

**WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING**  
COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM  
107 W. Locust Street  
Boonville, Indiana  
February 6, 2020  
6:00 PM

The Warrick County Council met in regular session in the Warrick County Courthouse, 107 W. Locust Street, Boonville, Indiana.

Attorney Cliff Whitehead and Administrator Krystal Powless was in attendance.

Auditor Debbie Stevens and Secretary Kristine Georges attended and recorded the minutes.

Council President, Greg Richmond, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Greg Richmond:** We will start with Roll Call.

**Krystal Powless:** Charlie Christmas?

**Charlie Christmas:** Yes.

**Krystal Powless:** David Hachmeister?

**David Hachmeister:** Here.

**Krystal Powless:** Cindy Ledbetter?

**Cindy Ledbetter:** Present.

**Krystal Powless:** Ted Metzger?

**Ted Metzger:** Present.

**Krystal Powless:** Brad Overton?

**Brad Overton:** Here.

**Krystal Powless:** Richard Reid?

**Richard Reid:** *(Councilman Reid was not present for this meeting).*

**Krystal Powless:** Greg Richmond?

**Greg Richmond:** Here.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Councilman Richmond:** And there's no tabled items. The new business was the minutes of January 2<sup>nd</sup>. And as I read over them the one (1) correction where they inserted a 'c' where it was supposed to go was made. Everything else looked good to me.

**Councilman Hachmeister:** Motion to approve.

**Councilman Overton:** Second.

**Councilman Richmond:** Motion by David and second by Brad. Discussion? All those in favor? That's six, zero (6-0).

**EMS BUSINESS**

**Councilman Richmond:** EMS Business Report.

**Tony O'Neal:** Tony O'Neal, St. Vincent's Warrick EMS. I wanted to share with you, Council, our 2019 Annual Report for the year. We had about an eleven percent (11%) increase in run volume from last year which has been our trend for the last couple of years. So, our growth is doing really well. Two (2) local hospitals, they were, they were up about five hundred (500). Refusals were up about ninety-three (93). Our transfers were up slightly and Others were up. And our non-County runs went down by about forty (40) runs due to how busy we have been in the County. We just have an algorithm that we work off of and our trucks get so low we turn down certain runs just to make sure we've got coverage in the County. So, that's why you're kind of seeing our County, Non-County runs decreasing. We purchased two (2) new ambulances in 2019 and it cost about four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000.00) in capitol which makes now about a one point three million dollars (\$1,300,000.00) we've spent in capital for the EMS Service to make sure we've got equipment in the ambulances up to par for the County. We've conducted multiple training sessions for the fire departments, law enforcement, including CPR, NARCAN, and tourniquet training. We also do multiple training sessions and audit reviews for our EMS Staff. We provide ambulance coverage for several events throughout the County. The YMCA Triathlon, the Warrick County Fair, Victoria Golf event, and the Castle Band and multiple other small things that come up throughout the year we try to do. We've conducted multiple show and tell events for the schools and daycares throughout the county. We also have finalized a deal that when Paradise, the new fire station in Paradise is built, we're going to be moving the Medic 3 Station which is the ALCOA Station into that new fire department. We've looked at our growth and our volume in Ohio Township is just busting at the seams. So, we feeling like we need to get another truck in that area. So, we're going to move that ambulance into that new facility when it's built. So, we've got that going on.

Multiple student ride-alongs throughout the year. We introduced a hands (inaudible) system, pediatric system for our paramedics. We also have held several hand free CPR classes for the public over at the hospital. And we've implemented a new protocols and updates for the year. So, any questions on any of that?

**Councilman Overton:** Tony, I just have one (1) question.

**Tony O'Neal:** Yes, Sir?

**Councilman Overton:** Have you noticed any, possibly a decrease in drug related calls for, as far as overdoses?

**Tony O'Neal:** Actually, we've seen an increase.

**Councilman Overton:** I was hoping maybe they might be starting to maybe to kind of get a trend, but...

**Tony O'Neal:** Not only have we seen an increase, we've seen a high fatality rate. A higher fatality rate than we normally have here in the County. So, it's not a, it's not a good situation.

**Councilman Overton:** Didn't know if we were maybe starting to ever, start maybe around that bend yet or not.

**Tony O'Neal:** I wish I had something positive to say, but no, we're kind of in the fight with it right now.

**Councilman Overton:** Thanks.

**Tony O'Neal:** Yes, Sir.

**Councilman Christmas:** Got any plans to help increase your trucks? (Inaudible). Everything else is increasing.

**Tony O'Neal:** Yes, Sir. At some point, we would like to, we would like to look at that. I think you recently, I don't know how soon it's been, but experience where we were out of trucks cause we were all, all five (5) trucks were out on runs.

