

August 3, 2021

Council Chambers
Vigo County Annex
Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Mike Morris, Chris Switzer and Brendan Kearns.

Others Present: County Attorney Joel Modesitt, County Attorney Michael Wright, Auditor James Bramble, Tammy York-Allen, Tim Cunningham, Vickie Oster, Sarah Holbert, Diana Winsted-Smith, Kara Wright, Kevin Gardner, Larry Robbins, Bruce Allen, Adam Grossman, Shawn Slater, Kylissa Miller, Larry Robbins, Scott Swan, and several members of the public.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mike Morris called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review of Minutes/Claims. Auditor James Bramble presented the minutes for July 20, 2021. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve the July 20, 2021 minutes. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Bramble then presented the Board with expenditures for the period of July 17, 2021 through July 23, 2021 in the amount of \$589,250.68 plus payroll in the amount of \$1,040,471.13 for a total amount of \$1,629,721.81 and expenditures for the period of July 24, 2021 through July 30, 2021 in the amount of \$5,161,634.52. There was a brief discussion about various expenses. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve the July 17, 2021 through July 23, 2021 claims and the July 24, 2021 through July 30, 2021 claims. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

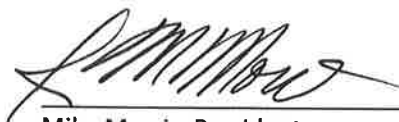
Per Diem Presentation – HR. Kara Wright then presented the modifications for the employee handbook concerning employee per diems and mileage by adding the language “not to exceed the IRS Standard Rate per day” to each section. The addition of this language will allow the rates to change in the future without the need for a formal language amendment. Updating the entire handbook was briefly discussed. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve this change to the employee handbook. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

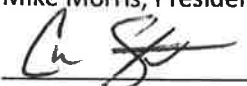
Comment from Commissioners or other Vigo County Representatives. Adam Grossman, Parks Superintendent gave a short update on the improvements taking place in the various parks in the County, including the addition of water lines, electricity upgrades and drainage problem improvements. Prairie Creek Park will be shut down completely after the first week of school begins for road improvements. He also introduced Shawn Slater, the new natural resource programmer. Mr. Slater spoke about a few ideas for some new programs that are in the works, i.e. having “Hawk Days” or bringing in owl experts and other educational programs for the community.

Mike Morris took a moment to recognize and thank the Highway Department, Parks Department and the maintenance staff on the nice job they had been doing.

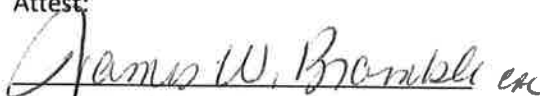
Public Comments. There were none.

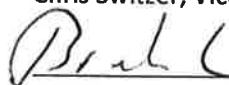
Today's meeting recessed at 9:17 a.m.


Mike Morris, President


Chris Switzer, Vice President

Attest:


James Bramble, Auditor


Brendan Kearns, Secretary