

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

Sep 17, 2019

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, John Gulley, Neil Hargis, Stephen Leek, Larry Miller, Ray Minor, Alan Price, Jack Warren and Kevin Weston.

Also attendances were Gayla Prather, Administrative Assistant to the County Board; Keith Ward, Recycling Coordinator; Phillip Butler, States Attorney; Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk; Mike Rolla, County Engineer and Steve Vercellino, County Treasurer and other interest 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.

The public asked why the resolution for the County to be an abortion sanctuary county was not on the agenda and asked for it to be put on the agenda.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Jack Warren made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 20th Regular, August 26th Special, August 30th Special and September 3rd Additional County Board Meetings Minutes. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

COUNTY CLAIMS

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

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that a closed session is not needed at this time.

**RETURN TO OPEN
SESSION**

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
LOADER - ACCEPT BID**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the first item on the agenda is to accept bid for Highway Department Loader and he asked Mike Rolla, County Engineer to present the resolution. Mike Rolla, County Engineer presented the bid for a John Deere 624L Loader from Erb Equipment in Mt Vernon, Illinois with a price of \$75,452.88 and he recommends approval.

Ray Minor made a motion to approve the bid for the John Deere 624L Loader 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. 2019-36.

**SUBSIDENCE AGREEMENT
- APPROVAL**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the subsidence agreement and he stated that this needs to be tabled at this time.

**WEST CENTER ROAD -
ENGINEERING
AGREEMENT**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the West Center Road engineering agreement and he asked Mike Rolla, County Engineer to explain. Mike Rolla, County Engineer presented the agreement for bridge replacement in Goode Township, in Section 16-09127-00-BR for TR 38 over Tributary to Cane Creek and he asked for acceptance.

Alan Price made a motion to accept the agreement as present. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said agreement is made a part of these minutes as Agreement No. 2019-11.

**FRANKLIN-WILLIAMSON
BI-COUNTY HEALTH
DEPARTMENT ANNUAL
TAX LEVY -
RESOLUTION**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the resolution for the Franklin-Williamson Bi-County Health Department Annual Tax Levy for fiscal year beginning December 1, 2019 and ending November 30, 2020.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the annual tax levy 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. 2019-37.

**UNIVERSITY OF
ILLINOIS EXTENSION
ANNUAL BUDGET PLAN -
ACCEPTANCE**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the acceptance of the University of Illinois Extension Annual Budget Plan. John Gulley explained what they will use the money they will receive from the County and presented plan.

Alan Price made a motion to accept the annual budget plan as presented. Larry Miller seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said annual budget plan is made a part of these minutes.

**STATES ATTORNEY
OFFICE - BETH
SUNDUSKY TRAVEL
REQUEST**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the States Attorney office, Beth Sandusky's travel request. Phillip Butler, States Attorney explained that this is a 20th Annual IPbVAA Conference on October 22nd thru October 25th in Galena, Illinois and the registration fee is \$50.00 per member and \$70.00 per night plus taxes for lodging plus mileage reimbursement.

John Gulley made a motion to accept the travel request for the States Attorney's office as presented. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said travel request is made a part of these minutes.

**DECORATE COURTHOUSE
& GROUNDS FOR
CHRISTMAS 2019**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the City of Benton is requesting the decorate the courthouse and grounds for Christmas 2019.

Larry Miller made a motion to allow the City of Benton to decorate for Christmas. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**2020 COUNTY HOLIDAY
SCHEDULE - APPROVAL**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the 2020 Holiday Schedule and he explained it was the same Holidays as in 2019.

John Gulley made a motion to accept the holiday schedule as presented. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said 2020 Holiday Schedule is made a part of these minutes.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
CIRCUIT CLERK -
REPLACEMENT HIRE**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the replacement hire for the Franklin County Circuit Clerk's office. Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk explained that two full time employee positions are needed.

Ray Minor made a motion to approve the replacement hire for the Circuit Clerk's office. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**PROHIBITING THE
OPERATION OF ANY
CANNABIS - ORDINANCE**

Chairman Randall Crocker informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is to approve the ordinance prohibiting the operation of any Cannabis Related Business established within the unincorporated area of Franklin County and he stated that this needs to be tabled at this time.

**FRANKLIN HOSPITAL -
3 APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is three appointments to the Franklin County Hospital Board, Robert Lewis, Jim Johnson and Brent Young terms expired August 31, 2019 and he asked that they be reappointed for another three year terms ending August 31, 2022.

Stephen Leek made a motion to reappoint Robert Lewis, Jim Johnson and Brent Young to the Franklin County Hospital Board for another three year terms ending August 31, 2022. Alan Price seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
BOARD OF REVIEW - 1
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is an appointment to the Franklin County Board of Review and stated that this needs to be tabled at this time.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY JAIL
COMMISSION - 1
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is an appointment for the Franklin County Jail Commission, Keith Jones term will expire September 30, 2019 and he asks to reappoint Keith Jones to the Jail Commission for another five year term ending September 30, 2024.

Jack Warren made a motion to reappoint Keith Jones to the Franklin County Jail Commission Board for another five year term ending September 30, 2024. Stephen Leek seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

NAVIGATE

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the Navigate Building Solutions claim for August, 2019 Preconstruction Services a third payment in the amount of \$17,505.00.

Ray Minor made a motion to approve the payment to Navigate Building Solutions. John Gulley seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

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

**US BANK CREDIT CARD
/ THE BUZZ**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated that the next item on the agenda is the US Bank Credit Card for The Buzz with an amount of \$173.51 and he explained that this was for sandwiches from The Buzz during the bid process for the Courthouse.

Ray Minor made a motion to approve the payment for the US Bank Credit Card. John Gulley seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

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

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

Chairman Randal Crocker stated the next item on the agenda are the monthly reports from the Franklin County Clerk, Franklin County Sheriff and Franklin County Coroner except there is no Sheriff's report.

Stephen Leek made a motion to approve all reports as presented. Larry Miller seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said reports are made a part of these minutes.

**REGIONAL
SUPERINTENDENT OF
SCHOOLS - ANNUAL
REPORT**

Chairman Randall Crocker stated the next item on the agenda is the Regional Superintendent of Schools Annual Report of Activities July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019 report from Lorie LeQuatte, Franklin-Johnson-Massac-Williamson Regional Superintendent of Schools and he stated that Lorie LeQuatte, Franklin-Johnson-Massac-Williamson Regional Superintendent of Schools explained this report at the Committee meeting.

Stephen Leek made a motion to approve this report as presented. Larry Miller seconded the motion. On roll vote, all voted yes.

Said reports are made a part of these minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Randall Crocker asked the Board if there were any questions. Jack Warren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alan Price 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