

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT, The Board of Commissioners of the County of St. Joseph met in a regular session in the County City Building on October 15, 2015 at the hour of 10:00 a.m. (EST) at which time in the following members were present: Andrew Kostielney, Dave Thomas, and Dr. Deborah Fleming D.M.D. were present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The minutes of the last meeting were unanimously approved.

Michael J. Hamann, County Auditor, was present and recorded the minutes of the meeting.

OPENING AND READING OF BIDS ON: None

REPORTS AND REQUESTS FROM:

COMMISSIONERS

A)

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING
THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DOCKETS

Dr. Fleming moved to accept the Accounts Payable Docket as read and outlined.

Motion seconded by Mr. Thomas.

Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

B)

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING BILLS PASSED
BY THE ST. JOSEPH COUNTY COUNCIL

<u>BILL NO.</u>	<u>ORDINANCE NO.</u>
58-15	58-15

Bill Schalliol, Executive Director of St. Joseph County Economic Development
This ordinance concerns the final stage of the Energy Center which the County Council passed on Tuesday evening and we hope the Commissioners will also give a favorable vote.

Rich Hill, Legal Counsel for St. Joseph Energy Center, LLC

As it has been stated, this is the final step in a long process. I also speak for Mr. Willard Ladd (Manager of St. Joseph Energy Center, LLC) when I say thank you to everyone on the County level who has assisted us along the way. Of course a main incentive is the Tax Abatement agreement, but we also have the ditch maintenance and aquifer. There have been several difficult issues, but I feel we have a fair agreement. You know they often say that attorneys close a deal, but the Commissioners and members of the County Council helped facilitate the entire process.

Deborah A. Fleming, I just wanted to say how glad I am to see this project move forward.

Dave Thomas, It has taken six years to get to this point. It is a blessing. This is the greatest project to happen in St. Joseph County in decades.

Jamie O'Brien, District C County Councilman

Jamie Woods (County Attorney) helped quarterback this project along with Mike Trippel (Council Attorney). Rich Hill was always giving quick answers to my frequent email questions. I just want to commend all the attorneys in helping to facilitate this project, especially Jamie Woods.

Andrew T. Kostielney, I would like to say to Bill Schalliol, what a fantastic first month you have had in your new position (began September 8, 2015). We will expect you to continue this momentum and it is part of what we hoped with your position. This project is mutually beneficial and I am pleased it has come to fruition.

Dr. Fleming moved to approve Ordinance 58-15.
Motion seconded by Mr. Thomas.
Motion adopted by a 3-0 vote.

OLD BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Kostielney asked for a motion to recess, Dr. Fleming so moved, seconded by Mr. Thomas. Meeting recessed by a 3-0 vote.

ST. JOSEPH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS