

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

October 8, 2024

5:00 P.M.

Table of Contents

Agenda..... 2

Notice to Taxpayers..... 3

Letter of Support for Mainstream Media..... 4

Final Reading of Binding Units 2025 Annual Budgets 6

Final Reading Capital Improvement Board 2025 Annual Budget..... 20

Final Reading of Vigo County 2025 Annual Budget 22

Petition to Appeal for an Increase Above the Maximum Levy – Lost Creek
 Fire Protection District 25

Resolution of Reallocation of Existing Appropriation 2024-15: Prosecutor..... 26

Salary Ordinance 2024-72A: Parks – Stipends..... 27

Additional Appropriation 2024-75: LIT/Correctional Rehab – Land Acquisition 28

Salary Ordinance 2024-77: Sheriff Department - Stipends 29

Minutes:

September 3, 2024 Sunshine Meeting Minutes 30

September 10, 2024 Meeting Minutes..... 35

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

Agenda

Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at 5:00 P.M.

City Court Room – City Hall

17 Harding Avenue, Terre Haute, IN

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Calling of the roll
3. Corrections to the journal of the preceding meetings, if needed
 - a. *September 3, 2024 Sunshine Meeting*
 - b. *September 10, 2024 Meeting*
4. Communications from elected officials, other officials, or agencies of the County
 - a. Letter of Support for Mainstream Media
5. Reports from committees
6. Resolutions and Ordinances other than appropriations.
 - i. Final Reading Binding Units 2024 Annual Budgets
 - ii. Final Reading Capital Improvement Board 2024 Annual Budget
 - iii. Final Reading of Vigo County 2024 Budget
 - iv. Petition to Appeal for an Increase Above the Maximum Levy – Lost Creek Fire Protection District
 - v. Resolution of Reallocation of Existing Appropriation 2024-15: Prosecutor
7. Ordinances relating to appropriations
 - i. Salary Ordinance 2024-72A: Parks – Stipends
 - ii. Additional Appropriation 2024-75: LIT/Correctional Rehab – Land Acquisition
 - iii. Additional Appropriation 2024-76: ARPA Grant Fund – New Equipment - **WITHDRAWN**
 - iv. Salary Ordinance 2024-77: Sheriff Department - Stipends
8. Honorary resolutions
9. Resolutions relating to fiscal policies of the Council
10. Appointments
11. Public comment – limited to items NOT on tonight’s agenda
12. Adjournment

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF PROPOSED ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Notice is hereby given the Taxpayers of Vigo County, Indiana, that the Vigo County Council will meet at the City Court, City Hall, 17 Harding Avenue, Terre Haute, Indiana at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 2024 to consider the following appropriations in excess of the budget of the current year. The Vigo County Council will also meet on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. at the Vigo County Government Center, 127 Oak Street, Terre Haute, Indiana, for a Sunshine Meeting.

	<u>REQUESTED</u>
<u>LIT/CORRECTIONAL REHAB FACILITIES/1233</u>	
1233.44150.0000.0000 Land Acquisition	\$ 225,000
Total LIT/Correctional Rehab Facilities	\$ 225,000
<u>ARPA GRANT FUND/8950</u>	
8950.44510.0000.0000 New Equipment	\$ 30,000
TOTAL ARPA GRANT FUND	\$ 30,000

The meeting will be made available for observance by electronic means at the following web address:

<https://www.vigocounty.in.gov/department/division.php?structureid 71>.

Unless otherwise directed or required for public health reasons,

the meetings will be open to the public. Members of the public may submit

comments prior to the meeting to county.council@vigocounty.in.gov.

JAMES W. BRAMBLE

VIGO COUNTY AUDITOR

TO BE PUBLISHED: Friday, September 20, 2024



Vigo County Council
Vigo County Government Center
127 Oak Street
TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA 47807
(812) 231-5638 FAX: (812) 231-6245

David Thompson - District 1
David.thompson@vigocounty.in.gov

Nancy Allsup – District 2
Nancy.allsup@vigocounty.in.gov

Vicki Weger – District 3
vicki.weger@vigocounty.in.gov

Travis Norris – District 4
Travis.norris@vigocounty.in.gov

Aaron Loudermilk – At Large
Aaron.Loudermilk@vigocounty.in.gov

Marie Theisz, President Pro Tem – At Large
Marie.Theisz@vigocounty.in.gov

R. Todd Thacker, President
Todd.Thacker@vigocounty.in.gov

October 1, 2024

Indiana Broadband Office
Broadband, Equity, Access and Deployment Program
1 North Capital, Suite 600
Indianapolis, IN 46204

RE: Vigo County County’s Exclusive Support of Mainstream
Fiber Networks as BEAD Provider of Choice

Dear BEAD Review Committee:

I am writing to communicate Vigo County’s strong support to endorse Mainstream Fiber Networks as our community’s broadband service provider. We are confident in advocating for MSFN gaining BEAD grant opportunities.

