

**VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES
Tuesday, September 21, 2010 AT 5:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VIGO COUNTY ANNEX**

Pledge of Allegiance

Sheriff Deputy Rory Leech called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Calling of the Roll

Present: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Tim Curley, Mark Bird.

Absent/Excused: Kathy Miller, Darrick Scott.

Corrections to the journal of the preceding meeting, if needed

There were none presented.

Public Comment

There was none.

Communications from other officials or agencies

There were none.

Reports from standing committees

Annual Budget Committee

First Reading of the Budget

Tim Seprodi, Vigo County Auditor presented the first reading of the 2011 budgets for the following districts:

Clay-Owen-Vigo Solid Waste

Honey Creek Fire Protection District

Lost Creek Fire Protection District

New Goshen Fire Protection District

Prairieton Fire Protection District

Riley Fire Protection District

Sugar Creek Fire Protection District

Non-Binding Recommendation

City of Terre Haute

Kylissa Miller, Chief Deputy Auditor explained the repercussions if the City of Terre Haute files for a short-fall appeal. If a short-fall appeal is granted to the city of Terre Haute, they will be able to increase their levy. Since the city of Terre Haute and other districts that have been annexed into the city have met their tax caps, the other taxing units within those districts such as the school corporation, library, the airport, County, and the Township will take a hit on the tax cap as well, even though they stayed within their levy. Councilman Mark Bird confirmed that this would mean that the units that have been fiscally responsible over the

years would be punished. Ms. Miller stated that yes, they will suffer repercussions.

Motion: To recommend the County stay within their 2.9% growth quotient and that there be no short-fall appeal allowed, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Bill Bryan, **Seconded by** Ed Ping.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Vigo County 2011 Annual Budget

Harrison Township Assessor - Part Time Rate

The Harrison Township Assessor Chief Deputy will retire at the end of the year. Mick Love, Harrison Township Assessor will replace that position with an existing employee. Mr. Love would like to hire two part-time employees to replace the one full-time position. He would like one part-time data-entry position to be paid \$9.50 per hour and one part-time field position to be paid \$9.00 per hour.

Motion: To approve \$9.50 for a part-time data entry position and one \$9.00 field position total not to exceed \$23,000, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Bill Bryan, **Seconded by** Brad Anderson.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Information Technology

Capital Project

The Information Technology Department has submitted a request to replace all computers in the county government offices as well as other equipment including the fiber optic lines.

Motion: To deny and to send to Special Projects committee for further review, **Action:** Deny, **Moved by** Bill Bryan, **Seconded by** Ed Ping.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Proposed Salary Increase

The Information Technology department is not asking to add personnel but rather remove the three existing positions from the step and grade scale, make them exempt, and set new salaries.

Motion: To deny salary increase proposal, **Action:** Deny, **Moved by** Ed Ping, **Seconded by** Bill Bryan.

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 3, No = 2).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Ed Ping, Tim Curley.

No: Brad Anderson, Mark Bird.

Tim Curley, President Pro-Tem entered into a 5-minute recess to allow the auditor's to make adjustments to changes made to the 2011 budget.

Changes were made to the Rainy Day Fund and the Harrison Township Assessor's budget.

Tim Curley, President Pro-Tem called the meeting back to order.

Adopt 2011 Budget

Motion: County General, \$28,143,094, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Bill Bryan, **Seconded by** Ed Ping.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Motion: Health, \$1,269,582, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Bill Bryan, **Seconded by** Mark Bird

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Motion: Park & Recreation, \$1,028,505, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Mark Bird, **Seconded by** Bill Bryan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Motion: Non-levy budgets, \$12,476,932, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ed Ping, **Seconded by** Brad Anderson.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Motion: Highway, \$3,543,023, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Bill Bryan, **Seconded by** Mark Bird.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Motion: To allow auditor to make minor adjustments to maintain maximum levy, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Brad Anderson, **Seconded by** Bill Bryan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Reports from select committees

There were none.

Ordinances relating to appropriations

There were none.

Honorary resolutions

There were none.

Resolutions relating to fiscal policies of the Council

There were none.

First reading by summary reference of proposed ordinances and resolutions

Motion: Not to hear any requests to refill positions that took buyout, **Action:** Approve,

Moved by Bill Bryan, **Seconded by** Ed Ping.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.

Appointments

There were none.

Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Brad Anderson, **Seconded by** Bill Bryan.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

Yes: Bill Bryan, Brad Anderson, Ed Ping, Mark Bird, Tim Curley.