Meeting of the
Vigo County Council
October 13, 2026

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, October 13, 2026
City Hall Court Room - 17 Harding Avenue
5:00 P.M.
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Members:
David Thompson – Elected, Term Expires 12/31/26
Nancy Allsup – Elected, Term Expires 12/31/26
Vicki Weger – President Pro-Tem, Elected, Term Expires 12/31/26
Randy Gentry – Caucused, Term Expires 12/31/26
Brad Anderson – Elected, Term Expires 12/31/28
Steve Ellis – President, Elected, Term Expires 12/31/28
Brenda Wilson - Elected, Term Expires 12/31/28

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Calling of the Roll**
3. **Correcting the Journal of Preceding Meetings if Needed**
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9. **Honorary Resolutions**
10. **Resolutions Related to Fiscal Policies of the Council**
11. **Appointments**
12. **Adjournment –** Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 4, 2026 in the Council Chamber

Vigo County acknowledges its responsibility to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Vigo County Government, should contact the office of Tammy York-Allen, ADA Coordinator 650 S 1st Street, Terre Haute, IN 47807, Phone 812-231-6200, e-mail tammy.york-allen@vigocounty.in.gov as soon as possible but no later than three business days before the scheduled event.

To: Vigo County Council September 18, 2026

Re: Vigo County Drug Court – Request for Appropriation

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

Vigo County Drug Court respectfully requests funding for a **Drug Court Case Manager Position for the year 2027**. The reason for the request is that a recent grant award has failed to provide enough funding to fully fund all positions for Vigo County Drug Court. This request for funds is to maintain a Drug Court Case Manager Position in order to provide continuing case management services of Drug Court participants. The Vigo County Drug Court is presenting two separate plans to address this issue.

Option 1 – Fully Funded Drug Court Case Manager Position

Expense	**Estimated Annual Cost**
Salary	$45,000.00
PERF – 14.2%	$6,390.00
FICA – 7.65%	$3,442.50
Health Insurance	$35,000.00
Total	**$89,832.50**

Option 2 – Salary-Only Funding for 2027

Expense	**Estimated Annual Cost**
Salary	$45,000.00
Total:	**$45,000.00**

We appreciate the Vigo County Council's continued support of Drug Court and its investment in effective supervision, treatment coordination, accountability, and services for Vigo County residents participating in the program.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Charles D. Johnson
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Charles D. Johnson
Presiding Judge
Vigo County Drug Court

/s/ *Taylor Trinkle*
_____
Taylor Trinkle
Coordinator
Vigo County Drug Court

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Civil	$47,292,524	$46,993,687	Under Max By: $298,837

Funds

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
Not Eligible	0005	CASINO/RIVERBOAT	$148,500	$0	$0.0000
Not Eligible	0061	RAINY DAY	$1,156,958	$0	$0.0000
Civil	0101	GENERAL	$69,823,091	$39,000,000	$0.8561
Civil	0124	2015 REASSESSMENT	$1,436,075	$1,300,000	$0.0285
Not Eligible	0702	HIGHWAY	$6,565,488	$0	$0.0000
Not Eligible	0706	LOCAL ROAD & STREET	$1,468,500	$0	$0.0000
Civil	0790	CUMULATIVE BRIDGE	$1,153,685	$1,350,523	$0.0252
Civil	0801	HEALTH	$2,613,051	$2,200,000	$0.0483
Civil	1156	EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM	$782,313	$0	$0.0000
Civil	1301	PARK & RECREATION	$2,088,328	$2,350,000	$0.0516

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Not Eligible	1310	PARK NONREVERTING - CAPITAL	$33,000	$0	$0.0000
Not Eligible	2305	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT-GENERAL	$0	$0	$0.0000
Civil	2391	CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	$407,000	$793,164	$0.0148
Not Eligible	2411	ECONOMIC DEV INCOME TAX CEDIT	$11,064,658	$0	$0.0000
			$98,740,647	**$46,993,687**	**1.0245**

Home-Rule Funds (Not Reviewed by DLGF)

Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget
9500	New Clerk Incentive	$123,200
9502	Drug Court User Fee	$21,450
9504	Plat Book	$15,510
9505	Clerk's Records Perpetuation	$126,816
9506	Clerk Title IV-D	$0
9507	Local Health Maintenance	$0
9508	Infraction Deferral	$99,934
9510	Seized Assets/Drug Task Force	$144,100
9511	Sales Disclosure - County Share	$16,500
9512	Supplemental Public Defender	$86,350
9513	Supplemental Juvenile Probation Svcs	$3,300
9514	Surveyor's Corner Perpetuation	$44,770
9515	Sheriff Sale Administration	$34,092
9516	Supplemental Adult Probation Svcs	$70,100
9519	Identification Security Protection	$11,000
9520	Recorder's Records Perpetuation	$418,459
9521	Park Non-Reverting Operating	$229,643
9522	Engineering	$489,574
9523	Emergency Planning Right to Know	$32,340
9524	CG Incentive (Title IV-D)	$220,000
9525	County Elected Officials Training	$27,500
9527	Co Auditor Ineligible Deducts	$0
9528	CASA	$0
9529	Animal Control	$0
9530	Alarm Control NR	$0
9532	Health Donation	$0
9533	LHD Trust 9101	$0

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9536	Alternative Dispute Resolution	$0
9538	Veteran's Court	$15,950
9540	LOIT Special Distribution	$0
9541	Adult Probation, DOC Grant	$0
9543	Local Road Matching Grant / Community Crossings	$3,300,000
9550	LIT - Dedicated PSAP	$3,003,160
9551	LIT - Special Purpose	$4,620,000
9552	LIT - Public Safety	$4,126,282
9553	LIT - Corr/Rehab	$5,851,354
9554	Juv Justice Center Non-Revert	$949,866
9555	Group Homes Non-Revert	$264,955
9556	Sex / Violent Crime Offender Fund	$0
9557	Health Non-Reverting	$16,500
9558	E- Share Asset Forfeiture	$0
9560	Local Public Health Services	$774,301
9574	Opioid Restricted	$275,000
9575	Public Defender IV-E Grant	$78,469
		$25,490,475

Name		Signature
Steve Ellis	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Brenda Wilson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
David Thompson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Nancy Allsup	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Brad Anderson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
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In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to isssue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes ☐ No ☐

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes ☐ No ☐

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Be it ordained/resolved by the **VIGO COUNTY** that for the expenses of **TERRE HAUTE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT , Vigo County** for the year ending December 31, **2027** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **TERRE HAUTE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT , Vigo County**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

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Civil	$2,195,578	$2,195,578	At Estimated Maximum Levy

