

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

April 11, 2023

5:00 P.M.

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Agenda
Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.
City Court Room, City Hall, 17 Harding Avenue
Terre Haute, IN

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Calling of the roll
3. Corrections to the journal of the preceding meetings, if needed
 - a. *March 7, 2023 Sunshine Meeting*
 - b. *March 14, 2023 Meeting*
4. Communications from elected officials, other officials, or agencies of the County
 - a. TIF Management Report – Auditor
5. Reports from committees
6. Resolutions and Ordinances other than appropriations – None.
7. Ordinances relating to appropriations

OLD BUSINESS

- i. Additional Appropriation 2023-03B: Clerk - delete part time positions and add full time positions
- ii. Additional Appropriation 2023-05B: Juvenile Justice Center – Salary Increases, Stipends & Retention Bonuses
- iii. Additional Appropriation 2023-07B: Coroner Add Chief Deputy Coroner position
- iv. Additional Appropriation 2023-10B: Sheriff – add secretary
- v. Salary Ordinance 2023-20A: Sheriff – add corporal stipend
- vi. Additional Appropriation 2023-14B: Prosecutor – Add 1 Legal Secretary Position

NEW BUSINESS

- vii. Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2023-15B: Vigo County Health Department – Reimburse Recreational Trails
- viii. Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2023-16B: Commissioners – Office Furniture
- ix. Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2023-17B: Building Maintenance
- x. Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2023-18B: LIT/Correctional Rehab
8. Honorary resolutions
9. Resolutions relating to fiscal policies of the Council
10. Appointments
11. Public comment – limited to items NOT on tonight's agenda
12. Adjournment

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF PROPOSED ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Notice is hereby given the Taxpayers of Vigo County, Indiana, that the Vigo County Council will meet at the City Court Room, City Hall, 17 Harding Avenue, Terre Haute, Indiana at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 to consider the following appropriations in excess of the budget of the current year. The Vigo County Council will also meet on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at the same location for a Sunshine Meeting.

		<u>REQUESTED</u>
<u>COUNTY GENERAL FUND/1000</u>		
<u>Clerk/0001</u>		
1000.15230.0000.0001	Insurance	\$ 59,000
Total Clerk		\$ 59,000
<u>Sheriff/0005</u>		
1000.10010.0000.0005	Payroll Salaries	\$ 28,000
1000.15210.0000.0005	SS/ FICA	\$ 2,150
1000.15220.0000.0005	PERF	\$ 3,980
Total Sheriff		\$ 34,130
<u>Coroner/ 0007</u>		
1000.10010.0000.0007	Payroll Salaries	\$ 14,918
1000.15210.0000.0007	SS/ FICA	\$ 1,141
1000.15220.0000.0007	PERF	\$ -
Total Coroner		\$ 16,059
<u>Prosecutor/0009</u>		
1000.10010.0000.0009	Payroll Salaries	\$ 32,900
1000.15210.0000.0009	SS/ FICA	\$ 2,520
1000.15220.0000.0009	PERF	\$ 4,675
1000.15230.0000.0009	Insurance	\$ 29,500
Total Prosecutor		\$ 69,595
<u>Juvenile Justice Center/ 0384</u>		
1000.10010.0000.0384	Payroll Salaries	\$ 89,600
1000.15210.0000.0384	SS/ FICA	\$ 6,870
1000.15220.0000.0384	PERF	\$ 12,730
Total Juvenile Justice Center		\$ 109,200
<u>Building Maint./0161</u>		
1000.10010.0000.0161	Payroll Salaries	\$ 10,000
1000.15210.0000.0161	SS/ FICA	\$ 765
1000.15220.0000.0161	PERF	\$ 1,420
1000.33300.0000.0161	Contractual Services	\$ 106,600
1000.34700.0000.0161	Bird & Pest Control	\$ 1,800
1000.39300.0000.0161	Lawn Care	\$ 19,200
1000.34730.0000.0161	Simplex Fire Alarm	\$ 15,890
Total Building Maintenance		\$ 155,675
<u>Commissioners/0068</u>		
1000.44480.0000.0068	Office Furniture	\$ 9,360
Total Commissioners		\$ 9,360
TOTAL COUNTY GENERAL		\$ 453,019
<u>LIT - Corr/Rehab/1233</u>		
1233.33300.0000.0000	Contractual Services	\$ 106,600
1233.34700.0000.0000	Bird & Pest Control	\$ 1,800
1233.39300.0000.0000	Lawn Care	\$ 19,200
1233.34730.0000.0000	Simplex Fire Alarm	\$ 15,890
Total LIT Corr/Rehab		\$ 143,490
<u>Health Department / 1159</u>		
1159.30015.0000.0000	Reimburse Recreational Trails	\$ 137,189
Total Health Fund		137,189

The meeting will be made available for observance by electronic means at the following web address:

https://www.vigocounty.in.gov/department/division.php?structureid_71

Any votes conducted will be by roll call vote. Unless otherwise directed or required for public health reasons, the meetings will be open to the public. Members of the public may submit comments prior to the meeting to county.council@vigocounty.in.gov.

