

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

Nov 21, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the County Board, was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the County Board Room in the Campbell Building, 901 Public Square, Benton, Illinois by Chairman Randall Crocker.

ROLL CALL

Secretary, Greg Woolard, called the roll. Members in attendance were Randall Crocker, Neil Hargis, Stephen Leek, Danny Melvin, Robert Pierce, David Rea, Tom Vaughn, and Jack Warren. Alan Price was absent.

Also attendances were Don Jones, Sheriff of Franklin County; Keith Jones, Treasurer; Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk and other interested parties.

PLEDGE

Chairman Randall Crocker lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Randall Crocker asked the public if there were comments at this time, no comments made.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Danny Melvin made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 17, 2017 Regular County Board Meeting. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

COUNTY CLAIMS

Tom Vaughn made a motion to pay the claims on file. David Rea seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that a closed session is needed at this time to discuss auditors for the Circuit Clerk's office.

Danny Melvin made a motion to have a closed session at 6:04 p.m. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**RETURN TO OPEN
SESSION**

Stephen Leek made a motion to return to open meeting at 6:45 p.m. Tom Vaughn seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**COUNTY ENGINEER
SALARY - RESOLUTION**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the resolution for County Engineer salary and Mike Rolla isn't present so he asked Danny Melvin to present this resolution. Danny Melvin explained that currently Mike Rolla's, County Engineer salary is \$105,000 and 0% raise for 2018. And from the Illinois Department of Transportation that in 2018 there would be no raise his salary would be the same as 2017.

Danny Melvin made a motion to approve this resolution as presented. Tom Vaughn seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolution is made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2017-45.

**SALT BARN CONTRACT -
RESOLUTION**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the resolution for the Salt Barn contract and he asked Danny Melvin to explain in Mike Rolla, County Engineer absence. Danny Melvin explained that there was only one bid came in from B & B Livestock Supply & Trailers in Camp Point, Illinois for \$88,525.25 for a 52' x 26' Salt Barn and that Mike Rolla, County Engineer asked that the Board approve the bid.

Danny Melvin made a motion to approve the bid as presented. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolution is made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2017-46.

**CONCERNING THE
CODIFICATION &
PUBLICATION OF THE
FRANKLIN COUNTY
ORDINANCE CODE ON A
TRIAL BASIS**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the resolution Concerning the Codification and Publication of the Franklin County Ordinance Code on a trial basis. He explained that this agreement is between Franklin County and American Legal Publishing which has already been given ordinances and resolutions from the County Clerk's office back to January, 1990.

David Rea made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Jack Warren seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolution is made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2017-47.

**DELINQUENT TAX AGENT
- RESOLUTIONS**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the Delinquent Tax Program resolutions regarding authorizing my signature (Randall Crocker) to execute deeds on parcels sold thru the County's Delinquent Tax Program.

Tom Vaughn made a motion to accept the resolutions as presented. Robert Pierce seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolutions are made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2017-48 thru 2017-72.

**COUNTY ROADS NAME
CHANGE - ORDINANCE**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the ordinance for County Roads Name Change and stated that this needs to be tabled at this time.

**ANNUAL ABATEMENT -
ORDINANCE**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the ordinance for Annual Abatement and stated that this needs to be tabled at this time.

FIXED ASSET POLICY

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the Fixed Asset Policy and he explained. This policy is to keep track of fixed assets for the Treasurer's office to be used to depreciate assets.

Danny Melvin made a motion to approve the policy as presented. Jack Warren seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said policy is made a part of these minutes.

FIXED ASSET DISPOSAL

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the Fixed Asset Disposal policy and he explained. The department heads of Franklin County as needs arise and upgrading of equipment, will have a surplus of outdated equipment. Department heads should prepare a list of fixed assets for disposal.

Tom Vaughn made a motion to approve the policy as presented. Danny Melvin seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said policy is made a part of these minutes.

FUND BALANCE

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the Fund Balance policy and he explained. This is a policy to provide guidance and goals concerning the level of funds maintained by the county.

Danny Melvin a made motion to approve the Fund Balance policy. Tom Vaughn seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**ANIMAL CONTROL:
VILLAGE OF VALIER -
AGREEMENT**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the agreement with Village of Valier and the Franklin County Animal Control and he read a letter and a Memorandum of Agreement between Franklin County Animal Control and the Village of Valier. The letter states the termination of the agreement for the Animal Control Service between Franklin County and Village of Valier. Valier is opting out of this agreement.

Stephen Leek made a motion to terminate the agreement between Franklin County and the Village of Valier. Neal Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said letter and agreement are made a part of these minutes with the agreement as Agreement No. 2017-15.

**2018 CALENDAR -
APPROVAL**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the 2018 Franklin County Calendar.

Stephen Leek made a motion to accept the 2018 Franklin County Calendar as presented. Robert Pierce seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said 2018 Franklin County Calendar is made a part of these minutes.

**2018 BUDGET -
ORDINANCE**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the Franklin County 2018 Budget. He informed the County Board that this needs to be tabled until Thursday, November 30, 2017 Continued Meeting at 4:00 P.M.

**2018 LEVY -
ORDINANCE**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the Franklin County 2018 Levy. He informed the County Board that this needs to be tabled until Thursday, November 30, 2017 Continued Meeting at 4:00 P.M.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
STATES ATTORNEY -
COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING AGREEMENT**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the Franklin County States Attorney collective bargaining agreement.

Tom Vaughn made a motion to approve the Franklin County States Attorney collective bargaining agreement. David Rea seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said agreement is made a part of these minutes as Agreement No. 2017-16.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
STATES ATTORNEY -
TRAVEL REQUEST**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is a travel request for Evan Owens, States Attorney. Chairman Randall Crocker read a letter from Evan Owens, States Attorney travel request to the Illinois State's Attorney's 2017 Summer Winter Training Conference in Chicago, Illinois. The conference dates are December 13th through December 15th with a cost of \$450 and \$129 for lodging.

Danny Melvin made a motion to approve Evan Owens, States Attorney's travel request as presented. Jack Warren seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said letter is made a part of these minutes.

**TEXT MESSAGING
AVAILABLE FOR COUNTY
EMPLOYEES**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the Text Messaging available and he explained the facility notifications to County Employees program that is used by Emergency Management Agency called Nixle System.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve messaging as presented. Neil Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said facility notification is made a part of these minutes.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
SHERIFF MERIT BOARD
- 1 APPOINTMENT**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the appointment the Franklin County Sheriff Merit Board.

David Rea made a motion to reappoint Michael Sulcer to the Franklin County Sheriff Merit Board for a six year year term ending December 1, 2023. Neal Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
TOURISM COUNCIL - 1
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the appointment to the Franklin County Tourism Council and this needs to be tabled at this time.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
CLERK, FRANKLIN
COUNTY SHERIFF &
FRANKLIN COUNTY
CORONER**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated the next item on the agenda are the monthly reports from the Franklin County Clerk, Franklin County Sheriff and Franklin County Coroner.

Danny Melvin made a motion to approve all three reports as presented. Tom Vaughn seconded the motion. On roll vote, all voted yes.

Said reports are made a part of these minutes.

CONTINUATION

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that this meeting needs to be continued until Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to approve the Annual Abatement Ordinance and Levy & Budget for December 1, 2017 thru November 30, 2018. Danny Melvin made a motion to approve the continued meeting. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.



Randall Crocker
Franklin County Board Chairman



Greg Woolard
County Clerk and Recorder