

Vermillion County Council

Meeting Agenda/Minutes

Wednesday November 14, 2012

7:00 pm

Commissioners Courtroom, Courthouse, Newport, Indiana

- I. Call to order. President Mike Carty called the meeting to order.
- II. Roll call. Present were Mike Carty, Brent Bush, Lavonna Mattick, Randy Dreher, Jim McLain, Mike Costello, Randy Padish, Attorney Don Darnell, Auditor Phyllis Orman and First Deputy Amy Tolbert.
- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting. Padish made a motion to approve, seconded by Bush.
- IV. Transfer of funds
 - a. Highway. \$400.00 from Medicare to Unemployment. \$1975.00 from Liability insurance, \$2500.00 from Dumping and \$1000.00 from tree trimming to gas. \$1000.00 from road equipment repairs to truck repair. \$500.00 from communications to tires. Bush made a motion to allow, seconded by Mattick. Dreher was opposed.
 - b. Clerk. \$1500.00 from office machines to extra help. Mattick made a motion to allow, seconded by Padish. Dreher was opposed.
 - c. Health Department. \$300.00 from extra help to nurse's aides, \$125.00 from medical supplies to nurse's aides. Mattick made a motion to allow, seconded by Bush.
 - d. Sheriff. The original request was to transfer \$5,000.00 from other garage repairs to gas and oil but there was only \$4493.00 available to transfer. Mattick made a motion to allow, seconded by Padish. Dreher and Costello were opposed.
 - e. Extension. No one present to discuss. Dreher made a motion to table, seconded by Costello.
 - f. Economic Development. No one present to discuss. Dreher made a motion to table, seconded by Bush.
- V. Additional Appropriations
 - a. Sheriff-County General. \$10,400 for the sheriff pension court costs. Dreher made a motion to allow, seconded by Mattick.
 - b. Highway. \$18,830.00 for gas. This is a reduction from the 531 budget into the 533 budget. The council discussed and agreed they did not want to deplete this account. Costello made a motion to allow \$12,000, seconded by Padish.
 - c. Courthouse-County General. \$1700.00 for water and sewage. Dreher made a motion to allow, seconded by Costello.
- VI. Open issues
- VII. New business
 - a. 2013 Meeting Schedule. There was some discussion in regards to the time and the council agreed to change the 2013 meeting times to 6:30 pm. McLain made the motion, seconded by Dreher.
 - b. Local Annual sex or violent offender registration fees and sex or violent offender change of address fees into an administration fund Ordinance. The ordinance was advertised. The ordinance would establish a \$50 annual fee for sex or violent offender registry in Vermillion County, and \$5 fee for change of address by registered offenders. These fees will be place in a dedicated fund that can only be used for matters related to registration of such offenders. Padish made a motion to approved, seconded by McLain.
 - c. Sheriff Pension. Elaine Beatty of Morgan Stanley was present to discuss the company that serves as the trustee for the plan. She said the company; Morgan Stanley Private

Bank has decided not to continue serving as the trustee. She said the pension committee has recommended Comerica and required council approval. Carty said First Financial Bank had served as trustee in the past and asked if any local banks had been approached and suggested they table this until they could check with the local banks.

- d. Sheriff Pension. Mike Phelps discussed possible changes to the pension program to make it more competitive. He suggested increasing the deputies' contribution from 4% to 6% and to allow the benefits an officer receives at retirement to increase 2% every year past 20 years of work. Carty suggested they get more information and suggested a meeting with the Commissioners and the Merit board. A meeting will be scheduled for next month.
- e. Highway Radios. Mark O'Heir informed the council that the highway will need to upgrade their radios to comply with the narrow banding requirements. He said there are 20 radios that need done and the cost will be \$9,272.00. He will bring an additional appropriation request to the council at their December meeting.
- f. Judge recording system. Judge Bruce Stengel informed the council that his court recording system broke down two weeks ago and is beyond repair. He said a new system is being purchased. The new system will allow initial hearings to be held by video conference from the jail. The total cost is \$33,000.00. The commissioners have agreed to pay for it from funds already appropriated in Cumulative Capital Development due to its emergent need.
- g. Clinton Library appointment. Costello made a motion to re-appoint Wilbert Craig, seconded by Mattick. Richard Auer has served his limited terms and may not be re-appointed. Costello made a motion to appoint William Webber, seconded by Mattick.

VIII. Adjournment

Read in full and approved by the Vermillion County Council on the 10th day of December 2012.

Michael Carty

Randy Padish

Randy Dreher

Michael Costello

Lavonna Mattick

William Brent Bush

Jim McLain