**Councilman Christmas:** (Inaudible) wait almost thirty (30) minutes to get an ambulance.

**Tony O'Neal:** Yeah, so we've got mutual aid with several of our surrounding County EMS Services, and that's who we rely on when, when all of our trucks our out. So, we are getting at that, at that stage where we're gonna have to probably have to look at a situation. You know, maybe a twelve (12) hour truck or something that, to give us a little relief.

**Councilman Christmas:** What about the northern part of the county? Is it pretty covered now? (Inaudible)?

**Tony O'Neal:** We've been doing well with keeping that covered. I think when we move Medic 3 Station into Paradise, we will probably look at the different areas for the ambulances and we might move the boundary lines a little bit to justify some of that, some of those moves. So, yeah, we're definitely, the County's growing and we're getting busy.

**Councilman Richmond:** I for one (1) am very, very satisfied with the quality of service from our Warrick EMS Service-St. Vincent's supplies. My family's had personal experience and we've had a chance to compare. And just very, very proud of it. Our citizens should be very proud too.

**Tony O'Neal:** Well, I appreciate that, President. We consider it an honor to serve the County. Thank you.

**Councilman Richmond:** Thank you.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS  
TAX PHASE-IN CONFIRMING RESOLUTION  
RESOLUTION 2020-02**

**Councilman Richmond:** And I would like to make a change because of, moving number four (4) up to number three (3). The reason being, our Economic Development Director's son is being honored tonight at his school and he would like to attend. So, number four (4), Economic Development Business, Tax Phase-In, Confirming Resolution.

**Steve Roelle:** Thank you. I appreciate that. Proud father moment. So, good evening, Steve Roelle, Economic Development. I'm back concerning basically Digestive Care relocating to Warrick County. Locating to the Wellness Trail with a brand new facility. In January, we passed the Preliminary Resolution for ERA and tax phase-in. We're back tonight for the Confirming Resolution. I'm joined again by Doctor Val Prasad and also from, with, with Butch Moore who's the CFO. And we're happy to answer any questions. Nothing has changed since last month. Happy to go over all the details again that you guys have. Happy to answer any questions. It's exactly the type of project, jobs, wages, and services that we were looking for to come to our community.

**Councilman Richmond:** Anybody have any questions? And so we need to read this by title?

**Cliff Whitehead:** Yes.

**Councilman Richmond:** And is the Resolution number is?

**Krystal Powless:** '02.

**Councilman Richmond:** '02?

**Kristine Georges:** 20, 2020-02.

**Councilman Richmond:** 2020-02. Okay, if anybody has, doesn't have any objections, I'll go ahead and read it. Warrick County Council Resolution 2020-02. A Resolution confirming the declaration of an economic revitalization area for real property tax phase-in, Summit Land Development, LLC. That's all I need to read?

**Cliff Whitehead:** Yeah.

**Councilman Richmond:** And I will entertain a motion.

**Councilman Metzger:** I'll make a motion to approve the Resolution.

**Councilman Richmond:** Motion by Ted, is there a second?

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** Second.

**Councilman Richmond:** Second by Cindy. Any discussion? All those in favor? That would be five (5) to, any against? Zero (0), and one (1) abstention. Brad. Five, zero, and (5-0-1 with Brad Overton abstaining).

**Steve Roelle:** Thank you. We're excited to keep you updated on the progress.

**Councilman Richmond:** Thank you. We're excited. Glad to have you.

**Steve Roelle:** Thank you.

**Councilman Metzger:** Thank you.

*(Resolution 2020-02 is located on Pages 9 through 10 of these Official Minutes)*

