



**Meeting of the
Vigo County Council
June 10, 2025**

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday, June 10, 2025
Council Chamber – Vigo County Government Center
5:00 P.M.
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VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
Agenda
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- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Calling of the Roll**
- 3. Correcting the Journal of Preceding Meetings if Needed**
 - a. May 6, 2025 Sunshine Meeting
 - b. May 13, 2025 Meeting
- 4. Communications from Elected Officials, Other Officials, or Agencies of the County**
 - a. Hoosier Jack Solar Project Updates
- 5. Reports from Committees**
- 6. Resolutions and Ordinances Other than Appropriations**
 - a. **Amended Salary Ordinance 2025-14:** Human Resources – Salary Ordinance Corrections
- 7. Ordinances Relating to Appropriations**
 - a. **Amended Salary Ordinance 2025-15:** Vigo County Courts Mandate Order – Adjusted Pay
 - b. **Additional Appropriation 2025-35:** Vigo County Courts Mandate Order – Adjusted Pay
 - c. **Additional Appropriation 2025-36:** Vigo County Courts Mandate Order Settlement – Settlement Allocation
 - d. **Amended Salary Ordinance 2025-16:** Circuit & Superior Courts - New Magistrate Court
 - e. **Additional Appropriation 2025-37:** Circuit & Superior Courts - New Magistrate Court
 - f. **Amended Salary Ordinance 2025-17:** Clerk's Office – Pay Increase Request
 - g. **Additional Appropriation 2025-38:** Clerk's Office – Pay Increase Request
- 8. Honorary Resolutions**
- 9. Resolutions Relating to Fiscal Policies of the Council**
- 10. Appointments**
- 11. Public Comment**
- 12. Adjournment**

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF PROPOSED ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Vigo County, Indiana that the Vigo County Council will meet at the Vigo County Government Center, 127 Oak Street, Terre Haute at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 3, 2025 to consider the following appropriations in excess of the budget of the current year. The Vigo County Council will also meet on Tuesday, June 10, 2025 at the same location for a voting meeting.

COUNTY GENERAL/1000

Circuit Court/0232

1000.10010.00000.0232	Payroll Salaries	\$ 472,601.44
1000.15210.00000.0232	FICA	\$ 34,624.02
1000.15220.00000.0232	PERF`	\$ 64,269.41
1000.15230.00000.0232	Group Insurance	\$ 75,098.00
1000.21000.00000.0232	Office Supplies	\$ 500.00
1000.36100.00000.0232	Printing	\$ 1,500.00
1000.39200.00000.0232	Service Agreements	\$ 800.00
1000.44520.00000.0232	System Hardware	\$ 37,600.00
1000.44480.00000.0232	Office Furniture – Other	<u>\$ 3,500.00</u>

Total Circuit Court/0232: **\$ 690,492.87**

County Clerk/0001

1000.10010.00000.0001	Payroll Salaries	\$ 171,340.23
1000.15210.00000.0001	FICA	\$ 12,850.52
1000.15220.00000.0001	PERF	<u>\$ 24,330.31</u>

Total County Clerk/0001: **\$ 208,521.06**

TOTAL COUNTY GENERAL/1000: **\$ 899,013.93**

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

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzmzvzRWqm-L5pW8F389_Tg

Unless otherwise directed for public health reasons, the meeting will be open to the public. Members of the public may submit comments prior to the meeting to:

county.council@vigocounty.in.gov

LARRY T. HUTCHINGS, II

VIGO COUNTY AUDITOR

TO BE PUBLISHED: Friday, May 23, 2025.

AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE 2025-14

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, 2025, 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 otherwise expressly be stipulated for by law provide, 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:

REQUESTED

APPROVED

COUNTY GENERAL/1000:

GIS Department/0170

- a. Change Position of GIS Director
From: (\$69,206.73/yr)

To: (\$71,282.93/yr)

Juvenile Court/0234

- a. Change Position of Staff Advocate Supervisor
(26.63/hr)

**To: Staff Advocate
(24.19/hr)**

- b. Change Position of Staff Advocate
From: (23.48/hr)

To: (24.19/hr)

- c. Add:

**Staff Advocate Position (2)
(24.19/hr)**

SECTION 3. Effective June 11, 2025.