We initially met with MSFN in June of 2024 and continued conversations throughout the next several months (see attached document for specific information). We are excited about MSFN’s plan to build infrastructure, including 145 miles of fiber serving 7,392 passings. Leaders and residents appreciate MSFN’s willingness to serve our hardest-to-reach areas.

Many of these areas that are unserved, despite how remote they are, are significant economic contributors. Homes and businesses that support larger businesses in Vigo County will see the benefits of high-speed fiber-optic internet, and that will enable our local economy, and our state economy to grow.

Vigo County is also pleased to learn that high-speed connectivity is affordable. MSFN has a proven track record of working with and for rural communities similar to Vigo County. This, and other reasons presented in the document attached, is why we are endorsing MSFN gaining BEAD grant opportunities. Their understanding of rural broadband sets them apart from other providers and we look forward to seeing the positive impact MSFN’s services will have on our community.

Sincerely,

R. Todd Thacker, President
Vigo County Council

Vigo County strongly endorses Mainstream Fiber Networks for BEAD grant opportunities for reasons listed below:

- MSFN intends, and has communicated, plans to serve our hardest to reach areas ensuring our unserved and underserved population is taken care of. Their proposal consists of 145 fiber miles serving 7,392 passings.
- MSFN has and continues to exhibit positive partnership by providing resources and ongoing initiatives in community spaces that benefit the public good.
- Communication with MSFN started in June 2024. Recent correspondences/communications include:
 - 6/25, 9/25, 10/1 Steve Witt, Vigo County EDC President.
 - 7/1 Steve Witt
 - 7/1 phone call Chris Switzer
 - 10/1 Mark Clinkenbeard, Mike Morris, Chris Switzer County Commissioners; R. Todd Thacker, President Vigo County Council
- MSFN has provided an affordable and ideal pricing structure for residents starting at \$35 for qualified individuals or \$49 for general pricing.
- MSFN has proven to Vigo County leaders that they are the right fit and partner for our unique needs. Their efficient build timeline, reliable customer service, affordable rates, and extensive history of rural network developments have Vigo County excited to endorse them.

Thank you for your consideration of our endorsement for Mainstream Fiber Networks for BEAD grant opportunities.

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/7/2024 2:05:51 PM

Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **Vigo County Council** that for the expenses of **Vigo County Solid Waste Management District** for the year ending December 31, **2025** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **Vigo County Solid Waste Management District**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **Vigo County Council**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/08/2024

Funds				
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
8210	SPECIAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT	\$440,200	\$0	0.0000
		\$440,200	\$0	0.0000

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/7/2024 2:05:51 PM

Name		Signature
David Thompson	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Travis Norris	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Marie Theisz	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
R. Todd Thacker, President	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vicki Weger	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nancy Allsup	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aaron Loudermilk	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

ATTEST		
Name	Title	Signature
James W. Bramble	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to issue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes No

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes No

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **Vigo County Council** that for the expenses of **TERRE HAUTE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT** for the year ending December 31, **2025** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **TERRE HAUTE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **Vigo County Council**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/16/2024

Funds				
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
0061	RAINY DAY	\$0	\$0	0.0000
8101	SPECIAL AIRPORT GENERAL	\$3,030,641	\$1,991,635	0.0641
8190	SPECIAL AIRPORT CUMULATIVE BLDG	\$250,000	\$90,000	0.0020
		\$3,280,641	\$2,081,635	0.0661

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/7/2024 2:16:26 PM

Name		Signature
David Thompson	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Travis Norris	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Marie Theisz	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
R. Todd Thacker, President	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vicki Weger	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nancy Alleup	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aaron Loudermilk	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

ATTEST		
Name	Title	Signature
James W. Bramble	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to issue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes No

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes No

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **Vigo County Council** that for the expenses of **HONEY CREEK FIRE PROTECTION** for the year ending December 31, **2025** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **HONEY CREEK FIRE PROTECTION**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **Vigo County Council**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/08/2024

Funds					
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate	
0180	DEBT SERVICE	\$174,606	\$169,927	0.0211	
8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	\$3,090,250	\$2,621,054	0.3258	
8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	\$463,000	\$315,176	0.0333	
		\$3,727,856	\$3,106,157	0.3802	

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/7/2024 2:20:38 PM

Name		Signature
David Thompson	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Travis Norris	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Marie Thiesz	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
R. Todd Thacker, President	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vicki Weger	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nancy Ailsup	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aaron Loudermilk	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

ATTEST		
Name	Title	Signature
James W. Bramble	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to issue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes No

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes No

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/7/2024 2:24:05 PM

Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **Vigo County Council** that for the expenses of **NEW GOSHEN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT** for the year ending December 31, **2025** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **NEW GOSHEN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **Vigo County Council**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/08/2024

Funds				
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	\$175,000	\$154,094	0.1125
8684	SPECIAL FIRE DEBT	\$63,868	\$95,369	0.0696
8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	\$50,000	\$53,669	0.0333
		\$288,868	\$303,132	0.2154