Funds

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
Not Eligible	0061	RAINY DAY	$50,000	$0	$0.0000
Civil	8101	SPECIAL AIRPORT GENERAL	$3,400,535	$2,195,578	$0.0482
Outside Maximum Levy	8190	SPECIAL AIRPORT CUMULATIVE BLDG	$60,000	$117,903	$0.0020
			$3,510,535	**$2,313,481**	**0.0502**

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Steve Ellis	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	

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David Thompson	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	
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Civil	$0	$0	At Estimated Maximum Levy

Funds

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
Civil	8210	SPECIAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT	$455,920	$0	$0.0000
			$455,920	**$0**	**0.0000**

Name		Signature
Steve Ellis	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	
Brenda Wilson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
David Thompson	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	

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Civil	$2,889,450	$2,889,450	At Estimated Maximum Levy

Funds

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
Debt	0180	DEBT SERVICE	$390,000	$455,633	$0.0487
Civil	8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	$3,383,050	$2,889,450	$0.3088
Outside Maximum Levy	8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	$430,000	$366,611	$0.0333
			$4,203,050	**$3,711,694**	**0.3908**

Name		Signature
Steve Ellis	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Brenda Wilson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	

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Be it ordained/resolved by the **VIGO COUNTY** that for the expenses of **LOST CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT , Vigo County** for the year ending December 31, **2027** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **LOST CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT , Vigo County**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

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Civil	$288,490	$290,000	Over Max By: $1,510

Funds

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
Not Eligible	0061	RAINY DAY	$25,000	$0	$0.0000
Civil	8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	$304,710	$290,000	$0.0748
Debt	8684	SPECIAL FIRE DEBT	$104,814	$209,628	$0.0541
Outside Maximum Levy	8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	$101,000	$151,787	$0.0333
			$535,524	**$651,415**	**0.1622**

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Steve Ellis	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	

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Civil	$169,873	$169,873	At Estimated Maximum Levy

Funds

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
Civil	8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	$175,000	$169,873	$0.1079
Debt	8684	SPECIAL FIRE DEBT	$63,868	$74,802	$0.0475
Outside Maximum Levy	8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	$50,000	$61,668	$0.0333
			$288,868	**$306,343**	**0.1887**

Name		Signature
Steve Ellis	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Brenda Wilson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	

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David Thompson	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	
Nancy Allsup	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Brad Anderson	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	
Randy Gentry	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Vicki Weger	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	

ATTEST

Name	Title	Signature
Larry Hutchings	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to isssue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes ☐ No ☐

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes ☐ No ☐

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

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Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **VIGO COUNTY** that for the expenses of **PRAIRIETON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT , Vigo County** for the year ending December 31, **2027** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **PRAIRIETON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT , Vigo County**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **VIGO COUNTY**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/13/2026

Estimated Maximum Property Tax Levy
The data below represents the current estimate of the maximum amount of property taxes that can be raised for funds that are subject to a maximum property tax levy.

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Estimated Maximum Property Tax Levy	Total Property Tax Levies	Status
Civil	$359,389	$359,389	At Estimated Maximum Levy

Funds

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
Civil	8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	$337,785	$359,389	$0.3141
Outside Maximum Levy	8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	$28,900	$42,670	$0.0317
			$366,685	**$402,059**	**0.3458**

Name		Signature
Steve Ellis	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	
Brenda Wilson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	

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Nancy Allsup	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Brad Anderson	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	
Randy Gentry	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Vicki Weger	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	

ATTEST

Name	Title	Signature
Larry Hutchings	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to isssue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes ☐ No ☐

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes ☐ No ☐

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

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Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **VIGO COUNTY** that for the expenses of **RILEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT , Vigo County** for the year ending December 31, **2027** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **RILEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT , Vigo County**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **VIGO COUNTY**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/13/2026

Estimated Maximum Property Tax Levy

The data below represents the current estimate of the maximum amount of property taxes that can be raised for funds that are subject to a maximum property tax levy.

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Estimated Maximum Property Tax Levy	Total Property Tax Levies	Status
Civil	$564,230	$564,230	At Estimated Maximum Levy

Funds

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
Civil	8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	$547,975	$564,230	$0.2539
Debt	8684	SPECIAL FIRE DEBT	$81,344	$84,218	$0.0379
Outside Maximum Levy	8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	$69,400	$81,046	$0.0310
			$698,719	**$729,494**	**0.3228**

Name		Signature
Steve Ellis	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Brenda Wilson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

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David Thompson	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	
Nancy Allsup	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Brad Anderson	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	
Randy Gentry	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Vicki Weger	**Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐**	

ATTEST

Name	Title	Signature
Larry Hutchings	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to isssue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes ☐ No ☐

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes ☐ No ☐

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

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Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **VIGO COUNTY** that for the expenses of **SUGAR CREEK TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT , Vigo County** for the year ending December 31, **2027** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **SUGAR CREEK TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT , Vigo County**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **VIGO COUNTY**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/13/2026

Estimated Maximum Property Tax Levy

The data below represents the current estimate of the maximum amount of property taxes that can be raised for funds that are subject to a maximum property tax levy.

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Estimated Maximum Property Tax Levy	Total Property Tax Levies	Status
Civil	$766,419	$766,419	At Estimated Maximum Levy

Funds

Property Tax Max Levy Type	Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
Civil	8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	$700,000	$766,419	$0.3077
Debt	8684	SPECIAL FIRE DEBT	$296,111	$301,497	$0.1210
Outside Maximum Levy	8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	$75,000	$97,577	$0.0333
			$1,071,111	**$1,165,493**	**0.4620**

Name		Signature
Steve Ellis	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Brenda Wilson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

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David Thompson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Nancy Allsup	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Brad Anderson	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Randy Gentry	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	
Vicki Weger	Aye ☐ Nay ☐ Abstain ☐	

ATTEST

Name	Title	Signature
Larry Hutchings	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to isssue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes ☐ No ☐

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes ☐ No ☐

VIGO COUNTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD

CIB 2027 BUDGET

Receipts	
Terre Haute	$500,000
Vigo County	269,334
Vigo County CVB	250,000
Interest Earnings	65,000
Food & Beverage Tax	3,630,000
Total Receipts	4,714,334
Disbursements	
Capital Projects/Replacements	4,500,000
Operating Account Transfer	1,750,000
Professional Services	400,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	500,000
Debt Service	2,000,000
Total Disbursements	9,150,000

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in fill and adopted as written this 13th day of October, 2026.