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AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE 2025-14

Approved on this 10th Day of June, 2025.

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Steve Ellis _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Randy Gentry _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brenda Wilson _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brad Anderson _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	David Thompson _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	

Attest:

Larry T. Hutchings, II
Vigo County Auditor

AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE 2025-15

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, 2025, 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 otherwise expressly be stipulated for by law provide, 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.

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REQUESTED

APPROVED

COUNTY GENERAL/1000

Circuit Court/0232

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------|
| a. Change Position of Div. 1 Court Reporter A
From: (\$46,883/yr) | To: (\$56,181.35/yr) |
| b. Change Position of Div. 1 Court Reporter A
From: (\$46,883/yr) | To: (\$56,181.35/yr) |
| c. Change Position of Div. 1 Court Reporter B
From: (\$46,883/yr) | To: (\$56,871.70/yr) |
| d. Change Position of Div. 2 Court Reporter A
From: (\$46,883/yr) | To: (\$56,181.35/yr) |
| e. Change Position of Div. 2 Court Reporter A
From: (\$46,883/yr) | To: (\$56,181.35/yr) |
| f. Change Position of Div. 2 Court Reporter B
From: (\$38,802/yr) | To: (\$50,871.70/yr) |
| g. Change Position of Div. 3 Court Reporter B
From: (\$38,802/yr) | To: (\$50,871.70/yr) |
| h. Change Position of Div. 3 Court Reporter A
From: (\$47,356/yr) | To: (\$56,181.35/yr) |
| i. Change Position of Div. 3 Court Reporter A
From: (\$48,976/yr) | To: (\$56,181.35/yr) |
| j. Change Position of Div. 4 Court Reporter B
From: (\$46,883/yr) | To: (\$50,871.70/yr) |
| k. Change Position of Div. 4 Court Reporter B
From: (\$46,883/yr) | To: (\$50,871.70/yr) |
| l. Change Position of Div. 4 Court Reporter B
From: (\$38,802/yr) | To: (\$50,871.70/yr) |
| m. Change Position of Div. 4 Court Reporter A
From: (\$46,883/yr) | To: (\$56,181.35/yr) |

AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE 2025-15

- n. Change Position of Div. 4 Court Reporter B
From: (\$38,802/yr) **To: (\$50,871.70/yr)**
- o. Change Position of Div. 5 Court Reporter B
From: (\$38,802/yr) **To: (\$50,871.70/yr)**
- p. Change Position of Div. 5 Court Reporter B
From: (\$46,883/yr) **To: (\$50,871.70/yr)**
- q. Change Position of Div. 5 Court Reporter B
From: (\$46,883/yr) **To: (\$50,871.70/yr)**
- r. Change Position of Div. 5 Court Reporter A
From: (\$46,883/yr) **To: (\$56,181.35/yr)**
- s. Change Position of Div. 5 Court Reporter A
From: (\$46,883/yr) **To: (\$56,181.35/yr)**
- t. Change Position of Div. 6 Court Reporter A
From: (\$46,883/yr) **To: (\$56,181.35/yr)**
- u. Change Position of Div. 6 Court Reporter B
From: (\$46,883/yr) **To: (\$50,871.70/yr)**
- v. Change Position of Div. 6 Court Reporter A
From: (\$46,883/yr) **To: (\$56,181.35/yr)**
- w. Change Position of Div. A Court Reporter A
From: (\$46,883/yr) **To: (\$50,871.70/yr)**
- x. Change Position of Div. A Licensed Social Worker/Therapist
From: (\$68,848/yr) **To: (\$82,400/yr)**
- y. Change Position of Div. A. Systems Administrator
From: (\$58,038.76/yr) **To: (\$59,379.50/yr)**
- z. Change Position of Court Admin/Probate Registrar
From: (\$53,162.20/yr) **To: (\$56,181.35/yr)**
- aa. Change Position of Jury Admin
From: (\$47,356/yr) **To: (\$50,871.70/yr)**
- bb. Change Position of IVD Court Reporter B
From: (\$46,883/yr) **To: (\$50,871.70/yr)**
- cc. Change Position of Juv Receptionist
From: (\$38,802/yr) **To: (\$44,752.75/yr)**
- dd. Change Position of Juv Office Manager
From: (\$47,102/yr) **To: (\$56,181.35/yr)**

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ee. Change Position of Juv Court Reporter B
From: (\$46,883/yr)

To: (\$50,871.70/yr)

ff. Change Position of Juv Court Reporter B
From: (\$46,883/yr)

To: (\$50,871.70/yr)

gg. Amend to **Eliminate:**

Bailiff (Vacant Position)
(\$38,802/yr)

SECTION 3. Effective June 11th 2025.

