

February 6, 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 - Phone
- (x) Angela Evans
- (x) John Gossett - Labor Negotiations (Sheriff's Office) -Phone
- (x) Neil Hargis – Labor Negotiations (Clerical)
- (x) Larry Miller – County Board Chairman, Economic Development
- (x) Curtis Overton
- (x) Jack Warren – Labor Negotiations (Animal Control)
- (x) Kevin Weston – Labor Negotiations (County Highway)
- (x) Brad Wilson – Labor Negotiations (Juvenile Detention Center)

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- () Amos Abbott, Director 911
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Guests... Rocky Morris, (Questions concerning 20 and 21 Audit and Forensic Audit – are we moving forward and how can the Forensic Audit be correct without all corrections completed on 20 and 21 Audits...Chairman Miller responded - We are aware of it and are continually making adjustments and moving forward. Board Member Brad Wilson reminded all that Troy Luh, our Forensic Auditor would probably be making recommendations concerning better practices when he is through with his audit), Tom Carter, Paul Tart, Dwayne Williams, and other interested parties.

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 PM by Board Member Brad Wilson to assist Chairman Ray Minor present due to phone call. 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 gave his report...

- Beginning balance as of 2/06/2023 is \$8,675,327. ARPA balance is \$5,300,310.59, cashflow without ARPA is \$3,375,016.31
- The complete report can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 2-06-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 1.
- Has sent October, 2022 and November, 2022 reconciliations. Should have December, 2022 done by the end of this week and will be beginning January later this week.
- 1% has been coming in strong.
- Income from number of Federal Prisoners being housed in Franklin County has gone up.
- Asked that when the board approves a request from a department head, could the source of paying for that project be made with the motion.

Board Member Minor mentioned we should try to use ARPA as much as possible. Chairman Miller asked if the interest from the ARPA fund could be put in the general fund. Vercellino asked for clarification on that before he moves it. Board Member Minor asked if any of the repair claims from the Sheriff's office could be moved to ARPA money. Animal Control HVAC will be moved to ARPA funding on the next agenda.

Supervisor of Assessment Cindy Miklos explained True Roll program. This will check and flag for duplicate home-owner exemptions that cannot be used on more than one property as the primary residence. She will be checking on the possibility of using ARPA funding and if it is, would like to have True Roll on the agenda for the February 21st Board Meeting. The complete True Roll information can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 2-06-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 2.

ROE 21 Superintendent Lorie LeQuatte presented her quarterly report which will be on the agenda to be accepted and approved at the February 21st Board Meeting. She also mentioned the Teacher of the Month program. Each month a different area is selected to nominate a teacher from their area. The winner receives a gift basket with various items and an engraved plaque. January will be for Franklin County Schools.

EMA Supervisor Ryan Buckingham submitted a request for a new SUV, which is a vehicle specifically designed for emergency response and offers lesser "top of the line" options. He gave the board a run-down on the vehicles in EMA fleet...older models, high mileage (some were donated when other departments replaced their older vehicles) and high amounts for repairs on his units. The complete information on the unit he requested to purchase can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 2-06-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 3. He has asked for this request to be on the February 21st Board Meeting, and funding to come from ARPA.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 PM
Minutes submitted 2/16/2023
Ray Minor - Finance Committee

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Guests... Tom Carter, Pam Boyd (SCT), and other interested parties.

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Treasurer Steve Vercellino gave his report...

- Beginning balance as of 2/21/2023 is \$8,675,327. ARPA balance is \$5,231,204.86, cashflow without ARPA is \$2,431,122.64
- The complete report can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 2-21-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 1.
- Informed the board, 1% sales tax for the county is continuing well.
- Board might want to think about paying more on Courthouse loan. Discussion followed with no decision being made at this time. The board would like to have more specific amounts from the Treasurer before that happens.
- Vercellino was asked if he was still working with the auditors and he assured the board he was.

Supervisor of Assessments Cindy Miklos gave an update on her department concerning the tax cycle 2022 pay 2023...

- Assessment changes will be mailed on Thursday, February 23rd.
- Public has 30 days to file an appeal with BOR; deadline of March 23rd
- Publication of assessment changes will be in Gazette on February 23rd
- She hopes to be done by end of April with her part of the tax cycle.

Circuit Clerk Jim Muir informed the board that his audit was completed on Valentine Day.

The meeting adjourned at 5:21 PM

Minutes submitted 3/2/2023

Ray Minor - Finance Committee