

**Vermillion County Commissioners**  
**Meeting Memorandum**

August 27, 2024

9:30 AM

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Courthouse

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag
- III. Roll Call
  - All Present
- IV. Approval of Minutes for 08.13.24
  - Luther makes the motion to approve the 08.13.24 minutes. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Approval of Claims for 08.30.24
  - Luther makes the motion to approve the 08.30.24 claims. Dunavan seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Approval of Payroll for 08.30.24
  - Dunavan makes the motion to approve the 08.30.34 payroll. Luther seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- VII. Economic Development Update
  - None
- VIII. Public Comment
  - NA
- IX. New Issues
  - a. Western Indiana CF: Wabash Valley Blueway Project
    - Kim Eaton states that they have had the opportunity to apply for the Wabash Valley Blueway Project. They are asking the Commissioners for a letter of support for this project with no financial responsibility. All the Commissioner agreed to sign the letter of support.
  - b. Thrive West Central: Ryan Keller & Bill Rennels
    - Keller comes to talk about the 2025 rural transit budget for Thrive. It is a 50/50 grant with INDOT. They have seen a huge spike in the amount of people that they are transporting throughout the county. The transit 2025 budget increased by \$90,000.00 because some of the funding went away that was helping keep the counties portions low.
  - b. Vacation of Drains
    - i. Vacated Dana Drainage Line "B" Public Drain
    - ii. Vacated John L. Brown Public Drain
    - iii. Vacated Elder Hulbert Ditch Public Drain
    - iv. Vacated E.B. Bell ET AL. Public Drain
  - This was tabled, the Commissioner's would like to have a representative from the Drainage Board to come to the meeting.
  - c. AOD Ordinance 2024 – 5: Brenda Furry
    - The Commissioners discussed the AOD Ordinance 2024-05. Luther reads 2024-05 Ordinance in the record by title, Attendance on Demand (AOD) Ordinance.
- X. Open Issues
  - a. County Parks
    - Luther explains that at the Highland Trustee believes the township owns a park but that a walking trail has been added to it and the county parks department has also put equipment in the park. They would like to turn to park over to the county. Luther states that he believes it would be beneficial to know what parks the parks department are actually responsible for.
  - b. Ambulance Facility: Mark O'Heir
    - O'Heir explains that the ambulance committee is recommending to stay with Architura and have them redraw the plans that they have started for the facilities. Yocum makes the motion to place a \$70,000.00 additional on the council's September meeting. Luther seconds the motion. Luther and Yocum vote yes, Dunavan votes no. Motion passed. It was mentioned that they are looking into applying for the OCRA Grant for the second ambulance facility located in the South. The county does have to put 10% match towards

the entire amount of the grant, but some things that could be used instead of the money would include, the cost of the architectural plans and an environmental study.

XI. Announcements

- Little Italy August 30<sup>th</sup> – September 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Hill Climb October 5<sup>th</sup> – October 6<sup>th</sup>
- Parke Vermillion Humane Shelter Reopening September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

XII. Public Comment

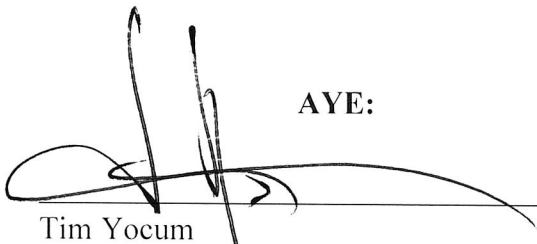
- NA

XIII. Adjourn

- Dunavan makes the motion to adjourn. Luther seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.


**AYE:**

**NAY:**



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Tim Yocum



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RJ Dunavan



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Britton Luther

ATTEST:   
Brenda Furry

DATE: 