

FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 8, 2021

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 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Ford County Board Chairman, Debbie Smith.

B. ROLL CALL:

The roll call showed the following board members in attendance: Dr. Bernadette Ray, Chase McCall, Jason Johnson, Randy Ferguson, Lesley King, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Ann Ihrke, Tim Nuss, Vice Chairman Mrs. C. Ihrke and Chairman Debbie Smith. Mr. Aubry was not present.

C. PROCLAMATION:

Sheriff Doran

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Chairman Smith

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mr. Nuss made the motion to approve the Agenda. Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mrs. King moved to approve the February 8, 2021 Minutes. Mr. McQuinn seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

G. COMMUNICATIONS:

Clerk & Recorder Frederick read a Thank you from Barb King for the wreath for the passing of her mother. There was a brief discussion on a letter from Mr. Houston concerning the denied building applications for Apex Wind Farm.

H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

- 5 people spoke to the board on different topics.

I. REPORT OF THE CIRCUIT CLERK:

Circuit Clerk Johnson Anderson briefly went through her monthly report and stated she has Already replaced one of her part-time staff who is leaving soon.

J. REPORT OF THE PROBATION OFFICER:

Chief Probation Officer Montoya was not present however Chief Deputy Suzie Shell briefly went through their report on her behalf.

K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Shoemaker briefly went through her report.

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

State's Attorney Killian spoke to the board about the risk of losing a large amount of income in the Sheriff's, Probation and Circuit Clerk's Offices due to the Bail Reform Bill that was signed by the governor.

M. APPROVAL OF ELECTED OFFICIAL/DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:

CIRCUIT CLERK, CORONER, CLERK & RECORDER, EMA, HIGHWAY, HOUSING, PROBATION, PUBLIC HEALTH, SHERIFF, SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS, TREASURER & ZONING.

Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to accept all submitted Elected Official/Dept. Head Reports.

Mr. Nuss seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Chairman Smith briefly discussed that Treasurer Shoemaker now holds a Grant License for the county.

O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

I. Environment Committee:

II. Finance Committee:

Mrs. C. Ihrke moved to **approve all claims reviewed in the Finance Committee.** Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call – Ayes – 10, Abstain – 1
(Abstain – May)

Mr. Nuss made the motion to **adopt Resolution 21 – 28 (Sale of a property in Mona Twp. due to Delinquent Taxes).** Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

Mrs. A. Ihrke made the motion to **adopt Resolution 21 – 29 (Allowing the Clerk & Recorder to destroy certain documents).** Mrs. King seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Nuss made the motion to **adopt Resolution 21 – 30 (Appointing E. Lattz to the ZBA).** Mrs. King seconded it. Roll Call – Ayes – 7, Nays – 4
(Nays – Ray, McCall, Johnson, Ferguson)

Mrs. A. Ihrke made the motion to **adopt Resolution 21 – 31 (Appointment of T. Kendrick to the ZBA).** Mr. Nuss seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

III. Highway Committee:

Mr. Nuss moved to **approve all claims reviewed in the Highway Committee.** Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Nuss made the motion to **adopt Resolution 21 – 32 (Acceptance of Low Bids for 2021 Co. & Twp. Maintenance Projects).** Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Nuss made the motion to **adopt Resolution 21 – 33 (Local Public Agency Engineering Service Agreement for Button Twp. Road Dist.).** Mrs. King seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

IV. Insurance & Personnel Committee:

Mr. McQuinn set the next meeting to be held on March 16, 2021 at 2:00 P.M. in the Small Courtroom in the Courthouse.

V. Information Technology Committee:

Chairman Smith briefly discussed the last meeting.

VI. Overview/Legislation Committee:

Mrs. C. Ihrke briefly discussed the last meeting.

VII. Sheriff Committee:

Mr. Johnson moved to **approve all claims reviewed in the Sheriff's Committee.** Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion. Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Johnson made the motion to **adopt 2 Resolutions 21 – 34 & 21 – 35 (Contracts for Local Law Enforcement with the Village of Piper City & the Village of Sibley).** Mr. McQuinn seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

VIII. Zoning Committee:

Mrs. A. Ihrke briefly discussed the last meeting.

