

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

Mar 15, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the County Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman J. Larry Miller. Due to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), Governor J B Pritzker has ordered everyone to wear masks and to observe social distancing. This meeting was held in the former County Board room, Campbell Building, 901 Public Square, Benton, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Secretary, Greg Woolard, called the roll. Members in attendance were J. Larry Miller, Randall Crocker, John Gossett, Neil Hargis, Mark Kash, Ray Minor, Jack Warren, Kevin Weston and Brad Wilson.

Also attendances were Gayla Prather, Administrative Assistant to the County Board; Amos Abbott, E-911 Director; David Bartoni, Sheriff; Ryan Buckingham, Director of Emergency Management Agency; Abby Dinn, States Attorney; Darla Fitzjerrells, Director of Court Services; Marty Leffler, Coroner; Cindy Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments; Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk; Mike Rolla, County Engineer; Steve Vercellino, County Treasurer; Bob Rea and other interest parties.

PLEDGE

Chairman J. Larry Miller lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman J. Larry Miller asked the public if there were comments at this time. Anna Maria Kowalik, Senior Vice President of Illinois Energy Conservation Authority NFP (IECA) talked about Create Value, Reduce Costs though C-PACE Financing.

Said financing information is made a part of these minutes.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING Jack Warren made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 1, 2021 Special County Board Meeting. Brad Wilson seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

COUNTY CLAIMS Ray Minor made a motion to pay the claims on file. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

SANCTITY OF LIFE - RESOLUTION Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the first item on the agenda is the resolution for a Sanctity of Life and he read said resolution.

John Gossett made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Brad Wilson seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolution is made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2021-09.

SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS - COMPUTER & OFFICE UPDATES - APPROVAL OF QUOTE Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the approval of a quote for computers & office updates for the Supervisor of Assessments office and he asked Cindy Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments to present said quote. Cindy Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments presented the quote from Concepte of Illinois Inc. about upgrading her office computers from Windows 7 to Windows 10 with the cost being \$7,360.00.

Ray Minor made a motion to accept the quote from Concepte of Illinois Inc. for the Supervisor of Assessments computer upgrade. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all vote yes except Mark Kash.

Said quote is made a part of these minutes.

DEDICATION PLAQUE - APPROVAL Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the approval of the dedication plaque for the new courthouse. He read and explained the wording that will be on the plaque.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve the wording for the dedication plaque. Neil Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said plaque wording is made a part of these minutes.

**COUNTY & TOWNSHIP
MOTOR FUEL TAX (MFT)
LETTING -
RESOLUTIONS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the resolutions for 21-00000-00-GM Maintenance County and the 2021 Township Maintenance Section 21-000-00-GM and asked Mike Rolla, County Engineer to present these resolutions. Mike Rolla, County Engineer presented the County Maintenance the resolution for 21-00000-00-GM for material. Eagle Valley Inc from Shawneetown, Illinois for CA10 & Surfacing Material; Anna Quarries from Anna, Illinois for CA-16 and Seal Coat Aggregate; Emulsicoat from Urbana, Illinois for BIT.MTLS Liquid Asphalt and HFE-90/150 or RS-2 Delivered and Illini Asphalt, from Benton Illinois for Emulsified Asphalt Grade HFE-300 and BIT.MTLS Liquid Asphalt and HFE-90/150 or RS-2 Applied and HFP Applied all as the low bidders and he recommends approval.

Mike Rolla, County Engineer presented the second resolution is for the Township Road districts and they are as follows: Barren, Benton, Browning, Cave, Denning, Eastern, Ewing, Frankfort, Goode, Northern, Six-Mile & Tyrone. Awarding Beelman Trucking Co., East St. Louis Illinois, to furnish Seal Coat Aggregate CA 16; Illini Asphalt, Benton Illinois, to furnish BIT.MTLS Liquid Asphalt and HFE-150 or RS-2 applied, Seal Coat aggregate CA 16 applied and Emulsified Asphalt Grade HFE-300; Eagle Valley Inc. Shawneetown, Illinois, to furnish Surfacing Material CA 6/10; Dorris Trucking, Sesser Illinois, to furnish Surfacing Material CA 11; were the low bidders. There are twelve townships and the resolution states which low bidder was awarded that contract and he recommends approval.

Brad Wilson made a motion to accept the resolutions as presented. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolutions are made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2021-10 & 2021-11.

**ELECTION JUDGES WAGE
- AGREEMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is approval of the Election Judges Wage agreement and he asked Greg Woolard, County Clerk to read said agreement. Greg Woolard, County Clerk read the agreement to increase the election judges pay from \$100 to \$125 and reduce the number of judges per precinct from 5 to 4 judges and asked for it to be approved.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the Election Judge Wage agreement as presented. John Gossett seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all vote yes.

Said agreement is made a part of these minutes as Agreement No. 2021-04.

**DELINQUENT TAX
PROGRAM -
RESOLUTIONS**

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

Kevin Weston made a motion to accept the resolutions as presented. Neil Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolutions are made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2021-12 thru 2021-13.

**COUNTY TREASURER -
TRAVEL REQUEST**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the travel request for Steve Vercellino, County Treasurer to attend the ICTA (Illinois County Treasurer's Office) Spring Conference. He read a letter and explained it is a two nights stay in Springfield, Illinois on April 19th and April 20th plus registration fee and mileage reimbursements for a total of \$485.08 and asked for approval.

Mark Kash made a motion to approve the travel request for Steve Vercellino, County Treasurer. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes

Said letter is made a part of these minutes.

**REFINANCING SOURCE /
COUNTY COURTHOUSE -
APPROVAL**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on agenda is the approval of a refinancing source for the new county courthouse.

Ray Minor made a motion and asked to go with the Southern Illinois Bank group at a rate of 2.65%. Randall Crocker seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes except for Neil Hargis, Jack Warren and Brad Wilson motion approved.

**HOLCOMBE FOUNDATION
ENGINEERING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Holcomb Foundation Engineering (HFE) claim for construction materials testing in the amount of \$1,639.50.

Brad Wilson made a motion to approve the payment to Holcomb Foundation Engineering (HFE). Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**NAVIGATE BUILDING
SOLUTIONS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Navigate Building Solutions claim for January 2021 Construction Services in the amount of \$16,500.00.

Brad Wilson made a motion to approve the payment to Navigate Building Solution. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**FAGER-MCGEE
COMMERCIAL
CONSTRUCTION INC.**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Fager-McGee Commercial Construction Inc. claim for Application No. 6 for Period Feb. 1, 2021 thru Feb. 28, 2021 on Project No. 3925 in the amount of \$178,148.10.

Brad Wilson made a motion to approve the payment to Fager-McGee Commercial Construction Inc. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

REND INVESTMENTS LLC

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Rend Investments LLC claim for April 2021 Rental of Property for Construction Parking in the amount of \$900.00.

Brad Wilson made a motion to approve the payment to Rend Investments LLC. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**SOUTHERN ILLINOIS
STORAGE**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Southern Illinois Storage claim for monthly rent February 17, 2021 thru March 16, 2021 in the amount of \$175.00.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve the payment to Southern Illinois Storage. Neil Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**POSITIVE PAY /
COURTHOUSE BANK
ACCOUNT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Positive Pay / Courthouse Bank Account claim for check verification Oct. 2020 thru Feb. 2021 in the amount of \$201.70.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve the payment to Positive Pay / Courthouse Bank Account. Neil Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**EMERGENCY TELEPHONE
SYSTEM 911 - 3
APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is three appointments to the Emergency Telephone System 911 Board. Chairman J. Larry Miller asked for approval for the reappointment of board members Dave Bartoni, David Rea & Ryan Buckingham for another three year terms ending March 20, 2024.

Randall Crocker made a motion to accept the approval made by Chairman J. Larry Miller for Dave Bartoni, David Rea & Ryan Buckingham to be reappointed to the Emergency Telephone System 911 Board. Neil Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
HOSPITAL BOARD - 1
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the appointment to the Franklin County Hospital Board and he stated that this needs to be tabled at this time.

**COUNTY CLERK,
CORONER & SHERIFF**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated the next item on the agenda are the monthly reports from the Franklin County Clerk; Franklin County Coroner; and Franklin County Sheriff reports for service from February 16, 2021 thru March 14, 2021.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve all reports as presented. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said reports are made a part of these minutes.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is closed session and he asked for a motion to go into closed session to discuss the negotiation for the Juvenile Detention Center.

John Gossett made a motion to go into closed session at 7:06 pm. Kevin Weston seconded the motion.

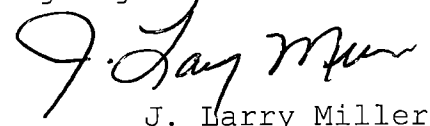
RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that a motion is needed to return to open meeting.

Jack Warren made a motion to return to the open meeting session. Brad Wilson seconded the motion. On roll vote, all voted yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman J. Larry Miller asked the Board if there were any questions. Jack Warren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ray Minor seconded the motion. There being no further business Chairman J. Larry Miller declared the meeting adjourned.



J. Larry Miller
Franklin County Board Chairman



Greg Woolard
County Clerk and Recorder