

DATE: September 6, 2022

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FIRST AND THIRD MONDAYS OF THE MONTH

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- (x) Randall Crocker
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- (x) Mark Kash – Waste Management
- (x) Larry Miller – County Board Chairman (phone)
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- (x) Mike Rolla, County Engineer
- () Judge Tom Tedeschi,
- () Monica Urban, Probation
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Guests...Rocky Morris and Dwayne Williams (Concerned for Campbell Building during Tax Collection), Kevin Wilson, Theresa Renik and other interested parties.

The Public Safety Meeting was called to order at 5:39 PM by Chairman John Gossett. See above list of those attending, and also, those stating public comments and the topics of their comments.

Circuit Clerk Jim Muir informed the board about his support of a grant concerning "Lawyers in the Library". He explained how it could be helpful for his office but mostly for the public. This would be a grant that could be of help to those needing legal advice.

Board Chairman Larry Miller mentioned that he will have an appointment for Crosswalk at the next meeting. He also mentioned that he and Kevin Westin will be discussing mineral rights with one of the mining companies.

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 PM.

Minutes 9/15/2022

John Gossett - Health and Environment Committee

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Guests... Dwayne Williams (How to find financial information on website), Rick and Barb Linton (Tourism), Kevin Wilson and other interested parties.

The Public Safety Meeting was called to order at 5:37 PM by Chairman John Gossett. See above list of those attending, and also, those stating public comments and the topics of their comments.

Vice Chairman Brad Wilson asked Judge Melissa Morgan her opinion on the 2022 Franklin County Juvenile Detention Center Inspection Report, which can be viewed on www.franklincountyil.gov as 9-19-2022 Public

Safety Meeting Attachment 1. Judge Morgan felt there was several incorrect statements in the report and/or those areas had already been addressed, for example...

- Salaries for officers is now at \$43,000/annual salary
- Supervisors are now \$48,000/yearly salary.
- The state will now reimburse the county for part-time employee's salaries. This will help with maintaining staffing levels.
- Education for the juveniles is in process.

Sheriff Bartoni then mentioned he had spoken to another company that might be able to help with the water issues in the County Jail. It is a totally different approach than the previous company had provided and he will be receiving a second quote to discuss.

Coroner Marty Leffler presented his report...

- 2 Covid deaths this past month. His full report will be accepted during the County Board meeting and posted with the attachments.
- He also spoke about his need for a better way to service Franklin County as coroner. He is currently having to take bodies to O'Fallon if a pathologist is needed.
- He then discussed the problems he has with lack of storage, the cost to use storage from other counties, etc

Vice Chairman Brad Wilson suggested to him, to try to get information on the cost of a morgue. Discussion followed on the possibility of building a morgue. There could be a way to generate revenue from other counties.

Chairman Gossett then mentioned that Animal Control has an employee leaving in December that will need to be replaced.

Board Chairman Larry Miller told the board he would have several appointments for the following Board meeting. He also told the Board he would have to table the item on the agenda - Repaying County Highway Bridge Fund.

The meeting adjourned at 6:04 PM.

Minutes 9/29/2022

John Gossett - Health and Environment Committee