

Vermillion County Council Meeting Agenda/Minutes

Monday, December 8, 2014

6:30 p.m.

Commissioners Courtroom, Courthouse, Newport, Indiana

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Vermillion County Council convened in a meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday December 8, 2014.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Members present were President Michael Carty, Vice-President Jill Wesch, Michael Costello, Randy Dreher, Milisa Carty, William Brent Bush, Auditor Phyllis Orman, First Deputy Amy Tolbert and Attorney Don Darnell. James McLain was absent.
- III. **MINUTES:** The meeting minutes from November 10, 2014 were approved as amended on a motion made by Costello and seconded by Wesch. The motion carried unanimously.
- IV. **COMP TIME:** Michael Carty acknowledged receipt of the comp time report. He said it has went up about \$1,300.00 He said there are issues that need addressed. He said ongoing issues will be brought up at the next handbook committee meeting.
- V. **TRANSFER OF FUNDS:** The Council approved the request for the transfer of funds. The following resolution was adopted.

TRANSFERS

Be it resolved, the Vermillion County Council hereby approves the following request for transfer:

Wesch made a motion to adopt the following transfer; the motion was seconded by Bush and carried unanimously.

Amount:	\$100.00
From:	1000-21200-000-0146
	General/Supplies/Park
Amount:	\$351.64
From:	1000-21500-000-0146
	General/Gas, Oil & Lube/Park
Amount:	\$1,209.12
From:	1000-21700-000-0146
	General/Tires & Tubes/Park
Amount:	\$341.39
From:	1000-21801-000-0146
	General/Other Garage Supplies/Park
Amount:	\$100.00
From:	1000-22100-000-0146
	General/Official Records/Park
Amount:	\$100.00
From:	1000-30262-000-0146
	General/Printing other/Park
Amount:	\$100.00
From:	1000-30270-000-0146
	General/Publications/Park
Amount:	\$500.00
From:	1000-31100-000-0146
	General/Legal Services/Park
Amount:	\$66.00
From:	1000-32200-000-0146
	General/Postage/Park
Amount:	\$2,599.94
From:	1000-33200-000-0146
	General/Electricity/Park
Amount:	\$3,298.07
From:	1000-33401-000-0146

General/Water & Sewage/Park
Amount: \$3,778.90
From: 1000-33402-000-0146
General/Building & Structure/Park
Amount: \$2,966.01
From: 1000-33500-000-0146
General/Equipment & Maintenance Agreements/Park
Amount: \$5,616.69
From: 1000-33701-000-0146
General/Grounds/Park
Amount: \$6,500.00
From: 1000-41101-000-0146
General/Buildings/Park

To: 1000-41202-000-0146
Total: \$27,627.76
General/Improvements/Park
For new walking path at Perrysville Park.

Dreher made a motion to adopt the following transfer; the motion was seconded by Costello and carried unanimously.

Amount: \$2,358.40
From: 1000-21801-000-0146
General/Other Garage Supplies/Park

To: 1000-11906-000-0146
Total: \$2,358.40
General/Labor & Maintenance/Park

Amount: \$1,641.60
From: 1000-21500-000-0146
General/Gas, Oil & Lube/Park

To: 1000-11207-000-0146
Total: \$1,641.60
General/Supervisor/Park

Extend the hours of park employees for work on walking path at Perrysville Park.

Milisa Carty made a motion to adopt the following transfer; the motion was seconded by Costello and carried unanimously.

Amount: \$20,000.00
From: 1000-30250-000-0130
General/Telephone/Commissioners Court

Amount: \$18,000.00
From: 1000-31102-000-0130
General/GIS/Commissioners Court

Amount: \$1,000.00
From: 1000-31901-000-0130
General/Animal Health Testing/Commissioners Court

Amount: \$40,000.00
From: 1000-33000-000-0130
General/Building Liability/Commissioners Court

Amount: \$22,376.55
From: 1000-33103-000-0130
General/Computer Support/Commissioners Court

Amount: \$6,000.00

From: 1000-33500-000-0130
General/Equipment Maintenance Agreements/Commissioners Court
Amount: \$4,800.00
From: 1000-34000-000-0130
General/Office Rental/Commissioners Court
Amount: \$1,000.00
From: 1000-35700-000-0130
General/Professional Services/Commissioners Court
Amount: \$1,000.00
From: 1000-41205-000-0130
General/Computer Equipment/Commissioners Court

To: 1000-12500-000-0130
Total: \$114,176.55
General/Group Insurance/Commissioners Court
To pay group insurance.