IX. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:

Mrs. C. Ihrke moved to approve all Committee Minutes. Mr. Ferguson seconded the motion.

Roll Call – Ayes – 10, Nays – 1
(Nays – Ray)

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

1. 708 Board Ray
2. 9-1-1 Nuss
Next meeting March 17, 2021 at 7 PM at the Gibson City Fire Station.
3. CIRMA Smith/McCall
4. ECCA Smith
5. E.M.A./LEPC Terry Whitebird
The next LEPC meeting is April 8, 2021 @6:30 P.M. in Sheriff's Boardroom.
6. Extension *Johnson/A. Ihrke
7. Ford Public Health Dept. Smith/A. Ihrke
8. Mobile Region 8 Doran/Smith
9. Regional Office of Education Smith/C. Ihrke
10. Union Affairs Smith/McQuinn
11. WIA Smith

Q. OLD BUSINESS:

R. NEW BUSINESS:

S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

T. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. McQuinn moved to adjourn; Mr. Johnson seconded the motion.
The meeting ended at 8:27 P.M.

Roll Call – Unanimous

U. PROCLAMATION:

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, April 19, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Frederick, County Clerk

Approved _____

FORD COUNTY BOARD MEETING								March 8, 2021									
Present = P Absent = A	BOARD MEMBER	APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA		APPROVAL OF LAST MONTHS MINUTES		APPROVAL OF ALL ELECTED OFF./DEPT. HEAD REPORTS		CLAIMS REVIEWED IN FINANCE COMMITTEE		RES. FOR SALE OF PROP. IN MONA TWP. DUE TO DEL. TAXES		RES. ALLOWING CLERK & REC. TO DESPTROY CERTAIN DOCS.		RES. RE-APPT. E. LATTZ TO ZBA		RES. APPT. T. KENDRICK TO ZBA	
		YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
P	RAY, Bernadette	X		X		X		NOT PRESENT		X		X			X	X	
P	McCALL, Chase	X		X		X		X		X		X			X	X	
P	JOHNSON, Jason	X		X		X		X		X		X			X	X	
P	FERGUSON, Randy	X		X		X		X		X		X			X	X	
P	KING, Lesley	X		X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
P	MAY, Gene	X		X		X		ABSTAIN		X		X		X		X	
P	McQUINN, Tom	X		X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
A	AUBRY, Chuck	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
P	IRHKE, Ann	X		X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
P	NUSS, Tim	X		X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
P	IRHKE, Cindy (VC)	X		X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
P	SMITH, Debbie (CHAIRMAN)	X		X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
RESULTS = PASSED OR FAILED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED	
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COUNTY CLERK: AMY FREDERICK		(ONE NO RESPONSE/TECH DIFF)															

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March 8, 2021

Present = P Absent = A	BOARD MEMBER	CLAIMS REVIEWED IN HIGHWAY COMMITTEE		RES. TO ACCEPT LOW BIDS FOR 2021 CO. & TWP.MFT MAINT. PROJECTS		RES. LOCAL PUB. AGENCY ENGIN. SERV. AGRMNT. FOR BUTTON TWP. RD. DIST.		CLAIMS REVIEWED IN SHERIFF COMMITTEE		2 - CONTRACTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT W/ VIL OF PIPER & SIBLEY		APPROVAL OF SUBMITTED COMMITTEE MINUTES		AJOURNMENT		YES	NO
		YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO		
P	RAY, Bernadette	X		X		X		X		X			X	X			
P	McCALL, Chase	X		X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
P	JOHNSON, Jason	X		X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
P	FERGUSON, Randy	X		X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
P	KING, Lesley	X		X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
P	MAY, Gene	X		X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
P	McQUINN, Tom	X		X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
A	AUBRY, Chuck	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
P	IRHKE, Ann	X		X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
P	NUSS, Tim	X		X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
P	IRHKE, Cindy (VC)	X		X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
P	SMITH, Debbie (CHAIRMAN)	X		X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
RESULTS = PASSED OR FAILED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED			
		11	0	11	0	11	0	11	0	11	0	10	1	11	0		

COUNTY CLERK: AMY FREDERICK