

# FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

June 9, 2014

## 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, June 9, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman, Rick Bowen.

## B. ROLL CALL:

The roll call showed the following board members in attendance: Bob Lindgren, Pat Haskins, Jason Johnson, Randy Ferguson, Dave Hastings, Tom McQuinn, Gene May, Randy Berger, Floyd Otto, Tim Nuss, Elynor Stagen and Chairman Bowen.

## C. PROCLAMATION:

Sheriff Doran

## D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Floyd Otto

## E. Approval of the Board Agenda

Mr. Berger made a motion to approve the board agenda. Mr. Otto seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

## F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mrs. Haskins moved that the May 12, 2014, board minutes be approved. Mr. Hastings seconded it.

Voice vote - carried

## G. COMMUNICATIONS:

Clerk Kellerhals read a thank you note from the Cindy Otto family.

## H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

Ken Springer, from the Economic Development Council of the Bloomington-Normal Area explained the modification of the existing enterprise zone. This extension will allow the Central Illinois Regional Airport to provide hub service. The duration of the Enterprise Zone shall be extended until July 2, 2016.

Mr. Nuss moved to adopt **Ordinance 14-25 (amending the Enterprise Zone Ordinance in regard to the Central Illinois Regional Airport)**. Mr. Otto seconded the motion.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Anthony Guarino, whose residence is northwest of Piper City, is asking for assistance with the project that he is initiating. He is wanting Ford County to start a "Veterans Assistance Commission". He said that out of the 17,000 residents in the county, 1,300 of the residents are Veterans or families of Veterans. He is planning a show with several bands, comedians, etc. for August 9, on his property. He is asking if we could help him in regard to the legal aspect of holding this event. Hopefully, the proceeds from this event would provide a substantial amount of money to start this organization. The organization would also be financed by .04 of the Ford County Property Tax. His e-mail address is: pitbullkitty@yahoo.com.

## I. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mr. Otto moved to accept the reports of the County Clerk, Coroner, Supervisor of Assessments, Sheriff, EMA, Zoning and Highway and to place them on file. Mr. Berger seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

## **J. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:**

Cassy Taylor presented her report. There were 10 new adult cases and 0 new juvenile cases filed. There are 5 adults and 1 juvenile in residential or group home and 5 adults placed in residential alcohol/drug treatment. There were 7 PTR'S filed and 1 PSI ordered. Other activities included: a Victim Impact Panel; 1 officer attending the AOIC Training – Juvenile Liability Issues; 2 officers participated in a Webinar – Evidence Behind Pre-Trial.

## **K. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:**

Mrs. Evans reported that she is keeping busy trying to obtain past collections.

## **L. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:**

Treasurer Hastings presented her report. The county has a balance of \$136,855.23 as of May 31, 2014. She reported that they have collected over \$7,000,000 in tax money. The first installment of property taxes are due this Friday, June 13.

Mr. Berger moved to approve the Probation, Circuit Clerk and Treasurers monthly reports and to place them on file. Mrs. Haskins seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

## **M. OPPORTUNITY FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS TO ADDRESS BOARD:**

Candice Short reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals held a public hearing at the Robert's Village Hall on June 3, at 7:00 p.m. in regard to a zoning district change. The board recommended to the Ford County Board to adopt the zoning district change.

Matthew Fitton submitted his resignation of Ford County State's Attorney as of June 17, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. At that time, he will be sworn in as Circuit Judge.

## **N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:**

## **O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **1. Environment**

### **2. Finance**

Mrs. Stagen moved to approve payment of the General Fund bills.

Mr. Berger seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous  
(Mr. Hastings abstained from the Treasurers bills)

Mrs. Stagen made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 14-26 (authorizing the Board Chairman and his duly appointed representative to have authority to participate in the auction to purchase the Ford-Iroquois Health Department Building to be used for the Ford Public Health Department)** Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Roll Call - Unanimous

Mrs. Stagen moved to adopt **Resolution 14-27 (To establish a checking account and a money market account for the Ford County Public Health Department)**. Mr. Berger seconded it.

Roll Call - Unanimous

Mrs. Stagen moved to adopt **Resolution 14-28 (Setting Prevailing Wages for Ford County Effective June 1, 2014)**. Mr. McQuinn seconded it.

Voice Vote - Carried

Mr. Bowen moved to go into contract with W. Edward Souther, CPA, for establishing and implementing the software for the accounting and financial reporting system for the Ford County Public Health Department. Mrs. Stagen seconded it.

Roll Call - Unanimous

**3. Highway**

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Otto moved to adopt Resolution 14-29 (to accept the low bid for the Non-MFT maintenance project for Button Township with Conrad Trucking at a cost of \$45,765.00). Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call - Unanimous

**4. Insurance/Personnel**

Mr. McQuinn moved to adopt Resolution 14-30 (Appointment of Matthew E. Rock as Zoning Enforcing Officer). Mr. Nuss seconded it.

Roll Call - Unanimous

**5. Overview/Legislation.**

Mr. Otto reported that the 1.22 acres of land adjacent to the Nursing Home was appraised for \$3,200 and that Rick Masterson would like to purchase the land for \$3200 plus the appraisal fee for a total of \$3425. Mr. McQuinn suggested that we also tack on the extra fees such as recording, stamps, etc. It will be voted on at next month's meeting.

**6. Sheriff**

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

**P. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:**

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

Voice Vote - Carried

**Q. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:**

- 1. Mobile Region 8  
Next meeting is tomorrow. Doran/Lindgren
- 2. Union Affairs Haskins/Bowen/Stagen
- 3. Eastern Illinois Economic Development Authority Stagen/Berger
- 4. 708 Board Mr. Berge
- 5. WIA Bowen/Hastings
- 6. Ford-Iroquois Board of Health Mrs. Stagen
- 7. Regional Office of Education Bowen/Stagen  
Reviewed the audit report and talked about new updates
- 8. ECIEDD Mr. Ferguson
- 9. 9-1-1 Mr. Johnson  
Attended meeting May 14. Paid bills and discussed 9-1-1 issues.
- 10. Zoning Mr. Johnson
- 11. CIRMA Bowen/Nuss/ McQuinn  
Next meeting is June 28, in Bloomington
- 12. Extension Johnson/Hastings
- 13. E.M.A. Mr. Higgins

**R. OLD BUSINESS:**

**S. NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Ferguson moved to adopt **Resolution 14-31**(**approving the appointment of election judges**).  
Mr. Berger seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous

Mr. Otto moved to adopt **Resolution 14-32**(**Resolution Changing Zoning District**).  
Mr. Johnson seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

Mr. Ferguson moved to approve the **appointment and bond for William G. Ommen as  
Trustee of the Cullom Fire Protection District**. Mr. Nuss seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

Mr. Bowen moved to adopt **Resolution 14-33** (**Approving the appointment of Randy Yedinak as the  
new State's Attorney beginning June 27, 2014**). Mrs. Haskins seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

**T. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mrs. Stagen moved to **go into Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 c (5) in regard to real estate**.  
Mr. Otto seconded it. *Went out of Executive Session at 8:45 P.M* Roll Call – Unanimous

**U. ADJOURNMENT:**

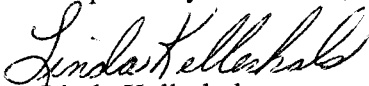
Mr. Otto moved to adjourn; Mr. Berger seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 8:50 P.M.

**V. PROCLAMATION**

Sheriff Doran

**The next monthly meeting will be Monday, July 14, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Linda Kellerhals  
County Clerk

Approved: 7-14-14