JAMES W. BRAMBLE
VIGO COUNTY AUDITOR
TO BE PUBLISHED: Friday, March 24, 2023.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2023-03B

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. Now, therefore:

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the General Fund, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

	<u>ADVERTISED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND/1000</u>		
<u>Clerk/0001</u>		
1000.152300.0000.0001 Insurance	\$	59,000
Total General Fund	\$	59,000

Approved on this 11th day of April, 2023 .

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Travis Norris _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2023-05B

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. Now, therefore:

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the General Fund, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

	<u>ADVERTISED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND/1000</u>		
<u>Juvenile Justice Center/0384</u>		
1000.10010.0000.0384 Payroll Salaries	\$	89,600
1000.15210.0000.0384 SS/FICA	\$	6,870
1000.15220.0000.0384 PERF	\$	12,730
Total General Fund	\$	109,200

Approved on this 11th day of April, 2023.

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Travis Norris _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2023-07B

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. Now, therefore:

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the General Fund, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

	<u>ADVERTISED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND/1000</u>		
<u>Coroner/0007</u>		
1000.10010.0000.0007 Payroll Salaries	\$	14,918
1000.15210.0000.0007 SS/FICA	\$	1,141
1000.15220.0000.0005 PERF	\$	-
Total General Fund	\$	16,059

Approved on this 11th day of April, 2023 .

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Travis Norris _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2023-10B

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. Now, therefore:

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the General Fund, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

	<u>ADVERTISED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND/1000</u>		
<u>Sheriff/0005</u>		
1000.10010.0000.0005 Payroll Salaries	\$	28,000
1000.15210.0000.0005 SS/FICA	\$	2,150
1000.15220.0000.0005 PERF	\$	3,980
Total General Fund	\$	34,130

Approved on this 11th day of April, 2023 .

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Travis Norris _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

SALARY ORDINANCE 2023-20A

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the salaries of Vigo County Indiana, that for the salaries of the County Government Office Holders and the employees for the year ending December 31, 2023, the following sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be otherwise expressly stipulated for by law provided, however, that disbursements from each appropriated are further limited to the amounts listed for the detailed accounts making up such appropriation unless said accounts are increased or decreased in another ordinance or resolution by the County Council.

SECTION 2. That for the said fiscal year, there is appropriated out of the County General Fund the following:

PROPOSED APPROVED

COUNTY GENERAL FUND/1000

Sheriff / 0005

a. Add Corporal Stipend - Courthouse Security

\$1,000

SECTION 3. Effective April 12, 2023.

Approved on this 11th day of April, 2023.

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Travis Norris _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2023-14B

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. Now, therefore:

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the General Fund, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

	<u>ADVERTISED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND/1000</u>		
<u>Prosecutor/0009</u>		
1000.10010.0000.0009 Payroll Salaries	\$	32,900
1000.15210.0000.0009 SS/FICA	\$	2,520
1000.15220.0000.0009 PERF	\$	4,675
1000.15230.0000.0009 Insurance	\$	29,500
Total General Fund	\$	69,595

Approved on this 11th day of April, 2023 .

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Travis Norris _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2023-15B

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. Now, therefore:

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the Vigo County Health Department Fund, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

	<u>ADVERTISED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>
<u>Vigo County Health Department Fund/1159</u>		
1159.30015.0000.0000 Reimburse Recreational Trails	\$	137,189
Total Vigo County Health Department Fund	\$	137,189

Approved on this 11th day of April, 2023 .

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Travis Norris _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2023-16B

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. Now, therefore:

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the General Fund, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

	<u>ADVERTISED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND/1000</u>		
<u>Commissioners/0068</u>		
1000.44480.0000.0068 Office Furniture	\$	9,360
Total General Fund	\$	9,360

Approved on this 11th day of April, 2023 .

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Travis Norris _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2023-17B

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. Now, therefore:

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the General Fund, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

		<u>ADVERTISED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND/1000</u>			
<u>Building Maint/0161</u>			
1000.10010.0000.0161	Payroll Salaries	\$	10,000
1000.15210.0000.0161	SS/FICA	\$	765
1000.15220.0000.0161	PERF	\$	1,420
1000.33300.0000.0161	Contractual Services	\$	106,600
1000.34700.0000.0161	Bird & Pest Control	\$	1,800
1000.39300.0000.0161	Lawn Care	\$	19,200
1000.34730.0000.0161	Simplex Fire Alarm	\$	15,890
Total General Fund		\$	155,675

Approved on this 11th day of April, 2023 .

