

**FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 21, 2022**

**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, November 21, 2022 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: Jason Johnson, Lesley King, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Chuck Aubry, Ann Ihrke, Vice Chairman Cindy Ihrke and Chairman Smith.  
Dr. Ray, Mr. McCall, Mr. Ferguson and Mr. Nuss were not in attendance.

**C. PROCLAMATION:**

Sheriff Doran

**D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:**

Chairman Smith

**E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:**

- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to remove the following from the agenda: under II. Finance - Discussion/Possible Action on Election Equipment and ARPA Funds, under VI. Overview - Discussion/Possible Action on the sale of Co. Farm Properties and on Custom Farming and Hiring a Farm Manager, under VII. Sheriff, change Interagency Agrmnt. with Villages of Melvin and Elliott to *Contract* with Village of Melvin and Elliott and then to approve the agenda. Mrs. King seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

**F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Mrs. A. Ihrke moved to approve the October 10, 2022 Minutes. Mr. McQuinn seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

**G. COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Clerk & Recorder Frederick read "Thank You" notes from Tim Pico and Tammy Carleton. Then, Clerk & Recorder Frederick handed out a "Certificate of Service" to Sheriff Doran and Jason Johnson.

**H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:**

**I. OPPORTUNITY FOR OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS/DEPT. HEADS WHO SUBMITTED WRITTEN REPORTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

- Circuit Clerk Johnson Anderson went through her monthly report. Sheriff Doran spoke on body cams and his career on being a Sheriff.

**J. APPROVAL OF ALL ELECTED OFFICIAL/DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:**

- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to accept all submitted Elected Official/Dept. Head Reports. Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

**K. CHAIRMAN REPORT:**

- Chairman Smith spoke briefly on flood insurance.

**L. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**I. ENVIRONMENT/SAFETY COMMITTEE:**

**II. FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

- Mr. Aubry moved to **approve Finance claims reviewed in the Finance Committee for approval.** Mr. May seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous

- Mr. Aubry moved to **approve ARPA claims reviewed in the Finance Committee for approval.**  
Mrs. King seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mrs. C. Ihrke moved to **approve Highway claims reviewed in the Finance Committee for approval.**  
Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mr. Aubry made the motion to accept VLAN (Virtual Local Area Network) Option #2 to upgrade the county's internet. Mr. May seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to **adopt Resolution 22 - 83 (FY 2023 Hourly/Dept. Head Salaries & the Logevity Schedule).** Mrs. King seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mrs. King made the motion to **adopt Resolution 22 - 84 (Setting FY 2023 Probation Officer Salaries).**  
Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mr. McQuinn made the motion to **adopt Resolution 22 - 85 (Creating a Ford Co. Jury Commission).**  
Mr. Johnson seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to adopt a Resolution Setting the Circuit Clerk's Salary for FY 2023.  
Mr. Johnson seconded it. Roll Call - Ayes - 3, Nays - 5  
(Nays - Johnson, King, McQuinn, Aubry, A. Ihrke)  
**\*\* RESOLUTION FAILED \*\***
- Mr. Johnson made the motion to **adopt Resolution 22 - 86 (Re-Appt. & Salary of Ford Co. Zoning Officer).**  
Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call - Ayes - 6, Nays - 2  
(Nays - Johnson & Aubry)
- Mrs. King made **an amendment adding a meeting to be held on Dec. 5, 2022** and then made the motion to **adopt Resolution 22 - 87 (Setting County Board Meetings).** Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried
- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to **adopt Resolution 22-88 (Setting Holiday Schedule for FY 2023).**  
Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried
- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to **adopt Resolution 22 - 89 (2023 Lease with the Ford Co. Public Bldg. Comm.).**  
Mr. McQuinn seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mr. McQuinn made the motion to **adopt Resolution 22 - 90 (2023 Levy with the Ford Co. Public Bldg. Comm.).**  
Mrs. King seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mr. Aubry made the motion allowing the Clerk & Recorder to advertise for a Truth in Taxation Hearing for Dec. 12, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to **adopt 2 Resolutions 22 - 91 to 22 - 92 (Selling of 2 properties for Delinquent Taxes).** Mrs. A. Ihrke seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried
- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to adopt FY 2023 Annual Budget and Appropriation with 4 amendments.  
Mr. Aubry seconded it. Mrs. C. Ihrke & Mr. Aubry rescinded their motions.
- Mr. May made the motion to accept amendments of the Farm withdraw transfer & the increase for the Public Bldg. Comm. lease. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to amend line 01-54-400.1 reducing it by \$4,000.00 and transfer \$4,000.00 to a new line creating a Jury Comm. salary line in 01-61 Judges fund. Motion died for lack of a second.

- Mr. Johnson made the motion to **adopt Resolution 22 - 93 (FY 2023 Annual Budget and Appropriation as amended by Mr. May and Mrs. C. Ihrke)**. Mrs. King seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous

### III. HIGHWAY COMMITTEE:

- Co. Highway Engineer stated there was not enough for a quorum.