Approved on this 10th Day of June, 2025.

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Nancy
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Allsup _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Vicki
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Weger _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Steve
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Ellis _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Randy
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Gentry _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brenda
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Wilson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brad
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Anderson _____
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	David
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	Thompson _____

Attest:

Larry T. Hutchings, II
Vigo County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION 2025-35

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

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

		REQUESTED	APPROVED
<u>COUNTY GENERAL/1000</u>			
<u>Circuit Court/0232</u>			
1000.10010.00000.0232	Payroll Salaries	\$ 197,607.04	
1000.15210.00000.0232	FICA	\$ 15,116.94	
1000.15220.00000.0232	PERF	<u>\$ 28,060.20</u>	
Total County General:		\$ 240,784.18	

Approved on this 10th Day of June, 2025.

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Randy Gentry_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Nancy Allsup_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brenda Wilson_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Steve Ellis_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Vicki Weger_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brad Anderson_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	David Thompson _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	

Attest:

Larry T. Hutchings, II
Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION 2025-36

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

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

Settlement Allocations:

2 Employees @\$2,832
1 Employee @\$3,000
16 Employees @\$5,000
12 Employees @\$7,000
1 Employee @\$8,000

REQUESTED

APPROVED

COUNTY GENERAL/1000

Circuit Court/0232

1000.10010.00000.0232	Payroll Salaries	\$ 148,251.00
1000.15210.00000.0232	FICA	\$ 11,341.20
1000.15220.00000.0232	PERF	<u>\$ 21,051.65</u>
Total County General:		\$ 180,643.85

Approved on this 10th Day of June, 2025.

Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Randy Gentry_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Brenda Wilson_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Steve Ellis_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Brad Anderson_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____

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Auditor

AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE 2025-16

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, 2025, 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 otherwise expressly be stipulated for by law provide, 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:

REQUESTED

APPROVED

COUNTY GENERAL/1000:

Circuit Court/0232

a. Amend to Add:

**Court Reporter B (2)
(\$50,871.70/yr)**

SECTION 3. Effective April 9, 2025.

Approved on this 8th Day of April, 2025.

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Randy Gentry _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brenda Wilson _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Steve Ellis _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Vicki Weger _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brad Anderson _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	David Thompson _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	

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Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION 2025-37

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

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		REQUESTED	APPROVED
<u>COUNTY GENERAL/1000</u>			
<u>Circuit Court/0232</u>			
1000.10010.00000.0232	Payroll Salaries	\$ 126,743.40	
1000.15210.00000.0232	FICA	\$ 8,165.88	
1000.15220.00000.0232	PERF	\$ 15,157.56	
1000.15230.00000.0232	Group Insurance	\$ 75,098.00	
1000.21000.00000.0232	Office Supplies	\$ 500.00	
1000.36100.00000.0232	Printing	\$ 1,500.00	
1000.39200.00000.0232	Service Agreements	\$ 800.00	
1000.44520.00000.0232	Systems Hardware	\$ 37,600.00	
1000.44480.00000.0232	Office Furniture	\$ 3,500.00	
Total County General:		\$ 269,064.84	

Approved on this 10th Day of June, 2025.

Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Randy Gentry_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Nancy Allsup_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Brenda Wilson_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Steve Ellis_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Vicki Weger_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	Brad Anderson_____
Aye ☐ Nay ☐	Absent ☐ Abstain ☐	David Thompson _____

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 Auditor

AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE 2025-17

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	REQUESTED	APPROVED
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COUNTY GENERAL/1000:

Circuit Court/0001

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------|
| a. Change Position of Deputy Clerk (26):
From: (\$22.71/hr) | To: (\$24.28/hr) |
| b. Change Position of Assistant Supervisor (2)
From: (\$25.76/hr) | To: (\$27.54/hr) |
| c. Change Position of Supervisors (5)
From: (\$27.43/hr) | To: (\$29.33/hr) |
| d. Change Position of Chief Deputy Clerk
From: (\$56,628.02/yr) | To: (\$60,538.30/yr) |

SECTION 3. Effective June 11, 2025.

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AMENDED SALARY ORDINANCE 2025-17

Approved on this 10th Day of June, 2025.

Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Randy
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	Gentry_____
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Nancy
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	Allsup_____
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Brenda
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	Wilson_____
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Steve
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	Ellis_____
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Vicki
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	Weger_____
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	Brad
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	Anderson_____
Aye	☐	Absent	☐	David
Nay	☐	Abstain	☐	Thompson _____

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Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION 2025-38

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APPROVED

COUNTY GENERAL/1000

County Clerk/0001

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1000.15220.00000.0001	PERF	<u>\$ 24,330.31</u>

Total County Clerk/0001:	\$ 208,521.06
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Approved on this 10th Day of June, 2025.

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Randy Gentry_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Nancy Allsup_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brenda Wilson_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Steve Ellis_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Vicki Weger_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brad Anderson_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	David Thompson _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	

Attest:

Larry T. Hutchings, II
Auditor

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
Sunshine Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 6, 2025 at 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, Vigo County Government Center

Pledge of Allegiance

Brad Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Calling of the Roll

Nancy Allsup – present; Vicki Weger – present; Steve Ellis – present; Randy Gentry – present; Brenda Wilson – present; Brad Anderson – present; and David Thompson – present.

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

Chief Deputy Prosecutor Rob Roberts approached the Council and gave an update on the status of Adult Protective Services. Rob said the funding portion of potential legislation discussed during a previous Council meeting was stripped out at the last second and would not be going to Vigo County. He said FSSA accepted a request from “PCG Indiana” to handle Adult Protective Services. He said the criteria changed for proposals and the Prosecuting Attorneys Council withdrew their bid to handle Adult Protective Services because there would be no way to professionally run the services at the budget requested. Rob expressed his concern about the future of the program and PCG Indiana’s ability to carry out services.

Council Attorney Michael Wright provided the Council with reports on ongoing litigation related to the jail. He said these were defendant’s monthly status reports. Michael then said he would answer any questions from the Council related to the reports. There were no questions.

Council President David Thompson noted Indiana House Bill 1001 had been signed into law, and Section 126 states any employee at a community mental health center making over \$400,000 a year would make the community mental health center ineligible to receive funding from local property taxes, state programs, or grants. He said this would go into effect June 30th 2025. Michael Wright said the Hamilton Center would have to make changes to comply with the statute. Steve Ellis asked if the Council should advise the Hamilton Center about the new law. Michael Wright said there would be no problem advising the Hamilton Center, but he felt they would probably be aware of the new law. Randy Gentry asked how often funds were distributed to the Hamilton Center. Michael Wright was not aware of the specifics of the fund distribution to the Hamilton Center. Randy asked if the County would be prohibited by law to distribute funds after June 30th. Michael confirmed this was accurate.

Reports from Committees

There were none.

Resolutions and Ordinances Other than Appropriations – First Reading

There were none.

Ordinances Related to Appropriations – First Reading

a. Additional Appropriation 2025-29: Surveyor’s Office – Request for New GPS Units

Vigo County Surveyor Bruce Allen approached the Council with a request for \$68,500 from the Surveyor’s Cornerstone Fund to be used for new GPS units. He said the current units are over 10

years old and are no longer supported. Steve Ellis asked if there were multiple sources for multiple quotes. Bruce said the quote is from Seiler Geospatial and there was a letter included in his request from Trimble Navigation stating that Seiler was the only company in the state of Indiana that can sell these units and service them. Steve then asked if there were other brands at a more competitive price. Bruce said there were other brands, but for this type of equipment they were not comparable. Randy asked about the day-to-day use of the equipment. Bruce briefly described how money is collected for the Cornerstone Fund. He then said the Surveyor's Office was required by law to maintain section corners. He says this equipment will produce coordinates to fulfill legal requirements. David confirmed this fund could only be used for certain items. Bruce confirmed this was accurate.

