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April 23, 2009

To: Vermilion County Mayors

Subject: April Meeting Minutes  
 Mayor's Council and Vermilion Advantage overview  
 Senate Bill 43- Prevailing Wage / Enterprise Zones and TIF Districts  
 Illinois No-Smoking Law

Mayors' Council was held on April 23, 2009 at Vermilion Advantage.  
 Council Attendees: Mayor Terry Prillaman (Rossville), Mayor Eleanor White (Bismarck), Mayor Clayton Woodard (Catlin), Mayor Jeff Ellis (Westville), Mayor Dennis Lucas (Georgetown), Mayor Sharon Simmons (Ridge Farm), Mayor Aaron Warren (Rankin), Jim McMahon (Vermilion Co. Bd.), Todd Lee (Vermilion Advantage).

Guests: Sen. Mike Frerichs, Steven Spurlock (Trustee- Ridge Farm), Ben White (Bismarck citizen), Cash Cook (Police Chief- Catlin), Bill Donahue (Asst. State's Attorney)

The Quarterly meeting was called to order by Terry Prillaman at 6 PM. New Mayors and guests were welcomed with introductions of attendees.

Minutes of the January meeting were approved unanimously. Moved by Mayor White, second- Mayor Woodard

Todd Lee gave a summary of the Mayor's Council.

Vicki Haugen gave a presentation of Vermilion Advantage.

Senate Bill 43 – Amendment to Prevailing Wage Act, was discussed. Sen. Frerichs presented an overview of Bill. The general consensus by the attendees is the Bill should not be approved in its' present form. The language in the Bill could be interpreted to mean any project within an Enterprise Zone or TIF District is considered a Public Works project, regardless of whether the project receives government assistance, and therefore is subject to Prevailing Wage rates. Sen. Frerichs will follow-up on this concern and report back to Todd Lee.

Bill Donahue asked the Mayor's in their roles as Liquor Commissioner are they interested in pulling the liquor licenses of establishments in violation of the State's no-smoking law. Much discussion ensued. General consensus by the Mayor's is they did not feel comfortable pulling those licenses since the municipalities are not the government entity issuing the citations.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM

The next Mayors' Council is scheduled for July 23, 2009. The Mayors are encouraged to bring trustees.

*Todd Lee*

Mayors' Council minutes will be posted on Vermilion Advantage's webpage. The link for the webpage is <http://www.vermilionadvantage.com/MayorCouncil/>.

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