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Travis Norris _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2023-18B

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. Now, therefore:

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the LIT-Correctional Rehab Fund, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

		<u>ADVERTISED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>
<u>LIT - Corr/Rehab</u>			
1233.33300.0000.0000	Contractual Services	\$	106,600
1233.34700.0000.0000	Bird & Pest Control	\$	1,800
1233.39300.0000.0000	Lawn Care	\$	19,200
1233.34730.0000.0000	Simplex Fire Alarm	\$	15,890
Total LIT Correctional Rehab Fund		\$	143,490

Approved on this 11th day of April, 2023 .

Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Travis Norris _____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

 James W. Bramble
 Vigo County Auditor

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
Sunshine Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, Vigo County Government Center

Pledge of Allegiance

President Todd Thacker called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Calling of the roll

Aaron Loudermilk – absent; Nancy Allsup – present; Vicki Weger – present; Todd Thacker – present; Marie Theisz – present; Travis Norris – absent; and David Thompson – present.

Public Comments

- a. Terre Haute North High School Engineering Class – Winds of the Wabash presentation.
Jason Gibbons, an instructor at Terre Haute North High School, introduced his Engineering Class and their presentation of Winds on the Wabash. Owen Martin said his class had chosen this project that could completely offset the County's electricity bill. This is more efficient than regular turbines and works with lower winds. They intend to utilize local construction companies to build this. They would like to construct a prototype on county land and can be built anywhere that is available. They described how this works and the benefits it provides versus wind turbines. There was discussion about the specifics of the project. President Thacker said the Council would have to consult with the legal department to see what would need to be done to provide land where the prototype could be built. While no action can be taken tonight, President Thacker indicated that with some further research this week, that perhaps some type of action could be voted on and taken at next week's meeting.
- b. Joe Shackelford, in his capacity as Chairman of the Honey Creek Fire Protection District and representing the Honey Creek Department of Fire & Rescue Services, Inc., said he was here to express concern of any future 100% tax abatement granted to new industrial park tenants. The current fire protection district tax rate is \$0.33 per \$100 of assessed valuation. If a 100% abatement is granted, the District cannot collect those tax monies for 10 years. Also, if a 100% tax abatement is granted to a new tenant, existing tenants are then forced to absorb all of the cost for fire and rescue services in the entire Industrial Park Complex. A recent abatement to Steel Dynamics for a \$325 million investment would have generated \$107,250 per year for the Honey Creek Fire Protection District. A proposed new tenant is being considered with a reported \$1 billion investment and over 600 employees. While this would be a great asset to Vigo County and the surrounding areas, if a 100% tax abatement for this proposed new project was granted, the tax revenue for the fire district would have been \$330,000 annually. They respectfully request the County Council not abate any further for any future

fire protection district taxes to help ensure the necessary resources are available to protect the investment the new tenant will make both in terms of personnel and property. The District and the fire department are dedicated to providing the level of service required to retain existing tenants and attract future new investments to the Industrial Park. They cannot maintain the standard of service without the Council's continued support.

Communications from elected officials, other officials or agencies of the County

- a. Sherri Kelly, Vigo County Drug Court Coordinator, gave an update on the program. They are currently funded by a SAMHSA Grant that will run out in September of this year. She also talked about some of their other funding, including what the County provides. She gave a short history of the Drug Court. Drug Court provides case management services. They currently have two case managers plus her. Per the SAMHSA Grant, they were supposed to have 4. They provide 1-1 guidance for their participants, helping them with housing, referral to appropriate treatment and monitoring of that treatment, help them overcome any barriers they may have (i.e. transportation, phone service, help with job applications/resumes). Participants are required to complete community service or give back projects. Their goal is to get people back to being productive citizens of the community. They do supervise their community service since Community Corrections no longer provides that service. Random drug screening is performed at least 10 times a month, with the participants being responsible for the cost of that screen (currently \$15 per screen or a total of \$150 per month on top of their Drug Court User Fees). Drug Court has to absorb the cost of the screens for probationers since Community Corrections no longer does. They also have status hearings for their participants to check on their progress and incentivize them for their hard work. She talked about their funding and where it comes from and the grants they have applied for. She did note that there had been issues with collecting user fees in the past but they discovered most of the problem was where the funds were applied when paid in to the Clerk's Office and have brainstormed on how to solve this and feel like they have found a solution that seems to be working. She talked about what the financial impact would be if the County took over funding the program. She said if she reduced her salary by \$5,000, maintained the 2 case managers they currently have and add no others and estimating that each case manager made \$40,000 per year, the following is the financial impact for the county: salaries - \$120,000; Social Security/FICA - \$9,180; PERF - \$17,040; and Insurance (assuming that every person would need family insurance) - \$87,669; for a total of \$233,889 per year. Their current rent of \$30,626 annually, an average of \$5,000 annually for utilities, \$2,000 for supplies, \$1,500 annually for copy machine rent, \$5,000 for travel and mileage for all their training would need to be added in for a grand total of \$278,015. For comparison, the cost of incarceration for 50 participants for a year would be \$600,000. There was a lengthy question and answer session. She said this program will not produce revenue but it will hopefully produce citizens that can give back to the community.