b. Additional Appropriation 2025-30: Lost Creek Fire Protection District – Special Fire General Fund Request

This was a request from the Lost Creek Fire Protection Board for \$15,000 to be appropriated from the Special Fire General Fund. No representative of the Lost Creek Fire Protection District Board was present for this meeting.

c. Additional Appropriation 2025-31: Juvenile Justice Center – Medical Services Provider Contract Costs and Security System Request

Interim Director of the Juvenile Justice Center Andrea Moeller approached the Council with a request for \$200,000 to be appropriated from the Juvenile Justice Center Non-Reverting Fund. \$165,000 of this request would be for contractual services. Andrea said the medical services provider for both the Jail and Juvenile Center was now Comprehensive Correctional Care (3C) following a contract signed in 2024. She said in previous years, the Juvenile Justice Center was not separately recognized in the contract, and the jail covered its medical expenses. However due to increased costs associated with the new contract, the jail is no longer able to subsidize the Juvenile Center's medical fees. Andrea briefly described how money is collected for the Juvenile Justice Center Non-Reverting Fund. She said at the time of last years' budget discussions a change to a new medical provider was unforeseen. This requested transfer would cover costs including a full time nurse, Cadmus medical software system, and the base cost of the medical contract. She said additionally, \$35,000 would be needed to cover the remaining costs of the Sally Port Expansion Project. During the initial architectural design, the security system was inadvertently omitted from the estimated renovation costs. These requested funds would provide and install a new IP camera system, interior and exterior intercoms, and a door card reader. Randy Gentry asked about the status of the previous contract. He asked if it would be possible to hire contractors from the Health Department to fulfill the juvenile center's needs. Andrea clarified this was an issue who was going to pay for the contractual services since the Jail was no longer able to provide the funding. Brad Anderson asked if the budget was still the same for both the Jail and Juvenile Center. Andrea stated that when the Jail and Juvenile Center did their budgets in the previous cycle they were not aware the provider was going to change to 3C and 3C is more expensive. Andrea briefly described the day-to-day services a nurse provides for the Juvenile Center. Randy encouraged discussion with Health Department Administrator Joni Wise about a potential working relationship and services between the Health Department and Juvenile Justice Center.

d. Additional Appropriation 2025-32: Health Department – New Life Fellowship Compassion Ministries Food Pantry

This was a request for \$25,000 to be appropriated from the Local Public Health Services Fund to assist with healthy food options for the New Life Fellowship Compassion Ministries Food Pantry. Bill and Angela Treadway with the pantry briefly described the functions and operations of the Food

Pantry. Vicki Weger and Randy Gentry expressed their appreciation for the pantry's service to the community.

e. Amended Salary Ordinance 2025-13: Auditor's Office – Position Change

Vigo County Auditor Larry Hutchings approached the Council with a request to eliminate the position of Financial/Grant Administrator (Grade 10 – \$49,922.60/yr) and to replace it with the new position Deputy Auditor – Financial Supervisor – Grant Administrator (Grade 12 - \$56,626.07/yr). The difference between the two Pay grades is an increase of \$6,703.47. Larry said he would consider cutting the overtime budget for the Auditor's Office from approximately \$40,000 to \$33,000 during the next budget cycle. Vicki Weger expressed her support for the grant administrator position. Randy Gentry expressed concern over changing an employee's pay grade outside of budget determination meetings. Randy asked Larry why the pay grade change needed to be done at this time. Larry noted that during the initial Baker Tilly study, this position was already rated higher than a Grade 10, and there are two other positions in the county with the same duties at a Grade 12. Randy and Larry clarified the Auditor's Office included Larry, a Chief Deputy Auditor, and 11 Deputies. Randy asked what additional duties the position in question would be responsible. Kara Wright with Human Resources explained the employee had acquired additional duties supervising employees and the tasks they are responsible for in addition to being rated higher by the Baker Tilly study anyway. Randy expressed concern for setting a precedent with adjusting pay grades outside of the budget cycle. David Thompson asked if Kara had reviewed the position adjustment and agreed with the change. Kara confirmed she did. Vicki Weger said a lot of the financial dependencies of the county will rely more and more on grants. David Thompson asked if Larry had used most of the overtime budgeted for last year. Larry confirmed the office did. Nancy Allsup asked if Larry would be willing to give up the roughly \$7,000 additional expense out of the overtime budget each year going forward. Brad Anderson noted budget time was approaching and the employee in question has experience in the budget committee process and would be valuable during that time.

f. Additional Appropriation 2025-33: Auditor's Office – Position Change

This Additional Appropriation would fund the \$6,703.47 increase for the position change outlined above.

g. Additional Appropriation 2025-34: Drug and Veterans Court – New Computers, Parking, Drug Screen Payments.