Official Vote Aye	Official Vote Nay	Name	Signature
☐	☐	Brenda Wilson	
☐	☐	David Thompson	
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☐	☐	Brad Anderson	
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Date			

VIGO COUNTY
Public Safety LIT Options for Distribution to Units
For Distribution in 2027

Units	Runs	Percentage	Distributions		Distribution Combinations				
			Run	Levy	40R/60L	50R/50L	60R/40L	65R/35L	70R/30L
Honey Creek FD	2,817	35.05%	$ 115,374.73	$ 169,980.57	$ 148,138.24	$ 142,677.65	$ 137,217.07	$ 134,486.78	$ 131,756.48
Seelyville FD	992	12.34%	$ 40,628.94	$ 13,247.23	$ 24,199.92	$ 26,938.09	$ 29,676.26	$ 31,045.34	$ 32,414.43
New Goshen FD	428	5.33%	$ 17,529.42	$ 9,993.47	$ 13,007.85	$ 13,761.45	$ 14,515.04	$ 14,891.84	$ 15,268.64
Otter Creek FD	917	11.41%	$ 37,557.20	$ 18,010.39	$ 25,829.11	$ 27,783.79	$ 29,738.47	$ 30,715.81	$ 31,693.16
Pierson/Linton FD	531	6.61%	$ 21,747.95	$ 16,719.82	$ 18,731.07	$ 19,233.89	$ 19,736.70	$ 19,988.11	$ 20,239.51
Prairieton FD	222	2.76%	$ 9,092.36	$ 20,104.98	$ 15,699.93	$ 14,598.67	$ 13,497.41	$ 12,946.78	$ 12,396.15
Riley FD	624	7.77%	$ 25,556.92	$ 33,181.57	$ 30,131.71	$ 29,369.25	$ 28,606.78	$ 28,225.55	$ 27,844.31
Shepardsville FD	64	0.80%	$ 2,621.22	$ 2,802.10	$ 2,729.75	$ 2,711.66	$ 2,693.58	$ 2,684.53	$ 2,675.49
Sugar Creek FD	1,441	17.93%	$ 59,018.45	$ 45,087.07	$ 50,659.62	$ 52,052.76	$ 53,445.90	$ 54,142.47	$ 54,839.04
Total	8,036	100.00%	$ 329,127.21	$ 329,127.21	$ 329,127.21	$ 329,127.21	$ 329,127.21	$ 329,127.21	$ 329,127.21

Amount to Distribute

$ 329,127.21

RESOLUTION 2026-3
RESOLUTION MODIFYING LOCAL INCOME TAX RATES
VIGO COUNTY

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Vigo County that a need now exists to modify the local income tax rates imposed in the following way:

Allocation Rate Category	Existing LIT Rate	Proposed LIT Rate
Certified Shares (IC 6-3.6-6)	0.75%	0.75%
Public Safety (IC 6-3.6-6)	0.30%	0.30%
Economic Development (IC 6-3.6-6)	0.50%	0.50%
Property Tax Relief Rate (IC 6-3.6-5)	0.00%	0.00%
Special Purpose Tax Relief Rate (IC 6-3.6-7-25)	0.25%	0.25%
Correctional or Rehabilitation Facilities (IC 6-3.6-6-2.7)	0.20%	0.20%

The public safety allocation identified above includes revenue associated with an expenditure rate that was previously authorized for the purpose of funding the county's public safety access point ("PSAP"). The revenue associated with this rate shall be directed to the PSAP prior to the distribution of the remainder of the public safety revenue.

Allocation Rate Category	Existing LIT Rate	Proposed LIT Rate
Public Safety (IC 6-3.6-6)	0.30%	0.30%

Local Income Tax Type	Existing PSAP Rate	Proposed PSAP Rate
Public Safety Access Point Rate	0.10%	0.10%

From the LIT amount generated by the Public Safety Rate (IC 6-3.6-6), the following qualifying service providers shall receive a specified amount of the tax revenue to be distributed under this section during the following calendar year.

Service Provider Name	Amount
Honey Creek Fire Department	$ 134,486.78
Seelyville Fire Department	$ 31,045.34
New Goshen Fire Department	$ 14,891.84
Otter Creek Fire Department	$ 30,715.81
Pierson Fire Department	$ 19,988.11
Prairieton Fire Department	$ 12,946.78
Riley Fire Department	$ 28,225.55
Shepardsville Fire Department	$ 2,684.53
Sugar Creek Fire Department	$ 54,142.47

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a public hearing was held on the proposed local income tax rate modifications on October 6, 2026. Proper notice of the public hearing was provided pursuant to IC 5-3-1.

After the public hearing on Tuesday, October 6, 2026, the County Council may take action on the proposed resolution on Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 5:00 pm or a subsequent meeting. There is no remonstrance opportunity on any action taken on the proposed resolution. The public hearing identified above is the taxpayer's opportunity to express concerns and ask questions on the proposed resolution.

Dated this 22nd day of September 2026.

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in fill and adopted as written this 13th day of October, 2026.

Official Vote Aye	Official Vote Nay	Name	Signature
☐	☐	Brenda Wilson	
☐	☐	David Thompson	
☐	☐	Nancy Allsup	
☐	☐	Brad Anderson	
☐	☐	Randy Gentry	
☐	☐	Vicki Weger	
☐	☐	Steve Ellis	
Attestation by Secretary of Governing Body			
Date			

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-4

A RESOLUTION OF THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL APPROVING THE LOST CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT'S REQUEST TO ESTABLISH AND UTILIZE A DEBT SERVICEFUND AND TO ENTER INTO A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR THE ACQUISITIONOF FIRE APPARATUS

WHEREAS, the Lost Creek Fire Protection District (the "District") is a fire protection district organized and existing under Indiana Code Chapter 36-8-11; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code Chapter 36-8-11, the District is authorized to acquire firefighting apparatus and equipment necessary to provide fire protection and

emergency response services to the residents and property owners within the District; and

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36-8-11-26 authorizes fire protection districts to purchase firefighting equipment through installment conditional sale or mortgage contract financing arrangements; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Trustees of the District has determined that it is necessary and in the best interests of the District and its taxpayers to acquire a new fire apparatus to maintain and enhance the delivery of fire protection and emergency response services; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of such fire apparatus, together with related equipment, delivery costs, financing costs, and other incidental expenses, will not exceed Five Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($550,000); and

WHEREAS, the District proposes to finance the acquisition through a lease-purchase agreement with a qualified financial institution in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Five Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($550,000); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Trustees conducted a public hearing concerning the proposed financing

after notice thereof was published in accordance with applicable Indiana law; and

WHEREAS, the District anticipates making lease payments beginning in 2027 from a Debt Service Fund

established for such purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Vigo County Council finds that the acquisition of the fire apparatus serves a public

purpose and promotes the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

The Vigo County Council hereby approves the Lost Creek Fire Protection District's request to establish and utilize a Debt Service Fund in connection with the proposed lease-purchase financing for the acquisition of fire apparatus.

SECTION 2.

Pursuant to Indiana Code Chapter 36-8-11 and Indiana Code 36-8-11-26, the Vigo County Council hereby approves the District's execution and delivery of a lease-purchase agreement in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed Five Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($550,000), with a maximum term not to exceed ten (10) years.

