

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

Feb 22, 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 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, John Gossett, Neil Hargis, Mark Kash, Ray Minor, Kevin Weston, and Brad Wilson. Jack Warren was absent.

Also attendances were Gayla Prather, Administrative Assistant to the County Board; David Bartoni, Sheriff; Abby Dinn, States Attorney; Marty Leffler, Coroner; Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk; Mike Rolla, County Engineer; Steve Vercellino, County Treasurer; 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 talked about how to give ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) money to small water communities. He suggested the Macedonia Water District and presented information.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Kevin Weston made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 18, 2022 Regular County Board Meeting Minutes. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

COUNTY CLAIMS

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

**DELINQUENT TAX
PROGRAM -
RESOLUTIONS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the first item on the agenda is the Delinquent Tax Program resolutions regarding authorizing my signature (J. Larry Wilson) 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. John Gossett seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolutions are made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2022-05 and 2022-09.

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

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda are the resolutions for 22-00000-00-GM Maintenance County and the 2022 Township Maintenance Section 22-000-00-GM and asked Mike Rolla, County Engineer to present these resolutions. Mike Rolla, County Engineer presented the County Maintenance the resolution for 22-00000-00-GM for material. Eagle Valley Inc from Shawneetown, Illinois for CA10 & Surfacing Material; Beelman Truck Co., East St.Louis, 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 CA10 & 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.

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

Said resolutions are made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2022-10 & 2022-11.

**STATE ATTORNEY'S
LABOR CONTRACT -
APPROVAL**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Franklin County State's Attorney (Clerical) and the Laborers' International Union of North America, The Southern and Central Illinois Laborers' District Council and Laborers' Local Union 773 with the duration being December 1, 2020 thru November 30, 2023. Chairman J. Larry Miller states the terms stay the same.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve the Franklin County States Attorney collective bargaining agreement. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said agreement is made a part of these minutes as Agreement No. 2022-02.

**CIRCUIT CLERK'S
LABOR CONTRACT -
APPROVAL**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Circuit Clerk's Labor Contract and this needs to be tabled at this time.

**EASEMENT VARIANCE
FOR FRAULINI SURVEY
- APPROVAL**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Easement Variance for Fraulini Survey by Donald L. Bullard Land Surveyor. Mike Rolla, County Engineer explained this survey in the Committee meeting earlier this evening and asked for approval.

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

Said survey is made a part of these minutes as document number 2022-0849.

**PLACE AD FOR BIDS -
COURTHOUSE
JANITORIAL SERVICE -
APPROVAL**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the decision to place an ad for bids for the Courthouse Janitorial Service. Kevin Weston states he has called some local services and thinks the County should bid janitorial service for the new courthouse if feasible.

Kevin Weston made a motion to place an ad for bids. John Gosset seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**AMENDMENT TO LIQUOR
LICENSE - CLASS A -
ORDINANCE**

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the Ordinance for Amendment to the Class A Liquor License. Kevin Weston stated that he would like to increase the number of Class A Liquor License from six to ten. Brad Wilson asked about the process of getting a liquor license.

Kevin Weston made a motion to increase the number of Class A Liquor Licenses to ten. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote the voting was as follows: Mark Kash, Ray Minor, Kevin Weston and Brad Wilson all voted yes. Randall Crocker, John Gossett, Neil Hargis, and Chairman J. Larry Miller all voted no. This being a tied vote the motion did not carry.

Randall Crocker made a motion to increase the number of Class A Liquor Licenses to seven. Neil Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote the voting was as follows: Randall Crocker, Neil Hargis, Ray Minor, Kevin Weston, Brad Wilson all voted yes. John Gossett, Mark Kash, and Chairman J. Larry Miller all voted no. This motion carried.

Said ordinance is made a part of these minutes as Ordinance No. 2022-01.

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
- PURCHASE 2 SQUAD
CARS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the purchase of two squad cars from the Sheriff's Department. Sheriff Dave Bartoni asked to purchase two new Dodge Durangos around \$50,000 dollars per car and he is asking to get the money from the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Funds.

John Gossett made a motion to approve the purchase of the two cars as presented. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**WHITE & BORGOGNONI
ARCHITECTURES**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the White & Borgognoni Architects, P.C. for architectural / engineering services in the amount of \$19,099.10.

Ray Minor made a motion to approve the payment to White & Borgognoni Architects, P.C. Brad Wilson 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 PLANNING
SOLUTIONS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Navigate Building Solutions for January 2022 owner representative services in the amount of \$16,500.00.

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

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

**ELECTION SYSTEMS &
SOFTWARE (EES) -
(ARPA FUNDING)**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Election System & Software LLC. (ES&S) for election hardware - 45 machines / cases / accessories; election software; shipping, installation, and training in the amount of \$351,065.00.

Ray Minor made a motion to approve the payment to Navigate Building Solutions. Brad Wilson 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
COMMERICAL
CONSTRUCTION INC**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Fager-McGee Commercial Construction Inc. - #15 for period December 1, 2022 thru December 31, 2021 in the amount of \$668,482.90.

Ray Minor made a motion to approve the payment to Fager-McGee Commercial Construction Inc. - #15. Brad Wilson 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
911 SYSTEM - 3
APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda are three appointments to the Emergency Telephone System 911 Board will need to be tabled at this time.

**FARMLAND COMMITTEE -
1 APPOINTMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is an appointment to the Farmland Committee Board and he recommends appointing Joe Heard to replace Robert Buntin's four year term ending June 1, 2025.

Ray Minor made a motion to accept the appointment as presented. Neil Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

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

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

**MINER'S CEMETERY OF
ROYALTON - 5
APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda are five appointments to the Miner's Cemetery of Royalton Board will need to be tabled at this time.

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

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda are three appointments to the Rend Lake Area Tourism Council will need to be tabled at this time.

**COUNTY CLERK,
CORONER & SHERIFF**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated the next item on the agenda are the January, 2022 monthly reports from the Franklin County Clerk, Franklin County Coroner, and Sheriff.

Brad Wilson 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 stated that the next item on the agenda is a closed session and asked for a motion to go into closed session to discuss courthouse litigation and the opioid epidemic.

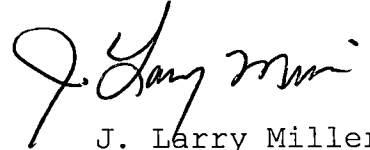
Kevin Weston made a motion to go into closed session at 6:45 p.m. Neil Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**RETURN TO OPEN
SESSION**

Kevin Weston made a motion to return to open meeting at 7:04 p.m. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

ADJOURNMENT

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