Charles Johnson with the Vigo County Division Court approached the Council with a request for \$1000 to be appropriated from the Veteran's Court Fund for a new computer for staff and \$500 that would pay for parking for staff. This request is also for \$2,000 to be appropriated from the Drug Court User Fees Fund for new computers for staff and \$10,000 for drug screen payments. Randy Gentry asked for clarification of the parking situation. Taylor Trinkle with the Courts explained the only parking option for the court employees outside of two hour parking was a lot owned by First Financial Bank. She said the parking tags were \$20 per month. Randy asked if the drug screens for each court were funded separately. Charles confirmed this was true.

Public Comment

Mark Clindenbeard approached the Council to follow-up on the Hamilton Center funding conversation from earlier in the meeting. Mark confirmed the County did provide funds to the Hamilton Center every month. He said in 2023 the County provided more than \$714,906. In 2024 the County provided more than \$737,000, and in 2025 the total funding the county will provide is more \$760,000. Mark said the County pays the Hamilton Center \$63,374.33 a month. Randy asked if these payments would automatically stop July 1st. Michael Wright confirmed this was accurate. Randy asked what the Council's legal obligations are. Michael said before a payment is made in July the Hamilton Center would need to be brought into compliance with the new law, but

the responsibility ultimately would fall to the Commissioners' Office. Brenda Wilson asked what would happen to the budgeted funds if the Hamilton Center is not in compliance. Michael said the County would have to seek guidance with the State Board of Accounts or the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Brad Burbrink expressed concerns from local farmers about the recent assessed property values for Vigo County and the property tax rates in comparison to neighboring counties.

Adjournment

Randy Gentry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve Ellis seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 7-0 the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 6:08p.m.

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MINUTES OF THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL SUNSHINE MEETING

May 6, 2025

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in full and adopted as written this 10th day of June, 2025.

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Randy Gentry_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Nancy Allsup_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brenda Wilson_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Steve Ellis_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Vicki Weger_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brad Anderson_____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	David Thompson _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	

Attest:

Larry T. Hutchings, II
Auditor

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 13, 2025 at 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, Vigo County Government Center

Pledge of Allegiance

President David Thompson called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Calling of the Roll

Present: Randy Gentry, Brenda Wilson, Steve Ellis, Vicki Weger, Brad Anderson, David Thompson.

David Thompson noted Nancy Allsup was unable to make the meeting.

Correcting the Journal of the Preceding Meetings if Needed

April 1, 2025 Sunshine Meeting

April 8, 2025 Meeting

April 23, 2025 Special Call Meeting

There were no corrections to the April 1, 2025 Sunshine Meeting, Brad Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2025 Sunshine Meeting. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. The motion passed upon a vocal vote.

There were no corrections to the April 8, 2025 meeting Brenda Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2025 meeting. Brad Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed upon a vocal vote.

Randy Gentry asked Council Attorney Michael Wright if he had the ability to correct the previous meetings' journals or vote to approve them if he was not present in-person. He said he had viewed the meeting video since the meeting had taking place and did not feel there was a statute preventing him from voting. Michael Wright said if Randy did not feel the rules prevented him from approving the minutes, he was welcome to do so.

There were no corrections to the April 23, 2025 Special Call Meeting, Brad Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2025 Special Call Meeting. Brenda Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed upon a vocal vote.

Michael Wright then noted his previous opinion on councilpersons' ability to vote to approve minutes of meetings was formed before the use of technology to view meetings remotely.

Communications from Elected Officials or Agencies of the County

County Commissioner Mike Morris approached the Council to give an update on various ongoing projects throughout the County.

