Council Chambers Vigo County Government Center Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Mike Morris and Mark Clinkenbeard

Others Present: County Attorney Terry Modesitt, James Bramble, Cheryl Loudermilk, Tammy York-Allen, Diana Winsted-Smith, Chris Eldridge, Kara Wright, Josie Thompson, Todd Thacker, Adam Grossman, Joni Wise, Amanda Bales, Larry Robbins, Kevin Gardner, Jared Bayler, Ricky Hammond, Terry Bays, Vickie Albright, Scott Swan, and several members of the public.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Mike Morris called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review of Minutes/Claims. Auditor James Bramble presented the Board with meeting minutes for February 6, 2024 for approval. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for February 6, 2024. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Bramble then presented the Board with expenditures for the period of February 3, 2024 through February 9, 2024 in the amount of \$919,924.11. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the February 3, 2024 through February 9, 2024 claims in the amount of \$919,924.11. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Quit Claim Deed - Commissioners. County Attorney Terry Modesitt explained this Quit Claim Deed had been discussed in the past. It will convey a small piece of property over to the Department of Redevelopment in order to allow Joink to have a small building in that area since they are operating down at the Industrial Park. This is a very small piece of property being conveyed and it should not interfere with any of the projects taking place in the area. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the conveyance. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed. Mr. Modesitt said in conjunction with this, Resolution 2024-04 authorizing this transfer will need to be voted on. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-04. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 2-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Public Comments. Lyle Vanlannen of the Shepardsville Volunteer Fire Department asked if there were any updates with regard to the radio situation discussed earlier in the year. Mark Clinkenbeard said he believed that was a grant program available. He had talked with Emergency Management and Dr. Hojnicki said that she had sent an email about it to all the local fire departments. Mr. Vanlannen said he had not received anything. Commissioner Clinkenbeard said he would follow up on the email for Mr. Vanlannen.

Comments from the Commissioners or Other Elected Officials. Larry Robbins, County Engineer and Highway Director, said that Doberman Street was shut down last week for work on a timber bridge. That work is now completed and the road is open as of yesterday afternoon. He said they are continuing to work on gravel roads since it has been a little bit dryer lately. If people had any issues or problems with gravel roads, they could call the office to get them on the list. He also said Frontier is now out of the way on Springhill as of yesterday afternoon. Work will be resumed as of March 4. Springhill will be shut down to 1-lane eastbound traffic only in order to complete all the lighting work that needs to be done down that corridor. Everything should be completed this year. Mike Morris said the County and the construction company have been working diligently to get Frontier out of the way. Mr. Morris also noted that there were several timber

bridges throughout the County and the Highway Department has gone above and beyond to address any problems that arise with them in a very timely and quick manner. Mr. Robbins said that Vigo County has 127 miles of gravel roads that are still maintained, due partly because there are a lot of mine roads that have been reclaimed. Hard freezes and rain during the winter cause them to get tore up. He explained how they maintain them throughout the winter/spring. Adam Grossman reminded all that the pancake breakfast is this weekend and it is sold out. He said this has been the worst syrup season on record due to El Nino and drought. There will be no mass production of syrup this year. Mark Clinkenbeard reminded everyone that there is a Council meeting tonight. He also announced that THRIVE West Central will be doing a presentation at next week's meeting on housing and the status of getting money out into the community for same.

The meeting recessed at 9:11 a.m.

Attest:

James Bramble, Auditor

Chris Switzer

Mike Morris

Mark Clinkenbeard