

FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
December 10, 2012

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, December 10, 2012 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, Richard Hewerdine, 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 MINUTES:

Mr. Berger moved that the November 12, 2012 minutes and the December 3, 2012 Organizational board minutes be approved. Mrs. Haskins seconded it. Voice Vote –Carried

F. COMMUNICATIONS:

G. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

Chairman Bowen read a letter from Richard Hewerdine resigning from his county board position immediately, because of family health concerns. Mr. Hastings moved to regretfully accept his resignation, Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

Bowen presented Hewerdine with a plaque for his many years of dedicated service. Mr. Hewerdine thanked the board and everyone applauded as he left the room.

Bowen said that he has decided to appoint Tom McQuinn to Mr. Hewerdine's vacated position. Bowen informed the board that he was the person that got the next highest amount of votes for District 1 at the primary election and felt that McQuinn was the right person to fill this position. Mr. Otto moved to seat Mr. McQuinn. Mr. Berger seconded it. Voice Vote: 9 yeas; 2 nays: (voting nay were Hastings and Nuss) Motion carried.

Clerk Kellerhals then swore McQuinn in. McQuinn then was seated.

H. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mr. Hastings moved to accept the monthly annual reports of the County Clerk, Coroner, Supervisor of Assessments, Zoning, Sheriff, EMA, and Highway and to place them on file. Mr. Berger seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

I. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:

Cassy Taylor presented her monthly and annual report. She reported that there were 15 cases and 4 petitions. There is one juvenile in placement and 1 juvenile in alcohol and drug placement. There are several on waiting lists.

J. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:

Mrs. Evans said that she is busy picking a jury for January. She also reported that her office assisted a college student who was researching 20 years of history in regard to the drainage districts of Ford County. She thanked the board for the nice employee Christmas dinner.

K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Hastings presented her report. The total cash on hand is \$699,232.89. She also thanked the board for the Christmas dinner.

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

L. OPPORTUNITY FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS TO ADDRESS BOARD:

Sheriff Doran presented Investigator Pat Duffy with an engraved humidor honoring him for his 34 ½ years of service.

M. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

N. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Environment

2. Finance

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

Mr. Hastings seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mrs. Stagen moved to **adopt Ordinance 13-01 (2013 Levy Ordinance).** Mr. Berger seconded it.

Roll Call - Unanimous

Mrs. Stagen moved to adopt **Resolution 13-02 (resolution to participate in State's Attorneys**

Appellate Prosecutor Program for year 2013). Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

3. Highway

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Otto moved to **adopt Resolution 13-03 (County Maintenance Resolution).** Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Otto moved to **adopt Resolution 13-04 (Agreement for County Engineer Salary.** Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call - Unanimous

Mr. Otto moved to **adopt Resolution 13-05 (Resolution appropriating funds for the payment of the Engineer's Salary).** Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Otto moved to **adopt Resolution 13-06 (requesting the approval of the use of moneys under MFT Laws).** Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Otto reported that the 1999 International truck was sold for \$10,000.01.

4. Insurance/Personnel

5. Overview/Legislation

Mr. Otto announced that a committee meeting will be set in regard to the old jail.

6. Sheriff

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mrs. Haskins moved to **approve the contracts for County Law Enforcement Services with The Village of Kempton, Village of Elliott and Village of Piper City).** Mr. Hastings seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Mrs. Haskins moved to **approve the Interagency Agreements with Ford County 9-1-1 and the Paxton Police Department.** Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

7. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

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

Voice Vote - Carried

O. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:

- 1. Mobile Region 8 Sheriff Doran
Meeting tomorrow at 1:00 p.m.
- 2. Union Affairs Mrs. Haskins
Negotiating going slow.
- 3. Eastern Illinois Economic Development Authority Mrs. Stagen
- 4. 708 Board Mr. Berger
Looked over their programs
- 5. WIA Mr. Bowen
Meeting on Thursday.
- 6. Ford-Iroquois Board of Health Mrs. Stagen
- 7. Regional Office of Education Mr. Bowen
- 8. Community Economic Development Foundation Mr. Ferguson
- 9. 9-1-1 Mr. Johnson
- 10. Zoning Mr. Johnson
- 11. CIRMA Mr. Bowen
- 12. Extension Mr. Johnson
- 13. E.M.A. Mr. Higgins

P. OLD BUSINESS:

The county received the \$150,000 grant which was given to the building commission for the basement project.

Q. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

R. NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Bowen handed out the new committee and special assignment sheet.

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

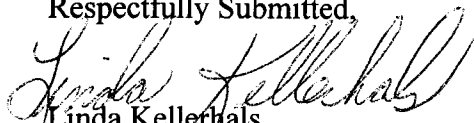
T. ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Otto moved to adjourn; Mr. Berger seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 8:17 P.M.

U. PROCLAMATION

Sheriff Doran

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, January 14, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,


Linda Kellerhals
County Clerk

Approved: _____