### **TOURISM BUSINESS QUARTERLY REPORT**

**Councilman Richmond:** Alright, now we're back up to Tourism Report.

**Beau Dial:** Good evening. Beau Dial with the Law Firm, sorry, Beau Dial with Tourism Commission. Started to say something different. Gonna give you a review of 2019. We're gonna go calendar year 2019 as opposed to fiscal year. Calendar year, we received a little bit over a hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$160,000.00) in Innkeeper Tax revenue. Our budget for the previous year was twenty-eight thousand (\$28,000.00). Our budget for this year is sixty (\$60,000.00). So, we're collecting a lot more than what our budget has provided for. Some things that we've done for the calendar year, we completed a new website and logo for the County, for the Commission. We've also started calling ourselves Visit Warrick. The Warrick County Tourism and Visitor's Commission was a little bit bulky. You can still refer to us as that, but if you see signage or other advertisements with Visit Warrick logo, that is us. Steve has just left, but we've had, just myself and the Executive Committee has met with Steve a number of times to discuss a number of projects that are upcoming. The first one (1) being potential wayfair signs on (Hwy) 66 entering into Warrick County. A lot of people including the Commissioners have made statements that with the Korn Ferry Tournament most of the golfers and people visiting from out of town, still think that's Evansville and not Warrick County. And wanted to put some signage out there to let them know that hey, they're entering into Warrick County and this is not Evansville. You saw just kind of a temporary half measure. Maybe you saw those golf signs out at the last tournament that was discussed and just kind of a small little band-aid to try to fix the problem. But we are working with Steve to, to look into getting a permanent fixture sign out there. Whether it's just a static sign or whether it's electronic. Either one (1), it's open for discussion.

**Councilman Richmond:** And that location would be where?

**Beau Dial:** The location hasn't been determined. But it's going to be somewhere along (Hwy) 66 by Deaconess, before Epworth, west of Epworth, east of Epworth, somewhere along there where that Vanderburgh line is. The other items we were talking about with, with Steve is how we as the Tourism Commission can partner with Economic Development, potentially partner with the Parks Department, to try to enhance some of these things that each department overlaps. Right? I don't know if Steve's talked to you, but you've got the three (3) concentric circles and in the middle all of them somewhat overlap. Right? The Event Center is one (1) of those things that overlaps. Bringing visitors and tourists in, and how we can work with Economic Development. How we can work with the Parks Department to make those things a reality. For example, we have our grants program that we just started and I'll get to that in a minute, but he submitted a grant for advertising for five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for the year. And it was the Tourism's determination that because the Event Center is something special and actually impacts tourism on a greater scale than just a non-profit's one (1) day events. That, that should not be a part of the grants program, but instead just be a separate line item on our budget. So, Steve is supposed to come to our February meeting with a bigger proposal as far as what he envisions and what he needs for the Event Center and we'll start discussing how to make that happen and what we can do to help all three (3) entities succeed in that. The other thing we talked about and it kind of brought forth initial discussions with Steve was his ideas with Scales Lake. You know, again, I talked to him about, hey, what can we do to help you make your vision for Scales Lake a reality? Because if he's wanting to do visitors, bringing people other than within Boonville and Warrick County, but outside our County in to use those facilities. So, we're talking with him about that and how we can help in that regards. We implemented a grants program to use twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) from our fund, from our budget which we've discussed with you to give to local nonprofits and for-profit entities to, who have events or ideas that could bring visitors and tourists into Warrick County. This, this program that we implemented, it's a little different from just any type of foundation or other non-profit grant you see cause it's using tax dollars. And what we wanted to do and what we hopefully are successful in doing is making the entity accountable for the money that they receive to come back and show us, did this work? Did you bring visitors or tourists in? So, there's follow up in regards to that. And what we, what we didn't want to do is we didn't want that money just to go into a general funds to be used for administration expenses or every day expenses. We wanted it to actually have an impact in the community with tourists and visitors. So, we've issued twenty-three thousand nine hundred seventy-six dollars (\$23,976.00) in grants. And I'll just go through what we've, what we've given. The Newburgh Museum we gave them, they had the best application. We gave them their full amount of four thousand five

hundred thirty-six dollars (\$4,536.00). That was, that is for a two (2) day antique market that they are hosting I think this month. Warrick County Museum, they received their full requested amount of three thousand five hundred (\$3,500.00) to update their website to get the word out as far as events that they're holding and the community is holding around them. Trailhead of Southwest Indiana, they received their full asking grant of four thousand five hundred forty dollars (\$4,540.00). That's mainly for logo merchandise, merchandising, advertising of the bike trails at Scales Like. The Antique Steam, Gas, and Engine Club received, they asked for five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00). They received three thousand eight hundred dollars (\$3,800.00) for radio and social media advertising for their spring and fall event. I believe it's spring planting, fall harvesting over there in Thresherman's Park. Town of Newburgh received three thousand eight hundred dollars for advertising for their rental spaces: Lockmaster Cabins, the, the, the old Lock and Dam, and the old, there's two (2) more. I can't think of them.

