

Vermillion County Commissioners

Meeting Memorandum

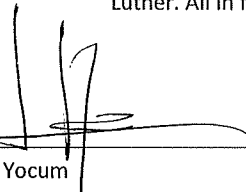
March 1, 2022

6:30 PM

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse


- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
 - a. Present: Tim Yocum, RJ Dunavan, and Britton Luther
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - a. A motion was made by Luther to approve the February 15th memorandum, and it was seconded by Dunavan. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Approval of Claims
 - a. A motion was made by Dunavan to approve March 4th claims with the exception of a \$50,000 claim because Yocum still needs to inspect the work to the bridge. The motion was seconded by Luther. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Approval of Payroll
 - a. A motion was made by Dunavan to approve the March 4th payroll, and it was seconded by Luther. All in favor, motion carried.
- VII. Public Comment
 - a. None
- VIII. Resolution 2022-03 IOCRA Grant Project
 - a. Kristy Jerrell and Jonathan Smith were present to update on the IOCRA Grant and give a presentation on Comprehensive Plan.
- IX. Open Issues
 - a. Vermillion Rise
 - i. No one was present
 - b. VTA (Vermillion Trails Alliance)
 - i. No one was present
- X. New Issues
 - a. Ordinance 2022-05 Closing of Courthouse/ Ordinance 2022-06
 - i. A motion was made by Dunavan to approve Ordinances 2022-05 and 2022-06, and it was seconded by Luther. All in favor, motion carried.
 - b. Ordinance 2022-07 Commercial Solar Energy Amendment- Penney Carpenter
 - i. Penney and Scott Nogle were present to speak about the solar amendment.
 - ii. A motion was made by Dunavan to approve Ordinance 2022-07, and it was seconded by Yocum. All in favor, motion carried.
 - c. RJL Solutions contract- Doug Hess
 - i. Doug Hess and TJ Collett were present to speak on potentially contracting with RJL Solutions.
 - ii. A motion was made by Dunavan to approve RJL Solutions Contract pending contractual changes, and it was seconded by Luther. All in favor, motion carried.
 - d. Property Procurement- First Financial Property, Newport
 - i. Luther updated on the building across from the courthouse. Offer was made last Friday, and counter offer was made on March 1.
 - ii. A motion was made by Luther to accept the counter offer pending council funding, and it was seconded by Dunavan. All in favor, motion carried.
 - iii. Dunavan and Yocum authorized Luther to sign documents for the negotiation and purchase of the First Financial Bank Building located in Newport, Indiana
 - e. CR 75 W

- i. Luther gave an update on CR 75 W, it is still closed.
- f. Letter of Support for State Projects
 - i. Commissioners would like to keep working with INDOT to get a lot of hazardous things done around the county.
- g. Formal Assignment ARP Committee/ Broadband Committee
 - i. Yocum clarifies what the ARP Committee is. There are currently 3 members, but they would like 5 members.
- h. COVID Hourly Allowance End Date
 - i. A motion is made by Dunavan to end the 40-hour COVID pay effective end of pay period, and it was seconded by Luther. All in favor, motion carried.
- i. Thrive
 - i. Luther updated on the Asset Management Plan
- j. Task Force
 - i. Luther speaks on his idea of a task for, and stated he got one person for the committee, would like to get more.
- k. Courthouse Office & Space Allocation
 - i. Luther speaks on what the new building should be used for, they are open to ideas and suggestions on how to use the space.
- l. Records handling and storage
 - i. Ron Mack spoke on how there is not enough room for any storage. The basement is stacked full.
- m. Consideration of Ambulance Committee
 - i. Commissioners would like to form a 5-member committee for the Ambulance.
- n. Yocum spoke about The State of County Letter
- XI. Public Comment
 - a. Dunavan spoke about having a mushroom hunt pending insurance. Dunavan also asked for approval from Luther and Yocum to utilize the website to advertise it.
 - b. Ron Mack spoke about the safety hazard of the intersection by the school not being cleaned up. Also spoke on some broadband issues.
- XII. Adjourn
 - a. A motion was made by Dunavan to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Luther. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

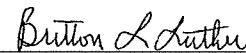
Aye 

 Tim Yocum

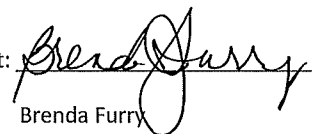
Nay



 RJ Dunavan



 Britton Luther

Attest: 

 Brenda Furry

Date: 3/15/22