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/7/2024 2:24:05 PM

Name		Signature
David Thompson	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Travis Norris	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Marie Theisz	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
R. Todd Thacker, President	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vicki Weger	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nancy Allsup	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aaron Loudermilk	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

ATTEST

Name	Title	Signature
James W. Bramble	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to issue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes No

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes No

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **Vigo County Council** that for the expenses of **LOST CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT** for the year ending December 31, **2025** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **LOST CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **Vigo County Council**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/08/2024

Funds				
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
0061	RAINY DAY	\$100,000	\$0	0.0000
8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	\$300,000	\$175,000	0.0581
8684	SPECIAL FIRE DEBT	\$150,000	\$150,000	0.0498
8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	\$101,000	\$100,357	0.0333
		\$651,000	\$425,357	0.1412

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/7/2024 2:39:18 PM

Name		Signature
David Thompson	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Travis Norris	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Marie Theisz	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
R. Todd Thacker, President	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vicki Weger	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nancy Allsup	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aaron Loudermilk	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

ATTEST		
Name	Title	Signature
Jim Bramble	Vigo County Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to issue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes No

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes No

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **Vigo County Council** that for the expenses of **RILEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT** for the year ending December 31, **2025** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **RILEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **Vigo County Council**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/08/2024

Funds				
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	\$508,870	\$511,819	0.2989
8684	SPECIAL FIRE DEBT	\$86,060	\$94,431	0.0551
8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	\$0	\$62,456	0.0310
		\$594,930	\$668,706	0.3850

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/7/2024 2:44:24 PM

Name		Signature
David Thompson	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Travis Norris	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Marie Theisz	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
R. Todd Thacker, Prresident	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vicki Weger	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nancy Ailsup	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aaron Loudermilk	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

ATTEST		
Name	Title	Signature
James W. Bramble	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to issue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes No

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes No

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **Vigo County Council** that for the expenses of **SUGAR CREEK TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT** for the year ending December 31, **2025** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **SUGAR CREEK TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **Vigo County Council**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/08/2024

Funds				
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
8603	SPECIAL FIRE GENERAL	\$660,000	\$695,228	0.3228
8684	SPECIAL FIRE DEBT	\$155,162	\$240,208	0.1115
8691	SPECIAL CUM FIRE	\$75,000	\$84,364	0.0333
		\$890,162	\$1,019,800	0.4676

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/7/2024 2:48:11 PM

Name		Signature
David Thompson	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Travis Norris	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Marie Theisz	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
R. Todd Thacker, President	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vicki Weger	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nancy Allsup	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aaron Loudermilk	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

ATTEST		
Name	Title	Signature
James W. Bramble	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to issue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes No

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes No

VIGO COUNTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD

CIB 2025 BUDGET

Receipts

Terre Haute	\$500,000
Vigo County	500,000
Vigo County CVB	250,000
Food & Beverage Tax	3,225,000
Spectra Contribution	0
Miscellaneous Revenues	0
	<hr/>
Total Receipts	4,475,000
	<hr/>

Disbursements

Capital Projects/Replacements	365,126
Theatre Capital Costs	100,000
Theatre Utility Costs	26,400
Operating Account Transfer (1)	1,263,477
Professional Services	396,000
Miscellaneous Expenses	194,000
Debt Service - Convention Center Bonds	1,858,194
	<hr/>
Total Disbursements	4,203,197
	<hr/>

(1) Based on information provided by Oakview Group.

(For Internal Use Only)
(Prepared by Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors, LLC)
(August 29, 2024)

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in full and adopted this 8th day of October, 2024.

Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	David Thompson
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	Travis Norris
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	Marie Theisz
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	R. Todd Thacker, President
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	Vicki Weger
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	Nancy Allsup
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	Aaron Loudermilk
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo Auditor

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/8/2024 10:33:13 AM

Ordinance / Resolution Number:

Be it ordained/resolved by the **Vigo County Council** that for the expenses of **VIGO COUNTY** for the year ending December 31, **2025** the sums herein specified are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the several funds herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures authorized to be made during the year, unless otherwise expressly stipulated and provided for by law. In addition, for the purposes of raising revenue to meet the necessary expenses of **VIGO COUNTY**, the property tax levies and property tax rates as herein specified are included herein. Budget Form 4-B for all funds must be completed and submitted in the manner prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance.

This ordinance/resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval by the **Vigo County Council**.