**Shari Sherman:** (Inaudible).

**Beau Dial:** Preservation Hall, thank you, Peanut Gallery. And then Warrick Trails received three thousand eight hundred dollars (\$3,800.00), that's mainly for advertising in Party in Paradise. Those last three (3), Antique Steam, Town of Museum... Town of Newburgh, and Warrick Trails, they didn't receive the full amount mainly because they're asking for two (2) separate events. Okay? For example, Warrick Trails wanted advertising for Party in Paradise and Run Victoria. And part of our grant application is you just receive money for one (1) event per year. Not going to split it up. So, instead of giving them full amounts we cut it back a little bit. There were a number of other very worthy requests for grants that we didn't provide. I think, we had twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00). We issued twenty-three thousand nine hundred seventy-eight (\$23,978.00) so about twenty-four thousand (\$24,000.00). And I think there were request in excess of forty (\$40,000.00), forty-five thousand (\$45,000.00) in grants. We are, the ones that didn't receive grants, we've reached out to and told them why their application failed. Mainly it was not for providing us the proper accounting or budgeting of the project or failure to give us any feedback once they were received. So, we are working with them to, to let them know that, what we're looking for so that next year they can provide an application and maybe get some money in that regards. Where we are now, we've, we're in the process of requesting photographers, to issue photographs of various locations, events, things to do in Warrick County and pay for those to update the website and potentially put on a Facebook or Instagram page. Finally, we are looking to meet a gentleman by the name of Don Anderson. That's, he's with Destination Consulting Group and he is a, he coordinates directly with a number of Tourism Commissions throughout the State. And I believe throughout other states. And looking for, not really a strategic plan but a direction that we can take this Commission with this money so that it's not just, it's working for the County. It's not just trying to throw piecemeal things out here but really have a plan on how, how we can use this money to bring visitors to Warrick County, bring tourists into Warrick County so that they can spend money in Warrick County so that our businesses get, get the benefit from it. So, where we are now, I think I'm also somewhat on the line item for eight (8) or nine (9) for the grants in the Auditor's. I don't know if you want to talk about that now or have any questions about anything I've said. But I'm willing to wait or we can skip ahead as well.

**Councilman Richmond:** I think for the order of business, personally, I'd rather wait until it comes up on the agenda.

**Beau Dial:** That's perfectly fine. Do you have any questions as far as what we've done? Or what we're looking to do?

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** I just have something I'd like to share.

**Beau Dial:** Sure.

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** We have the Motorsports Park in Chandler that's just sitting there.

**Beau Dial:** Yes. Isn't it getting auctioned?

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** I don't know the backstory behind that.

**Beau Dial:** Sure.

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** That is, that is a potential that we can have for visitors and then we have Yellow Banks, you know, in the Lynnville area that I know that is in disrepair. We've got two (2) really viable options there for Tourism and events that are just sitting there. But, I know that there's issues, background that I'm not very aware of. How can we help to...?

**Councilman Christmas:** Yellow Banks is Selvin.

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** Is it Selvin?

**Councilman Christmas:** Yeah.

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** How can we move those forward?

**Beau Dial:** Well, that's, that's really why we're bringing in Don Anderson for to kind of help us with that vision. We did on our last meeting discuss, we call it the I-64 corridor. And that that corridor, the Lynnville, the Selvin, the, the Interlake has the most opportunity for visitors and for tourists mainly because it's right off the interstate and it can be as simple as a last minute pull off. So, we are looking into doing something there. What is to be done? We don't have an answer to that yet. But, that is something that we addressed at our last January meeting and that we're looking to go forward with.

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** And did you say that the sports, the Motorsports Park is up for auction?

**Beau Dial:** Yeah, that's been, it's been ordered for auction and, and gone off the auction block and on the auction. I think this is the third time now. They're in bankruptcy. And the bank... just from what I know, the bankruptcy board has issued various orders last minute to stop the auction for various reasons. But, the only reason I know that is I'm friends with the auctioneer. And I've been told this last auction is an absolute auction that they are looking to get a buyer to invest in it. So...

**Councilman Richmond:** Any other questions? Thank you, Beau. We'll get back with you a little later.

**Beau Dial:** Alright.

### **PARK AND RECREATION BUSINESS GENERAL – BUILDING MAINTENANCE**

**Councilman Richmond:** Park and Recreation Business, the Additional Appropriation, General, four thousand nine hundred dollars (\$4,900.00). Building Maintenance, four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800.00). And I think that has changed from what I understand.

**Krystal Powless:** Yeah, that's been removed.

**Ben Labhart:** So, and Krystal, correct me if I'm wrong, that forty-nine hundred (\$4,900.00), that was the tree, right?

**Krystal Powless:** Yes.

**Ben Labhart:** Yeah, and we discussed that at the last meeting. But, we just didn't have it added in time.

**Krystal Powless:** Right.

**Councilman Hachmeister:** Motion to approve.

**Councilman Christmas:** Second.

**Councilman Richmond:** Motion by David to approve the forty-nine hundred dollars (\$4,900.00), General. And seconded by Charlie. Any discussions? All those in favor? That's all six (6) of us. Six, zero (6-0).

