

FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

February 9, 2015

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 9, 2015 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 Jon Clark, Jason Johnson, Randy Ferguson, Tom McQuinn, Gene May, Rick Bowen, Floyd Otto, Tim Nuss, Elynor Stagen and Chairman Berger. Dave Hastings was absent.

C. PROCLAMATION:

Sheriff Doran

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Floyd Otto

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mr. Bowen moved to approve the board agenda. Mr. Johnson seconded it.

Voice Vote - Carried

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Otto moved that the January 12, 2015, board minutes be approved. Mrs. Stagen seconded it.

Voice vote - Carried

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

I. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:

Cassy Taylor reported that there were 19 new adult cases filed. There was 1 PSI ordered and 2 PSI's completed. There are 2 juveniles in placement. There is 1 adult in residential alcohol/drug treatment. There were 4 PTR'S filed. There is 1 adult placed in group home. Taylor has applied for a Juvenile Justice Council Grant worth \$6,200.

J. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:

Mrs. Evans informed the board that the Circuit Clerk Organization is working to try to keep the jury fees as is. Increasing the jury fees would cause a financial problem for all Illinois counties.

K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Stevens presented her report. The county has a balance of \$90,786.02 as of January 31, 2015.

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

M. APPROVAL OF ALL DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

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

Voice Vote - Carried

N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Mr. Berger informed the Board that he has been keeping busy attending several meetings and working on issues with the FPHD.

O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Environment

Mr. Rock, Zoning Officer, informed the board about the possible need to update solid waste plan.

2. Finance

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

3. Highway

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

Tina Biggs, the Highway Assistant, will be resigning her position the end of March. Mr. Perkinson is working on getting the job position filled as soon as possible.

4. Insurance/Personnel

Mr. McQuinn scheduled a Personnel Committee Meeting for Thursday, February 12, 2015, to discuss longevity after 30 years, drug testing for employees and the CIRMA audit.

5. Overview/Legislation

An Overview Committee Meeting was held to review Executive Session Meeting Minutes.

Two of the closed meeting minutes were determined to remain closed permanently and 2 other meeting minutes will remain closed until the issues are resolved.

6. Sheriff

Mr. Lindgren moved to **approve payment of the Sheriff, County Housing, EMA & Coroner bills**. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion.

Roll Call – Unanimous

7. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. Bowen moved that the written and verbal reports of the committees be accepted as presented and placed on file. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion.

Voice Vote Carried

P. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:

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| 1. Mobile Region 8
Will meet Tuesday. | Doran/Lindgren |
| 2. Union Affairs | McQuinn/Stagen |
| 3. ECIEDD | Stagen |
| 4. 708 Board | Berger |
| 5. WIA | Stagen |
| 6. Ford County Public Health Department | Berger |
| 7. Regional Office of Education
Very good meeting. Learned about the grants. Found out about the 1 cent sales tax which has brought in money for PBL and GCMS also. | Berger/Stagen |
| 8. 9-1-1 | Johnson |
| 9. Zoning | Hastings |
| 10. CIRMA
Had a Webinar | Nuss |
| 11. Extension | Johnson |