

August 20, 2024

Council Chambers
Vigo County Government Center
Terre Haute, Indiana

Roll Call:

Present: Chris Switzer, Mike Morris and Mark Clinkenbeard

Others Present: County Attorney Terry Modesitt, Auditor James Bramble, Cheryl Loudermilk, Tammy York-Allen, Josie Thompson, Diana Winstead-Smith, Chris Eldridge, Ricky Hammond, Bruce Allen, Larry Robbins, Mandy Bales-Puller, Vickie Albright, Kara Wright, Jordynne Shelton, Bill Watson, Kevin Gardner, Norm Loudermilk, , and several members of the public.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Chris Switzer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Ricky Hammond led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review of Minutes/Claims. Auditor James Bramble presented the Board with minutes for the regular meeting for August 13, 2024 for approval. Mike Morris made a motion to approve August 13, 2024 minutes as presented. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Bramble then presented the Board with payroll for August 16, 2024 in the amount of \$1,350,855.18 for approval. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve the August 16, 2024 payroll. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Bramble then presented the Board with expenditures for the period of August 10, 2024 through August 16, 2024 in the amount of \$791,165.93. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the August 10, 2024 through August 16, 2024 claims in the amount of \$791,165.93. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Property Fraud Alert and Prevention Agreement - Recorder. Diana Winstead-Smith, Vigo County Recorder, said they would like to use the services of Equity Protect through CSI for a program to help citizens protect their real estate. She said County Attorney Terry Modesitt had looked at the proposed agreement and had requested a few changes which the company made and he now has no problem with the way the agreement is worded. She introduced Dusty Wicker of CSI to explain what they are offering. Mr. Wicker gave a short history of CSI. They work with 50 counties in Indiana, including having worked with Vigo County for a long time. They have now partnered with Equity Protect to provide property fraud prevention. He talked about what Vigo County currently offers and explained that Equity Protect offered much more extensive protection. He explained how the subscription service would work. There would be no cost to the County but individual property owners could purchase the protection if they chose to do so. This service is currently available to anyone anywhere at a cost of \$279 plus recording fees and tax if purchased directly through Equity Protect. However, if the Commissioners enter into this agreement, the consumer can subscribe for \$149 for the first year with an annual renewal of \$99.95. It could also be purchased for \$12.95 per month if the property owner did not want to pay annually. The company would provide a link to a website they would create for property owners choosing to get a free risk assessment and subscribe through if they chose to use the service. He explained in depth how the plan works and the protection it offers. The Commissioners had several questions and there was lengthy discussion. Auditor James Bramble asked if there was any commission paid to the County by the company. Mr. Wicker said there was not but the County would get the recording fees for the voluntary lien and any release that would get recorded. Mr. Bramble asked if there was any possibility that a commission could be paid to the County. Mr. Wicker said he would have to talk with Equity Protect about the matter. Mike Morris made a motion to table this matter to next week. Mark

Clinkenbeard said he would like some additional information and seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

QPH Contracts for Courthouse \$8,117.00 and \$5,635 – Ricky Hammond. Ricky Hammond said the first contract was to add heat to the fourth floor stairwell at the Court House. There has been an issue of freezing pipes in that area in the past and thought it would be prudent to put heat in the stairwells to prevent that. This would cover the north and south stairwells and would be adding ductwork, programming, and controller so it could all be monitored. This is covered under Contract BB2402-002 in the amount of \$8,117. Mike Morris made a motion to approve Contract BB2402-002 in the amount of \$8,117. Mark Clinkenbeard seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed. The next contract was to install a new Belimo actuator valve on the north air handler. It has not been operational for a couple of years and helps regulate the heat throughout the Courthouse on the north side. The cost for that Contract BB2402-001 is \$5,635. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to approve Contract BB2402-001 in the amount of \$5,635. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Gibson Services Contracts 202 Crawford – Ricky Hammond. Ricky Hammond said he had six Gibson Services contracts for approval dealing with heating/cooling units for the Juvenile Center. There is a unit for each of the Girls' Cells and the Boys' Cells each at a cost of \$11,340.44. There are also contracts for units for the Judge's Chamber, the west hallway, the break room, and E Unit hallway. There was discussion about the need for an individual motion for each or for one motion to include all contracts since all were from the same provider. It was decided one motion would be sufficient if it specifically set out the location and pricing for each location. Mark Clinkenbeard clarified that the money for this was all coming from Ricky's normal budget. Chief Deputy Auditor Cheryl Loudermilk said this was money that had been set aside in the budget for this specific purpose. Mr. Hammond said that these units and the rooftop units that had been previously approved and installed have a 1-year warranty on all parts and labor along with a 5-year warranty on the compressor and coil. These will be more energy efficient than the old units being replaced. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve all 6 Gibson Services Company contracts: Juvenile Center Boys Cell for a cost of \$11,340.44; Juvenile Center Girls Cell for a cost of \$11,340.44; East Unit Hallway for a cost of \$10,029.48; Judge's Chamber for a cost of \$9,683.28; West Hallway for a cost of \$10,344.08; and Juvenile Center Break Room for a cost of \$9,683.28. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

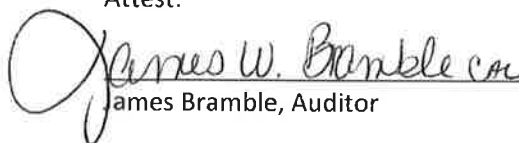
Adult Protective Services Contract – Commissioners. Mark Clinkenbeard made a motion to table this contract. Mike Morris seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 3-0, the motion unanimously passed.

Public Comments. There were none.

Comments from the Commissioners or Other Elected Officials. Mike Morris noted that a ribbon cutting ceremony would be held Wednesday, August 21, at 6:00 p.m. at the Riley Town Hall for the first 1.61 miles of the Riley Trail which has now been completed.

The meeting recessed at 9:33 a.m.

Attest:


James Bramble, Auditor


Chris Switzer

Mike Morris

Mark Clinkenbeard