SECTION 3.

The proceeds of the lease-purchase financing shall be used solely for the acquisition of a fire apparatus and related equipment, together with delivery costs, financing expenses, and other costs incidental thereto.

SECTION 4.

Neither the principal of nor interest upon the lease-purchase obligation shall constitute an indebtedness of Vigo County, Indiana. The obligations incurred pursuant to the lease-purchase agreement shall be payable solely from legally available revenues of the Lost Creek Fire Protection District.

SECTION 5.

The officers and representatives of the Lost Creek Fire Protection District are authorized to execute such documents and take such actions as may be necessary to complete the financing contemplated by this Resolution, subject to applicable provisions of Indiana law.

SECTION 6.

The District is authorized to submit this Resolution and all supporting documentation to the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance in connection with the proposed lease-purchase financing.

SECTION 7.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED this 13th day of October, 2026.

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-4

A RESOLUTION OF THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL APPROVING THE LOST CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT'S REQUEST TO ESTABLISH AND UTILIZE A DEBT SERVICEFUND AND TO ENTER INTO A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR THE ACQUISITIONOF FIRE APPARATUS

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in fill and adopted as written this 13th day of October, 2026.

Official Vote Aye | Nay		**Name**	**Signature**
☐	☐	Brenda Wilson	
☐	☐	David Thompson	
☐	☐	Nancy Allsup	
☐	☐	Brad Anderson	
☐	☐	Randy Gentry	
☐	☐	Vicki Weger	
☐	☐	Steve Ellis	
Attestation by Secretary of Governing Body			
Date			

RESOLUTION OF RE-ALLOCATION OF EXISTING APPROPRIATION 2026-3

It has been shown that certain existing appropriations now have unobligated balances which will not be needed for the purposes which appropriated are hereby re-allocated in the following amounts:

			REQUESTED	APPROVED
General/1000				
Prosecutor/0009				
From:	1000.24400.00000.0009	Gasoline	**$ 2,000.00**	
To:	1000.44600.00000.0009	Office Machines	**$ 2,000.00**	
From:	1000.33300.00000.0009	Contractual Services	**$ 5,000.00**	
To:	1000.44600.00000.0009	Office Machines	**$ 5,000.00**	

Approved on this 13th Day of October, 2026.

Official Vote Aye	Official Vote Nay	Name	Signature
☐	☐	Brenda Wilson	
☐	☐	David Thompson	
☐	☐	Nancy Allsup	
☐	☐	Brad Anderson	
☐	☐	Randy Gentry	
☐	☐	Vicki Weger	
☐	☐	Steve Ellis	

Attestation by Secretary of Governing Body	
Date	

ADDDITIONAL APPROPRIATION 2026-48

WHEREAS the proper officers of the Common Council of Vigo County, Indiana have determined that it is now necessary to reduce the money appropriated by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana. Now therefore:

WHEREAS notice was duly given to the public in accordance with Indiana Code 6-1.1-18-5(a) and Indiana Code 5-3-1-2(b) for a public hearing on a proposed additional appropriation and a public hearing was held on October 6, 2026, by the Vigo County Council regarding the same:

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the following fund or funds named, the additional sums of money are hereby reduced out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

FUND INFORMATION				
Fund Name: County General/1000 Location/0161				
Budget Classification	**Account Name**	**Account Number**	**Reduction Amount Requested**	**Reduction Amount Approved**
Other Services and Charges	Simplex Fire Alarm	34730	$ 88,554.95	$
Capital Outlay	Equipment New- Other	44511	$ 550,000.00	
		Total	$ **638,554.95**	$

FUND INFORMATION				
Fund Name: LIT Corr/Rehab Facilities/1233 Location/0161				
Budget Classification	**Account Name**	**Account Number**	**Reduction Amount Requested**	**Reduction Amount Approved**
Other Services and Charges	Contractual Services	33300	$ 133,000.00	$
Capital Outlay	Equipment New- Other	44511	$ 550,000.00	
		Total	$ **683,000.00**	$

CONTINUED ADDDITIONAL APPROPRIATION 2026-48

FUND INFORMATION				
Fund Name: Cumulative Capital/1138 Location/0161				
Budget Classification	**Account Name**	**Account Number**	**Reduction Amount Requested**	**Reduction Amount Approved**
Other Services and Charges	Building Repair	35450	$ 100,000.00	$
		Total	$ **100,000.00**	$

Duly adopted by the following vote of the members of said Vigo County Council this 13th day of October, 2026.

ADOPTION INFORMATION			
Official Vote Aye | Nay		**Name**	**Signature**
☐	☐	Brenda Wilson	
☐	☐	David Thompson	
☐	☐	Nancy Allsup	
☐	☐	Brad Anderson	
☐	☐	Randy Gentry	
☐	☐	Vicki Weger	
☐	☐	Steve Ellis	
Attestation by Secretary of Governing Body			
Date			

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION 2026-49

WHEREAS the proper officers of the Common Council of Vigo County, Indiana have determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money for calendar year 2026 than the amount that was fixed by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana and finally determined in the annual budget under Indiana Code 6-1.1; and

WHEREAS notice was duly given to the public in accordance with Indiana Code 6-1.1-18-5(a) and Indiana Code 5-3-1-2(b) for a public hearing on a proposed additional appropriation and a public hearing was held on October 6, 2026, by the Vigo County Council regarding the same:

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana that a need now exists for an additional appropriation out of the following fund or funds named, and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same

FUND INFORMATION				
Fund Name: County General/1000 Location/0106				
Budget Classification	**Account Name**	**Account Number**	**Additional Amount Requested**	**Additional Amount Approved**
Other Services and Charges	Licensing	30750	$ 25,000.00	$
Capital Outlays	New Equipment	44510	$ 40,000.00	
		Total	**$ 65,000.00**	$

Duly adopted by the following vote of the members of said Vigo County Council this 13th day of October, 2026.

ADOPTION INFORMATION			
Official Vote Aye	Nay	**Name**	**Signature**
☐	☐	Brenda Wilson	
☐	☐	David Thompson	
☐	☐	Nancy Allsup	
☐	☐	Brad Anderson	
☐	☐	Randy Gentry	
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☐	☐	Steve Ellis	
Attestation by Secretary of Governing Body			
Date			

REDUCTION OF APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2026- 3

WHEREAS the proper officers of the Common Council of Vigo County, Indiana have determined that it is now necessary to reduce money appropriated by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana. Now therefore:

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana that for the expenses of the following fund or funds named, the additional sums of money are hereby reduced out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same.