- b. Chris Switzer said he was here tonight to respectfully request a Resolution of support from the Council to enable the Commissioners to move forward engaging contracts and negotiations with potential ARPA recipients. He then had Rachel Leslie with RJL Solutions present their Plan of Action with respect to the ARPA funds. She briefly reviewed the plan that set out the requirements/duties of the stakeholders/recipients of the funds, the roll of the Commissioners, how the Council will be engaged, and keeping the lines of communication open not only with the government leaders but also the public. President Thacker expressed appreciation for the Plan of Action so everyone has a better understanding of what is going to happen. The question was raised whether the fees incurred by the County for Baker-Tilly and RJL Solutions would be eligible for payment with the ARPA funds. The answer was yes. Discussion continued.
- c. Chris Switzer said the Commissioners had located a possible location for Vigo County Dispatch. It is the old former FBI building across the parking lot to the west of City Hall and the Court House. They have looked at the building and asked various contractors for opinions as to what might need to be done and a rough cost estimate. Before any further action can be taken, they need to obtain two appraisals in order to make an informed offer. Right now, they are only saying there is interest in the property. Aaron Loudermilk asked if there were any additional locations being considered at this point. The second and/or third floor of Community Corrections had been discussed but had been determined by all that it would not be a good fit. There was a short discussion. Mr. Switzer said right now this is the building they are looking at. There are different sources of incomes that could be used to pay for this that did not include increasing taxation. Aaron Loudermilk asked if any feedback had been received about the particular location. There was a lengthy discussion. It was clarified that this is just permission to obtain appraisals at this point. There was also discussion about what improvements/changes/renovations would need to be made if plans moved forward with purchasing the building for Dispatch. It was noted that when the time actually did come for Dispatch to move, Chief Keen of the Terre Haute Police Department had graciously offered use of their facility during the actual move to keep from having service interruption of 911.
- d. Auditor James Bramble distributed a list of the encumbrances from last year totaling \$3,513,852.14. The bulk of that was in EDIT (\$2,253,000) and was for the Community Crossings Grant, the Springhill project, and Clinton Road.
- e. Chris Switzer said it had been announced today that there will be a determination or decision with regard to Markle Mill Dam on how to move forward next week. He noted the Commissioners have received a grant to take care of about 50%-60% of demolition of the dam if that is the route chosen. They have also applied for a second round of funding that would take care of an additional 30% of the grant. So, if that is the route chosen, County will have to pay about 10% for dam removal. The application process to get permitting is about 6 months long. In that event, the Commissioners would have to come back about July or August for

additional funding. He estimated the amount they would be requesting would be \$10,000-\$20,000.

- f. Council – Update on Baker Tilly Salary study. President Thacker said there had been two Committee meetings since last month. It was decided to share the study with the department heads (which has been done). During the first or second week of April, Baker Tilly will be here for meetings with the department heads. Kara Wright will coordinate the times for meetings. There are still decisions to be made with timing and how to reach certain levels of pay. Kara Wright mentioned the possibility of doing a market study for elected officials had been brought up. Because of the situation where chief deputy positions pay rates are based on a percentage of the elected official, the situation could arise where the pay for that position will either be stagnant because the study shows the rate of pay should be more but can't be done because the percentage would be less money and put their pay rate in proximity with other people with less responsibilities, or, in the alternative, if the pay rate were increased, they would be earning nearly as much as the elected official and that comes with its own set of problems.
- g. Auditor Jim Bramble advised the Council that going forward, the numbering system for Appropriations was going to be adjusted to make things easier.

First reading by summary reference of proposed ordinances and resolutions

- i. Resolution of Reallocation 2023-04: Area Planning – out-of-series transfer
- ii. Additional Appropriation 2023-21: Seized Assets – purchase of equipment
- iii. Additional Appropriation 2023-25: LIT/Public Safety – Mental Health America
- iv. Additional Appropriation 2023-26: ARP Grant Fund – Culvert & Drainage Projects

Reports from committees

There were none.

Resolutions and Ordinances other than appropriations.

- i. **Resolution of Reallocation 2023-04: Area Planning – Out-of-Series Transfer**

Jared Bayler said they had encumbered money for this year in their budget under Service Agreements to pay for two iPads, keyboards and service agreements. It was determined this year that this purchase would need to be paid for out of New Equipment. This transfer is being requested in order to pay for the purchase. Council had no questions.

Ordinances relating to appropriations.