Name of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Type of Adopting Entity / Fiscal Body	Date of Adoption
Vigo County Council	County Council	10/08/2024

Funds				
Fund Code	Fund Name	Adopted Budget	Adopted Tax Levy	Adopted Tax Rate
0005	CASINO/RIVERBOAT	\$935,000	\$0	0.0000
0061	RAINY DAY	\$0	\$0	0.0000
0101	GENERAL	\$53,922,403	\$33,800,000	0.7128
0124	2015 REASSESSMENT	\$1,340,270	\$1,300,000	0.0274
0702	HIGHWAY	\$6,126,024	\$0	0.0000
0706	LOCAL ROAD & STREET	\$1,210,000	\$0	0.0000
0790	CUMULATIVE BRIDGE	\$865,700	\$1,194,871	0.0252
0801	HEALTH	\$2,272,170	\$2,000,000	0.0422
1156	EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM	\$999,242	\$0	0.0000
1301	PARK & RECREATION	\$1,881,362	\$2,300,000	0.0485
1310	PARK NONREVERTING - CAPITAL	\$30,000	\$0	0.0000
2391	CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	\$360,000	\$701,749	0.0148
2411	ECONOMIC DEV INCOME TAX CREDIT	\$5,734,301	\$0	0.0000
		\$75,676,472	\$41,296,620	0.8709

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/8/2024 10:33:13 AM

Name		Signature
David Thompson	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Travis Norris	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Marie Theisz	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
R. Todd Thacker, President	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vicki Weger	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nancy Allsup	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aaron Loudermilk	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

ATTEST		
Name	Title	Signature
James W. Bramble	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to issue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes No

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes No

ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES

State Form 55865 (7-15)
 Approved by the State Board of Accounts, 2015
 Prescribed by the Department of Local Government Finance

Budget Form No. 4
 Generated 10/7/2024 7:25:28 PM

Name		Signature
David Thompson	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Travis Norris	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Marie Theisz	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
R. Todd Thacker, President	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Vicki Weger	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nancy Allsup	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	
Aaron Loudermilk	Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	

ATTEST

Name	Title	Signature
James W. Bramble	Auditor	

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to issue debt after December 1 and before January 1 Yes No

In accordance with IC 6-1.1-17-16(k), we state our intent to file a shortfall appeal after December 1 and before December 31 Yes No

**Department of Local Government Finance
Report of Appealing Taxing Unit**

PETITION TO APPEAL FOR AN INCREASE ABOVE THE MAXIMUM LEVY

The Vigo County Council, as the fiscal body of Lost Creek Fire Protection District, Vigo County, State of Indiana, has determined to appeal to the Department of Local Government Finance for an excess property tax levy.

Appeal Type	Appeal Amount
THREE-YEAR GROWTH FACTOR	\$15,000

We do hereby resolve to proceed with a petition for an excess property tax levy to the Department of Local Government Finance to increase the taxing unit's maximum levy and we represent that the taxing unit cannot carry out its governmental functions under its current maximum levy for the ensuing calendar year without the excess levy.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 20____

FOR	AGAINST

ATTEST: _____

RESOLUTION OF RE-ALLOCATION OF EXISTING APPROPRIATION 2024-15

It has been shown that certain existing appropriations now have unobligated balances which will not be needed for the purposes which appropriated are hereby re-allocated in the following amounts:

	<u>REQUESTED</u>	<u>APPROVED</u>
<u>COUNTY GENERAL FUND/1000</u>		
<u>Prosecutor/0009</u>		
From: 1000.21000.0000.0009 Office Supplies	\$3,500	
To: 1000.44480.0000.0009 Office Furniture		\$3,500

Approved on this 8th day of October, 2024.

Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	David Thompson
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Travis Norris
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Marie Theisz
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	R. Todd Thacker,
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	President
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Vicki Weger
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Nancy Allsup
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Aaron Loudermilk

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

SALARY ORDINANCE 2024-72A

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the salaries of Vigo County Indiana, that for the salaries of the County Government Office Holders and the employees for the year ending December 31, 2024, the following sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be otherwise expressly stipulated for by law provided, however, that disbursements from each appropriated are further limited to the amounts listed for the detailed accounts making up such appropriation unless said accounts are increased or decreased in another ordinance or resolution by the County Council.

SECTION 2. That for the said fiscal year, there is appropriated out of the Parks Fund the following:

	<u>PROPOSED</u>	<u>APPROVED</u>
<u>PARKS/1219</u>		
Stipends		
a. Superintendent (1)	\$4,586	
b. Bike Park Manager (1)		\$3,586

SECTION 3. Effective July 1, 2024.

Approved on this 10th day of September, 2024.

Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	David Thompson _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Travis Norris _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Marie Theisz _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	R. Todd Thacker,
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	President _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Vicki Weger _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2024-75

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget. Now, therefore:

SEC. 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the LIT/Correctional Rehab, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same.

	<u>ADVERTISED</u>	<u>APPROPRIATED</u>
<u>LIT/CORRECTIONAL REHAB/1233</u>		
1233.44150.00000.0000 Land Acquisition	\$	225,000
Total LIT/Correctional Rehab	\$	225,000

Approved on this 8th day of October, 2024.

Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	David Thompson _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Travis Norris _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Marie Theisz _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Vicki Weger _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
Sunshine Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 3, 2024 at 5:00 P.M.
Council Chambers, Vigo County Government Center

Pledge of Allegiance

President Todd Thacker called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Calling of the roll

Aaron Loudermilk – absent; Nancy Allsup – present; Vicki Weger – present; Marie Theisz – present; Travis Norris – present; David Thompson – present; and Todd Thacker – present.

