

FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 11, 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, March 11, 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, Tom McQuinn, Chuck Aubry, Ann Ihrke, Tim Nuss, Vice Chairman Chase McCall and Chairman Lindgren. Mrs. Smith and Mr. May were not present.

C. PROCLAMATION:

Sheriff Doran

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Chairman Lindgren

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mrs. C. Ihrke made a motion to approve the Agenda. Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. McCall made the motion to revise the February 11, 2019 Minutes under A. CALL TO ORDER, the last sentence states: called to order by Vice Chairman Chase McCall, should read: called to order by Chairman Robert Lindgren. Mrs. C. Ihrke moved to approve the revised February 11, 2019 Board Minutes. Mr. Nuss seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

Clerk Frederick read a Thank You note from the family of Opal Carleton.

H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

One Ford County resident spoke of concerns with the Kelly Creek Windfarm Project and read a letter addressed to the County Board Members from another Ford County resident.

I. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:

Dr. Ray asked Chief Probation Officer Ellen Maxey to explain the Pre-Trial Application for the cell phones of clients. Mrs. Maxey responded it is an application for their cell phones called C-5 to remind them of their court dates and Ford County is the first Illinois Pilot Program.

J. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:

Circuit Clerk Evans stated she is working with the Auditor and there will be a Jury Trial in April.

K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Shoemaker stated she also is working with the Auditor and has sent out Mobil Home bills for 2019.

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

Supervisor of Assessments stated her office is working to get values.

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

Voice Vote – Carried

N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Chairman Lindgren and Vice Chairman McCall have been attending training for FOIA/OMA/Local Records and duties of Chairman and Vice Chairman. Chairman Lindgren has been appointed to the East Community Action Group.

O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

I. Environment

II. Finance

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. McCall stated the committee discussed the incoming \$15.00 minimum wage coming by 2025 and how to reach that requirement with as little impact to the county as possible.

III. Highway

Mr. Nuss moved to **approve payment of the Highway bills.** Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Nuss made the motion to **adopt the Resolution 19 – 33 (2019 Low Bids for Townships).**

Dr. Ray seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

IV. Insurance & Personnel

Mr. McQuinn stated there will be an Insurance and Personnel Meeting set for March 19, 2019 at 9 A.M. in the Small Courtroom in the Courthouse.

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:

Mr. McQuinn moved to approve all Committee Minutes. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion.

Voice Vote – Carried

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

- 1. Mobile Region 8 Doran/Lindgren
Will meet in April 2019.
- 2. Union Affairs McQuinn/Lindgren/McCall
- 3. 708 Board Dr. Ray
- 4. WIA Lindgren/Smith

5. Ford Public Health Dept. Lindgren
Lana Sample stated they have received 4 grants.
6. Regional Office of Education Lindgren/McCall
Will meet in April 2019.
7. 9-1-1 Nuss
Mr. Nuss will meet on Wednesday at 7PM at the Piper Fire Station.
8. Zoning *Ferguson/May/McQuinn/
Mr. Ferguson stated the committee has made a lot of changes and he also set a meeting for Monday, March 18, 2019 @ 7 P.M. and March 21, 2019 at 9 A.M. both in the Small Courtroom in the Courthouse.
9. CIRMA Nuss/McCall
Claims are down all is good.
10. Extension Johnson/A. Ihrke
11. E.M.A./LEPC Lindgren/Terry Whitebird
Mr. Whitebird reported that the Emergency Operations Plan is in the final stages.
12. Information Technology Nuss/Ray/Aubry
Mr. Nuss met with MCS on raw data recovery.

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

R. NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Johnson made the motion to **adopt Resolution 19 – 34 (Appointment of D. Maul for Sugar Creek Drainage Dist.)**. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Nuss made the motion to **adopt Resolution 19 – 35 (Appointment of W. Berry for Piper City Fire Dist.)**. Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

T. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. McQuinn moved to adjourn; Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion.
The meeting ended at 8:02 P.M.

U. PROCLAMATION:

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, April 8, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Frederick, County Clerk

Approved _____