

August 7, 2023

**FINANCE,
(Salaries, Policy and Purchasing, Insurance, Tourism,
Supervisor of Assessments/Mapping, Economic Development)
DECEMBER 2022 THRU NOVEMBER 2023
FIRST AND THIRD MONDAYS OF THE MONTH**

Franklin County Board Committee meetings and Franklin County Board meetings are held at the Franklin County Board Room, Franklin County Courthouse, 100 Public Square, Benton, Illinois.

COMMITTEEMEN:

- (x) Ray Minor – Chairman
- (x) Angela Evans
- (x) John Gossett - Labor Negotiations (Sheriff's Office)
- (x) Neil Hargis – Labor Negotiations (Clerical)
- (x) Larry Miller – County Board Chairman, Economic Development
- (x) Curtis Overton
- () Jack Warren – Labor Negotiations (Animal Control)
- (x) Kevin Weston – Labor Negotiations (County Highway)
- (x) Brad Wilson – Labor Negotiations (Juvenile Detention Center)

County Offices

- () Amos Abbott, Director 911
- (x) Kyle Bacon, Sheriff
- () Ryan Buckingham, Director EMA
- () Abigail Dinn
- () Darla Fitzgerrell, Court Services
- (x) Marty Leffler, Coroner
- (x) Lorie LeQuatte, ROE
- () Cynthia Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments
- (x) Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk
- (x) Bobbie Williams, Animal Control Supervisor
- () LaVonda Porter, JDC Superintendent
- (x) Gayla Prather, County Board Adm. Assist.
- (x) Mike Rolla, County Engineer
- () Judge Melissa Morgan
- () Monica Urban, Probation
- (x) Steve Vercellino, Treasurer
- (x) Kevin Wilson, County Clerk

Guests... David Bartoni and other interested parties.

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 by Chairman Ray Minor. See above list of those attending, and also, those stating public comments and the topics of their comments.

County claims were submitted and were approved and signed by all members present. Treasurer, Steve Vercellino then gave his report...

- Beginning balance as of 8/07/2023 is \$7,880,425. ARPA balance is \$4,937,908.86, cashflow without ARPA is \$2,942,516.14.
- Vercellino explained his report, which includes the claims docket, the cash flow statement, and ARPA Fund Summary. The complete report can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 8-7-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 1.
- Vercellino thinks Real Estate Bills will be mailed by August 18th, with the first payment due September 22nd and November 3rd for the final payment. This could make tax sale to be January 2, 2024. Discussion followed concerning the 2023 Audit schedule.

ROE Superintendent Lorie LeQuatte...

- Presented her 4th quarterly report, which can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 8-7-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 2.
- She then introduced Luke Saeger, who is one of the truancy officers.
- The project - PACT – Partners Against Chronic Truancy was then explained and discussed.

County Board Member John Gossett then passed out a copy of a proposed referendum which can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 8-7-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 3, concerning the future of the Franklin County Juvenile Detention Center. Gossett would like to get more legal information for the board, and then, have another discussion in greater detail.

The meeting adjourned at 5:34 PM

Minutes submitted 8/17/2023

Ray Minor - Finance Committee

August 21, 2023

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Guests... Tom Carter, Rocky Morris, Brad Gesell, John Owens and other interested parties.

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- Beginning balance as of 8/21/2023 is \$7,999,024. ARPA balance is \$4,941,227.12, cashflow without ARPA is \$3,057,796.64.
- Vercellino explained his report, which includes the claims docket, the cash flow statement, and ARPA Fund Summary. The complete report can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 8-21-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 1.
- The report also included his opinion, to the county board and the public, concerning the Forensic Audit.
- Real Estate Bills were mailed August 18th, with the first payment due September 22nd and November 3rd for the final payment.
- His part-time employee began working today and will through the tax season.

Supervisor of Assessments Cindy Miklos explained to the Board about a frontage variance for Brandon Hutchcraft. This will then be on the following County Board Meeting Agenda for approval.

Circuit Clerk Jim Muir gave another update on the process of the older files that have been removed from the storage building...

- 40 filing cabinets have now been emptied and are no longer usable. The pre 1900 files from those cabinets will be sent to the state.
- He is checking into a process of scanning the early 1900 files with a portable scanner. Benton Library's Pam Teague has used that process. He has a plan to scan over-sized books and is checking into that also.
- He is also talking with Ryan Buckingham about the possibility of these files to be accessible on the County's Website.

The meeting adjourned at 5:16 PM

Minutes submitted 8/31/2023

Ray Minor - Finance Committee