Communications from elected officials, other officials or agencies of the County

Council Attorney Michael Wright reminded Council that a letter of support for a second juvenile magistrate had been signed last month for Judge Mullican to submit. After some consultation, a policy was discovered that mandates that each county can only have one juvenile magistrate. Judge Mullican has now requested that the letter of support be modified to simply support a general jurisdiction magistrate so that the position would not be limited to just Juvenile Court and could handle any duty delegated, including Juvenile Court. It would be a fully financially supported State position. However, the County would then be responsible for providing staffing. It was thought that would probably be comprised of providing two employees with benefits and salary which would probably be somewhere in the \$120,000-\$130,000 range. Mr. Wright will clarify those figures before next week's meeting.

Commissioner Mark Clinkenbeard gave a short update on the old jail demolition. Bids were opened last Thursday. There were 3 bids for access road construction and 5 bids for demolition. Copies of the bid opening minutes were provided to each Council member. It currently looks like McGuire Excavating was low bidder for the earth work and the drive. It also appears that Dore & Associates, at the time, was the low bidder for demolition. It is approximately \$1.2 million below the projected budget for the project. Due diligence and interviews are being conducted this week by Garmong with the two lowest bidders to make sure that everything required was included in the bid and will meet with RBO requirements. The building below the tower is ready to go. The old jail will be powered down on September 16 with demolition to begin the first of October. The THPD will be conducting some training exercises in the empty jail building in the time period between powering it down and the start of demolition. Marie Theisz asked if the Turn to the River project was still being kept in mind with the approaching demolition. Mr. Clinkenbeard said that they had been included in conversations. There will be additional handicap parking spots, parking spots for the jail transport vans, and building maintenance. Audience member Trent Short asked if the RBO was going to be enforced and who would be enforcing it. There was a brief discussion. David Thompson asked if they planned to keep as much of the demo process as possible local.

SALARY ORDINANCE 2024-77

SECTION 1. Be it ordained by the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana, that for the salaries of Vigo County Indiana, that for the salaries of the County Government Office Holders and the employees for the year ending December 31, 2024, the following sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart for the purposes specified, subject to the laws governing the same. Such sums herein appropriated shall be otherwise expressly stipulated for by law provided, however, that disbursements from each appropriated are further limited to the amounts listed for the detailed accounts making up such appropriation unless said accounts are increased or decreased in another ordinance or resolution by the County Council.

SECTION 2. That for the said fiscal year, there is appropriated out of the Sheriff's Fund the following:

PROPOSED APPROVED

SHERIFF/0005

- a. Delete one (1) First Sergeant position for a total of one (1)
- b. Add one (1) Sergeant position for a total of nine (9)

SECTION 3. Effective October 9, 2024.

Approved on this 8th day of October, 2024.

Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	David Thompson _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Travis Norris _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Marie Theisz _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	R. Todd Thacker,
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	President _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Vicki Weger _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/>	
Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

James W. Bramble
Vigo County Auditor

Preliminarily, it appears that the bid will be awarded to a local contractor due to some omissions from the low bid submission and the fact that they are not prepared to abide by the RBO. Commissioner Mike Morris said that everything is currently very preliminary. He also noted that once the utilities are completely shut off at the old jail, there would be a substantial cost savings in utilities.

Reports from committees

Vicki Weger said the Budget Committee will be meeting again on Thursday morning which is just a continuation of the annual budget meeting.

Resolutions and Ordinances other than appropriations.

i. Agreement Establishing Approved Uses of Sheriff's Office Commissary Fund Outside the Set Allowances in State Statute

Sheriff Derek Fell said there are basically 8 items the commissary fund can be spent on according to state statute. A ninth item says other items can be added if it benefits the Sheriff's Office and is mutually agreed upon by the County fiscal body. A list has been prepared requesting approval of the Council for needs/items that can be paid for by these funds. This is not a request for additional funds from the County. These funds are generated by inmate funds. David Thompson asked if the Council could get back on the mailing list for the commissary account reports. Sheriff Fell said he would see to it.

ii. Resolution 2024-13 – Resolution of the County Council of Vigo County, Indiana Expressing Interest in the Purchase of Specified Real Estate and Appointing Appraisers

Commissioner Chris Switzer said this concerns 21 acres located behind the Security Center (a map had been provided to Council members). Conversations had been had with property owners to the north and ultimately decided that the property would be out of the County's price range. However, the opportunity has presented itself to purchase the 21 acres south of the Security Center for possible future expansion. They also do not want to be landlocked at the Security Center. They would like to seek appraisals for the 21 acres. This is all owned by S&G Excavating. There is a southeast portion about 100 feet square that is in a flood zone and the current owner said he would move some of the dirt on the property to bring that area out of the flood zone. There was a brief discussion about the boundaries of the property. Current owner would like to keep a small piece of the parcel that has a home on it. Entry to the property would be off of State Road 63. There is a Duke Energy substation on the east portion. This might present a way to obtain access to Johnson Avenue along Duke Energy's easement.

iii. Resolution of Reallocation of Existing Appropriation 2024-14 – Juvenile Justice Center

Norm Loudermilk, Executive Director of the Juvenile Center, said that he was asking to transfer money that was previously appropriated under the Food line item in the amount of \$38,000 into the Vehicle line item. The funds would be used to replace a 2011 Crown Victoria with more than 220,000 miles on it that has a multitude of safety risks. They can purchase a used 2023 Dodge Durango with 22,000 miles from Eastgate Dodge in Indianapolis. Some of the money being transferred would also be used to outfit it for

proper safety protocols for a prisoner transport. Nancy Allsup asked if they would still have enough money to pay for their food. Mr. Loudermilk believed that they would. There was a brief discussion.

