

FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

JANUARY 13, 2020

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, January 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Ford 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 Robert Lindgren.

C. PROCLAMATION:

Chairman Lindgren

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Chairman Lindgren

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to remove a Resolution Allowing the Circuit Clerk to Raise Hourly Rates for Her Deputies under Finance and then to approve the Agenda as revised. Mrs. Smith seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Nuss moved approve the December 9, 2019 Board Minutes. Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

- 2 citizens spoke to the board about their different concerns with the wind farm ordinance.

I. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:

Chief Probation Officer Ellen Maxey went briefly went through her report.

J. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:

Circuit Clerk Evans briefly went through her month's activities.

K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Shoemaker briefly went through her report.

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

Supervisor of Assessments briefly discussed the I.C.E. students are driving in the area to take pictures for the Quad.

M. APPROVAL OF ALL DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

ASSESSMENTS, CIRCUIT CLERK, CORONER, COUNTY CLERK, EMA, HIGHWAY, HOUSING, PROBATION, PUBLIC HEALTH, SHERIFF, TREASURER, ZONING AND 911.

Mrs. Smith moved to approve all Department Head reports. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Chairman Lindgren discussed briefly meetings he attended last month.

O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

I. Environment

Mr. May set a meeting for February 3, 2020. The meeting will be held after the Finance Meeting held on February 3, 2020 starting at 6:00 P.M. in the Small Courtroom in the Courthouse.

II. Finance

Dr. Ray moved to **approve payment of the General Fund Bills and added one Month End Bill for Champaign-Danville Overhead Doors to also be approved.** Mr. May seconded it.

Roll Call – 7 – Ayes, 5 – Nays
(Nays were – C. Ihrke, Smith, McQuinn, A. Ihrke, Nuss)

Mrs. Smith made the motion to **adopt Resolution 20 – 13 (Amending Res. 19-113 Salary Increase for Certain Dept. Heads and Hourly Employees).** Dr. Ray seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. McQuinn made the motion to **adopt Resolution 20 – 14 (Allowing the Public Health Dept. to hire a Temporary Part-Time Employee).** Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Aubry made the motion to **adopt Resolution 20 – 15 (Setting Per Diem for Mileage Rates in 2020).** Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Dr. Ray made the motion to **adopt Resolution 20 – 16 (Appointing 2 commissioners to Housing Authority, K. Golden & H. Medler).** Mr. Aubry seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Nuss made the motion to **adopt Resolution 20 – 17 (Appointing J. Hastings to the Board of Review).** Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. McCall then spoke briefly about the presentations from BellWether and IACBM at the Finance Meeting. Then Mr. McCall set a Finance Meeting for Monday, February 3, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. in the Small Courtroom in the Courthouse.

III. Highway

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

IV. Insurance & Personnel

V. Overview/Legislation

VI. Sheriff

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

VII. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Johnson moved to approve all Committee Minutes. Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded the motion.

Voice Vote – Carried

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

1. Mobile Region 8 Doran/Lindgren
2. Union Affairs McQuinn/Lindgren/McCall
3. 708 Board Dr. Ray

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| 4. WIA | Lindgren/Smith |
| 5. Ford Public Health Dept. Lana Sample briefly discussed the Census Grant and its importance. | Lindgren |
| 6. Regional Office of Education Next meeting will be held February 3, 2020. | Lindgren/McCall |
| 7. 9-1-1 Will meet on Feb. 13, 2020 at the Paxton Fire Station @ 7:00 P.M. | Nuss |
| 8. Zoning Mr. Ferguson set the next meeting to be held on January 28, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. in the Sheriff's Boardroom and all County Board members are encouraged to attend to discuss the current proposed Wind Farm Ordinance. | *Ferguson/May/McQuinn/ |
| 9. CIRMA Next meeting will be held January 16, 2020. | McCall/Smith |
| 10. Extension | *Johnson/A. Ihrke |
| 11. E.M.A./LEPC Mr. Whitebird briefly discussed his month's activities. | Lindgren/Terry Whitebird |
| 12. Information Technology | Nuss/Ray/Aubry |

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

Mrs. A. Ihrke stated there will be a meeting for V.A.C. at the Village Hall in Roberts on January 21, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

R. NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Lindgren briefly discussed a flag disposal receptacle he received for free to be placed throughout the county.

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

T. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. McQuinn moved to adjourn; Dr. Ray seconded the motion.
The meeting ended at 8:28 P.M.

U. PROCLAMATION:

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, February 10, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Frederick, County Clerk

Approved _____