

February 18, 2020

Council Chambers  
Vigo County Annex  
Terre Haute, Indiana

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Brad Anderson, Judith Anderson, Brendan Kearns

**Others Present:** County Attorney Michael Wright, Chief Deputy Auditor Cheryl Loudermilk, Tammy York-Allen, Bruce Allen, Channel 2 News, Channel 10 News, Larry Robbins, Kevin Gardner, Howard Greninger, Bill Watson, Bobby James, Tommy Roberts, Kylissa Miller, Bob Murray, Mike Morris, Vicki Oster, Sondra Gray.

**Pledge of Allegiance.**

The meeting was opened by Commissioner Brad Anderson who then turned the meeting over to County Attorney Michael Wright to start the agenda.

**Consideration of Appointments; Highway Superintendent, Human Resources and Maintenance**

**Supervisor.** The County Council took action at their last meeting regarding restructuring the Highway Department. So, there have been appointments prepared to make Bob James the Highway Superintendent; for Kara Wright as the new director of Vigo County Human Resources and Tommy Roberts as the Vigo County Maintenance Supervisor. **Motion: Action:** Approve all three appointments. **Moved by:** Judith Anderson. **Seconded by:** Brendan Kearns. **Passed:** all ayes.

Attorney Wright indicated that there was another appointment for consideration. Steve Nasser has resigned from the Honey Creek Fire Protection District in January of this year. Mr. Shackelford, the Chairman of the Fire District Trustees, submitted a request to appoint Michael Richards to the remainder of Mr. Nasser's term which expires December 31, 2020. It would be an appointment just for the remainder of this year. A brief discussion was had. **Motion: Action:** Approve the appointment. **Moved by:** Brendan Kearns. **Seconded by:** Judith Anderson. **Passed:** all ayes.

**Consideration of Contract for Engineering Services – Vigo County Engineer.** Larry Robbins, the County Engineer, has presented a contract for engineering services related to the mitigation and relocation of Vigo County Bridge #77. It is a historic trust relocation. Bridge #77 is on French Drive just west of Prairie Creek Park in poor condition. It is being redesigned. With that, it is being planned to be moved into Prairie Creek Park so this is a contract for design services to design the new foundations for the bridge, the relocation plans, as well as the environmental document that goes along with it. That will make us eligible for federal funds so we can obtain assistance in paying for that. The services include survey, category exclusion, the waters of the US report, bridge transfer oversight, bridge design and geotechnical services. Total contract cost is \$156,300.00 and it is with Beam, Longest and Neff, the consulting engineers. This is a stand alone contract to move that bridge into Prairie Creek Park. Commissioner Judy Anderson wanted it made clear that this does not cover the cost of construction of a new bridge. No specific time frame but this will get us on the federal aid track so that we can be eligible for those relocation services. A discussion was had including where the bridge will be located down the road and the length of time it has taken for this project to come to fruition. It was also pointed out that

Vigo County is responsible for all bridges in the City and County, including the overpasses constructed by the City. **Motion: Action:** Approved. **Moved by:** Judith Anderson. **Seconded by:** Brendan Kearns. **Passed:** all ayes.

**Lease Agreement for Printers – Vigo County Assessor.** Kevin Gardner, Vigo County Assessor, submitted his Form 11 mailing, which is in the budget, with Midwest Presort. The total cost on that is \$29,718.83. This is a yearly expense. It is actually about \$1,000.00 less than last year. Also presented were lease agreements for 3 Canon printers, each with a 60-month term. These amounts were also already included in the Assessor's budget. Mr. Gardner indicated that the printers had actually been upgraded and by entering into the new lease when the other expired represented a small cost savings. **Motion: Action:** Approve all leases and agreements presented. **Moved by:** Brendan Kearns. **Seconded by:** Judith Anderson. **Passed:** all ayes.

**Review of Minutes/Claims.** Chief Deputy Auditor Cheryl Loudermilk presented the Board with meeting minutes dated February 10, 2020 for approval. **Motion: Action:** Approve minutes. **Moved by:** Brendan Kearns. **Seconded by:** Judith Anderson. **Passed:** all ayes.

**Expenditures.** Chief Deputy Auditor Cheryl Loudermilk presented the Board with expenditures for the period of February 8, 2020 through February 14, 2020 in the amount of \$264,654.71. **Motion: Action:** Approve the claim packet. **Moved by:** Brendan Kearns. **Seconded by:** Judith Anderson. **Passed:** all ayes.

Commissioner Kearns then conducted a brief discussion regarding radio towers and bird removal process at the Court House.

**Comment from Public or Other Vigo County Representatives.** There were none.

There being no further business, it is now ordered the Board be recessed at 9:30 a.m.



Brad Anderson, President



Judith Anderson, Vice President



Brendan Kearns, Secretary

Attest:



James W. Bramble, Auditor