

# FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

November 10, 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, November 10, 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, Randy Ferguson, Tom McQuinn, May, Randy Berger, Floyd Otto, Tim Nuss, Elynor Stagen and Chairman Bowen. Jason Johnson, Gene May and Dave Hastings were absent.

## C. PROCLAMATION:

Sheriff Doran

## D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Floyd Otto

## E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA;

Mr. Berger moved to approve the board agenda. Mrs. Haskins seconded it.

Voice Vote - Carried

## F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Otto moved that the October 13, 2014, board minutes be approved. Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Voice vote - carried

## G. COMMUNICATIONS:

## H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

## I. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

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

Voice Vote - Carried

## J. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:

Cassy Taylor reported that there were 24 new adult and 0 juvenile cases filed. There are 3 adults in residential alcohol/drug treatment. There were 8 PTR'S filed. There are 4 adults placed in residential or group home. She attended the IPCSA Fall Conference. Held a collaboration meeting with Paxton Pd, GCPD, probation and State's Attorney. Attended pre-trial Services Meeting with McLean County and the Bureau of Justice Assistance Meeting regarding the Ford County Drug Court Grant.

## K. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:

Mrs. Evans informed the board that she collected a total of \$74,707.77 for the month. They have sent out 45 day notices which means they have 45 days to pay the total amount.

## L. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Hastings presented her report. The county has a balance of \$313,331.28.

The tax sale for the delinquent parcels was held on Wednesday, October 22, at 1:00 P.M. in the small court room, with 8 tax buyers present. The 3<sup>rd</sup> distribution of taxes was sent out. Mrs. Hastings expressed her

thanks to everyone during the past years and she will miss everyone.

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

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

County Clerk Kellerhals thanked the board members and employees who helped her with the election. It was much appreciated. We had a voter turnout of 52.28%.

### **N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:**

Mr. Bowen informed the Board that he did not attend any additional meetings.

### **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

Mrs. Stagen moved to **adopt Ordinance 14-43 ( The Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for 2014-15 fiscal year).** Mrs. Haskins seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

The proposed 2014-15 tax levy was presented to the board and will be voted at the December meeting.

Mrs. Stagen moved to **adopt Resolution 14-44 (amending Circuit Clerk salary).**

Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Roll Call - Unanimous

Mrs. Stagen moved to **adopt Resolution 14-45 (salary increases for S of A, the sheriff Administrative Assistant, Probation Director, Judge Chief Deputy, States Attorney Chief Deputy, Public Defenders, Zoning Officer and for hourly employees for 2014-15).**

Mr. Berger seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mrs. Stagen moved to **adopt Resolution 14-46 ( allowing the sheriff to hire a temporary position for telecommunicator.)** Mrs. Haskins 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 **approve agreements with Rogers Road District, Mona Road District and Button Road District for snow plowing.** Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

#### **4. Insurance/Personnel**

Mr. McQuinn moved to **adopt Resolution 14-47 (adopting Holiday schedule for 2015).**

Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Voice vote – Carried

Mr. McQuinn moved to **adopt Resolution 14-48 (County Board Meeting Schedule for 2015).** Mrs. Stagen seconded it.

Voice Vote - Carried

**5. Overview/Legislation**

Mr. Otto reported that the farm auction was held on Friday, October 31. David Ebert purchased all three properties.

**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 contract for county alarm system services with Farmers-Merchants National Bank of Paxton and with Farmers-Merchants National Bank of Melvin). Mr. Lindgren seconded it. Voice vote – Carried

Mrs. Haskins said that she had enjoyed being on the board and thanked everyone for their assistance. It was a great experience.

**7. 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

**P. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:**

- 1. Mobile Region 8 Doran/Lindgren  
Special Meeting will be held to interview a new MTA Director
- 2. Union Affairs McQuinn/Bowen/Stagen  
Had a FOP Meeting with Probation. It went well.
- 3. Eastern Illinois Economic Development Authority Stagen/ Berge
- 4. 708 Board Mr. Berger
- 5. WIA Bowen/Hastings
- 6. Ford County Board of Health Mr. Berger  
They are approved as a Medicare Provider
- 7. Regional Office of Education Bowen/Stagen  
Reviewed the list of grants which total \$2,239,000 and reviewed reports
- 8. ECIEDD Mr. Ferguson
- 9. 9-1-1 Mr. Johnson  
Meet this Wednesday.
- 10. Zoning Mr. Johnson
- 11. CIRMA Bowen/Nuss/ McQuinn  
Livingston County has joined. Will be meeting January 8, at 10:00 A.M.
- 12. Extension Johnson/Hastings
- 13. E.M.A. Mr. Higgins

**Q. OLD BUSINESS:**

**R. NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Bowen moved to approve the lease and contract extension between Ford County and the Public Building Commission. Mrs. Haskins seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

The County Board Organizational Meeting will be held on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 9:00 A.M. in the Sheriff board room.

The Ford County Christmas dinner will be held on Friday December 5, at 12:00 noon.

**S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**T. ADJOURNMENT:**


Mr. Otto moved to adjourn; Mrs. Haskins seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 8:17 P.M.

**U. PROCLAMATION**

Sheriff Doran

**The next monthly meeting will be Monday, December 8, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Linda Kellerhals  
County Clerk

Approved: 12-8-14