### **DISCUSSION ON EASEMENT CHECK FROM VECTREN**

**Ben Labhart:** And the reason the other has been removed, since we advertised, we got an eleven thousand (\$11,000.00), right at eleven thousand dollar (\$11,000.00) easement check from Vectren. So, we're wanting to use that money to do the two (2) new furnaces at the pavilion and then also replace two (2) of the four (4) HVAC systems at the cabins. And I think Audrey already got all that stuff to Krystal. But, we can't do that 'til the next meeting.

**Krystal Powless:** Right. It'll have to be advertised and come to the March meeting.

**Ben Labhart:** So, do I have to come to that meeting, or can we address that right now?

**Councilman Christmas:** Come to the meeting.

**Ben Labhart:** Huh?

**Councilman Christmas:** I like for you to come to the meeting. I like to see your bright, smiling face.

**Ben Labhart:** Sounds good. And then, the last one (1) on the agenda is the, you guys have any questions about the easement check? It's just money from an easement at Friedman Park and Daniel Roach, Park Board President, thought we could use it for this instead of asking for an Additional. So, I'm going to go through the four (4) cabins with, with Frank Byers and we're going to decide which two (2) of the four (4) need replaced first.

### **PARKS DONATION**

**Ben Labhart:** And then the five hundred fifty dollar (\$550.00) donation is just to be able to use money from the donation account to buy a new backpack (inaudible).

**Councilman Overton:** Motion to approve.

**Councilman Richmond:** Motion by Brad to approve the donation of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

**Councilman Hachmeister:** Second.

**Krystal Powless:** Five hundred fifty dollars (\$550.00).

**Councilman Richmond:** Five hundred fifty dollars (\$550.00), I'm sorry. And second by David. Any discussion? All those in favor? That's all six (6) of us. Six, zero (6-0).

### **UPDATE ON SCALES LAKE IMPROVEMENTS**

**Ben Labhart:** And then all, a quick update on the stuff going on at Scales Lake. Pretty much all the work is ninety percent (90%) done. New flooring in the pavilion is going to be finished by this week. All the new floors in the cabins are done. We just have to replace all the door jams, the door covers, and all that good stuff. But everything's pretty much ninety percent (90%) done. The Pavilion Road campsites, we've already got all the gravel poured. The Highway Department helped us a lot. That helped us save a lot of money. They used all their equipment, truck drivers, and graders and all that good stuff. And then the site painting, we won't be able to do until the weather's warmed up. But pretty much everything is done. If anybody wants to come out and see it, call me.

**Councilman Christmas:** (Inaudible).

**Ben Labhart:** We're gonna...

**Councilman Christmas:** (Inaudible) electrical upgrades?

**Ben Labhart:** Wayne Lamb has not done that yet. We do have the electrical towers in. We've got the campsite numbers painted on them. They're just, he's just, I'm sure he's waiting for a little better weather to put it in. So.

**Councilman Christmas:** (Inaudible).

**Ben Labhart:** I don't know (inaudible).

**Councilman Overton:** Sounds good, Ben.

**Ben Labhart:** Alright. See you at the next meeting.

**Councilman Richmond:** Thank you, Ben.

### **PROSECUTOR BUSINESS PRINTING**

**Councilman Richmond:** Okay. Number six (6) is Prosecutor Business, Additional Appropriation for Printing, two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00). It's to cover depositions for more trials coming.

**Councilman Christmas:** I make a motion to approve it cause we're gonna have to.

**Councilman Richmond:** Motion by Charlie to approve the Additional Appropriation. Is there a second?

**Councilman Overton:** Second.

**Councilman Richmond:** Second by Brad. Discussion? All those in favor? And that's five to one, David. (5-1 with David Hachmeister opposing).

### **HEALTH BUSINESS MOSQUITO DISTRIBUTION**

**Councilman Richmond:** Health Department Business, the Additional Appropriation is from a grant for mosquito distribution, twenty-nine thousand one hundred forty-eight dollars and twenty cents (\$29,148.20).

**Councilman Christmas:** You said it's a grant?

**Krystal Powless:** Yes.

**Councilman Richmond:** It is a grant.

**Councilman Hachmeister:** Motion to approve.

**Councilman Overton:** Second.

**Councilman Richmond:** Motion by David to approve. Second by Brad. Any discussion? All those in favor? That's six, zero (6-0).