FUND INFORMATION				
Fund Name: Opioid Restricted/1237				
Budget Classification	**Account Name**	**Account Number**	**Additional Amount Requested**	**Additional Amount Approved**
Other Services and Charges	Drug Testing	31000	$ 60,000.00	$
		Total	**$ 60,000.00**	$

Duly adopted by the following vote of the members of said Vigo County Council this 13th day of October, 2026

ADOPTION INFORMATION			
Official Vote Aye	Nay	**Name**	**Signature**
☐	☐	Brenda Wilson	
☐	☐	David Thompson	
☐	☐	Nancy Allsup	
☐	☐	Brad Anderson	
☐	☐	Randy Gentry	
☐	☐	Vicki Weger	
☐	☐	Steve Ellis	
Attestation by Secretary of Governing Body			
Date			

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION 2026- 52

WHEREAS the proper officers of the Common Council of Vigo County, Indiana have determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money for calendar year 2026 than the amount that was fixed by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana and finally determined in the annual budget under Indiana Code 6-1.1; and

WHEREAS notice was duly given to the public in accordance with Indiana Code 6-1.1-18-5(a) and Indiana Code 5-3-1-2(b) for a public hearing on a proposed additional appropriation and a public hearing was held on October 6, 2026, by the Vigo County Council regarding the same:

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana that a need now exists for an additional appropriation out of the following fund or funds named, and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same

FUND INFORMATION				
Fund Name: Opioid Unrestricted/1238				
Budget Classification	**Account Name**	**Account Number**	**Additional Amount Requested**	**Additional Amount Approved**
Other Services and Charges	Drug Testing	31000	$ 60,000.00	$
		Total	**$ 60,000.00**	$

Duly adopted by the following vote of the members of said Vigo County Council this 13th day of October, 2026

ADOPTION INFORMATION			
Official Vote Aye	Nay	**Name**	**Signature**
☐	☐	Brenda Wilson	
☐	☐	David Thompson	
☐	☐	Nancy Allsup	
☐	☐	Brad Anderson	
☐	☐	Randy Gentry	
☐	☐	Vicki Weger	
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Attestation by Secretary of Governing Body	
Date	

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
Sunshine Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 1, 2026 at 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, Vigo County Government Center

Pledge of Allegiance
Steve Ellis called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Calling of the Roll
Brenda Wilson – present; David Thompson – present; Nancy Allsup – present; Brad Anderson – present; Randy Gentry – present; Vicki Weger – present; Steve Ellis – present.

Communications from elected officials, other officials, or agencies of the County
Council President Steve Ellis suspended the 3 minute rule for the Commissioners to make their full presentation. Council President Steve Ellis executed the adopted County Council Rule 6C. He is appointing an attorney license to practice law in in Indiana to conduct and oversee an audit of the county's financials. He executed adopted County Council Rule 2C, and requests the Auditor of the County to provide a revenue forecast for an 18-month period ending December 31st, 2027, no later than October 13, 2026. He executed adopted County Council Rule 2B, and requests the Board of Commissioners to provide a report on improvements and maintenance in the transportation system and other facilities in the county. This should include costs to the taxpayers and the scope of work completed or planned for the previous 18 months and the forward 18-month forecast. This report is requested by November 3rd. He executed adopted County Council Rule 5A and established the committee for school funding review. Steve Ellis appointed council members Nancy Allsup, Randy Gentry, and himself to this committee pursuant to and as allowed by County Council Rule 7. Council President Steve Ellis is referring the Board of Commissioners request, for funding, to the Vigo County School Corporation, to this committee for further review pursuant to County Council Rule 9. The committee shall conduct any meetings in compliance to IC 5-14-1.5 and shall report their findings in writing to the whole council when complete, also includes open door rules. He stated public comment is allowed per their normal adopted agenda structure.
Councilwoman Brenda Wilson stated she was against the actions Council President Steve Ellis made.
Councilman David Thompson mentioned an email chain from Commissioner Mark Clinkenbeard requesting a larger venue to accommodate the public interest on the school topic. Afterwards, he felt as though the Council Attorney was not acting in the best interest of the county as a whole, but advocating for one individual. He voiced his distrust and lack of confidence in Council President Steve Ellis and Council Attorney. He would like to see the Commissioner's request concerning the oversight board's recommendation back on the agenda. He would like to call for a vote of the entire council on whether it should be put on the agenda or not.
Councilman Brad Anderson mentioned holding an executive session to have their questions answered. Attorney Samantha DeWester stated under Title 5, executive sessions can only be for specific reasons and with this being a public issue, she believed it should be done in a public setting and discouraged an executive session.
Councilman Randy Gentry stated in the Council's rules that the Council Administrator and the Secretary should be notified by 12:00 p.m. 15 days prior to the Sunshine Meeting. He mentioned Commissioner Chris Switzer did not met the deadline by an email that was sent out at 3:29 p.m. He stated Council Rule 7 states any departmental request filed after the deadline requires the approval of the president to be included at the regular meeting. Auditor Larry Hutchings spoke up and mentioned his email from Commissioner Chris Switzer with the attachment was sent at 11:30 a.m.