OLD BUSINESS

- i. **Salary Ordinance 2023-02; ROC 2023-01: Clerk – Salary Increases**

No one was there to speak further on this request.

ii. Salary Ordinance 2023-03; ROC 2023-01: Clerk – delete part time positions and add full time positions

No one was there to speak further on this request.

iii. Salary Ordinance 2023-04; ROC 2023-01: Election Board – salary increases

No one was there to speak further on this request.

iv. Salary Ordinance 2023-05; ROC 2023-04: Juvenile Justice Center – Salary Increases

Norm Loudermilk, Executive Director of the Juvenile Justice Center, said he felt this does not have anything to do with the Baker Tilly study. President Thacker said that it does and the Baker Tilly study did, in fact, indicate that there should be parity with other correctional officers. Mr. Loudermilk said that retention bonuses and stipends had not been addressed in the study.

v. Salary Ordinance 2023-06; ROC 2023-04: Juvenile Justice Center – Stipends & Retention Bonuses

This discussion was included in the prior request. See above.

vi. Salary Ordinance 2023-07; ROC 2023-06: Coroner – Add Chief Deputy Coroner Position

No one was there to speak further on this request. Council Attorney Michael Wright said that he had done some further research on the statement that the chief deputy coroner position had existed before and was held in the past by a former Terre Haute City Police Officer Kevin Mayes. That is, in fact, true but Mr. Wright nor Mr. Mayes do not believe that his salary when Mr. Mayes held that position was a percent of the elected Coroner's salary. Mr. Mayes had more responsibility on the call-outs. He made sure there was coverage when needed and if there was no coverage, he was the one who covered.

vii. Additional Appropriation 2023-22; ROC 2023-09: Jail – Staff Increases

This is the appropriation to fund Salary Ordinance 2023-08 that was passed last month.

viii. Additional Appropriation 2023-23; ROC 2023-09: Sheriff – Additional Staff

This is the appropriation to fund Salary Ordinance 2023-09 that was passed last month.

ix. Salary Ordinance 2023-11; ROC 2023-10: Prosecutor – Amend Deputy Prosecutor Base Salary

Terry Modesitt, Vigo County Prosecutor, reviewed the information he presented last month regarding the fact that open positions cannot be filled because the pay rate is too low and other counties in the State far exceeded what Vigo County could offer. They would also like to add percentage increases for certain positions.

x. Salary Ordinance 2023-12; ROC 2023-10: Prosecutor – Add Deputy Prosecutor Percentage Increase

See prior request.

xi. Salary Ordinance 2023-13; ROC 2023-10: Prosecutor – Add Deputy Prosecutor Positions (3)

This discussion was included in discussion of prior request. See above.

xii. Salary Ordinance 2023-14; ROC 2023-10: Prosecutor – Add 2 Legal Secretary Positions

Mr. Modesitt said that one of these positions would be for a Juvenile legal secretary and the second position is for a community service coordinator. The Community Corrections board voted to do away with monitoring community service, so the Prosecutor's Office is going to try to perform the monitoring in order to keep community service in operation. There was a brief discussion.

xiii. Additional Appropriation 2023-24; ROC 2023-11: Juvenile Court – Staff Increases

This is the appropriation to fund Salary Ordinance 2023-01 which was approved last month.

NEW BUSINESS

i. Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2023-21: Seized Assets – New Equipment

Prosecutor Terry Modesitt said these funds are seized through different raids and drug busts and those type of things and are not direct tax dollars. The funds are used solely to purchase new equipment for law enforcement (Vigo County Sheriff's Office and Terre Haute Police Department). They just have to have the funds appropriated so they can be used. The question was raised whether it was typical to use the funds for the Terre Haute Police Department and it was confirmed that it was used for all law enforcement.

ii. Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2023-25: LIT/Public Safety – Mental Health America

Commissioner Chris Switzer introduced Myra Wilkey who would be talking about a potential \$14 million project and they are about \$1 million short. There are a lot of proponents for a diversion center in Vigo County and this \$500,000 request would fund that center. She will also be talking about building 42 very low income housing units and her funding has fallen a little bit short on that as well. So the ask may be \$750,000 from the County. While this does qualify for ARPA, this would come from outside the \$5 million the Commissioners have set aside for housing under their ARPA plan. Myra Wilkey, Chief Executive Officer for Mental Health America for Central Indiana, and their consultant with ALK Development, Andrea Kent, gave a short presentation on Mullen Flats and the diversion center. Ms. Wilkey had distributed a copy of the PowerPoint presentation and a copy of The Economic Burden of Untreated Mental Illness in Indiana authored by Senator Mike Crider. The estimated total economic burden of