### **ANIMAL CONTROL – VAXCARE**

**Councilman Richmond:** 7B is reimbursements as usually. Health Department, Animal Control, seven thousand eight hundred forty-seven dollars (\$7,847.00). Vaxcare, five thousand three hundred forty-nine dollars and twenty cents (\$5,349.20), for a total of thirteen thousand one-hundred-sixty-six (\$13,196.20).

**Councilman Overton:** Motion to approve.

**Councilman Richmond:** Motion by Brad to approve.

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** Second.

**Councilman Richmond:** Second by Cindy. Any discussion? All those in favor? Six, zero (6-0).

*(February Appropriations are located on Page 8 of these Official Minutes)*

### **SHERIFF BUSINESS SECRETARY RETIRED**

**Councilman Richmond:** Sheriff Business. This is a Handbook issue.

**Councilman Overton:** Motion to approve.

**Councilman Richmond:** Uh, let me read it first. Additional Appropriation, Secretary Retired, nine thousand nine hundred seventy-eight dollars and eight cents (\$9,978.08). Brad made a motion to approve.

**Councilman Christmas:** Which secretary is retired?

**Chief Deputy Sheriff Kruse:** Chris Miller.

**Councilman Christmas:** Chris, okay.

**Chief Deputy Sheriff Kruse:** Paul Kruse, Chief Deputy Sheriff.

**Councilman Richmond:** Okay. Is there a second?

**Councilman Christmas:** I'll second.

**Councilman Richmond:** Second by Charlie. Any discussion? All those in favor? That's six, zero (6-0).

**Chief Deputy Sheriff Kruse:** Thank you.

### **AUDITOR BUSINESS TOURISM DISCUSSION**

**Councilman Richmond:** And now, Auditor Business, Tourism. There's two (2) items on here.

**Auditor Stevens:** Okay, I think all of you have a copy of the claim. I scanned and emailed it to you a few weeks ago when I received the claim from the Tourism Board. And their claim is to request the entire, the full appropriation on their Donation line within their fund. And so, I looked back through the minutes. I really wasn't able to be able to interpret what your intentions were for that Donation to the, to the line within their fund. We paid, we pay all of their claims through our department, but if, I mean, I'm really asking for you all to tell me what your wishes are with this claim. Do you want the full donation amount disbursed and then, then they would do their own granting of those funds through their own bank account, or do you want the grants paid through the Auditor's Office just like any other claim that we would process?

**Councilman Metzger:** From what I understand, Cliff, we don't really have a choice. Is that correct?

**Cliff Whitehead:** Right. Once it's appropriated the Statute 6-9-18-4B says that once the Commission has established and requests the fund, the County Auditor shall issue a warrant directing the Treasurer to transfer the money from the fund to the Commission's Treasurer.

**Auditor Stevens:** Okay.

**Cliff Whitehead:** So, I think at this point, we don't really have an option. It's already been appropriated.

**Auditor Stevens:** And that's fine with me. I just, and, and you could have just told me that in an email I think.

**Cliff Whitehead:** Oh, okay.

**Auditor Stevens:** But, I didn't get a response back from anyone, so I've had this claim for a few weeks and I just want to make sure that however the donations are disbursed is the intentions of the Council for their appropriation. So, if everybody's good with that, I am too.

**Councilman Metzger:** We're bound by statute so pay the claims.

**Auditor Stevens:** Okay. That's fine.

### **ENCUMBRANCES FROM THE 2019 FISCAL YEAR RESOLUTION 2020-03**

**Councilman Richmond:** And then the second item is Encumbrance Resolution 2019 into 2020. And would this be Resolution 3 then? 2020-3?

**Krystal Powless:** Yes.

**Kristine Georges:** Yes, Sir.

**Councilman Richmond:** Resolution 2020-03 a Resolution of the County Council of Warrick County, Indiana approving Encumbrances from the 2019 Fiscal Year. I need a motion.

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** Motion to approve.

**Councilman Overton:** Second.

**Councilman Richmond:** Motion by Cindy and second by Brad. Any discussion? All those in favor? Six, zero (6-0).

*(Resolution 2020-03 is located on Page 9 of these Official Minutes)*

### **OTHER BUSINESS COMMITTEE UPDATES**

**Councilman Richmond:** Other Business? I have had some. I am on the Jail Committee and just kind of a little update on that. Where we're going with that particular thing is to probably have a study done as to our needs. The consensus is, it's not if but when. Because our current Jail is pretty, getting close to obsolescence and we need actually a few, more help in there. There was a study done on that as well. There have been times when things were short and so this is all coming up. I'm on several committees that I wish you all could see. I know you're working your daytime and I'm blessed not to have, I'm retired. And the Insurance Committee is working diligently to try to make changes that will help bring about a little bit better situation than what we ended the year with this year. And there is no easy solution. All the solutions are really tough. And it's a fact of life in the industry, business, government, everywhere. The cost of medical insurance keeps going through the roof. And I don't know when or if that's going to change. So, we kind of have to look at different options. Nothing has been decided. They are looking to perhaps

formulate some kind of a plan that might help the situations so we don't have end of the year, again, a deficit. Does anybody else have anything?

