

Vermillion County Council Meeting Agenda

Monday April 9, 2012

7:00 pm

Commissioners Courtroom, Courthouse, Newport, Indiana

Type of Meeting: Monthly Meeting

Invitees: Public Meeting

I. Call to order

II. Roll Call. President Mike Carty, Vice-President Randy Padish, Brent Bush, Lavonna Mattick, Randy Dreher, Jim McLain, Mike Costello, Attorney Don Darnell, First-Deputy Amy Tolbert, and Payroll Deputy Becky Julian.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting. Padish made a motion to approve, seconded by McLain.

IV. Transfer of funds:

Economic Development \$95.00 from Capital Outlays to Unemployment.

Highway \$1,855.00 from Workman's Comp to Unemployment

Probation \$95.00 from Adult Incentive Probation to Unemployment

Dreher motion to approve, seconded by Padish.

V. Additional Appropriations

Courthouse Clock Tower Fund \$4,805.00 to be used towards Clock Tower Repair at Courthouse. Costello motion to allow, seconded by Mattick. A representative from Smith's Bell & Clock Tower service gave a brief presentation showing the work they did to the Sullivan County Courthouse.

Cumulative Capital Development \$15,000.00 to be used towards Clock Tower Repairs at Courthouse. Costello motion to allow, seconded by Mattick.

Rainy Day \$575,000.00 to be used to chip and seal 55 miles of road in the county. Carty suggested the commissioners make this request out of the county general as there was \$661,000.00 unspent last year. Dan Eggerman with Governmental Consulting Services said you could not use general fund for Highway. Tolbert advised them that legislation enacted a bill that would allow that but she thought it didn't take effect until July 1. She said she would research it and get back with them. Carty said he would suggest tabling it and coming back next month with a new request. He said he would rather use general because it is hard to replace money back to Rainy Day. He said he didn't want to hold up the project but would prefer the request come from the General Fund. Crossley said it was fine because they wouldn't start work until later in the summer.

Cumulative Capital Development \$50,000.00 to be used to replace the courthouse exterior doors. Dreher motion to allow, seconded by Bush.

Covered Bridge Fund \$5,000.00 to be used to repair the Covered Bridge on 50 N. Mattick motion to allow, seconded by Costello.

Highway Capital Improvement \$30,655.00 three months of accumulation of cash that needs appropriate before spending. Costello motion to allow, seconded by McLain.

Area Plan Commission \$5,025.00 to be used to cover attorney costs for litigation on Cause #83C01-1109-MI-00017 Lisa Gilman & Ann Smith, plaintiff vs. Mike Craig, Harry Crossley, Tim Wilson in their capacity as Commissioners of Vermillion County. Smith said it was not a request for funds, just a request for appropriation. Dreher asked if the APC board approved the request. Thomas said the court ruled that everything done was null and voided and it was to go back to the way it was in 2011 and that he has a contract with the APC and vote is not required. He said he was ordered to pursue the case by the Executive Director Ann Smith. Mattick made a motion to allow. Costello questioned whether they could proceed without the APC board's approval. Thomas said he has a yearly contract to represent the APC, the Board of Zoning Appeals, and the Executive Director. Darnell said the only one who can challenge the APC is the APC. Carty said we are paying a bill where we are suing ourselves. Costello asked Darnell to tell them what they can legally do. He said the claim was signed by the Executive Director saying the services were completed. Wilson said he has had members of the APC board calling him and saying there are no minutes to back this request. Mattick rescinded her motion until Darnell can review it further. Carty said they need additional information before making their decision.

VI. Open Issues

- a. Jail Sewer. Bill Laubernds was present and stated that he presented information to the commissioners at their last meeting. He said they had did a feasibility study and offered several options to the commissioners. He presented the council with the same information for their review.

VII. New business

- a. Amended salary ordinance. The council approved a transfer of funds at their last meeting that requires an amended salary ordinance for part time help in the local health maintenance fund. Costello motion to allow, seconded by McLain.
- b. Governmental Consulting Service Contract. Dan Eggerman was present. He gave the Council a brief update on the overall status of the county and presented them with an agreement for their services for the next year. Costello motion to allow, seconded by Mattick.

VIII. Adjournment

Read in full and approved by the Vermillion County Council on the 14th day of May 2012.

Michael Carty

Randy Padish

Randy Dreher

Michael Costello

Lavonna Mattick

William Brent Bush

Jim McLain

Attest: _____
Phyllis Orman, Auditor