untreated mental health in Indiana is \$4.2 billion. She briefly reviewed the breakdown of how that total was reached. She talked about the initial projects of Younty Village and Liberty Village. Mullen Flats will be located just west of Liberty Village. Andrea Kent said that this project had secured all the needed funding with the exception of tonight's request. Myra Wilkey gave details about the layout of the building and the diversion center, the criteria that would be in place, and the various services that will be offered. They are partnering with Next Step Foundation, who started the program by creating the Clear Program. She explained how the Clear Program worked. The build out of the detention center is not eligible for any grants they have received but if they create it simultaneously with Mullen Flats, there will be a savings of about \$500,000 making the cost of the build-out of the diversion center \$500,000. They are requesting \$500,000 from public safety funds and \$250,000 from ARPA. The City Council would match \$250,000 from the County. Andrea Kent reviewed where their funding was coming from and how it was being spent. She also talked about their timeline and the closing on financing and schedule deadlines. The Closing on financing is set for April 3, 2023. Aaron Loudermilk said that he was supportive of this project but he wanted to know why there was such a big monetary difference in the ask from the City versus County. During meetings with the Mayor and the Commissioners, it was discussed how the public safety funds would be a good fit for the diversion center build out, and then the City and Commissioners would split the housing request. The comment was made that it seemed during these kinds of projects, the County is always expected to contribute far more than the City. President Thacker asked to see letters documenting the support from the different entities they have. There was some discussion about how people qualified to come to the center. It was also noted that the housing/diversion center would not be used for out-of-county people, just Vigo County residents. In again discussing why the County's ask was three times what the City was going to contribute, it was noted that during talks about 3 months ago, it was pointed out by the Mayor that the County received the largest amount of public safety funding and that the County should pay for the diversion aspect since the City contributed the property, the cleanup and was matching the housing amount. Mr. Switzer said he did point out to the Mayor that the City had received substantially more than the County in ARPA funds. Mr. Switzer also said that the Commissioners would not pass a resolution of support until the Council decides what it is going to do. While it is felt that this is a great opportunity, there is displeasure that meetings started months ago but the County was not included and wasn't approached until it was crunch time and the money is needed immediately. Discussion continued.

iii. Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2023-26: ARP Grant Fund – Culvert & Drainage Projects

Commissioner Chris Switzer indicated they would like to withdraw this request for the time being and will make the request at a later date.

Vicki Weger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Thompson seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 6-0, the motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
SUNSHINE MEETING
MARCH 7, 2023

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in full and adopted as written this 11th day of April, 2023.

Aye	☐	Absent	☐	
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	David Thompson
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Travis Norris
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Marie Theisz
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	R. Todd Thacker,
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	President
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Vicki Weger
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Nancy Allsup
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Aaron Loudermilk
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo Auditor

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, Vigo County Government Center

Pledge of Allegiance

President Todd Thacker called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Calling of the roll

Present: Aaron Loudermilk, Nancy Allsup, Vicki Weger, Marie Theisz, Travis Norris, David Thompson, and Todd Thacker.

Correcting of the journal of the preceding meeting if needed

February 3, 2023 Special Call Committee Meeting

February 7, 2023 Sunshine Meeting

February 14, 2023 Meeting

There were no corrections to the minutes of the February 3, 2023 Special Call Committee Meeting. Marie Theisz made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Call Committee Meeting. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the February 7, 2023 Sunshine meeting. Travis Norris made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2023 Sunshine meeting. Marie Theisz seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the February 14, 2023 meeting. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2023 meeting. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Public Comments

Keith Ketner of Terre Haute had comments about a conflict of interest.

Communications from elected officials, other officials or agencies of the County

Peyton Rowe and Logan Winslow from the Terre Haute North Engineering class that had given a presentation at the Sunshine Meeting regarding their Winds of the Wabash project were present for any additional questions. Marie Theisz explained that the Council, as the financial body, can make a recommendation but it would probably take the involvement of the Parks Department and possibly the Commissioners to accomplish what the class would like to do. Peyton Rowe briefly reviewed their goal which was to build a prototype that provides energy that could offset electric costs and was environmentally safe. There was a short discussion. Marie Theisz made a motion to show support for the Terre Haute North High School Engineering students moving

forward. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Reports from committee(s)

Marie Theisz asked if there was a timeline on the appeals process for the Baker Tilly study. Kara Wright said that Jada Kent of Baker Tilly will be here on April 4, 5 and 6 to meet with any department heads that would like to meet. Kara Wright will arrange appointment times for those who wish to meet.

