

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

Nov 20, 2018

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, Danny Melvin, Robert Pierce, Alan Price, David Rea, Tom Vaughn & Jack Warren.

Also attendances were Gayla Prather, Administrative Assistant to the County Board; Keith Ward, Recycling Coordinator; Don Jones, County Sheriff; Keith Jones, County Treasurer; Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk; Mike Rolla, County Engineer; Larry Miller, Elected County Board Member; Steve Vercellino, Elected Treasurer 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. Chris Ely spoke to board, introducing himself to the County Board.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Danny Melvin made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 16, 2018 Regular County Board Meeting, October 29, 2018 & November 5, 2018 Special Meetings. Tom Vaughn seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

COUNTY CLAIMS

Alan Price made a motion to pay the claims on file. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that a closed session is not needed at this time.

**RETURN TO OPEN
SESSION**

**COUNTY BOARD MEMBER
- REPLACEMENT
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the appointment of a replacement for County Board member Tom Vaughn who has resigned.

Danny Melvin made a motion to appoint John Gulley to fill the unexpired term of Tom Vaughn ending November, 2020. Tom Vaughn seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Randall Crocker asked the Board if there were any questions. Alan Price made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Rea seconded the motion. At this time, Chairman Randall Crocker declared this part of the meeting adjourned.

PART II BEGINS

**CALL TO ORDER PART
II**

The Regular Meeting Part II of the County Board, was called to order by Chairman Randall Crocker.

ROLL CALL PART II

Secretary, Greg Woolard, called the roll. Members in attendance were Randall Crocker, John Gulley, Neil Hargis, Danny Melvin, Robert Pierce, Alan Price, David Rea, & Jack Warren.

**CUSTODIAN
RESIGNATION - ACCEPT**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the first item on the agenda is the acceptance of the Custodian's resignation.

Alan Price made a motion to accept the resignation of the custodian Bill Young who is retiring. Robert Pierce seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**PERMISSION TO HIRE
CUSTODIAN**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is to hire a new custodian and setting their new salary at \$30,000 and he stated that no one is hired at this time.

Danny Melvin made a motion to hire a new custodian with a salary amount of \$30,000. Jack Warren seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**ANNUAL ABATEMENT -
ORDINANCE**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated the next item on the agenda is the Annual Abatement Ordinance. He presented this ordinance stating this is for the year 2018 to pay the principal of and interest on \$2,910,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2012 and recommends approval.

Alan Price made a motion to approve the ordinance as presented. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said ordinance is made a part of these minutes as Ordinance No. 2018-06.

**LEVY FOR DEC. 1,
2018 THRU NOV. 30,
2019**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item for discussion is the ordinance for the Franklin County 2019 Levy - December 1, 2018 thru November 30, 2019.

David Rea made a motion to approve the Franklin County 2019 Levy as presented. Alan Price seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said ordinance is made a part of these minutes as Ordinance No. 2018-07.

**BUDGET FOR DEC. 1,
2018 THRU NOV. 30,
2019**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item for discussion is the ordinance for the Franklin County 2019 Budget - December 1, 2018 thru November 30, 2019 and presented a new budget.

Alan Price made a motion to approve the Franklin County 2019 Budget. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said ordinance is made a part of these minutes as Ordinance No. 2018-08.

**SIMPKINS SUB
DIVISION**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the Simpkins Subdivision in Ewing Township.

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

Said subdivision is made a part of these minutes and was recorded on December 4, 2018 as document number 2018-4992.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY EMA
ASSET DISPOSAL**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the disposal of assets for the Franklin County EMA department and he read a letter from Ryan Buckingham, Director of Emergency Management. The letter states that a 2000 Ford Crown Victoria be donated to the Buckner Fire Department and a 2003 Chevrolet Impala be donated to the Coello Fire Department.

Alan Price made a motion to approve the donations as presented. Neal Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said letter is made a part of these minutes.

**ESTABLISHING AN
ENTERPRISE ZONE
WITHIN THE COUNTY OF
FRANKLIN - ORDINANCE**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the ordinance establishing an Enterprise Zone within the County of Franklin and reapplying for the Enterprise Zone with part of Franklin County, West Frankfort, Benton and West City.

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

Said ordinance is made a part of the minutes as Ordinance No. 2018-09.

**ABATING PROPERTY TAX
IN FRANKLIN COUNTY I
57 ENTERPRISE ZONE -
RESOLUTION**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the resolution abating property tax in Franklin County I-57 Enterprise Zone for new property taxes in the enterprise zone.

Stephen Leek made a motion to approve the resolution as presented. Alan Price seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolution is made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2018-61.

**2019 FRANKLIN COUNTY
CALENDAR**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the approval of the 2019 Franklin County calendar. Chairman Randall Crocker expressed interest in moving the Committee meetings to 4:30 - Finance Meeting beginning at 4:30 p.m., Road & Bridge meeting beginning at 5:00 p.m., and Health & Environment Meeting beginning at 5:15 p.m. after December 3rd Special Meeting.

Stephen Leek made a motion to approve the Committee meetings time changes as requested by Chairman Randall Crocker. Robert Pierce seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said 2019 Franklin County calendar is made a part of these minutes.

**DELINQUENT TAX
PROGRAM**

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.

Danny Melvin made a motion to accept the resolutions as presented. John Gulley seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolutions are made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2018-62 thru 2018-85.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
ENGINEER - SALARY**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the resolution for County Engineer salary and Mike Rolla, County Engineer present this resolution states that a mandate 3% raise starting December 1, 2018.

Danny Melvin made a motion to approve the resolution 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. 2018-86.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
STATES ATTORNEY
APPELLATE PROSECUTOR
- RESOLUTION**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is a resolution for the States Attorney Appellate Prosecutor Act, he explained that this fee we pay to appellate prosecutor and was approved annually.

John Gulley made a motion to accept the said resolution as presented. Robert Pierce seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolution is made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2018-87.

**STATE'S ATTORNEY -
TRAVEL REQUEST**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the travel request from Evan Owens, States Attorney, he read a letter to attend the 2018 State's Attorney's Conference in Chicago, on December 12th thru 14th and the cost will be \$450.00 for the training and the lodgeing is \$129.00 per night.

Alan Price made a motion to approve the travel request for the States Attorney's office as presented. David Rea seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said letter is made a part of these minutes.

**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.

Stephen Leek made a motion to approve all three reports as presented. Jack Warren seconded the motion. On roll vote, all voted yes.

Said reports are made a part of these minutes.

ADJOURMENT PART II

Chairman Randall Crocker asked the Board if there were any questions. Jack Warren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Rea seconded the motion. There being no further business Chairman Randall Crocker declared the meeting adjourned.



Randall Crocker

Franklin County Board Chairman



Greg Woolard

County Clerk and Recorder