

# FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

Dec 20, 2021

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular Meeting of the County Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman J. Larry Miller. This meeting was held in the Franklin County Campbell Building, Courtroom A, 901 Public Square, Benton, Illinois.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Also attendances were Gayla Prather, Administrative Assistant to the County Board; Abby Dinn, States Attorney; Cindy Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments; Mike Rolla, County Engineer; Steve Vercellino, County Treasurer; Tom Carter and Rocky Morris 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. Tom Carter reports he talked to John Gossett about a covid plan for the County. Chairman J. Larry Miller stated he is looking into that.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Jack Warren made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 15, 2021 Regular County Board Meeting; November 30, 2021 and December 6, 2021 Special County Board Meetings Minutes. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**COUNTY CLAIMS**

Neil Hargis made a motion to pay the claims on file. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**ANNUAL TAX LEVY  
2021-2022 -  
ORDINANCE**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the first item on the agenda is the approval of the ordinance for the Annual Tax Levy 2021 - 2022 and he asks for approval.

Neil Hargis made a motion to approve the Annual Tax Levy 2021 - 2022 as presented. Jack Warren seconded the motion. On roll vote, all voted yes.

Said ordinance is made a part of these minutes as Ordinance 2021-07.

**ABATING THE TAX  
HERETO LEVIED FOR  
THE YEAR 2021 -  
ORDINANCE**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Ordinance Abating the Tax hereto levied for the Year 2021 to pay the principal of and interest on \$2,910,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2012 and he explained it is procedural process that the county does every year to stay legal with the bond company and he asked for approval.

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

Said ordinance is made a part of these minutes as Ordinance No. 2021-08.

**DELINQUENT TAX  
RESOLUTION**

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 the 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. 2021-93 thru 2021-102.

**POWER PHONE FOR 911  
/ ARPA FUNDS -  
APPROVAL**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Power Phone for 911 / ARPA Fund and he stated that this needs to be tabled at this time.

**PCO #039 FIBER OPTIC  
CABLING - APPROVAL**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the approval of the Potential Change Order (PCO) #039 and he asked Kevin Weston to explain. Kevin Weston explained it is for the Fiber Optic install from the Campbell building to the Courthouse for an amount of \$7,439.86 and asked for approval.

Kevin Weston made a motion to accept the PCO #039 as presented. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said Potential Change Order (PCO) #039 is made a part of these minutes.

**PCO #040 ELEVATOR  
CONTROL ROOM VAV'S -  
APPROVAL**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the approval of the Potential Change Order (PCO) #040 and he asked Kevin Weston to explain. Kevin Weston explained it is for the Elevator Control Room V.A.V's for the three elevator rooms, for an amount of \$20,175.50 and asked for approval.

Jack Warren made a motion to accept the PCO #040 as presented. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said Potential Change Order (PCO) #040 is made a part of these minutes.

**HAZARD PAY FOR  
NON-UNION EMPLOYEES**

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda Hazard pay for Non-Union Employees needs to be tabled at this time.

**PAYMENT ON COUNTY  
HEALTH INS. /  
NON-UNION EMPLOYEES**

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda payment on County Health Insurance / Non-Union Employees also needs to be tabled at this time.

**REND INVESTMENTS LLC  
(12/6/2021)** Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Rend Investments LLC and this is for December, 2021 rental of property for construction parking in the amount of \$900.00.

Kevin Weston made motion to approve the payment to Rend Investments LLC. 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.

**HOLCOMB FOUNDATION  
ENGINEERING  
(12/6/2021)** Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Holcomb Foundation Engineering (HFE) for Nuclear Density Testing plus mileage in the amount of \$734.10.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve the payment to Holcomb Foundation Engineering (HFE). 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.

**NAVIGATE BUILDING  
SOLUTIONS** Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Navigate Building Solutions and this is for October, 2021 and November, 2021 owner rep services at \$16,500.00 per month for a total amount of \$33,000.00.

Kevin Weston made motion to approve the payment to Navigate Building Solutions. 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.

**FAGER-MCGEE #14 FOR  
OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER** Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Fager-McGee Commercial Construction Inc. invoice #14 and this is for the period October 1, 2021 thru November 30, 2021 with Project No. 3925 in the amount of \$1,033,816.65.

Kevin Weston made motion to approve the payment to Fager-McGee Commercial Construction Inc. 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.

**CROSSWALK COMMUNITY  
ACTION AGENCY - 2  
APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is two appointments for the Crosswalk Community Action Agency Board stating that John D. Aiken and Jim McPhail terms will expire December 31, 2021 and he recommends reappointing John D. Aiken for another two year term ending December 31, 2023 and the second appointment will be made at a later date.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve the appointment to the Crosswalk Community Action Agency Board as presented. Jack Warren seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**DENNING CEMETERY  
ASSOCIATION - 1  
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the appointment of the Denning Cemetery Association Board, this needs to be tabled at this time.

**FRANKLIN COUNTY  
COMMUNITY MENTAL  
"708" HEALTH - 2  
APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda are the two appointments of the Franklin County Community Mental "708" Health Board, this needs to be tabled at this time.

**GREATER EGYPT  
REGIONAL PLANNING  
COMMISSION - 1  
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the appointment of the Greater Egypt Regional Planning Commission Board and he recommends reappointing Kevin Weston for another three year term ending December 31, 2024..

Neil Hargis made a motion to reappoint Kevin Weston to the Greater Egypt Regional Planning Commission Board. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**REND LAKE AREA  
TOURISM COUNCIL - 3  
APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda are the three appointments of the Rend Lake Area Tourism Council, 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, November, 2021; Franklin County Coroner, November, 2021; and Sheriff, for service from September 18, 2021 through December 17, 2021.

Neil Hargis made motion to approve all reports as presented. Kevin Weston 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 no closed session is needed at this time.

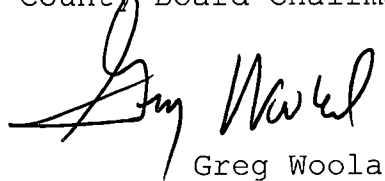
**RETURN TO OPEN  
SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller asked the Board if there were any questions. Jack Warren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mark Kash 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