

## Vermillion County Council

### Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2023

6:30 P.M.

Commissioner's Court, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Courthouse

- I. **Call to Order.** The Council convened in a regular meeting on January 9, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commissioner's Courtroom.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.**
- III. **Roll Call.** Members present were President Ashley James, Vice President Rick Weir, Neil Costello, Kelly Summerville, Tammie Brown, Jeff Bose, Martin Brown, Auditor, Brenda Furry, Deputy Auditor, Leigh Ann Smith, and County Council Attorney, DJ Bonomo.
- IV. **Selection of officers.** Weir made a motion to nominate Ashley James as President, M. Brown seconded, all in favor motion carried. Summerville nominated Weir as Vice President, Costello seconded, all in favor motion carried.
- V. **Approval of Minutes.** James acknowledge the December 12, 2022 meeting minutes. Costello stated a correction was needed regarding Economic Development/Reuse Authority amount was only \$4200 and should be \$42,000. Summerville made a motion to approve with correctios, and seconded by M. Brown. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. **Treasurer's Report.** President, James acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's Report and a Financial Fund report for the county. No Comment.
- VII. **Transfer of Funds- Report only-** County Sheriff requested that \$2,801.47 be transferred from (21700) Tire & Tubes to (21500) Gas & Oil; he also requested \$6,201.76 be transferred from (21601) Flares, Ammo & Boat Repair, to (21500) Gas & Oil; Commissioners \$50,000 be transferred from (33405) Unsafe Bldg. to (30570) Professional Services; Public Defender \$350.00 from (31801) Depositions to (33702) Reimbursable Expenses; WCIPDO \$1.00 from (12301) Medicare to (12900) Perf; Economic Development \$18.50 from (12301) Medicare to (12600) Unemployment; and County Health \$1,030.72 from (12300) Social Security to (12500) Group Insurance for \$897.82 and (12900) Perf for \$132.90. No approval needed.  
  
**Transfer of Funds-Approval by Council-**  
MVH requested transfer in the amount of \$5,737.74 from (12400) Workman's Comp transferring to (33508) Liability & Casualty Insurance. This was requested to cover the rise in insurance cost for 2023. A motion was made to approve the transfer by Weir and seconded by Costello. All in favor, motion carried.
- VIII. **Additional Appropriations.** The Council considered additional appropriations as published. President Ashley James reviewed the appropriations from the written requests submitted by Auditor Brenda Furry. Thus, the following ordinance was adopted: WHEREAS: it has been determined it is now necessary to appropriate more money that was appropriated in the annual budget for 2023, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Council of Vermillion County Indiana, for the expenses of said county government, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set out of the funds herein specified, subject to the law governing the same:

<u>FUND/DEPT</u>	<u>AMOUNT REQUESTED</u>	<u>AMOUNT APPROVED</u>
1000/Commissioners	\$35,897.08	\$35,897.08

To cover increase in County Cyber Liability, Property & Inland Marine, General Liability, Auto, Umbrella and Terrorism insurance. A motion was made to approve the additional appropriations by Weir and seconded by Summerville. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>FUND/DEPT</u>	<u>AMOUNT REQUESTED</u>	<u>AMOUNT APPROVED</u>
8124 / Stop Grant	\$8,500	\$4,835.45

Additional funds for grant increased amount for part time prosecutor. Approval of appropriation by Weir and seconded by M. Brown. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>FUND/DEPT</u>	<u>AMOUNT REQUESTED</u>	<u>AMOUNT APPROVED</u>
1209 / Victim Assistance	\$100.00	\$100.00

Grant gave Victim Assistant an increase of \$100.00 A motion as made to approve the additional appropriation by M. Brown and seconded by Weir. All in favor, motion carried.

**IX. New Business**

- a. **Sex Offender Registration Officer:** Sheriff Mike Holtkamp asked the Council to use \$12,850 from the Part-Time Secretary line to set up an account for a Sex Offender Registration Officer. This is due to the increase in time allocated, need and requirement from the state for this position. Holtkamp only asked for half of the Part-Time Secretary position as he has other plans for the remaining funds at a later date. A motion was made by M. Brown and seconded by Summerville. All in favor, motion carried.
- b. **Amended Salary Ordinance for Soil & Water:** This was discussed but due to it needing to also be an additional appropriation and not being advertised it will have to be addressed at the next meeting.
- c. **Board Appointments:**
  - i. *Alcohol & Beverage Board* – Cynthia Myers, motion to appoint made by Summerville and seconded by Weir, all in favor, motion carried.
  - ii. *E911* – moved to allow Commissioners to appoint first due to applicants needing to live in required area.
  - iii. *PTABOA* – Sandra Whitaker, motion to appoint made by Weir and seconded by M. Brown, all in favor, motion carried.
  - iv. *Solid Waste* – Rick Weir, motion to appoint made by M. Brown, seconded by Costello, all in favor, motion carried.
  - v. *Vermillion County Library* – No applicants at this time.
  - vi. *Thrive* – William Rennels, motion to appoint made by Weir and seconded by M. Brown, all in favor, motion carried.
  - vii. *Redevelopment Commission* – John Moore, motion to appoint made by Weir, seconded by Summerville, all in favor, motion carried. A motion to appoint Kelly Summerville was made by Ashley James and seconded by M. Brown, all in favor, motion carried.

**X. Public Comment-**

- a. Mark Oheir has applied for a \$20,000 grant to purchase a new truck. He is asking the council for the additional \$25,400 needed to purchase the truck. He will be asking for the grant money and additional to be advertised and then discussed at the next Council meeting.
- b. Oren Sutherlin thanked the Council for all their support in helping to fund the Redevelopment Commission’s work. He also praised John Moore’s work with the commission and the county.

**XI. Adjourn**

Motion to Adjourn made by M. Brown and seconded by Weir. All in favor.  
Meeting Adjourned.

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*Ashley James*

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*Rick Weir*

Rick Weir

*Neil Costello*

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*Kelly Summerville*

Kelly Summerville

*Tammie Brown*

Tammie Brown

*Jeff Bose*

Jeff Bose

*Martin Brown*

Martin Brown

Attest:

*Brenda J. Furry*

Brenda J. Furry, Auditor