David Thompson asked Council Attorney Michael Wright if the Council could request an audit of the Hamilton Center from the State Board of Accounts. Michael Wright said he assumed the Hamilton Center was already

subject to frequent audits due to the degree of taxpayer money involved in the operations. Michael said he felt it was a request the Council could make.

David said he would like the Council Administrator to send a letter requesting a representative from the Hamilton Center be present for the June County Council Meeting.

Reports from Committees

There were none.

Resolutions and Ordinances Other than Appropriations

There were none.

Ordinances Relating to Appropriations

a. Additional Appropriation 2025-29: Surveyor's Office Request for New GPS Units

This request was discussed at the Sunshine Meeting. Randy Gentry noted in his own research he discovered Seiler Geospatial was the only dealer legally allowed to sell Trimble products due to stipulations from the manufacturer. Brad Anderson confirmed the Surveyor's Office needed this equipment to continue their day-to-day operations. Bruce Allen said this was true. Brad Anderson made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2025-29. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: Randy Gentry – aye; Nancy Allsup – absent; Brenda Wilson – aye; Steve Ellis – aye; Vicki Weger – aye; Brad Anderson – aye; David Thompson – aye. With a vote of 6-0, the motion passed.

b. Additional Appropriation 2025-30: Lost Creek Fire Protection District – Special Fire General Fund Request

This request was for \$15,000 to be appropriated from the Special Fire General Fund to “Other Services and Charges.” There were no questions. Randy Gentry made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2025-30. Brenda Wilson seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: Randy Gentry – aye; Nancy Allsup – absent; Brenda Wilson – aye; Steve Ellis – aye; Vicki Weger – aye; Brad Anderson – aye; David Thompson – aye. With a vote of 6-0, the motion passed.

c. Additional Appropriation 2025-31: Juvenile Justice Center – Medical Services Provider Contract Costs and Security System Request

This request was discussed at the sunshine meeting. Mark Clinkenbeard requested the part of the request \$165,000 to be appropriated to “contractual services” be tabled. He said parties involved in the request were out of town and he wanted a chance to meet with everyone involved to get on the same page. Mark then explained some of the background of the Juvenile Justice Center Sallyport addition. He said, due to a miscommunication, security cameras and replacement of the concrete slab were not included in the bid specification sheet. He said, additionally, there were also small unpredictable change orders involving electrical and plumbing. Mark said the change in leadership from former director Norm Loudermilk to interim director Andrea Moeller caused some minor difficulty. Andrea Moeller said the reason this project was over budget was due to the change orders involved in this project. Steve Ellis asked if this request was to purchase cameras and the other security measures mentioned in the request. Mark Clinkenbeard clarified that the cameras were one of several change orders that made the project over-budget, and this appropriation of \$35,000 would pay the overages. Brenda Wilson asked if the \$35,000 would take care of paying for the rest of the project. Andrea confirmed this was

true. Steve asked if any money is owed to other vendors other than the camera supplier. Andrea confirmed the camera vendor was the last vendor the county owed money to in relation to this project. Randy expressed his confusion with how this \$35,000 request would be enough to cover the remaining project expense. He said he had reached out to the camera vendor and said their bid cost \$39,689.93. Andrea Moeller said there was still \$16,000 left of ARPA funds to use for this project that would help cover the remaining expense. Randy expressed his concern this appropriation would not be enough to cover the entire remaining expense of the project. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2025-31. Brenda Wilson seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: Randy Gentry – nay; Nancy Allsup – absent; Brenda Wilson – aye; Steve Ellis – aye; Vicki Weger – aye; Brad Anderson – aye; David Thompson – aye. With a vote of 5-1, the motion passed. Randy Gentry made a motion to table the part of this request for \$165,000 to be appropriated. Brenda Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed upon a vocal vote.

d. Additional Appropriation 2025-32: Health Department – New Life Fellowship Compassion Ministries Food Pantry

This request was discussed at the sunshine meeting. There were no further questions. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2025-32. Brenda Wilson seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: Randy Gentry – aye; Nancy Allsup – absent; Brenda Wilson – aye; Steve Ellis – aye; Vicki Weger – aye; Brad Anderson – aye; David Thompson – aye. With a vote of 6-0, the motion passed.