Resolutions and Ordinances other than appropriations.

i. Resolution of Reallocation 2023-04: Area Planning – Out-of-Series Transfer

This was presented at the Sunshine Meeting. Council had no further questions. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve this request. Travis Norris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

ii. Resolution 2023-05: Expressing Interest in Real Estate and Appointing Appraisers: Commissioners

This was presented at the Sunshine Meeting. Council had no further questions. David Thompson made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-05. Aaron Loudermilk seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

iii. Resolution 2023-06: Resolution of the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana in Support of a Plan for Disbursement of American Rescue Plan Funds: Commissioners

This originally came before, and was approved by, the Council as an Ordinance but it was discovered that it should actually be submitted in the form of a resolution which is being done tonight. Commissioner Chris Switzer also distributed an updated Plan of Action to the Council. This sets forth the steps and requirements which will be needed in order to qualify for and receive ARPA funding. This was briefly reviewed and it was noted that this Resolution will approve the plan but requests for the actual appropriations for each group will still come before, and have to be approved by, the Council. Travis Norris made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-06. Marie Theisz seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Ordinances relating to appropriations.

i. Salary Ordinance 2023-02; ROC 2023-01: Clerk – Salary Increases

County Clerk Brad Newman was present to answer any questions from Council. Vicki Weger made a motion to refer this to the Budget Committee and table the Ordinance until it is brought back before the full Council for the duration. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

ii. Salary Ordinance 2023-03; ROC 2023-01: Clerk – delete part time positions and add full time positions

The Council had no further questions about this request. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Salary Ordinance 2023-03. Travis Norris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

iii. Salary Ordinance 2023-04; ROC 2023-01: Election Board – salary increases

Marie Theisz said this is one she feels should be adjusted but thinks it should be considered at budget meetings. Marie Theisz made a motion to refer this to the Budget Committee and table it until it is brought back before the full Council for the duration. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

iv. Salary Ordinance 2023-05; ROC 2023-04: Juvenile Justice Center – Salary Increases

There were no additional questions from Council. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Salary Ordinance 2023-05. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

v. Salary Ordinance 2023-06; ROC 2023-04: Juvenile Justice Center – Stipends & Retention Bonuses

Marie Theisz asked if this had also been done for the Jail. President Thacker indicated that these had been given to the jailers but not Juvenile Center employees. Travis Norris asked if the retention bonus was a 1-time bonus. Mr. Loudermilk said he was just asking for parity with what everybody else was getting. There was a short discussion. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Salary Ordinance 2023-06. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

vi. Salary Ordinance 2023-07; ROC 2023-06: Coroner Add Chief Deputy Coroner position

Vicki Weger reminded everyone that there had been a chief deputy coroner some time ago but after he retired, the position was never filled. There was a lengthy discussion. Travis Norris asked if the amount requested was the salary for the position or an increase in salary from what they currently made. Chief Deputy Auditor Cheryl Loudermilk confirmed that the amount requested was the annual salary for that position. Discussion continued. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Salary Ordinance 2023-07. Travis Norris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

vii. Additional Appropriation 2023-22; ROC 2023-09: Jail – Staff Increases

This is the appropriation to fund Salary Ordinance 2023-08 that was passed last month. Marie Theisz made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2023-22. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote, there were six votes of aye with Aaron Loudermilk voting nay. With a vote of 6-1 in favor, the motion passed.

viii. Additional Appropriation 2023-23; ROC 2023-09: Sheriff – additional staff

This is the appropriation to fund Salary Ordinance 2023-09 that was passed last month. There was a brief discussion. Marie Theisz made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2023-23. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

ix. Salary Ordinance 2023-10; ROC 2023-09: Sheriff – add secretary position

This is a position that has been being paid from Jail funds but which, in actuality, should be paid from the Sheriff's budget. Doing this will result in a lower rate of pay. The individual currently in this position is aware of this and has agreed to it. This is not adding a position but is basically just cleaning up the situation and putting the position in the correct budget. Travis Norris asked if the position should be deleted in the Jail budget. The individual has been being paid as a jailer even though acting in a secretarial capacity. The moving of this individual will essentially just leave a jailer's position that can be filled. There was a short discussion. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Salary Ordinance 2023-10. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

x. Salary Ordinance 2023-11; ROC 2023-10: Prosecutor – Amend Deputy Prosecutor Base Salary

Rob Roberts, Chief Deputy Prosecutor, was present to answer any questions. Vicki Weger made a motion to refer this to the budget committee and table Salary Ordinance 2023-11 until it can be brought back to the full council. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Aaron Loudermilk asked what the timeline for that would be. There was a lengthy discussion. Aaron Loudermilk felt that this situation should be dealt with sooner than during the budget process due to the fact that there were many positions that the Prosecutor's Office could not fill and they were actually losing Deputy Prosecutors because the salary was too low. He had concerns that the number of Deputy Prosecutors might be decimated further if the base salary did not change before the budget process. President Thacker said that this would also be addressed in the Baker Tilly study and could possibly change the pay structure when that process concluded. David Thompson said he agreed with Councilman Loudermilk and thought this should be dealt with sooner rather than later. There was a very lengthy discussion about this matter. Mr. Roberts said that in talking with an attorney who had already left and the current attorney who would be leaving soon if a wage increase would make a difference. Both replied that it would and they would be willing to stay/come back. Council asked if documentation, such as exit interviews, could be provided to substantiate that information. Meetings with Baker Tilly should be concluded by the April meeting date and it was asked if this could be brought back up and discussed at the April meeting. The motion previously made and seconded was repeated before a vote was taken. Ms. Weger said the motion was to refer this to the budget committee for consideration and to table it until it is brought back to the full Council. Council Attorney Michael Wright clarified that any Council member has the ability to pull an item off the table that has been tabled at any time. If one of the Council members takes that step, he urged them to consider that at the Sunshine Meeting in order for the necessary paperwork to effectuate that decision could be prepared for the following meeting. Upon a roll call vote, voting was as follows:

