

TAX MATTERS

**JUNE 5, 2008, Issue #08-23, by Bernard Ridens, Executive Director
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1. NOTICE ON DLGF MEETING

2. DLGF MAILING LIST

UPCOMING EVENTS

REVIEW OF PAST TAX MATTERS

MAY 29, 2008 (#08-22)

- **FAQ on 2008 PROPERTY TAX STATEMENTS**
 - **When will property tax statements for 2008 be mailed?**
- **WABASH VALLEY NONPROFIT TRAINING SERIES**
 - **Workshops for our members involved in non-profit organizations**

MAY 22, 2008 (#08-21)

- **TOP NATIONAL ECONOMIES**
 - **The United States is still the world's largest economy. It is roughly a quarter of the world's collective GDP and is approximately the total of the next four nations' economies combined.**

MAY 15, 2008 (#08-20)

- **WINNING ESSAY**
 - **"Hidden Taxes: The Degrading Force for the Middle Class Standard of Living" by Hannah Biggs**
- **LOIT (Local Option Income Tax) – NEW PROCEDURES**

MAY 8, 2008 (#08-19)

- **SR 641 PROJECT INFO**
 - **On Tuesday, April 29th the Indiana Department of Transportation held a public information hearing on Phases III and IV of the State Road 641 Terre Haute Bypass Project:
<http://www.in.gov/indot/div/projects/sr641/>.**

The Taxpayers Association is a not-for-profit organization supported by membership dues. Any citizen or group of citizens in Vigo County may be a member. Current members are encouraged to promote membership in the organization by giving the attached application to a potential member. [See the TA application and dues structure.](#) **This is NOT an invoice for your dues.**

1. NOTICE ON DLGF MEETING

**DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE
100 North Senate Avenue, Room 1058N
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2256**

Notice is hereby given the fiscal officers and taxpayers of all taxing units located in Vigo County, Indiana, that prior to the review of the budgets, tax rates and levies for the year 2007 payable 2008, the Department of Local Government Finance, by its representatives, will conduct a public hearing on said matter, to be held in the Vigo County Annex on the dates and times as follows:

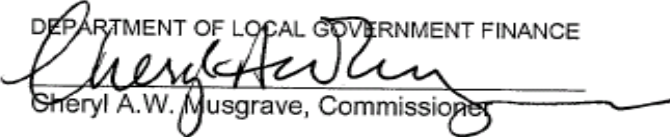
On Friday, June 27, 2008

9:00 AM VIGO COUNTY SCHOOL CORPORATION
FAYETTE TOWNSHIP
HARRISON TOWNSHIP
HONEY CREEK TOWNSHIP
LINTON TOWNSHIP
LOST CREEK TOWNSHIP
NEVINS TOWNSHIP
OTTER CREEK TOWNSHIP
PIERSON TOWNSHIP
PRAIRIE CREEK TOWNSHIP
PRAIRIETON TOWNSHIP
RILEY TOWNSHIP
SUGAR CREEK TOWNSHIP
CITY OF TERRE HAUTE
TERRE HAUTE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
TERRE HAUTE SANITARY DISTRICT
RILEY CIVIL TOWN
SEELYVILLE CIVIL TOWN
WEST TERRE HAUTE CIVIL TOWN
HONEY CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
LOST CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
PRAIRIETON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
RILEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
SUGAR CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
NEW GOSHEN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
VIGO COUNTY UNIT
VIGO COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
VIGO COUNTY WELFARE
HULMAN FIELD AIRPORT
VIGO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
CLAY-OWEN-VIGO SOLID WASTE DISTRICT
PRAIRIE CREEK-VIGO CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
HONEY CREEK-VIGO CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
GREENFIELD BAYOU LEVEE AND DITCH CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Assessed values will be available for review in the County Auditor's Office at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the Department of Local Government Finance budget hearing. Taxpayers shall have the right to be heard and/or to present written testimony on the budgets, tax rates and tax levies as adopted by the above named taxing units.

