

**FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
FEBRUARY 13, 2017**

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, February 13, 2017 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: Jon Clark, Jason Johnson, Randy Ferguson, Dave Hastings, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Chase McCall, Tim Nuss, Robert Lindgren and Chairman Berger. Mr. Otto was not present. Dr. Bernadette Ray was seated at 7:02 P.M. by Mr. Berger.

C. PROCLAMATION:

Sheriff Doran

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Robert Lindgren

Mr. Berger seated Dr. Ray at 7:02 P.M.

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the Agenda. Mr. Nuss seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

Ms. Jane Quinlan spoke to the Board about all ways the Regional Office of Education supports and helps the local schools and communities. They will be moving to their new building in March of 2017 in Champaign, IL.

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Hastings moved to approve the January 9, 2017 Minutes. Mr. McQuinn seconded it.
Voice Vote – Carried

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

Clerk Frederick announced the new location for Patton 3 Polling Place will be at the Wall Township Hall. Patton 3's previous location is no longer available on Election Day.

I. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:

The Board reviewed briefly Probation's monthly activity.

J. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:

Clerk Evans reported Circuit Clerk's monthly activities and passed out a summary report of fees collected from a company her office has hired. Clerk Evans then explained briefly about a new program that her office and the State's Attorney's office will share to help manage fees.

K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

The Board reviewed briefly the Treasurer's monthly report.

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

M. APPROVAL OF ALL DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

ASSESSMENTS, CIRCUIT CLERK, CORONER, COUNTY CLERK, EMA, HIGHWAY, HOUSING, PROBATION, PUBLIC HEALTH, SHERIFF, TREASURER, ZONING AND 911.

Mr. Lindgren moved to approve all Department Head reports. Mr. Hastings seconded it.
Voice Vote – Carried

N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Mr. Berger was notified that the expansion for the Enterprise Zone has now been approved by the State of Illinois. Mr. Berger made the board members aware of a Livestock Facility near Sibley adding an extension to their facility. After discussion the Board felt no need for a Public Hearing on the expansion. Mr. Berger also mentioned the Bicentennial of the State of Illinois will be coming up this December 2017 and the State would like to Ford County to recognize this date more information is to come.

O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

I. Environment

II. Finance

Mr. McCall moved to **approve payment of the General Fund bills**. Mr. Nuss seconded it.
Roll Call – 11 Yeas – 1 – Nay
(Mr. McQuinn voted Nay)

III. Highway

Mr. Berger moved to **approve payment of the Highway bills**. Mr. Lindgren seconded it.
Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Berger moved to **adopt Resolution 17-22 (Resolution for Maintenance for County and State Highways)**. Mr. Nuss seconded it.
Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 17-23 (Resolution of Support to Benefit the Economy & the Citizens of Illinois)**. Mr. Clark seconded it.
Voice Vote – Carried

IV. Insurance/Personnel

Mr. McQuinn stated they met on the 17th of January, discussed the Policy Manual is out of date with new laws that just went into effect and they will schedule another meeting soon.

V. Overview/Legislation

VI. Sheriff

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

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 17-24 (Contracts for County Law Enforcement Services for Villages of Cabery)**. Mr. Johnson seconded it.
Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 17-25 (Resolution for an Interagency Agreement with the Gibson City Police Department)**. Mr. Johnson seconded it.
Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 17-26 (Resolution for the Sheriff to adjust certain fees)**. Mr. McCall seconded it.
Voice Vote – Carried

VII. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:

Mr. McCall moved to approve all Committee Minutes. Mrs. Ray seconded the motion.
Voice Vote – Carried

P. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1. Mobile Region 8 Doran/Lindgren
- 2. Union Affairs McQuinn
- 3. EIED Ferguson
- 4. 708 Board Berger
- 5. WIA Berger/Lindgren
- 6. Ford Public Health Dept. Berger

Mrs. Sample informed the Board that the Board of Health met in January. Financially they are doing well at this point. Mrs. Sample is still interviewing and hopes to hire soon.

- 7. Regional Office of Education Berger
- 8. 9-1-1 Johnson

Mr. Johnson stated that the 9-1-1 Board is better financially and new equipment should start to arrive around May 2017.

- 9. Zoning Hastings
- 10. CIRMA Nuss

Mr. Nuss stated a meeting was held in January and that County Clerk Frederick attended the meeting with him. Clerk Fredrick stated it was a very informative meeting and she noted very experienced people are involved with CIRMA. The next meeting will be in April 2017. It was also mentioned by Sheriff Doran that through CIRMA, Ford County has purchased Lexipol. Lexipol is an organization that specialized in Policy Manuals for the State of Illinois.

- 11. Extension Johnson
- 12. E.M.A. Higgins
- 13. Information Technology Nuss

Mr. Nuss observed a new tool that is being used in the State’s Attorney and Circuit Clerk’s Offices called Gavel. Gavel breaks down fees and will be more consistent and give a better understanding to those with their obligations to the Court.

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

R. NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. McQuinn made a motion to **adopt Resolution 17-27 (To Allow the Treasurer to Hire)**. Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Nuss made a motion to **adopt Resolution 17-28 (To Re-Appoint Kirk Rock to the Zoning Board of Appeals)**. Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to **adopt Resolution 17-29 (To Appoint Mike Bleich to the Public Building Commission)**. Mr. Clark seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

T. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. McQuinn moved to adjourn; Mr. Clark seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 7:55 P.M.

U. PROCLAMATION

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, March 13, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Frederick, County Clerk

Approved _____