**Councilwoman Ledbetter:** I guess I would give an update on the Public Safety Committee with the exception I haven't heard back from our leader, Mr. Phillippe, on how we're going to move forward. We haven't met for quite a while. I know he was supposed to be working on a presentation for Council and that's the last I've heard of anything. So, until I hear from him, I don't know how that's going to move forward.

**Councilman Richmond:** I'll make contact with him. Was there anybody on the list to speak?

**Krystal Powless:** No.

**Councilman Richmond:** Okay. Then I'll entertain a motion.

**Councilman Overton:** Motion to adjourn.


**Councilman Richmond:** Motion by Brad. Second by?


**Councilman Hachmeister:** Yeah.


**Councilman Richmond:** David. All in favor? We're adjourned.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.


WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL

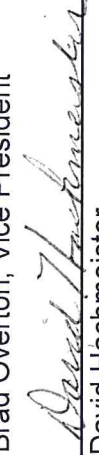
  
 Greg Richmond, President


  
 Charles R. Christmas

  
 Cindy Ledbetter

*(Abstained)*  
 Richard Reid

  
 Brad Overton, Vice President

  
 David Hachmeister

  
 Ted Metzger

ATTEST

  
 Deborah K. Stevens, Auditor  
 Warrick County, IN

Minutes transcribed by Kristine Georges


Sec. 1 Be it ordained (resolved) by the Warrick County Council, Warrick County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the taxing unit the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the proposed specified, subject to the laws governing the same:


FUND	APPROPRIATION NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED
Parks and Recreation	1219.21100.0000	General	\$4,900.00	4,900
Total Park and Recreation	1219.63250.0000	Building Maintenance	\$6,000.00	4,900
Parks Donation	4106.38100.0000	Donation	\$10,900.00	\$550.00
Total Park Donation			\$550.00	2,500
Prosecutor	1000.33100.0000	Printing	\$2,500.00	
Total Prosecutor			\$29,148.20	29,148.20
Local Health Trust	1206.31510.0000	Mosquito Dist.		
Total Local Health Trust			\$7,847.00	7,847.00
Health	1159.22500.0000	Animal Control	\$5,349.20	
Total Health	1159.21375.0000	Vaccare	\$13,196.20	5,349.20


Taxpayers appearing in the meeting shall have a right to be heard. The additional appropriations as finally made will be referred to the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The Board will make a written determination as to the sufficiency of funds to support the appropriations made within fifteen (15) days of receipt of a Certified Copy of the action.


Adopted this 6 day of Feb., 2020.


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 David Hachmeister

  
 Brad Overton

  
 David Hachmeister

  
 Greg Richmond

  
 Auditor Warrick County

NAY



RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 02

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF WARRICK COUNTY, INDIANA APPROVING ENCUMBRANCES FROM THE 2019 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, the Warrick County Council (the "Council") has the authority and duty to maintain and oversee the fiscal operations of Warrick County (the "County") and to reconcile the County's financial and budgetary records; and

WHEREAS, the County has outstanding encumbrances in various funds for which the services or products have not yet been paid in full as provided for in Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, in order to complete these projects, programs, or purchases using funding set aside in the 2019 fiscal year and in order to be consistent with Indiana law and Indiana Department of Local Government Finance ("DLGF") procedures, this action must be taken pursuant to a resolution adopted and approved by the Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council as follows:

Section 1. That those certain County funds, purchase orders, and invoices, as identified on Exhibit A and attached hereto and made a part hereof, are hereby encumbered.

Section 2. The County Auditor is hereby directed to encumber the said for same accounts.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon passage

Adopted this 6th day of February 2020.

WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL

*Greg Richmond*  
Greg Richmond, President

*Charles R. Christmas*  
Charles R. Christmas

*Richard Reid*  
Richard Reid

*Cindy Ledbetter*  
Cindy Ledbetter

ATTEST: this 6 day of Feb . 2020.

