

DATE: December 19, 2022

PUBLIC SAFETY
(Sheriff's Office, Juvenile Detention Center, EMA, Animal Control,
Waste Management, Bi-County Health Board, 911/Emergency Services, Animal Control)
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:

- John Gossett – Chairman
- Angela Evans
- Neil Hargis - EMA
- Larry Miller – County Board Chairman
- Ray Minor – 911/Emergency Services
- Curtis Overton
- Jack Warren – Animal Control
- Kevin Weston
- Brad Wilson – Juvenile Detention Center

County Offices

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

Guests... Tom Carter, Rocky Morris, Cynthia Britton, Sarah Kary (Rice Sullivan, LLC) and other interested parties. No public comments were expressed.

The Public Safety Meeting was called to order at 5:57 PM by Chairman John Gossett. See above list of those attending, and also, those stating public comments and the topics of their comments.

Chairman Gossett began the conversation concerning a proposed Franklin County Morgue...

- Coroner feels the need for a new office and morgue,
- 2 places in his mind that could be locations – by the storage area on Washington Street and behind the County Highway Building off McLeansboro Street.
- Expenses to build at both locations was discussed.
- Pros and Cons for each location were also discussed.
- Gossett asked Coroner Marty Leffler how many coolers he felt was needed. Leffler would like to have 15.
- Possible plans for a new hospital will not include a morgue.
- Coroner Leffler thanked the board for providing a new van.

Coroner Mary Leffler then gave his November report which will be accepted at the following County Board Meeting.

Sheriff Kyle Bacon presented his need for update on his camera system in the jail and a quote from NovaCom to do the update. This was requested to be on the January 19th 2023 agenda. A copy of the quote can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 12-19-2022 Public Safety Committee Meeting Attachment 1.

Supervisor of Assessments reminded the board of an item she had on the following board meeting's agenda for approval – Scanning and linking plats through US Imaging & Sidwell from the ARPA funds

Chairman Larry Miller...

- Mentioned that a special meeting will be held on January 3, 2023 to approve requesting for qualifications (RFQ) for the proposed morgue.
- He also updated the board on the appointments that would be on the following night's agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.

Minutes submitted 12/29/2022

John Gossett – Public Safety Committee