

FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
APRIL 8, 2019

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, April 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman, Robert Lindgren.

B. ROLL CALL:

The roll call showed the following board members in attendance: Dr. Bernadette Ray, Cindy Ihrke, Jason Johnson, Randy Ferguson, Debbie Smith, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Chuck Aubry, Ann Ihrke, Tim Nuss, Vice Chairman Chase McCall and Chairman Lindgren.

C. PROCLAMATION:

Sheriff Doran

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Chairman Lindgren

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mr. Aubry made a motion to approve the Agenda. Dr. Ray seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mrs. C. Ihrke moved to approve the March 11, 2019 Board Minutes. Mrs. Smith seconded it.
Voice Vote – Carried

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

- Clerk Frederick thanked the following board members for helping on Election night, April 2, 2019 for their help: Mr. McQuinn, Mr. May, Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Johnson.
- Then Clerk Frederick read a Thank You note from the family of Bernard Erwin (former SOA Candice Short's father).

H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

Mr. Andrew Hamilton spoke to the board about a proposed update to the Enterprise Zone to be voted on in May 2019. Mr. Hamilton explained the benefits of the Enterprise Zone and answered questions from the board.

I. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:

Chief Probation Officer Ellen Maxey was not present.

J. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:

Circuit Clerk Evans stated there will be a Jury Trial this week and next week.

K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Shoemaker was not present.

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. Ferguson moved to approve all Department Head reports. Mr. Johnson seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Chairman Lindgren has been attending a lot of meetings. He also reported the county has received a letter from the IL. Dept. of AG that they are approving the Hog Facility in Sibley.

O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

I. Environment

II. Finance

Mr. McCall moved to **approve payment of the General Fund bills**. Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

There was a brief discussion on a bill submitted by the Public Health Dept. that was denied in the Sheriff's Committee and presented to the Finance Committee but was not approved. After discussion it was decided the future bills from Brewer Cleaning may go through the Sheriff's Committee.

Mr. McCall moved to **approve payment to Brewer Cleaning of \$170.00**. Dr. Ray seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to **adopt Resolution 19 – 36 (Amending Res. 19-17 allowing the Treasurer to hire a part-time employee)**. Dr. Ray seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to table a Resolution allowing the SOA & Treasurer's Offices to share a P.B.L. I.C.E. student until more questions could be answered. Mr. Nuss seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Dr. Ray made the motion to **adopt a Resolution 19 - 37 (Allowing the Clerk & Recorder to hire a full-time employee)**. Mrs. Smith seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. McQuinn made the motion to **adopt a Resolution 19 - 38 (Allowing the Circuit Clerk to hire a full-time employee)**. Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

III. Highway

Mr. Nuss moved to **approve payment of the Highway bills**. Mr. Johnson seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Nuss made the motion to **adopt the Resolution 19 – 39 (Agreement to Replace Bridge 038-4840)**. Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Nuss made the motion to **adopt the Resolution 19 – 40 (Low Bid for Button Twp.)**.

Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

IV. Insurance & Personnel

Mr. McQuinn made the motion to **adopt the Resolution 19 – 41 (Extending the current Memorandum of Understanding)**. Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

V. Overview/Legislation

VI. Sheriff

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

VII. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:

Mrs. C. Ihrke moved to approve all Committee Minutes. Mr. Nuss seconded the motion.

Voice Vote – Carried

P. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS: (*) = Chairman of that Committee)

1. **Mobile Region 8**
Will meet on April 9, 2019. Doran/Lindgren
2. **Union Affairs** McQuinn/Lindgren/McCall
3. **708 Board**
Wednesday May 1, 2019 at G.A.H. boardroom. Dr. Ray
4. **WIA** Lindgren/Smith
5. **Ford Public Health Dept.**
Lana Sample stated she's working on grant applications for FY 2020. Lindgren
6. **Regional Office of Education**
Will meet on May 5, 2019. Lindgren/McCall
7. **9-1-1**
Mr. Nuss will meet on Wednesday at 7PM at the Roberts Fire Station. Nuss
8. **Zoning**
Mr. Ferguson stated the committee met on March 18th and March 21, 2019 to review testimony. *Ferguson/May/McQuinn/
9. **CIRMA**
Meeting on April 18, 2019 in Bloomington, IL. Nuss/McCall
10. **Extension** Johnson/A. Ihrke
11. **E.M.A./LEPC**
Mr. Whitebird reported that he was contacted to witness a tornado drill at a local church, he stated all went very well. Mr. Lindgren thanked Mr. Whitebird for all the hours he has put in so far. Lindgren/Terry Whitebird
12. **Information Technology** Nuss/Ray/Aubry

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

R. NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Ferguson made the motion to **adopt Resolution 19 – 42 (Appointment of P. Wilson to Sullivant Fire Dist.)**. Mr. Johnson seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Mrs. A. Ihrke read a complaint letter from a Ford County resident about the Windfarm in Cabery, IL.

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

T. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Ferguson moved to adjourn; Mrs. Smith seconded the motion.
The meeting ended at 8:21 P.M.

U. PROCLAMATION:

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, May 13, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Frederick, County Clerk

Approved _____

DRAFT