Aaron Loudermilk – nay; Nancy Allsup – aye; Vicki Weger – aye; Marie Theisz – aye; Travis Norris – aye; David Thompson – nay; Todd Thacker – aye. By a vote of 5-2, the motion carried.

xi. Salary Ordinance 2023-12; ROC 2023-10: Prosecutor – Add Deputy Prosecutor Percentage Increase

Rob Roberts said that this request is ultimately in conjunction with the increase of the base salary and, based on the table of that prior request, asked that this request be treated the same. Vicki Weger made a motion to refer Salary Ordinance 2023-12 to the budget committee for consideration and to table it until it is brought back to the full Council. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 6-1, with Aaron Loudermilk voting nay, the motion carried .

xii. Salary Ordinance 2023-13; ROC 2023-10: Prosecutor – Add Deputy Prosecutor Positions (3)

Vicki Weger made a motion to refer Salary Ordinance 2023-14 to the budget committee and to table it until it is brought back to the full Council. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

xiii. Salary Ordinance 2023-14; ROC 2023-10: Prosecutor – Add 2 Legal Secretary Positions

Marie Theisz asked Mr. Roberts if one of these positions was for Community Service. Mr. Roberts said that Community Corrections had been responsible for both arranging locations for community service and monitoring those service hours. Someone needs to monitor compliance with the program in order for it to continue and Community Corrections will no longer be doing that. Somebody needs to monitor the compliance. He has contracted with someone to design a web portal that will allow whoever does this to keep track of the information. Managing this will probably not require a full time position but the individual would then have other duties in the office and this is for one of the positions in this request. The other individual requested is in conjunction with the additional staffing request. Mr. Roberts elaborated about what this would entail. There was a lengthy discussion. The question arose whether the Council could amend the motion to add one position instead of two and was discussed. Marie Theisz made a motion to amend Salary Ordinance 2023-14 to add one legal secretary position. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Salary Ordinance 2023-14, as amended. Marie Theisz seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

xiv. Additional Appropriation 2023-24; ROC 2023-11: Juvenile Court – Staff Increases

There was a brief discussion to clarify what this motion is for. This is the appropriation to fund Salary Ordinance 2023-1 that was passed last month regarding the CASA program. Marie Theisz made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2023-24. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote of 7-0, the motion was unanimously approved.

xv. Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2023-21: Seized Assets – New Equipment

Council had no further questions on this request. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2023-21. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Before voting took place, Aaron Loudermilk and David Thompson chose to abstain from the vote. President Thacker said it would still take four yes votes in order for the motion to pass. Upon a voice vote of 5-0, the motion unanimously passed.

xvi. Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2023-25: LIT/Public Safety – Mental Health America

A presentation about this matter had been given at the Sunshine Meeting by Myra Wilkey. Marie Theisz said she wanted to discuss funding. She was supportive of this but she felt that this would be better to be requested out of ARP funding rather than LIT/Public Safety. This request was briefly summarized. David Thompson said the Council had asked at the Sunshine Meeting that Ms. Wilkey provide them with copies of her letters of support previously talked about. Ms. Wilkey asked that this matter be tabled in order to review her funding. She believed she had some other sources that were previously unknown. Upon being asked if it would allow her enough time if this matter was tabled until the April meeting, Ms. Wilkey replied that she believed it would. Marie Theisz made a motion to table Additional Appropriation 2023-25 until the April meeting. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0, the motion unanimously passed.

xvii. Additional Appropriation Ordinance 2023-26: ARP Grant Fund – Culvert & Drainage Projects

This was withdrawn by the Commissioners until a later date.

Honorary Resolutions

There were none.

Resolutions relating to fiscal policies of the Council

There were none.

Appointments

There were none.

Adjournment

Before adjourning, President Thacker said that in future meetings, he is requesting that public comments be moved to the end of the meeting. Marie Theisz made several comments about the decision the Commissioners made today to demolish Markle Mill Dam. Vicki Weger asked everyone to support the ISU basketball team. Vicki Weger made a motion to adjourn. By a unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
MARCH 14, 2023

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in full and adopted as written this 11th day of April, 2023.

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	David Thompson _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Travis Norris _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Marie Theisz _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Aaron Loudermilk _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo Auditor