Costello made a motion to adopt the following transfer; the motion was seconded by Bush and carried unanimously.

Amount: \$168.00
From: 1168-33501-000-0215
LHMF/Repairs & Maintenance/Local Health

To: 1168-41100-000-0215
Total: \$168.00
LHMF/Office Machines/Local Health
To purchase a printer.

Costello made a motion to adopt the following transfer; the motion was seconded by Milisa Carty and carried unanimously.

Amount: \$3,000.00
From: 1000-32200-000-0123
General/Postage/Extension

To: 1000-21200-000-0123
Total: \$3,000.00
General/Office Supplies/Extension
Increased cost of supplies and materials.

VI. **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS:** The Council considered additional appropriation requests as published. President Michael Carty reviewed the appropriations from the 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:

Costello made a motion to allow, seconded by Bush. Motion carried.

FUND/DEPT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
LHMF/Local Health	\$13,620.00	\$13,620.00
1000-41205-000-0215 LHMF/Computer Equipment/Local Health		

Carryover funds request, approved by the state, to purchase computer programs as well as a laptop and printer for the front office.

Bush made a motion to table, seconded by Dreher. Motion carried.

FUND/DEPT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
General/Public Defender	\$62,011.00	\$0
1000-various accounts-000-0150		

The Public Defender Board is requesting money to pay for a secretary and to operate a Public Defender’s office. The request is for a salary for a full time secretary and also office equipment and supplies.

It was explained that these expenses would be reimbursed from the state at 40%. Judge Stengel explained the need for the secretary and the office space. Prosecutor Bruce Aukerman stated that there is a conflict of interest when the defendants are calling his office for information. Judge Stengel also expressed the need of the office space so the Public Defenders would have somewhere to take their clients to talk in private. Costello said he would like to know how many calls the Prosecutor and Judge’s office receive for the Public Defenders. Michael Carty suggested they table the matter until they can get more information about the call volume. He also stated the request should be presented in 2015 as this is the end of the year and the person would not be paid until 2015. Public Defender Jeff Thomas stressed the need for this office. He said it would allow people a place to call to get court dates and to get answers to questions they may have. Michael Carty said he also would like to know who will be in charge of this person, would they be monitored and if there would be an opportunity for overtime. He said he would also like to see a job description. Bush moved to table the matter until all questions were answered. Dreher seconded the motion. All were in favor.

VII. OPEN ISSUES:

- Newport Chemical Depot Reuse Authority.Elizabeth Burrows emailed a Report on Federal Grants dated December 8, 2014. Michael Carty stated that Suzie Jones works for the county but also assists the Reuse Authority. He said he does not know whether she gets a stipend from the Reuse Authority.
- County Engineer. Milisa said she has spoken with LTAP and they will be setting up an appointment in the near future.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- Wheel/Surtax. With changes being made by the state a new ordinance will need to be prepared. The information was sent to Darnell. Darnell prepared the new ordinance. Bush made a motion to allow, seconded by Dreher. All were in favor.
- Highway 3 year plan. The Commissioner’s presented the Council with the plan prepared by West Central. The Council will review it and asked that someone from West Central come and explain it to them. Tabled.
- 2015 Meeting Schedule. Costello made a motion to allow, seconded by Wesch. All were in favor.
- Sheriff Salary for 2015. Michael Phelps said he has the Compensation Agreement prepared. He said it is exactly the same as the contract with the current Sheriff. Michael Carty said they will take it under advisement. He is not sure why the council has to approve it because the Commissioners approve contracts.

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Michael Carty, President

Jill Wesch, Vice President

Michael Costello

NAY

Randy Dreher

James McLain

William Brent Bush

Milisa Carty

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

Michael Carty, President

ATTEST:

Phyllis Orman, Auditor