

June 7, 2022

Council Chambers
Vigo County Government Center
Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Chris Switzer, Mike Morris and Brendan Kearns

Others Present: County Attorneys Terry Modesitt, Auditor James Bramble, Diana Winsted-Smith, Chris Eldridge, Kevin Gardner, Kara Wright, Bruce Allen, Tim Cunningham, Laureen Hoffman, Jared Bayler, Todd Thacker, Judy DeLisle, Neil Costello and several members of the public.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Chris Switzer called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review of Minutes/Claims. Deputy Auditor Karen McCammon presented meeting minutes for May 17, 2022, for approval. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve the minutes. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Ms. McCammon then presented the Board with expenditures for the period of May 14, 2022 through May 20, 2022 in the amount of \$3,957,680.95. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve the May 14, 2022 through May 20, 2022 claims in the total amount of \$3,957,680.95. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed. Ms. McCammon then presented expenditures for the period of May 21, 2022 through May 27, 2022 in the amount of \$16,222,866.93 plus payroll in the amount of \$1,116,599.25 for a total amount of \$17,339,466.18. There was a brief discussion about a \$15,000,000.00 amount for undistributed funds concerning an investment that is not technically a claim but an expenditure. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve the May 21, 2022 through May 27, 2022 claims in the amount of \$16,222,866.93 plus payroll in the amount of \$1,116,599.25 for a total amount of \$17,339,466.18. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed. Lastly, Ms. McCammon presented the Board with expenditures for the period of May 28, 2022 through June 4, 2022 in the amount of \$74,588,030.07. It was noted that this amount includes settlement which is distributed twice a year (in June and December) to various county entities. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the May 28, 2022 through June 4, 2022 claims in the total amount of \$74,588,030.07. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Annual Report of Congressional Township, etc. - Auditor. Auditor James Bramble explained that this is an annual report that has to be sent to the Department of Education and the State Auditor regarding the Congressional school funds for the year ending April 30. Mr. Bramble gave a brief history of how these funds came into being. Mike Morris made a motion to approve this report. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Accept the appraisals for the Riley Spur - Commissioners. Chris Switzer said they had received two appraisals for the Riley Spur, one from Sycamore Realty in the amount of \$264,000 and one from Newlin-Johnson for \$269,000. Per the agreement, the amount to be paid was capped at \$250,000. Both appraisals came in over that amount so a motion will need to be made to accept the appraisals and things can then move forward. Brendan Kearns made a motion to accept the appraisals. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Contract with Indiana Rail Road-Riley Spur - Commissioners. This is the easement agreement to move ahead with the purchase of the easement for the Riley Spur. County Attorney Terry Modesitt stated that the terms of this agreement had been negotiated at length and the railroad agreed to some additional terms that will benefit the County and he is satisfied with the agreement. Brendan Kearns clarified for the record that this is for the purchase of an easement, not the purchase of the ground. The easement allows the trail to be built on the line. Mike Morris made a motion to move ahead with approval. Brendan Kearns seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Resolution of the Board of Commissioners Approving Acquisition of Certain Real Estate – Commissioners. Terry Modesitt stated that this resolution summarizes the acquisition of the easement for the Riley Spur and cites the Indiana Codes, shows that the appraisers were appointed, the appraisals were accepted and will be kept on file for five years, and approves the purchase of the non-exclusive surface easement. It will be Resolution 2022-06. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-06. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed. Chris Switzer thanked the County Council and the attorneys and everyone who had worked very hard on this project.

Sentinel Offender Services Monitoring Agreement – Community Corrections. Bill Watson was unable to be at today's meeting but Terry Modesitt presented the information about this agreement. This concerns changing the electronic monitoring vendor and will benefit Community Corrections. It will assist staff to utilize newer software that will assist providing coverage of program participants based on new requirements established by new legislation. There was a brief discussion. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve the agreement. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Restoration Counseling Center Agreement – Community Corrections. Again, Terry Modesitt explained this agreement due to Bill Watson's unavailability. This is a new service contract that allows for an additional therapist for those program participants receiving dual diagnosis services. There was a brief discussion. Brendan Kearns made a motion to move approve this agreement. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Approval for backhoe and excavator – Highway Department. Neil Costello explained that this is a request to purchase a track excavator and a rubber tire backhoe for the Highway Department using Cumulative Bridge funds. The equipment these would be replacing are over 20 years old and are worn out. They checked with three dealerships to ascertain availability of the equipment. Fortunately, Case Equipment had exactly what they were looking for with immediate availability. The other two could get the equipment but it would not be available until October and February of next year and prices were higher in some cases. He was asking for approval of the purchase today. Once today's meeting minutes are approved, they can move forward with local finance. Terms had been discussed for three annual payments covering both pieces of equipment. The final price of the excavator was \$239,757 and the backhoe was \$126,634.30. Both are from Diamond Equipment here in Terre Haute. There was a lengthy discussion, some of which included service and warranties. If approved, Mr. Costello hoped to have the equipment for use sometime yet this month. A purchase order had already been signed in order to hold the equipment. The purchase order was subject to approval by the Commissioners but needed to be signed in order for the dealer to hold the equipment. Brendan Kearns made a motion to approve this purchase. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

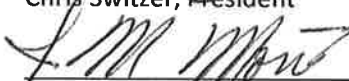
Comments or other business from Commissioners or other Elected Officials. Mike Morris noted that he would be driving the agreements for the Riley Spur to Indianapolis today for execution and Brendan Kearns stated that he would also go with Mr. Morris. Kevin Gardner, Vigo County Assessor, asked about the status of the employee compensation study. HR Director Kara Wright said she had been in contact with Baker Tilly and they would be presenting something soon.

Public Comments. There were none.

Next meeting will be June 21 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting recessed at 9:30 a.m.



Chris Switzer, President



Mike Morris, Vice President

Attest:



James Bramble, Auditor



Brendan Kearns, Secretary