

Vermillion County Council Meeting Agenda/Minutes

Wednesday Oct. 16, 2013

6:30 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, Jim McLain, Brent Bush, Milisa Carty, Mike Costello, Jill Wesch, Attorney Don Darnell, Auditor Phyllis Orman, and First Deputy Amy Tolbert. Randy Dreher was absent.
- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting. McLain made a motion to allow, seconded by Jill Wesch. All were in favor.
- IV. Transfer of funds:
 - a) County General/EOC \$155.00 from insurance to training & conferences. Bush made a motion to allow, seconded by Jill Wesch. All were in favor.
 - b) Health Dept #1159 \$1,000.00 from equipment repair to utilities. Bush made a motion to allow, seconded by McLain. All were in favor.
 - c) County General/Jail \$5,500.00 from water to civil processing. Jill Wesch made a motion to allow, seconded by Milisa Carty. All were in favor.
 - d) County General/Clerk \$1,500.00 from equipment & maintenance to office supplies. Bush made a motion to allow, seconded by McLain. Milisa Carty abstained. Motion carried.
- V. Additional Appropriations
 - a) County General/Commissioner's Court \$12,000.00 for gas. Milisa Carty made a motion to allow, seconded by Jim McLain. All were in favor.
 - b) General Fund/Area Plan \$2,000.00 for professional services. Milisa Carty made a motion to allow, seconded by Mike Costello. Jill Wesch abstained. Motion carried.
 - c) PHPER \$10,647.00 for public health coordinator, \$661.00 for social security, \$155.00 for medicare, \$475.00 for unemployment, \$562.00 for travel, \$500.00 for training & conferences, \$1,000.00 for equipment maintenance, and \$1,000.00 for storage unit. Costello made a motion to allow, seconded by McLain. All were in favor.
 - d) Local Health Maintenance. \$7.61 for medicare, \$525.00 for nurse part time, \$32.55 for social security, and \$15.84 for unemployment. Costello made a motion to allow, seconded by Bush. All were in favor.
 - e) Allocation Fund. \$18,275.00 for Bond Project. Costello made a motion to allow, seconded by Jill Wesch. All were in favor.
 - f) Area Plan \$1,500.00 for printing other than office supplies. Jill Wesch made a motion to table, seconded by Milisa Carty. All were in favor.
 - g) Highway Capital Improvement. \$10,185.00 for lease, \$13,852.00 for district 1, \$8,353.00 for district 2, and 8,353.00 for district 3. Milisa Carty made a motion to allow, seconded by McLain. All were in favor.
 - h) LHD Trust. \$3,510.00 for extra help, \$218.00 for social security, \$51.00 for medicare, and \$102.00 for unemployment. Bush made a motion to allow, seconded by Costello. All were in favor.
- VI. Open issues

- a) Sheriff Pension. Carty said they have two issues to discuss. They have the recommendation from the Merit Board and they have a mandatory change from the IRS. He said the Merit Boards recommendation does include the issues from the IRS so if they chose to go that route all issues for the IRS will be completed. Sheriff Spence said they have a 20 year pension program and would like to go to a 32 year program at a cost of around \$15,000.00 more than what they are paying now per year. He said it is an additional cost but that the county needs to invest in these officers to keep them in the county and to prevent them from seeking employment elsewhere. Spence said currently they contribute 4% but the new plan would put them at the maximum 6%. Carty said he was disappointed that this extra cost was not included in the budget requests but agreed that it is something that should be done. Carty also explained that if the changes were made now they would go into effect on January 1, 2014. If they do it after January 2, 2014 it would go into effect o January 1, 2015. Carty also stated that if they were going to do it they should do it now for Sheriff Spence. McLain stated that everyone deserves a decent retirement. McLain made a motion to allow, seconded by Milisa Carty. Mike Carty abstained. He said he won't vote for it but also won't vote against it. He said he disagrees with defined benefit plans. Motion carried.
- b) Comp Time. Carty said the hours are going down.

VII. New business

- a) Adoption of 2014 budgets for County and Binding Review Budgets. Costello made a motion to approve and adopt the budgets and binding review budgets, seconded by McLain. All were in favor.
- b) Vermillion County Library Board Appointment. No applicants applied for the position.
- c) Amended Salary Ordinance-Public Health Coordinator. Bush made a motion to allow, seconded by Costello. All were in favor.
- d) Other

VIII. Adjournment. Bush made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Milisa Carty.

Read in full and approved by the Vermillion County Council on the 16th day of November 2013.

Michael Carty

Jim McLain

Randy Dreher

Michael Costello

William Brent Bush

Jill Wesch

Milisa Carty

Attest: _____
Phyllis Orman, Auditor