

FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
MAY 14, 2018

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, May 14, 2018 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: Dr. Bernadette Ray, Jason Johnson, Randy Ferguson, Dave Hastings, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Floyd Otto, Tim Nuss, Robert Lindgren and Chairman Berger. Not present were Mr. Clark and Mr. McCall.

C. PROCLAMATION:

Chairman Berger

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Mr. Otto

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to approve the Agenda. Mr. Hastings seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Hastings moved to approve the April 9, 2018 Board Minutes. Dr. Ray seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

- Mr. Howard Haley and Mr. Edward Moritz spoke to the board about their concerns that the terms of the revised Windfarm Ordinance may stop windfarm growth.
- Ms. Allison Davis, a Senior at GCMS shared her project on Mental Health and hopes that the community will become more informed on Mental Health issues.

I. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:

The Board briefly went through the Probation report.

J. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:

Circuit Clerk Kim Evans stated her office has been going through old files to get approval for destruction of certain files from the State. It was brought to her attention to also seek approval of the County Board.

K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Krisha Shoemaker briefly went through her monthly report. She stated she's learned a lot and thanked Penny Stevens for her help and they are getting ready for taxes.

L. OPPORTUNITY FOR OTHER DEPT. HEADS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Kim Hooper, Chief Supervisor of Assessments spoke briefly to the board. She thanked them for their support and for all of Candice Short's help in and out of the office. She also thanked Clerk Frederick for all her help and all the board members that have come into the office to help along with her new employee Katie Moore.

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. Otto moved to approve all Department Head reports. Dr. Ray seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Mr. Berger stated he has attended various meetings.

O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

I. Environment

II. Finance

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

Roll Call - 9 Ayes – 1 Abstain
(May – Abstained)

Mr. Ferguson made the motion to review a bid with Bell Wether, LLC for a cost study. Mr. McQuinn seconded the review. Clerk Frederick was asked to speak about the bid. Clerk Frederick advised that due to a Predictable Fee Schedule mandated by the State of Illinois, in order to properly predict fees, Clerk Frederick reached out to other counties and to businesses to in order to bring back information to the board. After discussion, Dr. Ray made the motion to table the bid. Mr. Nuss seconded it.

Voice Vote - Carried

An Amendment to Resolution 18-35 was tabled in the Finance Committee.

Mr. Hastings made the motion to **adopt Resolution 18 - 38 (Increasing fees for Ford County & the County Trustee, Joseph Meyer & Associates)**. Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

The board then reviewed a Resolution setting certain Elected Officials salary. After discussion the resolution was tabled to be discussed at the Special County Board meeting on May 21, 2018.

Mr. Nuss made the motion to **adopt Resolution 18 - 39 (Appointing Kimberly Hooper as Supervisor of Assessments)**. Mr. McQuinn seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

III. Highway

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Otto made the motion to **adopt Resolution 18 - 40 (County Highway Tax Appropriating Resolution)**. Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

IV. Insurance & Personnel

Mr. McQuinn asked Ford County Insurance broker Marty Nuss to inform the board about the new insurance contract for county employees. After discussion it was decided to table the Resolution accepting the new insurance contract until the Special County Board meeting on May 21, 2018.

Mr. McQuinn made the motion to **adopt Resolution 18 - 41 (Amending Resolution 18-10 ID Protection & Background Checks)**. Mr. Lindgren seconded it. Voice Vote - 9 Ayes - 1 Abstain (Ray - Abstained)

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 made the motion to **adopt Resolution 18 - 42 (A Forfeiture Procedure Policy)**. Mr. Ferguson seconded it. After rollcall was taken, States Attorney Killian made an amendment to add 625 in order for a certain line to read as follows; Whereas, Chapter 625 ILCS Section 5/11-208.7..... Dr. Ray made the motion to accept the amendment. Mr. Hastings seconded the amendment. Roll Call - Unanimous

Mr. Lindgren made the motion to **adopt Resolution 18 - 43 (Dispatch Agreement with Paxton Police Dept., Gibson City Police Dept., Piper City Police, Ford County E911 Board, Gibson Area Hospital & Ambulance Services & Ford County Area Fire Dept.)**. Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Before a vote was taken, Mr. Hastings made an amendment to the motion to state the increase is only for the Paxton Policy Dept. Mr. Lindgren seconded the amendment. Voice Vote - Carried

VII. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Otto moved to approve all Committee Minutes. Mr. Nuss seconded the motion. Voice Vote - Carried

P. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:

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| 1. Mobile Region 8 | Doran/Lindgren |
| 2. Union Affairs | McQuinn |
| 3. 708 Board | Dr. Ray |
| 4. WIA | Berger/Lindgren |
| 5. Ford Public Health Dept. | Berger |

Lana Sample stated the Health Dept. has filed for a new grant and that there is a need to re-appoint some of the Board of Health members. Mr. Berger read a memo re-appointing Dr. K. Austman, Dr. K. Brucker, Marcia Peznowski and Randy Berger as members of the Board of Health for a 4 year term starting July 2018. Mr. Hastings made the motion to accept the appointments. Mr. Otto second it.

Voice Vote - 9 Ayes - 1 Abstain (Ray - Abstained)

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| 6. Regional Office of Education | Berger |
| 7. 9-1-1 | Johnson |
| 8. Zoning | Hastings |
| Mr. Hastings stated several meetings have been held, the next Zoning Meeting May 22, 2018 @ 9:00 A.M. in the Sheriff's Boardroom. | |
| 9. CIRMA | Nuss |
| 10. Extension | Johnson |
| 11. E.M.A./LEPC | Higgins |
| 12. Information Technology | Nuss |

There will be an IT meeting on May 17, 2018 @ 7PM in the Sheriff's Boardroom to discuss disaster recovery procedures. All Dept. Heads and full county board are invited.

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

R. NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Otto made the motion to **adopt Resolution 18 - 44 (Re-Appointing Piper City Fire Dist. Trustee – Richard Hitchens)**. Mr. Lindgren seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Otto made the motion to **adopt Resolution 18 – 45 & 46 (Appointing Roger Wycoff and Re-appointing Edward Moritz to the Zoning Board of Appeals)**. Mr. Hastings seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Otto made the motion to **adopt Resolution 18 - 47 (For Gun Ownership in Ford County)**. Mr. Lindgren seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:32 P.M. Mr. Berger stated the need to go into Executive Session Pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Personnel Reasons. Mr. McQuinn made the motion to go into Executive Session. Dr. Ray seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

At 9:04 P.M. Mr. Otto made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Mr. Johnson seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

T. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Otto moved to adjourn; Mr. Johnson seconded the motion.
The meeting ended at 9:05 P.M.

U. PROCLAMATION:

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, June 11, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Frederick, County Clerk

Approved _____