Ordinances relating to appropriations.

i. Additional Appropriation 2024-72: Parks – Payroll Salaries

Parks Superintendent Adam Grossman said this concerned HFI funds. There was a short discussion about what is requested by his letter and what was actually advertised. His request letter did not include FICA and PERF which both have to be paid on a stipend. The actual requested amount is \$9,939 and that is what was advertised. Money had been appropriated in an earlier meeting for HFI funds to be used for their biking program at Griffin Bike Park. A portion of that was for stipends. There was a brief discussion about the location of the funds and how it will need to be transferred. Marie Theisz commented that once the grant is gone, these stipends would go away. Mr. Grossman is aware of that. The balance of the funding will be used for the purchase of bikes.

ii. Additional Appropriation 2024-73: EDIT – Honey Creek Conservancy

Commissioner Chris Switzer said they had been working with Honey Creek Conservancy for 2-3 years trying to get them over the hump to get things accomplished in southern Vigo County. A southern portion of the county has been in a flood plain for several years. The Conservancy has been working on getting these areas into FEMA compliance and get them out of the flood plain. They need help in getting some walls repaired, drainage ditches repaired, and things of that nature. Helping get this accomplished will lift several thousand southern Vigo County residents out of a flood zone and allow them to decrease their insurance premiums. It will also allow new construction of homes, commercial business and things of that nature to not have flood insurance or have their buildings raised by 3-4 feet. A home developer that was potentially going to build on Springhill had to change plans due to the astronomical cost to raise those buildings high enough to not be in a flood zone. Parker Manning of the Honey Creek Conservancy briefly outlined the history of the Conservancy and what they had been doing to get into FEMA compliance and what remains to be done. A.J. Fricke with Christopher Burke Engineering gave a presentation on the project. There was lengthy discussion. Vicki Weger raised the question of the cost spent so far on the project and where the funding came from. Over \$500,000 has been spent on engineering work and the funding has come exclusively from the Conservancy District. Parker Manning clarified that the project that they are hoping to get additional funding for is for anticipated additional FEMA requirements in order to approve the map revision. They are trying to plan ahead. Discussion continued. It was noted this system is designed to accommodate up to 100-year floods. Commissioner Switzer pointed out that if anyone would like to see a visual of how much an area needs to be raised to meet current requirements, Fuson Automotive recently added a new detail shop behind their business and had to increase their dirt level to meet County ordinance.

iii. Additional Appropriation 2024-74: LIT/Special Purpose – Contractual Services

Commissioner Mark Clinkenbeard said Council had previously appropriated money for two secure rooms in the Court House to hold inmates awaiting court appearances. Items that had been overlooked during this construction included cameras and card swipes. This request is to fund those items. Mr. Clinkenbeard pointed out that Council had also appropriated roughly \$130,000 for dome repair and painting at the Court House which are now both complete. There is approximately \$6,700 left because the project came in under budget that will go back into the ARPA funds. That could possibly be used to offset some of this cost. Mr. Clinkenbeard said those rooms are complete except for installation of glass and once that is installed, the rooms will be operational. Travis Norris asked what the initial amount of money was that was appropriated to do the project. Commissioner Clinkenbeard said it was \$50,000.

Public Comments

There were none.

Vicki Weger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 6-0, the motion unanimously passed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
SUNSHINE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 3, 2024

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in full and adopted as written this 8th day of October, 2024.

Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	David Thompson _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Travis Norris _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Marie Theisz _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Vicki Weger _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

 James W. Bramble
 Vigo Auditor

VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 5:00 P.M.
Council Chamber – Vigo County Government Center

Pledge of Allegiance

President Todd Thacker called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Calling of the roll

Present: Aaron Loudermilk, Nancy Allsup, Vicki Weger, Marie Theisz, Travis Norris and Todd Thacker. David Thompson was absent.

Correcting of the journal of the preceding meeting if needed

August 6, 2024 Sunshine Meeting

August 13, 2024 Meeting

There were no corrections to the minutes of the August 6, 2024 Sunshine Meeting. Marie Theisz made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2024 Sunshine Meeting. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 5-0 with Aaron Loudermilk abstaining, the motion unanimously passed.

There were no corrections to the minutes of the August 13, 2024 meeting. Aaron Loudermilk made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2024 meeting. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 6-0, the motion passed.

