

Vermillion County Commissioners

Meeting Agenda

August 21, 2018

8:15a.m.

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- I. Call to Order.** The Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on August 21, 2018. South Vermillion Senior Ella Beardsley called the meeting to order.
- II. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.**
- III. Roll Call.** Members present were President Tim Wilson, Harry Crossley, Tim Yocum, Auditor Amy Tolbert, First Deputy Auditor Stephanie Simpson, and County Attorney Jon Spurr.
- IV. Approval of Minutes.** A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Yocum to approve the minutes from the July 30, 2018 Commissioners and Council Joint Executive Session Meeting, July 30, 2018 Commissioners and Council Joint Meeting and the Commissioners August 7, 2018 regular meeting. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Approval of Claims and Payroll.** A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Yocum to approve the claims and payroll for August 24, 2018. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. Treasurer's Report.** Wilson acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's Report.
- VII. Open Issues**
 - a. Petition to Vacate Alley/Street – Troy and Christine Price.** Crossley and Yocum both said they went out to look at the alley that Price is petitioning to close. They both said they were in favor of closing the alley. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Yocum to approve the petition to vacate alley/street from Troy and Christine Price. All in favor, motion carried.
 - b. Vermillion Rise.** Executive Director Bob Grewe gave the Commissioners a brief update on Vermillion Rise. Grewe stated that he attended the inaugural Indiana Water Summit in Indianapolis on August 13, 2018 and was able to network for potential water customers. He said the Reuse Authority is very close to completing work on the Environmental Restriction Covenants. Grewe said Congressman Bucshon visited the Depot following his luncheon meeting with the Vermillion County Chamber of Commerce. He also said that Karen Safer, the Authority's Department of Defense contact visited the Depot on August 17, 2018 for an update. Grewe said at the August 17, 2018 board meeting the Reuse Authority selected Lochmueller Group to help manage the Environmental Service Cooperative Agreement (ESCA) projects. The board also heard from Les Zimmerman from Vermillion Trails Alliance who shared information and updates on potential approaches to utilize portions of Vermillion Rise for trails. Vermillion Rise agreed to lease the rail bed to VTA. He also said the board received and approved documents from CoBank to extend a loan agreement. Grewe also stated that Duke Energy is helping to host a briefing in Indianapolis August 29, 2018 to share information on the Vermillion Rise Mega Park with economic development agencies, site selectors, industrial realtors and related organizations. Yocum asked Grewe if they resolved the issues with the wells as far as direct influence. Grewe said yes but they said if we pump anymore more it would have to be retested. Yocum also asked Grewe if the state approved the selling of potable water. Grewe said they have the capability to but would need approval.

Grewe said as far as delivering water to the jail that would be grandfathered in but they don't have the funds to run the water to the jail.

- c. **VTA (Vermillion Trails Alliance).** Les Zimmerman told the Commissioners he went to the Vermillion Rise meeting and they agreed to lease the rail bed to the Vermillion Trails Alliance with the stipulation that if they need to run water lines or utilities that the VTA would allow that to be done. Zimmerman told the Commissioners after some discussion that they felt it would be best to lease the rail bed to the Commissioners as that would fall under the insurance for the parks department for the county and would not raise the cost of the insurance. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Yocum to allow the rail bed to be leased to the Commissioners. All in favor, motion carried. Zimmerman stated that they want to start removing the railroad ties at Vermillion Rise and wants to stack them at the landfill. Wilson said to stack them at the landfill until they decide what to do with them. Zimmerman said they should have grass sown at the Trail Head by September 15, 2018.

- d. **Updates to Appointments made by Commissioners.** Spurr told the Commissioners that he just needs some guidance from them as to which appointments they want to have something for the appointees to sign.

- e. **Redevelopment Commission Non-Voting Appointment.** Since the Commissioners have not heard back from North Vermillion on the non-voting school board appointment they discussed having a member from South Vermillion school board be the non-voting appointment. They asked Tolbert to contact North Vermillion one more time and they would go from there.

VIII. New Business

- a. **BIS – Contract Renewal.** Tolbert told the Commissioners that this is the annual renewal for remote support for the recording system in the Commissioners courtroom. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Yocum to renew the contract with BIS, Inc. All in favor, motion carried.
- b. **Petition to Vacate Alley/Street – Adam & Paige Maples.** Adam and Paige Maples presented a petition to vacate an alley to the Commissioners. The alley to be vacated is the east end of the platted and not developed Broadway Street, beginning at a point at the south end on the east side of Polk Street running East a distance of 149 feet and north 100 feet then back West 149 feet, south 100 feet to the place of beginning. The Maples notified adjacent property owners and advertised in the newspaper. No one was present to object. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Yocum to approve the petition from Adam and Paige Maples to vacate an alley. All in favor, motion carried.
- c. **Repairs to pumps at the Jail.** Yocum said they are looking at doing some repairs to the heating and cooling system at the jail. He said the pumps are worn out. He said they have two quotes to replace them and he said he will be going to the Council to ask for the funds.

IV. Adjourn. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Yocum to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

Read in full and approved by the Vermillion County Commissioners on the 4th day of September, 2018.

Harry Crossley

Tim Yocum

Attest: _____
Amy Tolbert, Auditor