FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
April 11, 2016

A. CALL TO ORDER:
The County Board of Ford County met pursuant to adjournment in the Ford County Board Room of the Ford County Jail in Paxton on Monday, April 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman, Randy Berger.

B. ROLL CALL:
The roll call showed the following board members in attendance: Bob Lindgren, Jason Johnson, Jon Clark, Randy Ferguson, Floyd Otto, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Chase McCall, Tim Nuss and Chairman Berger. Mr. Hastings and Mrs. Stagen were absent.

C. PROCLAMATION: Sheriff Doran

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION: Floyd Otto

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:
Mr. Otto moved to approve the board agenda. Mr. Nuss seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Mr. McCall moved to approve the March 14, 2016 minutes. Mr.Otto seconded it.
Voice Vote – Carried

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:
Ann Ihrke expressed her opinions in regard to the Kelly Creek Wind Farm's developer and the bonding company.

Cindy Ihrke informed the board that they need to be aware of the decommissioning plan. She said that the county is gambling with the tax payer's money. She said that they do not need to make another error like what happened with the Public Health Dept.

Mr. McQuinn said that he took offense to what Ms Ihrke was saying.

Jon Baker, from EDF, informed the board that the decommission plan has been updated as of April 8. He said that the board needs to consider the decommission bond or higher user fees. They are not looking for any extensions and are still obligated to paying building permits.

I. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:
Ellen Maxey, Interim Probation Officer, reported that 22 new adult cases and 1 new juvenile case have been filed. There were 13 petitions to revoke filed and 1 pre-sentence report ordered; four PSI's were completed. There were 0 adults and 0 juveniles in Residential Alcohol/Drug Treatment. There were 0 adults placed in residential or group homes.
In the past month, probation has participated in Drug Court and the Senior Services Meeting. We have facilitated a Restorative Justice Conference and continue to run the cognitive thinking class for probation

clients.

J. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:

Clerk Evans reported that a jury trial was held last week. There will be another jury trial in about 3 more months.

K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Stevens reported that the state has been catching up on their payments. As of today, we have a cash balance of $43,316.10.

L. OPPORTUNITY FOR OTHER DEPT. HEADS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

County Clerk Kellerhals, thanked the board members for their assistance at the Primary Election.

Supervisor of Assessments, Candice Short, informed the board that she will be retiring from her position as Supervisor of Assessments on June 30, 2016 in order to have time to pursue other interests.

M. APPROVAL OF ALL DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

Mr. Lindgren moved to approve all department head reports. Mr. Otto seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Mr. Berger announced that Linda Kellerhals, Ford County Clerk, has informed the County Board that she shall retire her position of County Clerk as of June 3, 2016.

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 16-26 (Resolution regarding Vacancy of the Ford County Clerk).** Mr. Otto seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

I. Environment

II. Finance

Mr. Berger moved to **approve payment of the General Fund bills.** Mr. May seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

III. Highway

Mr. Otto moved to **approve payment of the Highway bills.** Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

IV. Insurance/Personnel

V. Overview/Legislation

Mr. Otto reported that he will be having a meeting to view Executive Session Minutes.

VI. Sheriff

Mr. Lindgren moved **to approve payment of the Sheriff, County Housing, EMA & Coroner bills**. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion. Roll Call – Unanimous

VII. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:

Mr. McQuinn moved to approve all Committee Minutes. Mr. Clark seconded the motion.

Voice Vote – Carried

P. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Mobile Region 8 — Doran/Lindgren
   Meeting tomorrow at 1:00.
2. Union Affairs — Lindgren/ Mc/Quinn
3. EIEDD — Ferguson
4. 708 Board — Berger
   Doing ok. Getting Federal money
5. WIA — Stagen
6. Ford Public Health Dept. — Berger
   Lana Sample reported that they now have enough money in reserve to get through the first payroll in June. She said that money is magically coming in. She thanked Mr. McQuinn and Mr. Berger for helping them with their water problem. McQuinn said that the thanks go to the City of Paxton.
7. Regional Office of Education — Berger/Stagen
8. 9-1-1 — Johnson
   Meeting Wednesday at 7:00 in Roberts
9. Zoning — Johnson
10. CIRMA — Nuss
    There will be a meeting April 25th in Bloomington
11. Extension — Hastings/Johnson
12. E.M.A.
13. Information Technology — Nuss

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

R. NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Nuss announced that the Republican Central Committee will interview persons who wish to be a candidate in the November 8, 2016 for the office of Ford County Clerk and for a county board member in District #3. The interviews will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2016.

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Nuss moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to 5ILCS 120/120/2(c)(1) in regard to personnel issues. Mr. Johnson seconded it. Voice vote – carried

Went into Executive Session at 7:40 P.M.

Went out of Executive Session at 7:52 P.M.

T. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Otto moved to adjourn; Mr. McQuinn seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 7:53 P.M.

U. PROCLAMATION

The next monthly meeting will be <u>Monday, May 9, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.</u>

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Kellerhals, County Clerk

Approved _____