

FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

FEBRUARY 10, 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, February 10, 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: Jason Johnson, Randy Ferguson, Debbie Smith, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Chuck Aubry, Tim Nuss, Vice Chairman Chase McCall and Chairman Robert Lindgren. Dr. Bernadette Ray and Ann Ihrke were not present. Mr. Nuss seated Cindy Ihrke at 7:03 P.M. Mrs. Smith seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

C. PROCLAMATION:

Sheriff Doran

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Chairman Lindgren

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mr. Johnson made the motion to approve the Agenda. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mrs. Smith moved approve the January 13, 2020 Board Minutes. Mr. Nuss seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

Clerk & Recorder Frederick read a Thank You note from the family of Richard Doran (Sheriff Doran's father).

H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

- Richard Flessner, Village of Roberts President spoke about the village wanting to rescind their objection to the Zoning Board of Appeals on their recommendation.
- An area farmer spoke to the board on possibly getting a license to grow marijuana on 5 acres in Lyman twp.
- 2 representatives from MCS spoke to the board about updating the county's firewalls and antivirus system and upgrading to Office 365.

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 was not present.

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

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

Voice Vote – Carried

N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Chairman Lindgren discussed briefly meetings he attended last month and thanked EMA Coordinator Whitebird for the meal before the board meeting.

O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

I. Environment

Mr. May spoke briefly about the meeting on February 3, 2020 and recycling applications to be considered. Mr. McQuinn made the motion to allow the Chairman of the board to sign 2 applications allowing the county to set up sites for electronic recycling with in the county. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

II. Finance

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

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. McCall made the motion to **adopt Resolution 20 – 19 (Allowing the Circuit Clerk to hire a Part-Time)**. Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. McCall made the motion to **adopt Resolution 20 – 20 (Appointing M. Weber to Little Lyman Drng. Dist.)**. Mrs. Smith seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. McCall made the motion to **adopt Resolution 20 – 21 (Re-Appointing M. Griffin to Board of Review)**. Mr. Aubry seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. McCall made the motion to adopt a Resolution defining End of the Month Claims. Mr. Ferguson seconded it. After discussion, Mr. McCall rescinded his motion to adopt the Resolution defining End of the Month Claims. The resolution will be revised in the Finance Committee and in March 2020.

III. Highway

Mr. Nuss moved to **approve payment of the Highway bills**. Mr. Aubry 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**. Mrs. Smith seconded the motion.

Roll Call – Unanimous

VII. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:

Mr. McQuinn moved to approve all Committee Minutes. Mr. Johnson 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
4. WIA Lindgren/Smith

Mr. Lindgren briefly discussed last month's meeting.

5. Ford Public Health Dept.

Lindgren

Lana Sample briefly discussed that she has hired someone for the Census Grant and discussed its importance. There was a discussion regarding cancer concerns within the county of Ford.

6. Regional Office of Education

Lindgren/McCall

Mr. McCall briefly discussed the February 3, 2020 meeting.

7. 9-1-1

Nuss

Will meet on Feb. 12, 2020 at the Paxton Fire Station @ 7:00 P.M.

8. Zoning

*Ferguson/May/McQuinn/

Mr. Ferguson set the next meeting to be held on February 19, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. in the Small Courtroom in the Courthouse.

9. CIRMA

McCall/Smith

Mr. McCall briefly discussed the meeting held on January 16, 2020.

10. Extension

*Johnson/A. Ihrke

11. E.M.A./LEPC

Lindgren/Terry Whitebird

Mr. Whitebird briefly discussed his month's activities.

12. Information Technology

Nuss/Ray/Aubry

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

R. NEW BUSINESS:

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

T. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. McQuinn moved to adjourn; Mrs. Smith seconded the motion.

The meeting ended at 8:35 P.M.

U. PROCLAMATION:

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, March 9, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Frederick, County Clerk

Approved _____