, Joni Wise, Amanda Bales, Larry Robbins, Kevin Gardner, Vickie Albright, Scott Swan, and several members of the public.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Chris Switzer called the meeting to order and Vigo County Assessor Kevin Gardner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Before undertaking business for the meeting, Commissioner Mark Clinkenbeard introduced a group of guests from the CEO Program and their adviser, Terry Bennett. Ms. Bennett gave a brief description of the program and how the group originated. It is comprised of students from the various high schools in the county. The students apply for the program. It introduces them to the business world and teaches life skills, connects them with local leaders and the business community. Two of the students talked about the benefits of this program and what they are learning from it.

Review of Minutes/Claims. Chief Deputy Auditor Cheryl Loudermilk presented the Board with meeting minutes for January 16, 2024 for approval. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for January 16, 2024. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Ms. Loudermilk then presented the Board with expenditures for the period of January 13, 2024 through January 19, 2024 in the amount of \$517,991.80. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the January 13, 2024 through January 19, 2024 claims in the amount of \$517,991.80. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Ms. Loudermilk then presented the Board with payroll for January 19, 2024 in the amount of \$1,328,700.79 for approval. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the January 19, 2024 payroll. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Appointment to IT – Commissioners. Chris Switzer said that Scott Swan had been appointed as IT Director as follows: "This is to certify that you, Scott Swan, are appointed as the Vigo County IT Director on this 23rd day of January, 2024, for the remainder of this 2-year term expiring on December 31, 2025. In Testimony Whereas, the Vigo County Board of Commissioners have hereunto set their hands and seal this 23rd day of January, 2024." Mike Morris made a motion to approve this appointment. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Appointment to the CIB – Commissioners. Chris Switzer said next appointment was for Vigo County Capital Improvement Board as follows: "This is to certify that you, Chris Switzer, are appointed as a member of the Capital Improvement Board on the 23rd day of January, 2024, for a year term expiring on December 31, 2026. In Testimony Whereas, the Vigo County Board of Commissioners have hereunto set their hands and seal this 23rd day of January, 2024." Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve this appointment. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Appointment to the Property Tax Assessment Board (PTABOA) – Commissioners. Chris Switzer said that the final appointment was to the Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals as follows: “This is to certify that you, Jim Donohue, are appointed to the Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals (PTABOA) effective the 23rd day of January, 2024, for a one year term expiring on December 31, 2024. In Testimony Whereas, the Vigo County Board of Commissioners have hereunto set their hands and seal this 23rd day of January, 2024.” Mike Morris made a motion to approve this appointment. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Amended Board of Health Fee Collection – Health Department. Amanda Bales said this was to raise all of the fees within the Health Department. It was last updated in 2007. This was briefly discussed. Mike Morris made a motion to accept the amended Board of Health Fees Ordinance. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed. Additionally, there was an update to the ordinance for body art and ear piercing. It was last updated in 2009. With the new Health First Indiana funding, this was one of the core services that is required by that funding. New definitions had to be added to include eyelash extensions. Training requirements had also been modified. A requirement for CPR certification had also been added along with a couple of other things. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to accept this amended ordinance. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.


Public Comments. Lyle Vanlannen of the Shepardsville Volunteer Fire Department thanked the Commissioners for their due diligence regarding the information he had presented last week and would answer additional questions, if any, that the Commissioners might have. Chris Switzer said they had been in contact with EMA and learned additional details and thought most of their questions had been answered. The Commissioners are still working on a funding solution. One of the students from the CEO program asked if the Commissioners had internships. Chris Switzer said they presently do not but he would ask the County Attorney to look into it.

Comments from the Commissioners or Other Elected Officials. Assessor Kevin Gardner asked about a second appointment that the Commissioners had for PTABOA. There was a brief discussion and Chris Switzer said they would make that appointment next week, along with some others.

The meeting recessed at 9:20 a.m.

Attest:


James Bramble, Auditor


Chris Switzer


Mike Morris


Mark Clinkenbeard