

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

Apr 18, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the County Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by J. Larry Miller. This meeting was held in the Franklin County Courthouse, County Board Room 133, 100 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; David Bartoni, Sheriff; Marty Leffler, Coroner; Donny Miklos, Foreman for County Highway Department; Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk; Bobbie Overturf, Animal Control Supervisor; Steve Vercellino, County Treasurer; and other interest parties Rocky Morris and Tom Carter.

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. Rocky Morris talked about the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) money that has been sent and wants to talk about why the Probation staff didn't get money from the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) money. Chairman J. Larry Miller said the County did not negotiate their contract.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the minutes for the March 21st Regular County Board Meeting and the April 4th Special County Board Meeting will be approved at the next regular County Board meeting on May 16, 2022.

COUNTY CLAIMS

Ray Minor made a motion to pay the claims on file. Jack Warren seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS -
SHERIFF, CIRCUIT
CLERK, COUNTY CLERK,
& TREASURER - SALARY
INCREASE**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the first item on the agenda is the Elected Officials salary increase for Sheriff, Circuit Clerk, County Clerk & Treasurer and he presented a spreadsheet shows different percentages and then he stated that we can vote on everyone except the Circuit Clerk.

John Gossett proposes a 2% increase for each year for the next four years for the Sheriff, County Clerk & Treasurer. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said spreadsheet is made a part of these minutes.

**AMENDMENT TO LIQUOR
LICENSE ORDINANCE
1995-04 FOR CLASS A**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Amendment to Liquor License Ordinance 1995-04 to increase the number of Class A licenses and he asked Kevin Weston to explain. Kevin Weston informed the board that the Bass Family is asking for a liquor license for Bates Campground. Kevin Weston is asking for two additional liquor license which will bring it up to nine licenses. Brad Wilson and John Gossett wants to put a limit on the number of licenses the County can give out. Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that he is against that idea of limiting the number. Randall Crocker stated that he thinks it should be one additional license. Angie Bass spoke about how they would do the convenient store, office, laundry mat also poker machines in this new facility at Bates Campground.

Kevin Weston made a motion to increase the number of Class A Liquor Licenses to nine. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote, the voting was as follows: Randall Crocker, Neil Hargis, Ray Minor, Kevin Weston and Brad Wilson voted YES and John Gossett, Mark Kash, Jack Warren and Chairman J. Larry Miller voted NO. This motion passed by a 5 yes's and 4 no's.

Said amended ordinance is made a part of these minutes as Ordinance No. 2022-02.

MARK WHITLER

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is Mark Whitler for final payment on display case in the amount of \$6,000.00.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the payment to Mark Whitler. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim is made a part of these minutes.

**US BANK CREDIT CARD
(METAL DETECTOR,
FLAGS, REFRIGERATORS
& MICRO WAVES)**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is US Bank Credit Card for Metal Detector, Flags, Refrigerators & Micro Waves in the amount of \$9,302.95.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the payment to US Bank Credit Card. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

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

**WHITE& BORGOGNONI
ARCHITECTURES**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is White & Borgognoni Architectures for 97% Construction Administration & reimbursable Expenses in the amount of \$28,590.15.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the payment to White & Borgognoni Architectures. Mark Kash 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 for March, 2022 owner representative services in the amount of \$16,500.00.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the payment to Navigate Building Solutions. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

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

ALL STARS-N-STITCHES

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is All Stars-n-Stitches for POW MIA Flag plus shipping in the amount of \$78.83.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the payment to All Stars-n-Stitches. Mark Kash 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. #17

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Fager-McGee Commercial Construction Inc. #17 for project 3925 for building courthouse & utilities-courthouse in the amount of \$236,810.99.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the payment to Fager-McGee Commercial Construction Inc. #17. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

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

BOARD OF REVIEW - 1 APPOINTMENT

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is an appointment to the Board of Review to replace Sherry Hargis's unexpired term and he recommends Ron Sink to fill the unexpired term ending June 1, 2022.

John Gossett made a motion accept the appointment as presented. Randall Crocker seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**CAVE-EASTERN FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT
BOARD - 1
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is a reappointment of Steve Sniderwin to the Cave-Eastern Fire Protection Board for a three year term ending May 5, 2025.

Jack Warren made a motion to accept the reappointment as presented. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**CORINTH WATER
DISTRICT - 1
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is a reappointment of James Eaton to the Corinth Water District Board for a five year term ending May 3, 2027.

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

**EWING-NORTHERN FIRE
PROTECTION BOARD - 1
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is a reappointment of Dean Cripps to the Ewing-Northern Fire Protection Board for a three year term ending May 5, 2025.

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

**FRANKLIN COUNTY
COMMUNITY MENTAL
"708" HEALTH BOARD -
1 APPOINTMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is an appointment to the Franklin County Community Mental "708" Health Board which will need to be tabled at this time.

**HILL CITY WATER
DISTRICT BOARD - 1
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is a reappointment of Terry Moore to the Hill City Water District Board for a five year term ending April 30, 2027.

Ray Minor made a motion to accept the reappointment as presented. Brad Wilson seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**PLUMFIELD WATER
DISTRICT BOARD - 2
APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda are the reappointments of Debbie Jackanicz and Jim McPhail Jr. to the Plumfield Water District Board for a four year term ending May 1, 2026.

Jack Warren made a motion to accept the reappointments as presented. John Gossett seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**SESSER FIRE
PROTECTION DISTRICT
- 2 APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda are reappointments of Mark Lappin and Wayne Shannon to the Sesser Fire Protection Board for a three year term ending April 30, 2025.

Randall Crocker made a motion to accept the reappointment as presented. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**COUNTY CLERK &
CORONER**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated the next item on the agenda is the March, 2022 monthly report from the Franklin County Coroner, there were no Franklin County Clerk and Sheriff's monthly reports at this time.

Neil Hargis made motion to approve the report as presented. Brad Wilson seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said report is made a part of these minutes.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is a closed session and he informed the County Board that no closed session is needed at this time.

**RETURN TO OPEN
SESSION**

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman J. Larry Miller asked the Board if there were any questions. Neil Hargis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brad Wilson 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