Communications from elected officials, other officials or agencies of the County

John Hendricks with Seelyville Fire Department said he was present on behalf of Lost Creek Fire Protection District. He advised that the District is petitioning to appeal for an increase in its maximum levy to DLGF. As population increases, so do the number of calls received. In looking over the past three years, they are now appealing DLGF for a \$15,000 increase in their maximum levy. He had been advised earlier in the day to bring this before the Council for their approval as the fiscal body. Todd Thacker asked the Council attorney about protocol regarding this matter since these things are generally introduced at the Sunshine Meeting for action the following week. Attorney Michael Wright indicated he had spoken with Mr. Hendricks just before commencement of tonight's meeting and asked Mr. Hendricks to inform the Council of this matter. Mr. Wright indicated no action on the issue was requested for tonight's meeting but just to advise the Council of the issue and to have it placed on the agenda for the October meeting. There was discussion about advertising the increase but a definitive answer would be researched. Basically, they are asking the State to approve money beyond what the maximum levy provides based on their increase in population and runs over the previous years. Appropriate steps will be taken to make sure the appropriate paperwork is with DLGF and appropriate to be before the Council for consideration. Mr. Hendricks also gave a brief update upon absorbing Nevins Township into the fire district.

Reports from committee(s)

Vicki Weger reported that the Budget Committee had another meeting scheduled which could possibly be the final meeting. Marie Theisz said she had been working with the City on the scoring system for tax abatements but had to take a pause due to a staffing situation. Once that is resolved, they will be back at it.

Resolutions and Ordinances other than appropriations.

i. First Reading Binding Units 2025 Annual Budgets.

Auditor James Bramble gave the First Reading of the Binding Units for 2025 Annual Budgets as follows: Notice to taxpayers is available online at www.budgetnotices.in.gov or by calling 888-739-9826. Complete details of budget estimates by fund and/or department may be seen by visiting the office of these units of government. Notice is hereby given to taxpayers of the Vigo County Solid Waste Management District, Terre Haute International Airport, Honey Creek Fire Protection District, New Goshen Fire Protection District, Lost Creek Fire Protection District, Riley Fire Protection District, Sugar Creek Township Fire District, and the Vigo County Capital Improvement Board. That the proper officers of Vigo County Council will conduct a public hearing on the 2025 budget. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of Vigo County, Indiana, not more than seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy to which taxpayers object. If a petition is filed, the Vigo County Council shall adopt with the budget a finding concerning the objections in the petition and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the proper officers of Vigo County Council will meet to adopt the following budget. Public hearing date – Tuesday September 10, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Council Chambers. The adoption meeting will be Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at the City Hall Court Room, 17 Harding Avenue, Terre Haute, Indiana.

ii. First Reading of Vigo County 2025 Budget.

Auditor James Bramble gave the first reading of the 2025 annual budget for Vigo County as follows: Notice to taxpayers is available online at www.budgetnotices.in.gov or by calling 888-739-9826. Complete details of budget estimates for any fund and/or department may be seen by visiting the office of this unit of government at the Vigo County Auditor's Office. Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of Vigo County, Indiana that the proper officers of Vigo County will conduct a public hearing on the year 2025 budget. Following this meeting, any ten or more taxpayers may object to a budget, tax rate, or tax levy by filing an objection petition with the proper officers of Vigo County not more than seven days after the hearing. The objection petition must identify the provisions of the budget, tax rates, or tax levy to which taxpayers object. If a petition is filed, Vigo County shall adopt with the budget a finding concerning the objections in the petition and testimony presented. Following the aforementioned hearing, the proper officers of Vigo County will meet to adopt the following budget. Public hearing date – Tuesday September 10, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Council Chambers. The adoption meeting will be Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at the City Hall Court Room, 17 Harding Avenue, Terre Haute, Indiana. Total budget estimate - \$99,833,484 with a maximum estimated funds to be raised (including appeals and levies exempt from maximum levy limitations) - \$54,700,000.

President Thacker noted that tonight was the first reading and action will be taken at the adoption meeting on Tuesday, October 8, at the City Hall Court Room due to early voting.

iii. Letter of Support for Magistrate Position

Council Attorney Michael Wright briefly reviewed this letter of support request for a general magistrate. This would allow a broader range of cases that could be covered, along with juvenile matters. The letter provides that the Council is supporting this request, which would include any support positions necessary to make the position efficient and effective. This is not the final step in the process. This is just the initial phase to try and get approval from the legislature. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve this letter of support. Aaron Loudermilk seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 6-0, the motion was unanimously approved.

**iv. Agreement Establishing Approved Uses of Sheriff's Office
Commissary Fund Outside the Set Allowances in State Statute**

This was thoroughly discussed at the Sunshine Meeting. Sheriff Derek Fell was present to answer any additional questions the Council might have. Travis Norris made a motion to approve this Agreement. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 6-0, the motion was unanimously approved.