e. Amended Salary Ordinance 2025-13: Auditor’s Office – Position Change

This request was discussed at the sunshine meeting. Steve Ellis asked what justified a change in pay grade. Auditor Larry Hutchings said there were two other positions in the county with similar duties at a higher pay grade than the position he was requesting an adjustment for. Steve asked if this position was responsible for supervision of other employees. Larry confirmed this was accurate. Vicki Weger noted this position had accumulated duties over the past year due to changeover of staff in the Auditor’s Office. Brenda Wilson asked if Larry was willing to give up some of the overtime budget in the upcoming budget cycle. Larry confirmed he would give up near \$7,000 in the Auditor’s Office overtime budget. Randy Gentry expressed concern about changing pay grades for positions outside of the budget cycle. He said asking for a lower overtime budget in the next budget cycle would not pay for the pay increase this year. Randy expressed concern about the amount of additional appropriations since he had joined the Council. Brenda Wilson asked if the initial Baker Tilly study had graded this position higher than it current stood. Larry confirmed Baker Tilly did grade the position higher, but the Budget Committee at that time decided to keep the position at a Grade 10. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Amended Salary Ordinance 2025-13. Brad Anderson seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: Randy Gentry – nay; Nancy Allsup – absent; Brenda Wilson – aye; Steve Ellis – nay; Vicki Weger – aye; Brad Anderson – aye; David Thompson – aye. With a vote of 4-2, the motion passed. David asked the Auditor’s Office for an update on the amount of Additional Appropriations from the County General Fund since the year started. Brad Anderson noted the difficulty ahead in the Budget Committee due to changes in the Indiana State Government.

David asked Mark Clinkenbeard if there had been discussion with Baker Tilly. Mark said the goal was for Baker Tilly to have an update for the County mid-to-late the following month following changes with the state government.

f. Additional Appropriation 2025-33: Auditor’s Office – Position Change

This request would fund the request above. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2025-33. Brad Anderson seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: Randy Gentry – nay; Nancy Allsup – absent; Brenda Wilson – aye; Steve Ellis – aye; Vicki Weger – aye; Brad Anderson – aye; David Thompson – aye. With a vote of 5-1, the motion passed.

g. Additional Appropriation 2025-34: Drug and Veterans Court – New Computers, Parking, Drug Screen Payments

This request was discussed at the sunshine meeting. There were no further questions. Randy Gentry made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2025-34. Brenda Wilson seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote for the pending motion, voting was as follows: Randy Gentry – aye; Nancy Allsup – absent; Brenda Wilson – aye; Steve Ellis – aye; Vicki Weger – aye; Brad Anderson – aye; David Thompson – aye. With a vote of 6-0, the motion passed.

Honorary Resolutions

There were none.

Resolutions Relating to Fiscal Policies of the Council

There were none.

Appointments

There were none.

Public Comment

Pastor Tess Stephens approached the Council with concerns over Terre Haute Community Corrections receiving mental health funding. She said the community needs more transparency with how allocating these funds in this way would be beneficial to the community. She also expressed concern about what she called “demonization” of the Hamilton Center CEO’s salary. Tess expressed disappointment with not receiving ARPA funding. She said she was part of a committee of 13 people and drafted a plan to invest in combating mental health related issues in the community. She said a plan was drafted to invest \$12 million into underserved communities. Brad Anderson asked who Pastor Tess had presented to when applying for ARPA funds. Tess said she had gave a presentation to County Commissioner Chris Switzer and former Councilperson Todd Thacker. Chris Switzer approached the Council and explained the proposed Community Corrections expansion. He said the expansion has outgrown its space, and the goal of the operation would be to provide programs that help prevent people returning to the jail and contributing to jail overcrowding. He said a presentation is in the works to provide Council with more information, but it is on hold to assess impacts from changes in the state government. Director of Court Services Bill Watson then briefly explained the operations and purpose of Community Corrections. Pastor Tess reiterated the need for mental health and addiction care services for the County.

Adjournment

Vicki Weger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brenda Wilson seconded the motion. With a vocal vote, the meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

MAY 13, 2025

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in full and adopted as written this 10th day of June, 2025.

Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Randy Gentry _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Nancy Allsup _____
Nay ☐	Abstain ☐	
Aye ☐	Absent ☐	Brenda Wilson _____
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Attest:

 Larry T. Hutchings, II
 Auditor