

# **FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

## **JANUARY 9, 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, January 9, 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 and Dr. Ray were not present.

### **C. PROCLAMATION:**

Sheriff Doran

### **D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:**

Robert Lindgren

### **E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:**

Mr. Lindgren made a motion to approve the Agenda. Mr. Nuss seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

### **F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Ferguson moved to approve the December 12, 2016 minutes. Mr. Hastings seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

### **G. COMMUNICATIONS:**

A copy of a Legislative Summary and a County Bulletin were available for review.

### **H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:**

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

Mrs. Maxey reported Probation's monthly activity.

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

Clerk Evans reported Circuit Clerk's monthly activities and that a Jury Trial has started.

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

Treasurer Stevens reviewed her monthly report with the Board.

### **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. Hastings moved to approve all Department Head reports. Mr. Clark seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

**N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:**

There was an LEPC meeting, they are working on memberships and taking courses on line.

**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 – Unanimous

**III. Highway**

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

**IV. Insurance/Personnel**

Mr. McQuinn stated there were no meetings, will go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue.

**V. Overview/Legislation**

**VI. Sheriff**

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

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 17-12 & 17-13 (Contracts for County Law Enforcement Services for Villages of Piper City and Sibley)**. Mr. Hastings seconded it.  
Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 17-14 & 17-15 (Contracts for County Alarm System Services with Farmer’s Merchants Bank of Paxton and Melvin)**. Mr. McQuinn seconded it.  
Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 17-16 & 17-17 (Interagency Agreements Regarding Emergency Dispatching, Communications and Other Services with Gibson Area Ambulance Service and City of Paxton)**. Mr. Johnson seconded it.  
Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 17-18 (To re-appoint Ernie Pearson for the Sheriff’s Merit Commission)**. Mr. Ferguson seconded it.  
Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 17-19 (To allow the Sheriff to Hire a Road Deputy)**. Mr. Johnson seconded it.  
Roll Call – Unanimous

**VII. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:**

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

**P. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:**

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| 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 Public Health Dept. is doing better at this point in time than last year at this point in time. She is scheduling interviews for positions that are open. She also now has an opening for the Senior Service Position. A Resolution will be reviewed by the Board later tonight to allow her to hire for the newly opened position. She now has 3 different openings.**

7. Regional Office of Education Berger  
8. 9-1-1 Johnson  
Mr. Johnson moved to **adopt Resolution 17-20 (To Re-Appoint members of the Ford County ETSB Board)**. Mr. McQuinn seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

Eric Evans spoke to the Board about new equipment that will be purchased for the 9-1-1 operations. It's a Lease to Purchase Agreement and Ford County is the first in Illinois to receive this new equipment. Sheriff Doran added it will make things more efficient than what we have now. The equipment has been needed for a long time and will be in place within the next 6 months.

9. Zoning Hastings  
10. CIRMA Nuss  
**Mr. Nuss stated the next meeting will be January 19, 2017 at 10:00 A.M. in Bloomington.**  
11. Extension Johnson  
Will meet in February.  
12. E.M.A.  
13. Information Technology Nuss  
Mr. Nuss will observe a new tool that will be soon used in the State's Attorney and Circuit Clerk's Offices.

#### **Q. OLD BUSINESS:**

#### **R. NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. McQuinn made a motion to discuss **Resolution 17-21 (To Allow the Public Health Dept. to Hire)**. Mr. May seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

#### **S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 7:40 P.M. Mr. Berger made the motion for a need to go into Executive Session for Personnel Reasons. Mr. McQuinn seconded it.

At 8:07 P.M. Mr. Ferguson made the motion to come out of Executive Session. Mr. Hastings seconded it.

#### **T. ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. McQuinn set a Personnel Meeting for Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.

Mr. McQuinn moved to adjourn; Mr. McCall seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 8:09 P.M.

**U. PROCLAMATION**

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Frederick, County Clerk

Approved \_\_\_\_\_