FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
March 14, 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, March 14, 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, Mr. Hastings Floyd Otto, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Chase McCall, Tim Nuss, Mrs. Stagen and Chairman Berger.

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. Lindgren seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Mrs. Stagen moved to approve the February 8, 2016 minutes. Mr. Clark seconded it.
Voice Vote – Carried

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:
Becky Jansen, Vice President from Credit Collections Services, reported that the Circuit Clerk's office has received $36,812 in past due fees, which is very good. The Circuit Clerk's office is doing a great job sending in new files in when they have them.

Mr. Ferguson moved to **adopt Ordinance 16-22 (to approve the expansion of the Bloomington-Normal/McLean County Enterprise zone to include a location in Normal that would become the new site of a brewery).** Mr. Nuss seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

I. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:
Ellen Maxey, Interim Probation Officer, reported that 9 new adult and 1 new juvenile cases have been filed. There were 0 adults and 0 juveniles in Residential Alcohol/Drug Treatment. There was 0 adults placed in residential or group homes.

Members of the Drug Court Team met one time. Suzie Shell attended the Ford County Network Panel. The Probation staff received their CPR certifications in February. Shanna Ferrell and Brittany Colby have started the cognitive thinking class for probation clients.

J. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:
Clerk Evans reported that April jury trial notices have been sent out.

K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Stevens reported that after transferring funds from the farm account and receiving money from the Public Building Commission, we have a cash balance of $95, 493.

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

M. APPROVAL OF ALL DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

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

Voice Vote – Carried

N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Mr. Berger reported that he has been working on the organization of the LEPC. He is looking for a few more members.

O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

I. Environment

II. Finance

Mrs. Stagen 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

Mr. Otto moved to **adopt Resolution 16-23 (accepting low bids for 2016 Township MFT Maintenance Projects).** Mr. Lindgren seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Otto moved to **adopt Resolution 16-24 (authorizing the County Board Chairman to sign the Escrow Agreement between Ford County and Kelly Creek Wind LLC).** Mr. Lindgren seconded it. Voice Vote -Carried

IV. Insurance/Personnel

Mr. McQuinn informed that board that they had a Personnel Meeting on February 11. He will have a proposed resolution on hiring procedures to be put in the Personnel Manual next month.

V. Overview/Legislation

Mr. Otto reported that Roger Ebert is trying to get the trees cleaned up on our county property.

VI. Sheriff

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

VII. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Ferguson moved to approve all Committee Minutes. Mr. Nuss seconded the motion.

Voice Vote – Carried

P. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Mobile Region 8 — Doran/Lindgren
2. Union Affairs — Lindgren/ Mc/Quinn
3. EIEDD — Ferguson

4. 708 Board — Berger
5. WIA — Stagen

6. Ford Public Health Dept. — Berger

Lana Sample reported that they have enough money in reserve to get through May. They will not have enough money to operate in June. She offered 3 options: 1. To close the health department on May 31. 2. To implement furlough days for the employees. 3. To borrow money from the county. They will be receiving property tax money for July, so it would be just for June.

The county is having their own financial problems, but are very concerned to shut down the health department for 1 month.

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

They received a long overdue check from the state.

9. Zoning — Johnson
10. CIRMA — Nuss

There will be HR training on March 30 and 31.

11. Extension — Hastings/Johnson
12. E.M.A.
13. Information Technology — Nuss

Working on different issues.

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

R. NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Otto made a motion to **adopt Resolution 16-25 (Re-appointing Ronald Moore to the Zoning Board of Appeals).** Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Voice vote - carried
Mr. Nuss seconded it.

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

T. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Otto moved to adjourn; Mr. McCall seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 8:15 P.M.

U. PROCLAMATION

The next monthly meeting will be <u>Monday, April 11, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.</u>

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Kellerhals, County Clerk

Approved _____