*Debbie Stevens*  
Debbie Stevens, Auditor

*Ted Metzger*  
Ted Metzger, Vice President

*David Hachmeister*  
David Hachmeister

*Brad Overton*  
Brad Overton



WARRICK COUNTY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 02

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECLARATION OF AN ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA FOR REAL PROPERTY TAX PHASE-IN (Summit Land Development, LLC)

WHEREAS, Summit Land Development, LLC (the "Applicant") has made application for Economic Revitalization Area designation pursuant to IC 6-1.1-12.1 et seq. and for Tax Phase-In for real property located in Warrick County, Indiana and described as:

3744, 3766, 3788, 3800, 3822, 3844, and 3866 Venetian Drive, Newburgh, Indiana 47630, and 3744, 3766, 3788, 3800, 3822, 3844, and 3866 Venetian Drive, Newburgh, Indiana 47630, and 87-12-20-303-012, 000-019, 87-12-20-303-013, 000-019, 87-12-20-303-014, 000-019, 87-12-20-303-015, 000-019, 87-12-20-303-016, 000-019, and 87-12-20-303-017, 000-019, and as more particularly described in the legal description attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Property").

WHEREAS, on the 2nd day of January, 2020, under provision of Preliminary Resolution No. 2020-1 (the "Preliminary Resolution"), the Warrick County Council ("County Council") found the Property to meet the requirements of an Economic Revitalization Area, pursuant to IC 6-1.1-12.1 et seq., and declared the Property to be an Economic Revitalization Area and funding approved property tax deductions for real property tax for the year 2020, with the increased assessed value as more specifically set forth in that Preliminary Resolution; and

WHEREAS, notice of the adoption and substance of the Preliminary Resolution has been published in accordance with IC 5-3-1 and the County Council has conducted public hearings as of the date hereof to determine whether the qualifications for an Economic Revitalization Area and approval of property tax deductions for real property taxes have been met.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Warrick County Council as follows: Section 1. The Property description, including the attached Exhibit A, is made a part hereof.

Section 2. The Preliminary Resolution, which was adopted by the County Council on the 2nd day of January, 2020, is hereby confirmed.

Section 3. This Confirming Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and execution by the County Council.

PASSED, ISSUED, AND APPROVED by the County Council this 6th day of February, 2020.

Warrick County Council

*Greg Richmond*  
Greg Richmond, President

*Charles Christmas*  
Charles Christmas

*David Hachmeister*  
David Hachmeister

*Richard Reid*  
Richard Reid

Attest:  
*Debbie Stevens*  
Warrick County Auditor

*Brad Overton*  
Brad Overton, Vice President

*Ted Metzger*  
Ted Metzger

*Cindy Ledbetter*  
Cindy Ledbetter

*Abstain*  
Abstain

EXHIBIT A  
RESOLUTION 2020 - 02  
LEGAL DESCRIPTION

LOTS 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 AND 17 OF VENETIAN WAY SUBDIVISION, A PLAT OF WHICH IS RECORDED AT INSTRUMENT NO. 2005R-006469 IN THE OFFICE OF THE WARRICK COUNTY RECORDER.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Warrick County Council will hold a public hearing at 6:00 p.m. on the 6th day of February, 2020 at the Commissioners Meeting Room, 107 W. Locust Street, Suite 301, Boonville, Indiana relative to the adoption by the Warrick County Council of Preliminary Resolution No. 2020-1 on the 2nd day of January, 2020, pursuant to IC 6-1.1-12.1 et seq., declaring property commonly known as 3744, 3766, 3788, 3800, 3822, 3844, and 3866 Venetian Drive, Newburgh, Indiana 47630 in Warrick County, Indiana, and further identified as Parcel Numbers 87-12-20-303-011.000-019, 87-12-20-303-012.000-019, 87-12-20-303-013.000-019, 87-12-20-303-014.000-019, 87-12-20-303-015.000-019, 87-12-20-303-016.000-019, and 87-12-20-303-017.000-019 to be an Economic Revitalization Area and subject to a tax deduction for redevelopment and/or rehabilitation of real property by Summit Land Development, LLC. A copy of the Preliminary Resolution and a description of the affected area are available and can be inspected in the office of the Warrick County Department of Economic Development at 4763 Rosebud Lane, Suite C, Newburgh, IN 47630 as well as the County Assessor's Office of Warrick County at 1 County Square, Suite 280, Boonville, IN 47601. At the above-referenced public hearing, the Warrick County Council shall take final action determining whether the subject property satisfies the qualification for the establishment of an Economic Revitalization Area and the real property tax deductions and shall either confirm, modify and confirm, or rescind the aforementioned Preliminary Resolution. The public is invited to attend and comment on any matters herein noted.

Dated this 9th day of January, 2020

Warrick County Department of Economic Development

By: Steve Roelle

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