

Vermillion County Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

December 27, 2017

8:15a.m.

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- I. Call to Order. Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on December 27, 2017 at 8:15 a.m.
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.
- III. Roll Call. Members present were President Tim Wilson, Harry Crossley, Auditor Amy Tolbert, First Deputy Auditor Stephanie Simpson and County Attorney Jon Spurr. Tim Yocum was absent.
- IV. Approval of Claims and Payroll. A motion was made by Harry Crossley and seconded by Tim Wilson to approve the claims and payroll for December 29, 2017. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Open Issues
 - a. Vermillion Rise. Nothing new to discuss.
 - b. Walking Trail. Les Zimmerman said they have become aware of a situation with the property the Commissioners obtained from Steve Giordano. He said there is an established crossing that will allow access to that property by the railroad and he said he has a letter stating this. He said they have looked at the Federal Railway Administration website; there are documents and maps to that effect. Zimmerman said they would like for the Commissioners to authorize County Attorney Jon Spurr to look into this for the potential of establishing a crossing. A motion was made by Harry Crossley and seconded by Tim Wilson to have County Attorney Jon Spurr look into this.
Zimmerman also told the Commissioners they received a grant for \$3000.00 from Elanco to establish a fence line around the two acres at the county farm. Zimmerman also stated they also received \$1000.00 from the Greenway Foundation and \$1000.00 from the Western Indiana Community Foundation to help establish the 501C3 to operate as a not-for-profit organization. He said that has been done and they are now operating as a not-for-profit.
 - c. Courthouse Security Ordinance. County Attorney Jon Spurr is working on the Courthouse Security Ordinance.
 - d. Prosecutor – Sublease. County Attorney Jon Spurr is working on a new sublease.
 - e. Agreement for Inmate Health Care. Jon Spurr said there is a provision that would let the Commissioners cancel the contract with no strings attached. A motion was made by Harry Crossley and seconded by Tim Wilson to approve the Agreement for Inmate Health Care. All in favor, motion carried.
 - f. 2018 Appointments
 - g. Appointment to and Resolution Confirming the Participation of Vermillion County in the Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission. The Commissioners stated that they would advertise the appointment and appoint someone at the January 9, 2018 meeting. A motion was made by Harry Crossley and seconded by Tim Wilson to table the appointment to Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. New Business
 - a. Establish a Redevelopment Commission. The Commissioners discussed forming a Redevelopment Commission. Jon Spurr said he would look into this, he thinks it's a 5 member board. A motion was made by Harry Crossley and seconded by Tim Wilson to advertise to establish a Redevelopment Commission.

b. 2018 Bids.

Bituminous: Wabash Valley Asphalt and Asphalt Materials, Inc. and Milestone Contractors, LP

Bridges: E3Bridge and Civil Con

Guardrail: James H Drew Corp.

Culverts: St. Regis, E&H Bridge, and Metal Culverts, Inc.

Pit Run Gravel: Kanizer Excavating Co., S&G Excavating, D Robertson Gravel, Walker Aggregate Group and Parke County Aggregates.

Gasoline and Diesel: Scott Oil, Inc.

A motion was made by Harry Crossley and seconded by Tim Wilson to accept all bids except Milestone Contractor, LP for Bituminous. All in favor, motion carried.

- c. Zoning Change – Graves. John and Cheryl Grave have filed with the Vermillion County Area Plan Commission, a petition requesting a change in the Zoning Classification from an AG- Agriculture District to B-2 General Business on real estate located in Highland Township, Vermillion County Indiana, commonly known as 950 E State Road 32, Perrysville, IN 47874. The purpose of this request is to start a banquet center/wedding venue. There was no objection. A motion was made by Harry Crossley and seconded by Tim Wilson to approve the petition for zoning from AG- Agriculture District to B-2 General Business. All in favor, motion carried.

- d. Letter from Town of Newport. The Commissioners received a letter from the Newport Town Council concerning the parking change on the south side of the Court House. The letter stated that it has created some issues, vehicles parked diagonally create a blind spot for vehicles entering Market Street southbound on Vermillion Street. Vehicles must pull completely out into the westbound lane in order to see oncoming traffic and this is a safety issue. The letter also stated that this situation creates an unacceptable liability issue for the town. The Newport Town Council strongly opposes changing the parking scheme from parallel to diagonal parking on the south side of the Court House. The Commissioners decided to give the letter to the Court House Security Committee to address at their next meeting.

- e. Resolution Assigning Tax Sale Certificates to the City of Clinton. Mayor Jack Gilfoy presented a Resolution Assigning Tax Sale Certificates to the City of Clinton, Indiana to the Commissioners requesting six certificates.

A motion was made by Tim Wilson and seconded by Harry Crossley to approve the Resolution Assigning Tax Sale Certificates to the City of Clinton, Indiana and remove the delinquent taxes. All in favor, motion carried.

- f. Resolution Involving Appointment Made by Commissioners. Wilson stated that the Commissioners thought a resolution stating they will not appoint a person to more than one board unless no other qualified person is willing to serve would be a good idea. He stated there is interest from younger people wanting to get involved. A motion was made by Harry Crossley and seconded by Tim Wilson to approve the Resolution Involving Appointments Made by Commissioners. All in favor, motion carried.

- g. USI Insurance Services/ Travelers Insurance Co. Dave Marietta presented a Premium Summary for 1/1/201/ to 1/1/2019. A motion was made by Harry Crossley and seconded by Tim Wilson to approve the premium from 1/1/2018 to 1/1/2019. All in favor, motion carried.

VII. Adjourn. A motion was made by Harry Crossley and seconded by Tim Wilson to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

Read in full and approved by the Vermillion County Commissioners on the 9th day of January, 2018.

Tim Wilson

Harry Crossley

Tim Yocum

Attest: _____
Amy Tolbert, Auditor