

**SPECIAL COUNTY BOARD MEETING
FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024**

A. CALL TO ORDER:

The County Board of Ford County met pursuant to adjournment in the Sheriff's Boardroom at the Jail in Paxton on Wednesday, February 21, 2024, at 4:30 P.M. The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman, Debbie Smith.

B. ROLL CALL:

The roll call showed the following board members in attendance: Chase McCall, Carson Vaughn, Randy Ferguson, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Tim Nuss, Vice Chairman C. Ihrke and Chairman Smith. Mrs. Mussman, Lesley King, Chuck Aubry, and Ann Ihrke were not present.

C. PROCLAMATION

Sheriff Johnson

D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Chairman Smith

E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mr. McCall made a motion to approve the Agenda as stated. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

F. APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 12, 2024, COUNTY BOARD MINUTES:

Mr. McCall made the motion to approve the February 12, 2024, County Board Minutes. Mr. Vaughn seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

G. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

- 6 citizens spoke about concerns with the pipeline project and some stated statistics about the project.

H. NEW BUSINESS:

- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to appoint State's Attorney Killian as an active intervenor in the ICC process for One Earth Energy CO2 project or to allow him to hire outside council. Mr. McQuinn seconded it.

Voice Vote – 1 – Nay

- Mr. Nuss made the motion to budget for outside council not to exceed \$40,000.00. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it.

Roll Call – Ayes – 6, Nays – 2
(Nays – McCall & Vaughn)

- Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to submit a list of concerns for the ICC petition. Mr. McQuinn seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

- Mr. Ferguson made the motion to **adopt Resolution 24 – 18 (Declaration of a vacancy and to Appt. of Ron Bork to the Ford County Board of Review until said vacancy can be filled)**. Mr. Vaughn seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

I. OLD BUSINESS:

J. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Vaughn moved to adjourn. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it.
The meeting ended at 5:03 P.M.

K. PROCLAMATION:

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, March 11, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Frederick, County Clerk

Approved _____

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Present = P Absent = A	BOARD MEMBER	FINANCE CLAIMS RECOMMENDED IN FINANCE COMMITTEE													
		YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO
A	MUSSMAN, Sarah	-	-												
P	McCALL, Chase		X												
P	VAUGHN, Carson		X												
P	FERGUSON, Randy	X													
A	KING, Lesley	-	-												
P	MAY, Gene	X													
P	McQUINN, Tom	X													
A	AUBRY, Chuck	-	-												
A	IHRKE, Ann	-	-												
P	NUSS, Tim	X													
P	IHRKE, Cindy (VC)	X													
P	SMITH, Debbie (CHAIRMAN)	X													
RESULTS = PASSED OR FAILED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED		PASSED	
		6	2												

COUNTY CLERK: AMY FREDERICK