### IV. INSURANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

### V. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE:

### VI. OVERVIEW LEGISLATION COMMITTEE:

- Dallas Glazik spoke to the board about the possibility of enrolling the county farm land into the Federal Program DNR and/or CRP with the Ford County Soil & Water Conservation.
- Mrs. A. Ihrke made the motion to allow a letter from the County Board to be written responding to the letter from the Railroad in regards to concerns for the increased freight traffic. Mrs. King seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

### VII. SHERIFF'S COMMITTEE:

- Mr. Johnson moved to **approve all claims reviewed in the Sheriff's Committee for approval**. Mrs. A Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous
- Mr. Johnson made the motion to **adopt 3 Resolutions 22 - 94 - 22 - 96 (Interagency Agrmnts. With City of Paxton, City of Gibson and Gibson Area Ambulance Service)**. Mr. McQuinn seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried
- Mr. Johnson made the motion to **adopt 2 Resolutions 22 - 97 - 22 - 98 (Contracts with the Villages of Melvin & the Village of Elliott)**. Mr. Aubry seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

### VIII. ZONING COMMITTEE:

- Mrs. A. Ihrke made the motion to **adopt Resolution 22 - 99 (Amending Res. 21 - 58 and to extend the Moratorium)**. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call - Unanimous

### IX. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:

- Mrs. C. Ihrke moved to **approve all submitted committee meeting minutes**. Mr. Johnson seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

### M. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS: (\* = Chairman of that committee)

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| I. <u>708 BOARD</u>  | RAY                       |
| II. <u>9-1-1</u>   | NUSS                      |
| III. <u>CIRMA</u>  | SMITH/McCALL              |
| - <b>Mrs. C. Ihrke attended a meeting stating they looked at a new Safety Mannual and more training.</b> |                           |
| IV. <u>ECCA</u>  | SMITH                     |
| V. <u>E.M.A./LEPC</u>  | TERRY WHITEBIRD           |
| - <b>Coordinator Whitebird went through his monthly report.</b>  |                           |
| VI. <u>EXTENSION</u>   | * <b>JOHNSON/A. IHRKE</b> |
| VII. <u>FORD COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.</u>  | SMITH/A. IHRKE            |
| VIII. <u>MOBILE REGION 8</u>   | DORAN/SMITH               |
| IX. <u>REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION</u>  | SMITH/C. IHRKE            |
| X. <u>UNION AFFAIRS</u>  | SMITH/McQUINN             |
| XII. <u>WIA</u>  | SMITH                     |
| - <b>Chairman Smith stated they met Nov. 10th and they have a replacement for Ford Co.</b>               |                           |

**N. OLD BUSINESS:**

- Mrs. C. Ihrke asked for an update on a new phone system for the county. Mr. Aubry responded the IT Comm. is working on it still.

**O. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Mr. Killian reminded all County Board & Elected Official/Dept. Heads to renew their OMA/FOIA/Sexual Harrasment courses before the end of the year.

**P. ADJOURNMENT:**

- Mrs. C. Ihrke moved to adjourn; Mr. Aubry seconded the motion.  
The meeting ended at 9:04 P.M.

Voice Vote - Carried

**Q. PROCLAMATION:**

The next meeting will be held on Monday, December 5, 2022 at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amy Frederick, Ford County Clerk & Recorder

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

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**FORD COUNTY BOARD MEETING**

**November 21, 2022**

Present = P Absent = A	BOARD MEMBER	FINANCE CLAIMS RECOMMENDED IN FINANCE COMMITTEE		ARPA CLAIMS RECOMMENDED IN FINANCE COMMITTEE		HWY CLAIMS RECOMMENDED IN FINANCE COMMITTEE		VLAN OPTIONS #2		RES SET HR/DEPT HEAD SAL FOR FY 2023		RES SET PROB. OFF. SAL FOR FY 2023		RES CREATING A JURY COMM.		RES SET CIR CLERK SAL FOR FY 2023			
		YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO		
A	RAY, Bernadette	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
A	McCALL, Chase	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
P	JOHNSON, Jason	X		X		X		X		X		X		X		X			
A	FERGUSON, Randy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
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			
P	AUBRY, Chuck	X		X		X		X		X		X		X		X			
P	IHRKE, Ann	X		X		X		X		X		X		X		X			
A	NUSS, Tim	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
P	IHRKE, 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 <b>FAILED</b>		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		<b>FAILED</b>	
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COUNTY CLERK: **AMY FREDERICK**

**FORD COUNTY BOARD MEETING**

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Present = P Absent = A	BOARD MEMBER	RES TO RE-APPT FORD CO ZONING OFF & SET SAL		RES FOR FY 2023 PBC LEASE		RES FOR FY 2023 PBC LEVY		ALLOWING CLERK & REC TO RUN TRUTH IN TAXATION AD		AMEND FARM TRANSFER & TO INCREASE PBC LEASE		ANUL. BUDGET & APRO. WITH AMENDS TO FARM TRANSFER & TO INCREASE PBC LEASE		CLAIMS RECOMMENDED IN SHERIFF COMMITTEE		RES AMND RES 21 - 58 EXT. MORATORUIM	
		YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
A	RAY, Bernadette	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A	McCALL, Chase	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
P	JOHNSON, Jason		X	X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
A	FERGUSON, Randy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	
P	AUBRY, Chuck		X	X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
P	IHRKE, Ann	X		X		X		X		X		X		X		X	
A	NUSS, Tim	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
P	IHRKE, 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