Councilman Randy Gentry asked the Commissioners if the County has excessive funds available to do the school. Commissioner Mark Clinkenbeard stated that Baker Tilly and Crowe have proven we are in great financial shape. There was discussion on property taxes, overtaxing taxpayers, and investing our money. Jason Semler with Baker Tilly spoke on the recent downgrade from the S&P bond rating and how we can raise the rating by getting back on track with GAP reporting, internal controls resolved, and regular State Board Account Audits. Councilman Randy Gentry mentioned the Indiana Bond Bank as an option for using the state's rating of AAA for limited use within the bonding process.
Commissioner Mark Clinkenbeard asked for the Additional Appropriation 2026-37 to be removed from the agenda while they wait for another estimate on the courthouse elevator.
Commissioner Mark Clinkenbeard went into detail on why the County Commissioners are engaged in the school conversations. He spoke on attracting investments, improving infrastructure, and creating jobs to help strengthen families. He mentioned investing in our children's educations is one of the highest return on investments you can make. Commissioner Chris Switzer stated they are trying to find a way to collaborate with the Vigo County School Corporation and the Casino Foundation. There have been missed opportunities on companies due to facilities like the schools. Councilman Randy Gentry asked if during the consolidation process was there discussion on protection of school teachers and will West Vigo receive renovation money first. Councilwoman Nancy Allsup spoke on putting the shovel in the ground at West Vigo first. Mark Elliott asked the Council's appointee, Heather Pickens for an update. Heather Pickens stated they had $87,158 remaining. They do expect invoices from Barnes & Thornberg and Crowe for services to date but have not received those. Barnes & Thornberg has a dollar cap of $40,000 and Crowe is $60,000. The sum of the total invoices is just under $13,000.
Mark Elliott presented the Oversight Board's recommendation to the Council. He stated the Vigo County Oversight Board was established to provide an independent review of both the Vigo County School Corporation's long-term facilities plan and the County's financial ability to participate in the plan. They listened to what the taxpayers wanted; responsible spending, no property tax increase, better accountability, better educational opportunities, and a solution. Student enrollment is declining and maintaining 23 aging facilities is increasingly expensive. Their goal was to identify the option the delivers the greatest long-term value for Vigo County taxpayers. Their recommendation is to build a new East Side High School and fully renovate West Vigo High School. Potential funding includes Vigo County, Vigo County School Corporation, Casino Foundation, Terre Haute City participation (if approved). Quality schools influence workforce attraction, business investment, property values, young families choosing where to live, and community competitiveness. To preserve West Vigo and positively impact the future of our schools, their recommendation is to utilize the existing bonding capacity of the Vigo County School Corporation to fill this need. That's why the recommendation includes independent oversight. Our board stays in place if the county contributes money. The project cost all in is $222 million, which includes $173 million for hard costs and $50 million for soft costs and contingency. They are asking Vigo County for $15 million upfront and $6 million per year for 20 years, the City of Terre Haute for $2 million per year for 20 years (pending approval), and accepting the full gift from the Casino Foundation of nearly $100 million over the next 20 years. Through these contributions, there is an additional funding need of $62 million based on current boding rates. Their recommendation is that the school corporation use its existing bonding capacity through their property tax levy to address that remaining need. Councilman Randy Gentry spoke on the referendum process and some guidelines put in place, if we don't meet the standard or at least have the County Council come back and review it. Councilman David Thompson asked if the current plan has an increase to property taxes and how much the Casino Foundation was giving. Mark Elliott said no to increase and $94 million estimated. Councilman David Thompson asked in order to receive the foundation money, does the Council need to agree. Mark Elliott said yes there is a deadline of December 31st. Rick Burger, member of the Vigo County School Corporation Board of Trustees, stated the school corporation have enough resources available without raising property taxes for one school. If the County doesn't contribute they would need to reevaluate the current schools including West Vigo High School.

Tim Barry with Crowe spoke on personal property taxes and the shift in where those dollars come from and there will not actually be a loss of net revenue. They have reviewed the estimates of expenditures for a seven-year look forward in hope it would capture the full impact on Senate Enrolled Act One toward the County. He stated not only is it expected that your reserves are healthy today but through the life of the next seven years through 2033 your reserves are expected to be very strong and healthy. They looked into Ordinance 2022-03 that spoke on the LIT Correctional Rehab and LIT Special Purpose with the repayment of bonds and addressing the jail issues moving forward. He stated the county would continue to maintain a reserve balances in nearly 50% of your total operating costs as you look at it from that perspective moving forward under this current plan.
There was discussion on projections, being consistent with Baker Tilly numbers, personal property tax going away, Homestead credits, veteran tax credit, timeline with Casino Foundation, a location, traffic flow, maintaining facilities, reimbursement on selling properties, and layoffs.
Commissioner Mark Clinkenbeard stated they are suggesting to use EDIT funding to help fund the school project. Councilman David Thompson asked Council President Steve Ellis if this would go on the October's agenda. Steve Ellis said he still has questions and would look into a meeting.

Reports from Committees

a. **Budget Committee Update –** There was none.

Resolutions and Ordinances Other than Appropriations – First Reading

a. First Reading of Vigo County 2027 Budget

Auditor Larry Hutchings gave the first reading of the 2027 annual budget for Vigo County as follows: Notice to taxpayers is available online at www.budgetnotices.in.gov or by calling 888-739-9826. Complete details of budget estimates by fund and/or department may be seen by visiting the office of this unit of government at 131 Oak St. Terre Haute, IN 47807. Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of Vigo County, Indiana that the proper officers of Vigo County will conduct a public hearing on the year 2027 budget. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of Vigo County not more than seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy to which taxpayers object. If a petition is filed, Vigo County shall adopt with the budget a finding concerning the objections in the petition and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the proper officers of Vigo County will meet to adopt the following budget. Public hearing date – Tuesday, September 1, 2026 at 5pm at 127 Oak St. Terre Haute, Indiana. The adoption meeting will be Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 5pm at 17 Harding St. Terre Haute, Indiana. Total budget estimate - $124,231,122 with a maximum estimated funds to be raised (including appeals and levies exempt from maximum levy limitations - $46,993,687.

b. First Reading of the Binding Units 2027 Annual Budgets

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fund and/or department may be seen by visiting the office of this unit of government at 131 Oak St. Terre Haute, IN 47807. Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of the Terre Haute International Airport, Vigo County Solid Waste Management District, Honey Creek Fire Protection District, Lost Creek Fire Protection District, New Goshen Fire Protection District, Prairieton Fire Protection District, Riley Fire Protection District, Sugar Creek Township Fire District, and the Vigo County Capital Improvement Board that the proper officers of Vigo County will conduct a public hearing on the year 2027 budget. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of Vigo County not more than seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy to which taxpayers object. If a petition is filed, Vigo County shall adopt with the budget a finding concerning the objections in the petition and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the proper officers of Vigo County will meet to adopt the following budget. Public hearing date – Tuesday, September 1, 2026 at 5pm at 127 Oak St. Terre Haute, Indiana. The adoption meeting will be Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 5pm at 17 Harding St. Terre Haute, Indiana. Total budget estimate for Terre Haute International Airport -$4,343,580. Total budget estimate for Vigo County Solid Waste Management District -$455,920. Total budget estimate for Honey Creek Fire Protection District -$4,203,050. Total budget estimate for Lost Creek Fire Protection District -$535,524. Total budget estimate for New Goshen Fire Protection District -$288,868. Total budget estimate for Prairieton Fire Protection District -$366,685. Total budget estimate for Riley Fire Protection District -$698,719. Total budget estimate for Sugar Creek Township Fire District -$1,071,111.

c. First Reading of the CIB 2027 Budget

The Capital Improvement Board 2027 Budget was then presented to the Council. Total receipts: $4,714,334. Total disbursements: $9,150,000.

d. Ordinance 2026-3: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 96-2-1996 Providing for the Reimbursement of Expenses Incurred During the Investigation and Prosecution of Forfeiture and Rico Actions

Terry Modesitt, Vigo County Prosecutor, stated this is an ordinance that revises or amends an ordinance that was passed back in 1996 that attempts to mirror the statute of Indiana that discusses how the prosecutor's offices to handle any forfeitures and the money that they receive from forfeitures. Taft Law Firm represents Modesitt’s office on the forfeitures and Chou-il Lee has prepared this ordinance.

