

# Vermillion County Commissioners

## Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2019

8:15a.m.

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

- I. **Call to Order.** The Commissioners convened in a regular meeting on April 16, 2019 at 8:15 a.m. in the Commissioners courtroom.
- 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 April 2, 2019. 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 April 18, 2019. All in favor, motion carried.
- VI. **Treasurer's Report.** Wilson acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's Report.
- VII. **Open Issues**
  - a. **Vermillion Rise.** No one present to give an update.
  - b. **VTA (Vermillion Trails Alliance).** No one present to give an update.
  - c. **Jail Renovation/Expansion.** (See below under Jail Project – CCI Contract)
  - d. **Handbook.** Spurr said he is waiting on Council Attorney Scott Craig to review the changes then they will schedule a meeting with the handbook committee.
  - e. **County Website.** Yocum asked when proposals were due. Phelps said he did not have the RFP with him but he thought it was the end of May. Later in the meeting Phelps said they are due June 1, 2019.
  - f. **Courthouse Phone System.** Phelps said EAS is writing the RFP for the Courthouse phone system and should have it ready for the next meeting.
  - g. **FEMA/MVH Grant.** Nothing new to report.
  - h. **Dangerous Exotic Animal Ordinance – Area Plan.** There was some discussion on the Dangerous Exotic Animal Ordinance. Spurr suggested some changes and Penney Barton will take it to the APC Board for approval and then bring it back to the Commissioners.

John Steinbrenner spoke about the trapping laws, he said trappers are allowed to keep some animals but there are guidelines and it is monitored by the DNR. He said the animals he is talking about are native to Indiana not exotic.

Yocum asked if the ordinance should state what the penalty fee would be and Barton said it would fall under the zoning office penalties and that ranges from \$10 to \$300 a day.
  - i. **Jail Project – CCI (Construction Control, Inc.) Contract.** Phelps said he had nothing to else to say. RQAW and Jack Krouse were present at the meeting. Yocum said it is the Commissioners decision on who to hire. Crossley said but the Council provides the funding. Spurr said he looked at the contract and he does not see an issue with the wording of the job title. He said what is important is the actual contract and it appears to be in line. Council member Ronald Dunavan said the issue the council mentioned was the wording of the contact manager vs. owner's rep. He said that was the biggest concern but he understands now, from Spurr, that is not an issue. The Commissioners signed the contract with CCI that was approved at a previous meeting.

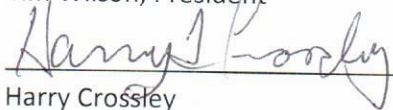
- j. **Border Bridge.** Wilson stated that Bridge 80 on County Road 325 West over Whippoorwill Branch is in Vermillion County. The Commissioners signed a letter stating they would agree to take full responsibility for Bridge 80. The Commissioners agree to cover 100 % of the maintenance and inspections for Bridge 80 with any future rehabilitations or replacements cost to be split 50/50 between Vermillion County Indiana and Vermilion County Illinois. A motion was made by Wilson and seconded by Crossley to sign the letter. All in favor, motion carried.
- k. **Ambulance.** Wilson said to take the Ambulance off the agenda, they were just fact finding, they are not going to do anything. He said the price submitted was astronomical.

**VIII. New Business**

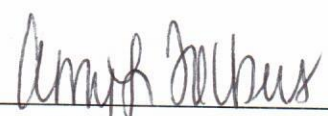
- a. **Road Cut Permit.** Joink requested an extension for their road cut permit on Rangeline Road. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Yocum to extend the road cut permit for Joink for 60 days. All in favor, motion carried.
  - b. **Zoning Office – Stormwater Management.** The Commissioner's discussed the Stormwater Management Standards and Specifications for Development or Construction within the County. A motion was made by Wilson and seconded by Crossley to adopt the Stormwater Management Standards and Specifications for Development or Construction within the County. All in favor, motion carried.
  - c. **Congressional School Funds.** At the Council's regular meeting on April 8, 2019 they passed Resolution 2019-6 and 2019-7. The resolutions transfer the monies held in the Common School Fund and the Congressional School Fund to the Indiana State Treasurer. A motion was made by Crossley and seconded by Yocum to transfer the funds to the Indiana State Treasurer. All in favor, motion carried.
  - d. **Junk Yard Ordinance 2013-009.** Yocum spoke about the Junk Yard Ordinance from 2013. Barton said she was happy with this ordinance and explained what happens when a complaint is filed.
  - e. **Cayuga Drainage Issue.** Yocum said there has been a drainage issue for 15 years in Cayuga and he went to look at it and he said he pulled a basketball out of the drain. He said that had been a problem for 15 years.
- IX. 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 16th day of April, 2019.

  
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Tim Wilson, President

  
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Harry Crossley

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Tim Yocum

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Amy Tolbert, Auditor