

**Vermillion County Council
Meeting Minutes**

February 9th, 2026

6:30 P.M.

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
 - All present except for Furry
- IV. Approval of Minutes for January 12th, 2026
 - Summerville motions to approve minutes from January 12th, 2026
Costello seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried
 - Costello states that the minutes say that Costello thinks comp time should be paid out the week it's earned. It should say overtime should be paid out the week it's earned.
 - Mahan name needs corrected
 - Removed and extra send in the sentence.
 - The date at the top has 2025 instead of 2026
 - Corrections have been made
- V. Monthly Treasure Report
Council acknowledges monthly treasures report.

VI. Transfer of Funds-

TRANSFERRING FROM FUND/ACCOUNT	TRANSFERRING TO FUND/ACCOUNT	AMOUNT TRANSFERRED	1 ST /2 ND
1000.17000.0105	1000.14000.0105	\$4,000.00	RW/JB Passed
Approved the transfer and Sheriff's line Sixth Deputy to Third Deputy in the amount of \$4,000.			
TRANSFERRING FROM FUND/ACCOUNT	TRANSFERRING TO FUND/ACCOUNT	AMOUNT TRANSFERRED	1 ST /2 ND
1000.12101.0132	1000.12100.0132	\$470.00	Reporting Only
To move extra jailer 1 instead of splitting the extra between two jailers.			
TRANSFERRING FROM FUND/ACCOUNT	TRANSFERRING TO FUND/ACCOUNT	AMOUNT TRANSFERRED	1 ST /2 ND
31801 - \$1,664.20 32200 - \$154.72	33801	\$1,818.92	Reporting Only
West Central Indiana Public Defenders Office asked for a transfer from depositions and postage into non-contractual Attorneys fees.			
TRANSFERRING FROM FUND/ACCOUNT	TRANSFERRING TO FUND/ACCOUNT	AMOUNT TRANSFERRED	1 ST /2 ND

1000.32200.00000.0108	1000.31380.00000.0108	\$400.00	Reporting Only
Prosecutor is asking to transfer from transcripts to witness fees.			
TRANSFERRING FROM FUND/ACCOUNT	TRANSFERRING TO FUND/ACCOUNT	AMOUNT TRANSFERRED	1ST/2ND
11000.00000.0101	15000.00000.0101	\$3,100.00	RW/JB PASSED
Moving money to Fourth Deputy position from elected position fund until additional Appropriation is made in March. Money will then be put back into elected position.			

VII. Additional Appropriations

ACCOUNT/DEPT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	1ST/2ND
17 cases set for Jury Trial on 3/17/2026. They want to make sure they have these fees available for future trials.			
31380-108	Witness Fees	\$3,000.00	NC/JB PASSED
ACCOUNT/DEPT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	1ST/2ND
Health Department received donations and are asking for that to be put into their health fund 1159 into their donation fund so that they can use the donation. From the Carpenters local 133 for their food distribution.			
21300.000.0214	Donation Fund	\$200.00	NC/TB
ACCOUNT/DEPT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	1ST/2ND
From Health Fund 1161 to Operating Expenses for the Health Program. This is the remaining balance they have left over for their funds. They need them appropriated in order to spend them since their year doesn't end until June.			
21300.000.0214	Operating Expenses	\$1,366.23	NC/RW PASSED
ACCOUNT/DEPT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	1ST/2ND
Set up Preparedness Grant for 2025/2026 through June 30,2026			

11113.000.0445	Preparedness Coordinator	\$6,814.00	RW/JB PASSED
12300.000.0445	Social Security	\$461.20	
12301.000.0445	Medicare	\$108.40	
12600.000.0445	Unemployment	\$150.00	
12900.000.0445	PERF	\$711.76	
30303.000.0445	Operating Expenses	\$5,959.66	
32400.000.0445	Travel	\$1,805.00	
33404.000.0445	Storage Units	\$1,500.00	
35101.000.0445	Registration & Conferences	\$890.00	
		Total of \$18,400.02	
ACCOUNT/DEPT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	1ST/2ND
Vaccine funds given by the Indiana Dept of Health to Health Department to be used at the Health Department discretion for whatever needs the Health Department may have. This is out of our cash we have setting in the fund.			
30303.000.0214	Operating Expenses	\$156,771.22	RW/JB PASSED
35100.000.0214	Training & Conferences	10,000.00	
12800.000.0214	Overtime	5,000.00	
11702.000.0214	Extra Help	10,000.00	
ACCOUNT/DEPT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	1ST/2ND
Grant money put into jail budget			
1000.12100.0132	Jailer 1	\$120.00	RW/NC PASSED
1000.12101.0132	Jailer 2	\$120.00	
1000.12102.0132	Jailer 3	\$120.00	
1000.12103.0132	Jailer 4	\$120.00	
1000.12104.0132	Jailer 5	\$120.00	
1000.12105.0132	Jailer 6	\$120.00	
1000.12106.0132	Jailer 7	\$120.00	
1000.12107.0132	Jailer 8	\$120.00	
1000.12108.0132	Jailer 9	\$120.00	
1000.12112.0132	Jailer 10	\$120.00	
		Total of \$1,200.00	
ACCOUNT/DEPT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	1ST/2ND
Overtime not added during budget			
1000.12800.0136	Overtime	\$5,000.00	NC/JB PASSED
1000.12800.0151	Overtime	\$3,000.00	

ACCOUNT/DEPT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED	1 ST /2 ND
Cornerstone Perpetuation Fund budget for surveyor supplies			
0106.1202.21204	Surveyor Supplies	\$1844.40	RW/NC PASSED

VIII. Old Business

-None

IX. New Business

- a. Hamilton Center-Submitted their yearly report.
- b. Tami Lowry-County Clerk Fourth Deputy position is needed. Lowry is out of the office often due to ongoing health issues. Also, another will be off for several weeks when she has her baby. We have an election in 2026, 2027, and 2028 which is a second job for my office. Asking \$40,000 for the position. That amount will cover the social security, Medicare, life insurance, and medical insurance that they may receive.

Weir motion to add a Fourth Deputy to the Clerk's budget with the intended amount being \$40,000 a year with the stipulation of doing a transfer to cover the cost for the Fourth Deputy until an additional appropriation in March.

Bose seconds

5-1 Summerville voted no, motion carries

X. Public Comments

- a. The council discussed the Parks Board positions and determined that the two available seats should be staggered. Four years ago, both members were appointed at the same time, which caused the current issue. Scott Craig is preparing a document to correct this. Mr. Zumwalt's term will be extended by two years to properly stagger the positions. This leaves one seat to be appointed in 2026 for a four-year term. Because the number of open seats has changed from two to one, the council will extend the current application period until March to allow time for feedback or additional questions. Current applications will remain valid unless an applicant requests to withdraw. There is one seat available for appointment or reappointment, and the other seat will be extended to restore the proper staggering of terms.
- b. The Perrysville Volunteer Fire Department raised concerns about unpaid funds related to serving as a temporary ambulance station. Originally, \$150,000 had been approved to purchase a house in Cayuga, but after inspection revealed major issues and high additional costs, officials chose not to proceed. Instead, during the June 18, 2024 joint commissioners and council meeting, the funds were reallocated. The new plan included \$50,000 for renovations at the Perryville station, \$5,000 for furnishings, \$10,000 for utility and insurance reimbursements, and \$30,000 for supplies for both Perryville and Clinton stations. Perrysville also offered \$25,000 of its LIT funds toward renovation costs. The arrangement was intended to be temporary (approximately six months to a year) while planning for a permanent

North Vermillion site. The county paid \$48,700 in December 2024 for construction, but other reimbursements were delayed because required invoices were not submitted. There was discussion of \$1,500 monthly rent, but no contract was created and no rent was budgeted. Officials acknowledge money is still owed but the exact amount is unclear. A joint meeting with commissioners and Perrysville is proposed to review documentation, clarify the agreement, and resolve payment.

No one opposed scheduling that meeting.

- c. A transfer in the amount of \$3,100. It is transferring \$3,100 from elected official in the clerk's office to the Fourth Deputy in the same amount of \$3,100 Is there a motion for the transfer?

Weir motions for \$3,100 transfer in the Clerk's Office in the general fund from the elected official to Fourth Deputy. Mr. Bose seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried

XI. Adjourn

- XII. Weir makes the motion to adjourn. Mr. Summerville seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

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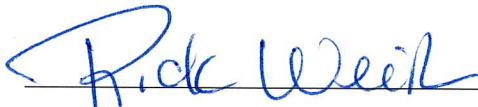
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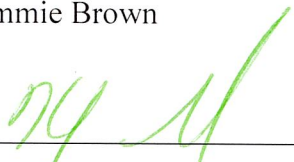
Rick Weir



Neil Costello



Tammie Brown



Kelly Summerville



Jeff Bose

Attest:

Ron Dunavan

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3/9/2026

Date