Ordinances Related to Appropriations – First Reading

a. **Additional Appropriation 2026-37:** Commissioners – Courthouse Elevator **TABLED**

b. **Additional Appropriation 2026-42:** Prosecutor – Seized Assets/Drug Task Force

Terry Modesitt, Vigo County Prosecutor, stated this was not taxpayer money but all money they were able to obtain and it would be passed through to law enforcement.

c. **Additional Appropriation 2026-47:** Sheriff – Gasoline

Derek Fell, County Sheriff, stated there would be shortfall with fuel this year for patrol vehicles so this amount of $110,0000 would get them through the remaining of the yea

Public Comment

Richards Bowers, Northern Vigo County, mentioned he was tired of being taxed, he would vote no.
Eddie Felling, was questioning the creation of Steve Ellis' committee and if it was a standing or an ad hoc committee? What did you assign to that committee?
Matt Lamier, 363 West Cutsinger Drive, also questioning if the committee was standing or an ad hoc? Steve Ellis said he would have Samantha DeWester, look into his question.
Ross Cadick asked for the Council to support the findings of the Oversight Committee and approve the recommendations to help fund new schools. Children need updated technology and facilities to prepare them for their future.
Samantha DeWester, under rule five 5A. It looks like there's one standing committee of the council. So this would be an ad hoc because the president of the council may appoint any other committee as necessary for business of the council.
Glenna Cheeseman, Vigo County CASA Director, gave a brief summary of what CASA is and does for children with limited resources. She is requesting financial assistance for her 2027 budget.
Leah Irwin, CASA staff advocate, stated her position would be eliminated if funding is not provided and 46 children will be affected.
Renee Ziggler, CASA employee, read a letter from a parent who is asking for Council to consider the needs for the CASA program and spoke on her family's relationship with CASA and hwat they have done for them.
Chase Nate Camper, student, mentioned he would like for the council members to visit the schools and attend the Oversight Committee Board meetings. He spoke on retaining students here in the county by focusing on opportunities 6.2 can offer.
David Drummond, 86 Ferndale Drive, mentioned his expertise was in artificial intelligence. His website can inform those on this subject.
Ryan Copeland, senior at Terre Haute North, spoke on health risks and wanting opportunities to be able to stay in the community.
Rosemary Scott, is for new construction on site and not a mega high school.
Olivia Cordray, 8175 Wabash Avenue said change can be hopeful and exciting. Well-educated youth creates a better tomorrow.
Abby Jones, 6133 Hill Haven Road, has a clinical base job that works within 29 school districts. She would like more opportunities through more access.
Rose Taylor, senior at Terre Haute South, spoke on having the proper tools to succeed.

Curtis DeBaun, Vigo County teacher whose school is on the list to close and just ask that they do the consolidation right.
Jodie Kimbo, taxpayer, parent, educator, and she is opposed to the Vigo County School Corporation's plan to build a mega school. She believes the cost is too high and the funding is unpredictable, and believes property taxes would be raised.
Brandon Sakbun, Mayor of Terre Haute City, appointed to a statewide task force through the Indiana Chamber called Indiana 2035. Sagamore Institute created a textbook called Workforce 240 that outlines problems counties across the state are facing with a growing economy. HE mentions Vigo County's unemployment rate is now 3%.
Louise Merose Kaddick, spoke on the little that we have to offer children.
Ola Ven, senior at Terre Haute South, mentioned growth needs to happen to evolve.
Robert Ison, community will die if we do not provide opportunities.
Summer Liot, is a Terre Haute North teacher and states they need to invest in the kids.
Alan Nurse, student, spoke on the Brownsburg remodel and the possibility of new opportunities.
Anthony Rubinacci, 4901 S. Robinson Place, created a petition that has 740 signatures and a 7 to 1 ratio against the opposition.
CASA employee, spoke on the state funding cuts towards CASA and asks Council to help bridge the gap.
Ben Caddick, Student for Change, in support of schools.
Tammy Boland, 2220 S. 19th Street, mentioned the committee Steve Ellis created and since it was determined that it was a an ad hoc committee she believed you have to state what the scope of the committee is.
Councilwoman Brenda Wilson made a motion to fire the County Council's Attorney. Council President Steve Ellis said he didn't know if they were allowed to vote tonight but she could make her proposal at the next meeting.
Tim Ramser, Edgewood Grove, was impressed with all the youth who were speaking to the topic.
Jennifer Sears, 606 Valley Road, mentioned the pride she has in her community is the teachers and school, tired of being the underdog.
Zion O. stated the choices the Council makes affect the future generations.
Councilman David Thompson asked Eddie Felling if they needed to do anything with the committee that was formed. Eddie Felling stated that is why he was asking because yo uhave todefine what the reason for forming the committee is and there has to be some defined end to it. Council President Steve Ellis said the committee is to set together so they can meet with the Commissioners, Oversight Board, Superintendent, Vigo County Assessor to find out the impact with tax changes and an overall better understanding. They want to make sure they are ot putting the future council members in a position where they have to cut resources and services to the community as a result of them not doing their due diligence today. Councilman David Thompson asked when does it end. Council President Steve Ellis said if you need an end date, then December 31st.

Appointments
There were none.

Adjournment

Brad Anderson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Randy Gentry seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

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VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 MEETING MINUTES

Presented to the Vigo County Council and adopted this 13th day of October, 2026.
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ADOPTION INFORMATION			
Official Vote Aye	Nay	**Name**	**Signature**
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Attestation by Secretary of Governing Body			
Date			

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, Vigo County Government Center

Pledge of Allegiance
Steve Ellis called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Calling of the Roll
Brenda Wilson – present; David Thompson – present; Nancy Allsup – present; Brad Anderson – present; Randy Gentry – present; Vicki Weger – present; Steve Ellis – present.

Correcting the Journal of the Preceding Meetings if Needed
August 4, 2026 Sunshine Meeting
August 11, 2026 Council Meeting

There were no corrections to the August 4, 2026 Sunshine Meeting, Councilman Randy Gentry made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2026 Sunshine Meeting. Councilman David Thompson seconded the motion. Councilwoman Brenda Wilson abstain.
The motion passed upon a vocal vote of 6-0.

There were no corrections to the August 11, 2026 Council Meeting, Councilman Randy Gentry made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2026 Council Meeting. Councilwoman Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Councilman David Thompson abstain.
The motion passed upon a vocal vote of 6-0.

