

# Vermillion County Council Meeting Agenda/Minutes

Monday, August 11, 2014

6:30 pm

Commissioners Courtroom, Courthouse, Newport, Indiana

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Vermillion County Council convened in a regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday August 11, 2014
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Members present were President Michael Carty, Vice-President Jill Wesch, Michael Costello, Randy Dreher, James McLain, William Brent Bush, Milisa Carty, Auditor Phyllis Orman and First Deputy Amy Tolbert.
- III. **MINUTES:** The minutes from July 14, 2014 were approved on a motion made by Michael Costello and seconded by James McLain. The motion carried unanimously.
- IV. **COMP TIME:** Michael Carty acknowledged receipt of the comp time report. He stated that it went up \$1,000.00 and that a majority of the increase was in the Extension office and the Soil & Water office. He said that employees are to earn comp time or overtime if they are not in a supervisory position. He said the two in the Extension office are employees but asked if the Soil and Water Conservation Director was hourly or salaried. Orman said everyone is salaried except the Highway workers and the Park workers. Costello asked how the Soil & Water Conservation Director earns comp time. He stated that comp time should not be earned for attending meetings. Michael Carty said that if you are not a supervisor or department head and work more than 40 hours then you are to earn overtime or comp time. He asked if the Conservation Director was a salaried position and Orman said it was. Michael Carty asked that the issue be put on the Commissioner's agenda for further discussion.
- V. **TRANSFER OF FUNDS:** N/A
- VI. **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS:** The Council considered additional appropriation requests as published. President Michael Carty reviewed the appropriations from written requests submitted by Auditor Phyllis Orman. Thus, the following ordinance was adopted: WHEREAS: it has been determined it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget for 2014, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Council of Vermillion County Indiana, for the expenses of said county government, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set out of the funds herein specified, subject to the law governing the same:
- Randy Dreher made a motion to approve, seconded by Michael Costello. Motion carried.
- | FUND/DEPT                       | AMOUNT REQUESTED                          | AMOUNT APPROVED |
|---------------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Motor Vehicle Highway           | \$4,850.00                                | \$4,850.00      |
| 1176-41102-000-0533. Equipment. | Sold dump truck, appropriating the funds. |                 |
- Michael Costello made a motion to approve, seconded by Jill Wesch. Motion carried.
- | FUND/DEPT                                  | AMOUNT REQUESTED   | AMOUNT APPROVED |
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| Allocation Fund                            | \$3,950.00   | \$3,950.00      |
| 4912-38300-000-0606 Bond Project Expenses. | Payment to Umbaugh for the preparation of the annual TIF report and to Cox, Zwerner, Gambill& Sullivan for services in connection with the required TIF reporting. |                 |
- VII. **Amended Salary Ordinance:** Discussed below, under open issues, Executive Director Economic Development.
- VIII. **OPEN ISSUES:**
- Executive Director Economic Development. Michael Carty said the second round of interviews have been completed successfully. Doug Samuelson stated they have hired an Executive Director that is very familiar with the area and has experience in a related field. They have offered him a salary of \$48,000.00. Michael Carty stated that the Council already appropriated \$50,000.00, they now just need to pass an amended salary ordinance

to be able to pay the salary. Carty also stated that it is salary and not eligible for comp time or overtime. Costello made a motion to approve the amended Salary ordinance, seconded by Wesch. Motion carried.

**AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE**

**RE:** Action on Proposed Salary and Wages to be paid to Vermillion County Employees pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 294, Acts 1971 for the Calendar year 2014.  
1149 Economic Development  
11114 Executive Director  
\$1846.16 bi-weekly    \$23.08 per hour

**IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Budget Hearing for Clerk's office, Election, Voter registration and Clerk's Record Perpetuation fund. Michael Carty distributed a spreadsheet for the council to review. It showed the comparison of increases in county general for the total budget, salaries only and increases not including salaries. He said there is a 17.8% increase over last year's budget. The budget will be formally adopted on October 15, 2014. Salaries will be discussed on September 9, 2014. Clerk Pruitt said she disagreed with all Office Holders making the same salary, stating that some have more responsibilities than others. Michael Carty said that recommendation has to come from the Commissioners.
- County Economic Development Income Tax. Michel Carty stated the tax was increased one tenth of a percent in 2013. He moved to table the issue until next month.

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Jill Wesch, Vice President

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**ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business to come before the Council, the motion to adjourn was made by Randy Dreher, seconded by Jim McLain.

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Michael Carty, President

ATTEST:

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Phyllis Orman, Auditor