

MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE  
ST. JOSEPH COUNTY COUNCIL  
December 20, 2011

The special meeting of the St. Joseph County Council was called to order at 5:35 p.m., on December 20, 2011, by the President, Rafael Morton, in the Council Chambers, fourth floor, County-City Building, South Bend, Indiana.

Members in attendance were:

Mr. Mark Catanzarite  
Mr. Dale DeVon - Absent  
Mr. Michael J. Hamann  
Mr. Daniel G. Herbster  
Mr. Michael J. Kruk  
Mr. Robert J. McCahill  
Mr. Rafael Morton  
Mr. Corey D. Noland  
Mr. Mark Root

Present from the Auditor's office was Mr. Peter H. Mullen, Auditor and Ms. Teresa Shuter, Chief Deputy Auditor. Council staff present were Mr. Michael A. Trippel, Attorney and Ms. Joan M. Pawlowski, Executive Secretary.

Mr. Herbster moved to Waive the Rules to allow for First Reading and Public Hearing on Bill No. 165-11 this evening. His motion was seconded by Mr. Noland and passed by a voice vote; 8-0. No negatives were heard.

**Public Hearings:**

**BILL NO. 165-11:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE ST. JOSEPH COUNTY COUNCIL DIVIDING ST. JOSEPH COUNTY INTO NINE (9) SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS AS PER I.C. 36-2-3-4(c) ET. SEQ.

John Carlson, GIS Coordinator, stated that the submitted proposed ordinance results from the 2011 reprecincting process involving creating new boundaries for the Commissioner and Council District Boundaries due to the population changes from the 2010 Census. The boundaries for each district are derived from Population totals per district. The Population numbers are from the 2010 Census Blocks that fall within each district.

The proposal involves the changes in population totals per District. The population totals for Districts A, C, E, F and I were reduced, and Districts B, D, G and H were increased. This results in a one percent difference in the population totals for all the Districts.

These resulting changes indicate a more equalized population total for both the Commissioner and Council Districts for 2012 and beyond.

Motion to pass Bill No. 165-11 was made by Mr. Kruk and seconded by Mr. Hamann.

Mr. Hamann commended John Carlson for his work and professionalism on this project. He felt that the Districts were equitable and a bi-partisan as they could be.

Bill No. 165-11 passed; 8-0.

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Privilege of the Floor**

Motion to adjourn was heard at 5:39 p.m.

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Auditor, St. Joseph County

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President, St. Joseph County Council