

RE: TRANSFER OF FUNDS
 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS
 IDHS
 2012 BUDGETS
 HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

Minutes
Vermillion County Council
July 11, 2011
Commissioners Courtroom, Courthouse, Newport, Indiana

President Mike Carty called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and declared a quorum of Mike Carty, Lavonna Mattick, Randy Dreher, Randy Padish, Brent Bush, and Jim McLain. Mike Costello was absent.

Also present were: Attorney Don Darnell and First Deputy Amy Tolbert.

Carty led in the Pledge to the Flag.

Minutes from the prior meeting. Mattick motion to allow, seconded by Bush.

Transfer of Funds. Adult Probation. \$27.93 from Adult incentive to Unemployment. Padish motion to allow, seconded by Mattick. All were in favor.

Additional Appropriations. Recorder ID Security Protection Fund. \$263 for redaction support for July 1, 2011 thru June 30, 2012. Recorder Porter said the money comes from fees paid to the office and is not taxpayer dollars. She said the commissioners had already signed the contract for 5 years to lock in the price. Carty said he felt the commissioners should not approve contracts without the appropriation already approved by the council, as they are obligating the county to spend money without approval. Commissioner Craig suggested the council send out a memo to the commissioners stating this. Carty said they would do that. Dreher motion to allow the additional, seconded by Mattick. Carty was opposed.

County General. EOC. \$3,250 from a grant that was repaid to the county per Mark O'heir. O'heir said they had purchased notebook computers with the grant money and they received the grant due to going above and beyond and earning extra points. Bush made a motion to allow, seconded by Dreher. All were in favor.

Old Business

IDHS. Craig said that Spurr had made contact with the IDHS and the option had been raised of going through an arbitration process rather than going into court over the matter,

and the commissioners prefer to do that rather than deal with a lengthy and expensive court process. The council agreed that arbitration was probably a better option than a lawsuit.

2012 Budgets. Carty said they were holding a special meeting tomorrow, July 12th with Governmental Consulting Services in regards to what changes need to be made. He advised all council members to think about what they want to accomplish during the budget process, and what changes, if any, should be made this year.

Highway Equipment. Craig asked where things stood regarding requests he had presented in June about Highway equipment and the possibility of the insurance being funded from the general fund. Dreher asked if there were particular districts that needed specific equipment more than others and Craig said district 3 does not need new side-mount mowers as badly as the other districts, while district 2's mower is in the worst shape. Carty said the council had been asked to take those requests under advisement and if the commissioners wanted to make a specific request, they needed to file an additional appropriation request to formalize it. He also said he would like to have a better idea of what the county can afford before making such decisions. Dreher said the matter with the insurance would be handled during budget hearings. Craig said that was fine as long as they could keep things moving. Carty asked if the equipment needed was in the 2012 budget requests and Craig said it was not. Carty said he would be able to give the commissioners a better answer after talking to GCS.

Dreher moved to adjourn, seconded by Mattick. Motion carried unanimously.

Read in full and approved by the Vermillion County Council on the 8th day of August 2011.

Mike Carty

Randy Padish

Randy Dreher

Mike Costello

Lavonna Mattick

Brent Bush

Jim McLain

Attest: _____
Phyllis Orman, Auditor