Communications from Elected Officials or Agencies of the County
Council President Steve Ellis stated during the next budget hearings they would revisit opioid funding and review CASA positions. He mentioned the ad hoc committee would be meeting on September 29th. Commissioner Mark Clinkenbeard approached Council and stated they had made an agreement that Commissioners, other entities, and the committee would get together within 7 days so he doesn't understand why they are waiting to hold a meeting until September 29th. Councilwoman Brenda Wilson gave a statement of concerns before making her motion. Councilwoman Brenda Wilson motioned that the Vigo County Council terminate Samantha DeWester services as attorney for the Vigo County Council effective immediately subject to any applicable contractual or legal requirements. Councilman Randy Gentry stated in the County Council's Rule 6c, "The president may appoint an attorney license to practice law in Indiana to conduct and oversee and audit the county's financials." Council President Steve Ellis stated the motion was Out of Order and that they would continue with current counsel. Councilman David Thompson seconded the motion. Council President Steve Ellis said the motion was out of order and they cannot remove someone that is an appointment.
Councilman David Thompson made a motion to the extent of Resolution 2026-2 concerning the new Vigo County High School has been referred to any committees. #1 The committee is dissolved from further consideration. #2 The secretary be directed to place Resolution 2026-2 on the agenda for the October Sunshine meeting for the first reading and discussion. Following the first reading and subject to all applicable notice requirements, Resolution 2026-2 be placed on the agenda for October regular

meeting for consideration and a vote. Councilwoman Brenda Wilson seconded the motion. Council President Steve Ellis stated the resolution was sent to committee and after a few meetings then someone can put the resolution back on the agenda. Councilman David Thompson appealed Ellis' ruling and made a motion that the council determines whether his ruling should be sustained. Councilwoman Brenda Wilson seconded the motion. Council President Steve Ellis looked to Attorney DeWester for advice on if they were allowed to sustain his ruling or if we could move forward. Attorney DeWester asked for some time to figure out the ruling. Councilman Brad Anderson would like to see an Executive Session if legal or a Special Call meeting be set up for all 7 council members to be able to attend, to have their questions answers in regards to the new school. Council President Steve Ellis offered to replace Councilwoman Nancy Allsup with Councilwoman Brenda Wilson to sit on an ad hoc committee. Councilwoman Brenda Wilson questioned if she could sit on the committee knowing she made the second motion to disband the committee.

Public Comment

Summer Ligget is a special education teacher at North and she spoke on her meaning of part-time hours and on wanting a better school then what kids have at home.
Lydia Bridgewater, 21 N. 36th St., is here, representing for the kids in hopes of new opportunities.
Terri Potter, 221 Woodbine, is a teacher at North, who spoke on saying yes to 6.2 for West Vigo middle and high schools to receive a remodel which will keep it operational and efficient.
Caroline Potter, 129 S 26th St., is a graduate from North, who moved way for college and is now back home. She mentioned if the consolidation does not happen, she will likely move away to a surrounding county to raise her kids.
Kylie Reed, 7358 E Blinn Court, she is a coach at South. She would like to see the resources and opportunities for all students. Female athletes were not thought about when the school was built.
Steven Allen, 13649 E. Rio, has been in construction for 20 years. He feels the issue is whether or not the county should commit public money to a project that is still missing basic answers.
Rosemary Scott, 7410 S. Pine Hill St., states the Council is the loan officer. She mentioned at the Labor Day Parade people did not agree with the consolidation.
Jodie Kimbo, 3204 N. 26th , Spoke on poverty and living within our means.
Earl Elliott, 57 W. Lauren Blvd, listed out facts from the Indiana bill, Oversight Committee, Crowe, and BakerTilly.
Eddie Felling, 400 Ohio Street, mentioned there was a motion on the floor with an appeal of the president. He stated Robert's Rules of Order is also a part of the Council's rules.
Marty Marrs, local business owner, spoke on school improvements, not having property tax raised, and referendum never passing.
Kelsey Hancewicz, 3712 N. Shrinewood St., spoke on Indiana Code 36-2-3.7-5.

Reports from Committees

There were none.

Resolutions and Ordinances Other than Appropriations

a. **Ordinance 2026-3:** An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 96-2-1996 Providing for the Reimbursement of Expenses Incurred During the Investigation and Prosecution of Forfeiture and Rico Actions

Councilman Randy Gentry made a motion to remove Ordinance No. 96-2-1996. Councilwoman Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: David Thompson-aye, Brenda Wilson-aye, Nancy Allsup-aye, Brad Anderson-aye, Randy Gentry-aye, Vicki Weger-aye, Steve Ellis-aye.
With a vote of 7-0, the motion passed.

Councilman Randy Gentry mentioned they received a revised ordinance that was submitted and came from the IP Indiana Prosecuting Attorney's Council. Councilman Randy Gentry made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 96-2-29-1996. Councilwoman Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: David Thompson-aye, Brenda Wilson-aye, Nancy Allsup-aye, Brad Anderson-aye, Randy Gentry-aye, Vicki Weger-aye, Steve Ellis-aye.
With a vote of 7-0, the motion passed.

Ordinances Relating to Appropriations

a. **Additional Appropriation 2026-42:** Prosecutor – Seized Assets/Drug Task Force

Council President Steve Ellis asked if any of these funds would be spent at a business that he owns. Rob Roberts stated from what was provided to him for the intention of those funds, nothing is expected to go towards firearms or anything that would be in any business of his. Councilman Randy Gentry asked if the appropriation complies with Indiana Law. Rob Roberts said yes. Councilwoman Vicki Weger made a motion to approve the appropriation. Councilwoman Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: David Thompson-aye, Brenda Wilson-aye, Nancy Allsup-aye, Brad Anderson-aye, Randy Gentry-aye, Vicki Weger-aye, Steve Ellis-aye.
With a vote of 7-0, the motion passed.

b. **Additional Appropriation 2026-47:** Sheriff – Gasoline

Councilman Randy Gentry made a motion to approve the appropriation. Councilwoman Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: David Thompson-aye, Brenda Wilson-aye, Nancy Allsup-aye, Brad Anderson-aye, Randy Gentry-aye, Vicki Weger-aye, Steve Ellis-aye.
With a vote of 7-0, the motion passed.

Honorary Resolutions

There were none.

Resolutions Relating to Fiscal Policies of the Council

There were none.

Appointments

There were none.

Adjournment

Councilman Randy Gentry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman David Thompson-nay. He would like a ruling on his motions, one whether the ruling should be sustained and the original motion was to extent Resolution 2026-2 concerning the new Vigo County high school. That the committee was dissolved and the secretary be directed to place Resolution 2026-2 back on October's Sunshine meeting for the first reading and discussion. Following the first reading and subject to all applicable noticeable requirements, Resolution 2026-2 be placed on the agenda for the October regular meeting for consideration and a vote. Attorney Samantha DeWester stated "Under Robert's Rules it appears that if there is an appeal, there was a preposition, and a second, denied, and then appeals. It requires you can call a vote and requires a majority to reverse what you had just said or done." Councilman David Thompson made a motion that the council determines whether the ruling should be sustained. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: David Thompson-nay, Brenda Wilson-nay, Nancy Allsup-aye, Brad Anderson-nay, Randy Gentry-aye, Vicki Weger-aye, Steve Ellis-aye.
With a vote of 4-3, the motion passed.

Councilman Randy Gentry made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

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MINUTES OF THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2026

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