**v. Resolution 2024-13 – Resolution of the County Council of Vigo
County, Indiana Expressing Interest in the Purchase of
Specified Real Estate and Appointing Appraisers**

This had been thoroughly discussed at the Sunshine Meeting. The Commissioners were present to answer any additional questions the Council might have. Marie Theisz stated if this property was being looked at with the potential of multiple uses, she wanted to be sure that there would be a separate entrance to the property other than the jail to delineate that these were separate facilities. Mark Clinkenbeard said it would have an entrance off of State Road 63 and possibly one off of Johnson Avenue. Aaron Loudermilk made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-13. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 6-0, the motion was unanimously approved.

[Councilwoman Marie Theisz left the meeting at this time due to illness.]

**vi. Resolution of Reallocation of Existing Appropriation 2024-14 –
Juvenile Justice Center**

President Thacker briefly reviewed this request. Norm Loudermilk, Executive Director of the Juvenile Justice Center, was present to answer any additional questions Council might have. Aaron Loudermilk asked if this vehicle was for the purpose of transporting juvenile offenders we house here to locations in other counties for appointments/appearances. Mr. Loudermilk said this was for the transport of kids to whatever the need was (i.e. doctors, court, etc.). They have instances where two transports are needed at the same time. Their second vehicle is a 2011 Crown Victoria with 122,000 miles on it that is falling apart and becoming unsafe to drive. There was a lengthy discussion about surplus money in the food line item and the grants they have that help with funding and uses of the vehicle. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve as presented. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, voting was as follows: Aaron Loudermilk – nay; Nancy Allsup – aye; Vicki Weger – aye; Travis Norris – aye; Todd Thacker – aye. With a 4-1 vote, the motion carried.

Ordinances relating to appropriations.

i. Additional Appropriation 2024-72: Parks – Payroll Salaries

President Thacker summarized this request that had been presented at the Sunshine Meeting. Council had no further questions. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2024-72. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 5-0, the motion was unanimously approved.

ii. Additional Appropriation 2024-73: EDIT – Honey Creek Conservancy

This request was presented and thoroughly discussed at the Sunshine Meeting. Commissioner Chris Switzer reiterated that the Commissioners look at this as an investment, an opportunity, and relief. The investment is the \$200,000 from EDIT into the Conservancy District taking action to lift those folks out of the flood zone, the opportunity for potential investment in that area, and relief for some of the folks with the insurance. The opportunity they are looking at is commercial and residential development that will add to the tax rolls for future investments. Commissioner Switzer said that all three commissioners felt that this was a great investment opportunity. Parker Manning spoke briefly to clarify what their expectations are and what they are trying to accomplish. Vicki Weger said she thought a \$200,000 investment on the part of the County could save millions of dollars of damage in the community and she felt this would be a wise expenditure. Todd Thacker said his understanding is that this money would be expended in order to get a revision of the mapping but there is no guarantee that the revision would happen. Mr. Manning said that was correct. Discussion continued regarding money the Conservancy had and projects in progress and yet to be done. Mr. Thacker said he felt that the County should not be the first stop for funding and that grants and funding other than the County should be explored first. Commissioner Switzer noted that it had been the Commissioners' idea that this come before the Council. Craig McKee, attorney for the Conservancy, gave a brief history of the Conservancy District and the improvements that had been made in the District. He noted that the only thing the District had paid for entirely was a retention pond. The vast majority of monies that have been expended in the District to build the floodworks from day 1 have been federal dollars. The County, typically, has not been their first stop for funding. The problem now is the timing. Doing what needs to be done in 2025 is critical. Aaron Loudermilk said he agreed with Councilwoman Weger on this matter and felt that this is the type of thing that EDIT monies should be used for. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Additional Appropriation 2024-73. Aaron Loudermilk seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, voting was as follows: Aaron Loudermilk – aye; Nancy Allsup – aye; Vicki Weger – aye; Travis Norris – aye; Todd Thacker – aye. Upon a unanimous vote of aye, the motion was approved.

iii. Additional Appropriation 2024-74: LIT/Special Purpose – Contractual Services

Commissioner Mark Clinkenbeard said this concerned the security room at the Court House which opened today. There was a very brief discussion about this matter. Council had no further questions. Vicki Weger made a motion to approve Additional

Appropriation 2024-74. Nancy Allsup seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote of 5-0, the motion was unanimously approved.

Honorary Resolutions

There were none.

Resolutions relating to fiscal policies of the Council

There were none.

Appointments

There were none.

Public Comments

There were none.

Adjournment

Travis Norris made a motion to adjourn. Vicki Weger seconded the motion. By a unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE VIGO COUNTY COUNCIL
MEETING
SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

Presented to the Vigo County Council, read in full and adopted as written this 8th day of October, 2024.

Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	David Thompson _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Travis Norris _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Marie Theisz _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	R. Todd Thacker, President _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Vicki Weger _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Nancy Allsup _____
Aye <input type="checkbox"/> Nay <input type="checkbox"/>	Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Abstain <input type="checkbox"/>	Aaron Loudermilk _____

Attest:

 James W. Bramble
 Vigo Auditor