Any appeal filed by ten (10) or more taxpayers or one (1) taxpayer that owns property that represents at least ten percent (10%) of the taxable assessed valuation in the political subdivision with the County Auditor from the action of the County Board of Tax Adjustment, under IC 6-1.1-17-3, or any appeal filed by the proper officers of the above named taxing units, under IC 6-1.1-17-15, from the action of the County Board of Tax Adjustment or any appeal filed pursuant to IC 6-1.1-19-2 and IC 6-1.1-18.5-13, must specifically identify the provisions of the budget, tax rate, or tax levy to which an objection is made. The County Auditor shall forward the statement, along with the taxing unit's budget, to the Department of Local Government Finance. The Department of Local Government Finance, at its discretion, may hold a hearing on the matter by notifying the first ten (10) taxpayers named in the objecting petition of the date, time and place of the hearing.

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE


Cheryl A.W. Musgrave, Commissioner

2. DLGF MAILING LIST

We have recently subscribed to a Department of Local Government Finance mailing list. They established this listserv to more effectively pass along information regarding assessments, data and budgets. To be a part of this list, go to <http://lists.in.gov/mailman/listinfo/dlgfmedia> or let us know.

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The purpose of this calendar of events is to encourage taxpayers to attend public meetings. Taxpaying persons working at your business or living in your neighborhood should be encouraged to attend a meeting of their choice at least once per year. The date and time for the meetings listed below are always subject to change. The contact person is also listed. You should call the appropriate office and confirm the date and time if you plan to attend.

- **Thur. Jun. 5, 7:00 pm:** **City Council – Sunshine Meeting** City Hall – Courtroom
Michelle 232-3375
- **Mon. Jun. 9, 2:00 pm:** **Board of Public Works and Safety** City Hall – 1st Floor
Robin 232-4767
- **Mon. Jun. 9, 6:00 pm:** **West Terre Haute Town Board** 500 W. Nat'l, WTH
Melody 533-2034
- **Mon. Jun. 9, 7:00 pm:** **Vigo County School Board** VCSC Board Room
Judy 462-4216
- **Tue. Jun. 10, 9:00 am:** **County Commissioners** County Annex
Judy 462-3367
- **Tue. Jun. 10, 4:15 pm:** **Vigo County Redevelopment Commission** County Annex
Amanda 234-2524
- **Tue. Jun. 10, 7:00 pm:** **Seelyville Town Board** Seelyville Water Office
Tamara 877-2665
- **Wed. Jun. 11, 10:00 am:** **Area Board of Zoning Appeals** County Annex
Bernard 235-1361
- **Wed. Jun. 11, 4:30 pm:** **City Park Board – General Meeting** Deming Park
Eddie 232-2727
- **Wed. Jun. 11, 7:00 pm:** **Airport Authority** Airport
Kara 877-2524
- **Thur. Jun. 12, 7:00 pm:** **City Council – Regular Meeting** City Hall – Courtroom
Michelle 232-3375
- **Mon. Jun. 16, 7:00 pm:** **Vigo County Public Library** Library – Main Branch
Nancy 232-1113
- **Tue. Jun. 17, 9:00 am:** **County Commissioners** County Annex
Judy 462-3367
- **Tue. Jun. 17, 10:00 am:** **City Board of Sanitary Commissioners** City Hall – 3rd Floor
Sally 235-5458
- **Wed. Jun. 18, 9:30 am:** **Clay-Owen-Vigo Solid Waste District** 109 E. Nat'l, Brazil IN
Janet 800-387-3380
- **Wed. Jun. 18, 4:00 pm:** **City Redevelopment Commission** City Hall – 1st Floor
Phenny 232-0018
- **Thur. Jun. 19, 1:30 pm:** **Tree Advisory Board** City Hall Mayor's
Jennifer 232-4028 Conf. Room