

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

Nov 15, 2021

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, 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; Abby Dinn, States Attorney; Darla Fitzjerrells, Director of Court Services; Marty Leffler, County Coroner; Lorie LeQuatte, Franklin-Johnson-Massac-Williamson Regional Superintendent; Cindy Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments; Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk; Bobbie Overturf, Animal Control Supervisor; 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 asked about policies on hiring qualifications for County employees. Rocky Morris spoke about mandatory vaccination policy and does the County have such a policy.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING Kevin Weston made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 18, 2021 Regular County Board Meeting; November 1, 2021 and November 4, 2021 Special County Board Meetings Minutes. Brad Wilson seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

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.

DELINQUENT TAX PROGRAM - RESOLUTIONS 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. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said resolutions are made a part of these minutes as Resolution No. 2021-47 thru 2021-92.

TENTATIVE 2022 CALENDAR Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is the 2022 Tentative County Calendar for Committee Meetings, County Board Meetings, Holidays and Pay days.

Neil Hargis made a motion to approve the 2022 Tentative County Calendar as presented. John Gossett seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said 2022 Tentative County Calendar is made a part of these minutes.

PUBLIC POSTING OF PROPOSED FY2022 BUDGET - APPROVAL Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the approval of the Public posting of Proposed FY2022 Budget.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the Public posting of Proposed FY2022 Budget. Ray Minor seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes except Randall Crocker voted no.

**BACON FARMER WORKMAN
ENGINEERING
AGREEMENT FOR WILLIS
ROAD**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the agreement with Bacon Farmer Workman Engineering & Testing from Marion, Illinois for Willis Road and he asked Mike Rolla, County Engineer to present said agreement. Mike Rolla, County Engineer explained that this agreement is for TR 119 (Willis Road) over an unnamed creek approximately 3.5 miles northeast of Benton and he recommends approval.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve said agreement as presented. Mark Kash seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said agreement is made a part of these minutes as Agreement No. 2021-21.

**NON-UNION SALARY
INCREASES AND HAZARD
PAY FOR 2020-2022**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Non-Union Salary Increases & Hazard Pay for 2020 - 2022 and these needs to be tabled at this time.

**COUNTY ENGINEER'S
SALARY - RESOLUTION**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the resolution for the County Engineer's Salary and these needs to be tabled at this time.

**FAGER-MCGEE
COMMERCIAL
CONSTRUCTION INC. -
#13**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the Fager-McGee Commercial Construction Inc. invoice #13 and this is for the period September 1, 2021 thru September 30, 2021 with Project No. 3925 in the amount of \$628,883.43.

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

FARMLAND COMMITTEE - Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item
1 APPOINTMENT on the agenda is the appointment of the Farmland
Committee Board and these needs to be tabled at
this time.

SHERIFF'S MERIT Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item
BOARD - 1 on the agenda is an appointment to the Sheriff's
APPOINTMENT Merit Board to replace Marianna Woolard for a 6
year term ending December 1, 2027.

John Gossett made a motion to appoint J. Scott
Williams to replace Marianna Woolard's 6 year term
ending December 1, 2027. Ray Minor seconded the
motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

COUNTY CLERK, Chairman J. Larry Miller stated the next item on
CORONER & SHERIFF the agenda are the monthly reports from the
Franklin County Clerk, October, 2021; Franklin
County Coroner, October, 2021; and Sheriff, had no
report at this time.

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

Said reports are made a part of these minutes.

REND LAKE TOURISM Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board
that the next item on the agenda is the Rend Lake
Tourism and he showed two flyers. The first one is
information about the 2022 Rend Lake Visitor Guide
and the second is the Rend Lake S3DA National
Archery Tournament 2022.

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

Said flyers are made a part of these minutes.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that a closed session is needed to discuss personnel salaries and covid money.

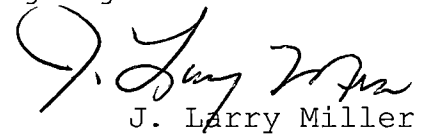
Ray Minor made a motion have a closed session at 6:16 p.m. Brad Wilson seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Kevin Weston made a motion to resume open meeting at 6:48 pm. 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. Brad Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jack Warren 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