

Vermillion County Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

October 30, 2018

8:15a.m.

Commissioner's Courtroom, 2nd Floor, Courthouse

- I. **Call to Order.** The Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on October 30, 2018. North Vermillion Senior Kahrie Balding 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 Claims and Payroll.** A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Wilson to approve the claims and payroll for November 2, 2018. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. **Treasurers Report.** Wilson acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's Report.
- VI. Open Issues
 - a. **Vermillion Rise.** Vermillion Rise Executive Director Bob Grewe had a few updates for the Commissioners. He said they did not have their regular meeting so he did not have much to report. Grewe said he is working with Commissioner Tim Yocum and Eric Smith of HWC Engineering on ideas for how best to provide potable water to the jail. Grewe also stated that Vermillion Rise is continuing to receive and follow up on commercial prospect leads from the state.
 - b. **VTA (Vermillion Trails Alliance).** Les Zimmerman told the Commissioners the application to the Wabash River Heritage Corridor Fund for a \$150,000 grant for a trail near the Wabash River has been submitted, and they expect to receive answer in mid to late November.
 - c. **Updates to Appointments made by Commissioners.** Spurr said he would have the updates ready by December. The Commissioners stated that those individuals who have been appointed to two county boards have been given until the end of the year to decide on which board they prefer to serve, and said they will send a letter to those individuals reminding them of this. The exception will be those who are appointed to one board by the Commissioners and to another by some other body, as the Commissioners do not control both of those individuals' appointments.
 - d. **Bridge Inspections.** Crossley stated they are not ready yet.
 - e. **Vermillion County Jail.** No comments.
- VII. New Business
 - a. **Commissioners' Meeting Schedule for 2019.** The Commissioners discussed their meeting schedule for 2019. Yocum stated he would like to have one evening meeting each month to be more accessible to the public. Crossley stated that no one came when they had evening meetings. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Wilson to approve the morning meeting schedule for 2019. Crossley and Wilson voted in favor, Yocum voted no. Motion carried.
 - b. **Volunteer Insurance Policies.** Anita Fultz from the Auditor's office said she would like the commissioners to limit the number of volunteer insurance companies because only one to two people sign up for them. Fultz said the employees currently on the insurance policies would be allowed to continue their coverage. The commissioners were in agreement to limit the number of volunteer insurance companies at enrollment time.

- c. **WWII Memorial – Adding Names.**It was brought to the Commissioners attention that the WWII Memorial is missing some names. The Commissioners stated they would have Veterans Service Office Phil Hutson to make sure the names on the county’s World War II memorial are up to date.
- d. **Abandoned Buildings.** Yocum asked Spurr how the county can go about having abandoned buildings demolished. Spurr said that dilapidated homes and buildings can be condemned by the Health Department, and that the Area Plan Commission is also working on an ordinance that will let them be addressed through zoning as well. Spurr said once they are condemned the issue is with having the funds to take them down. Yocum stated he would talk to the Jack Gilfoy, mayor of the City of Clinton to find out how the city is cleaning up their abandoned buildings and houses.

VIII. 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 13th day of November, 2018.

Tim Wilson, President

Harry Crossley

Tim Yocum

Attest: _____
Amy Tolbert, Auditor