

FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

May 15, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the County Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by J. Larry Miller. This meeting was held in the Franklin County Courthouse, County Board Room 133, 100 Public Square, Benton, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Secretary, Kevin Wilson, called the roll. Members in attendance were J. Larry Miller, Angela Evans, John Gossett, Neil Hargis, Curtis Overton, Jack Warren, Kevin Weston and Brad Wilson. Ray Minor was absent.

Also in attendance were Gayla Prather, Administrative Assistant to the County Board; Amos Abbott, E-911 Director; Sheriff Kyle Bacon; Ryan Buckingham, Director of Emergency Management Agency; Abby Dinn, States Attorney; Cindy Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments; Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk; Bobbie Overturf, Animal Control Supervisor; Steve Vercellino, County Treasurer; Matt Barnett, Resident Engineer Highway; Tammy Price, GIS Mapping Coordinator; and other interested parties.

PLEDGE

Brad Wilson 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 if the forensic audit is done?
Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that it wasn't done.

Tom Carter then asked if the storage building is suitable for the morgue? Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that it's not complete.

Tom Carter said happy alot of discussion on payoff courthouse and how the 1% funding is being used.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Brad Wilson made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 17, 2023 Regular County Board Meeting and the April 25, 2023 Special County Board Meeting. Curtis Overton seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

COUNTY CLAIMS

Jack Warren made a motion to pay the claims on file. Neil Hargis seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

ARPA APPLICATION FOR COUNTY ENTITIES - APPROVAL

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the first item on the agenda the approval of the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Application for County Entities, changed dates just a bit. The criteria is on page two of the application. Prioritized and specifies spelled out. There maybe cost sharing as a factor if necessary. Kind of a long application.

Brad Wilson stated there may not be any funds. Chairman J. Larry Miller must go through the process and he appointed a committee including Neil Hargis and Angela Evans.

Curtis Overton made a motion to approve the ARPA application as presented. Angela Evans seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said application is made a part of these minutes.

CONTRACT WITH CONCEPTS OF ILLINOIS FOR ".GOV" EMAILS - APPROVAL

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the approval of a contract with Concepts of Illinois, Inc. to move e-mails to ".gov" and he added that this will include a ".gov" email for each County Board member.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve the contract with Concepts of Illinois, Inc. as presented. Brad Wilson seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said contract is made a part of these minutes as Agreement No. 2023-08.

**QUOTE FROM CONCEPT
FOR COUNTY CLERK
OFFICE REPLACEMENT
PRINTER - 1% FUNDING
- APPROVAL**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the approval of proposal from Concepte of Illinois for a HP Laser Jet Printer for the County Clerk's office in the amount of \$2,350.00 to be paid for using the 1% funding.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve the proposal as presented. Curtis Overton seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes except John Gossett and Brad Wilson voted no.

Said proposal in made a part of these minutes.

**QUOTE FOR COURTHOUSE
LANDSCAPING - 1%
FUNDING - APPROVAL**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the approval of the quote for landscaping around the Courthouse using the 1% funding and he stated that Kevin Weston discussed this in the Transportation Committee meeting earlier this evening. Kevin Weston explained the quote is for \$19,500 which includes irrigation which this would remove landscaping and replace with rock and shrubs and include landscape fabric AKA "zero-scraping" (go to the rock).

Brad Wilson made a motion to approve the quote as presented. Curtis Overton seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes except Kevin Weston voted no.

Said quote is made a part of these minutes.

**PUBLIC SAFETY
BUILDING ADDITION
ARCHITECTURAL
CONTRACT - ARPA
FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the agreement for the Public Safety Building Addition Architectural Contract using the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding and the architect is Archimages Inc. from Belleville, Illinois. Kevin Weston informed the County Board of what the program will look like, oversee the "fine tuning" of the building. Curtis Overton stated I don't know what all is going to be in the building, wish I knew what all is going on. Kevin Weston stated that this is just the start of process to drive the size of the building.

How much space is needed for each department?
4,500 - 5,000 square feet and then develop the
floor plan.

Kevin Weston made motion to approve the
Architectural Contract as presented. John Gossett
seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted
yes.

Said agreement is made a part of these minutes as
Agreement No. 2023-09.

**HVAC - HIGHWAY (BARN
& OFFICE AREA) -
ARPA FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item
on the agenda is the quote for HVAC for the County
Highway Barn and Office Area using the ARPA
(American Rescue Plan Act) funding. Dwyer Company
for heating and air for the office area and D & C
for the truck barn building two different provided
for these two locations.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve the HVAC as
presented. John Gossett seconded the motion. On
roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said quote is made a part of these minutes.

**HVAC - PROBATION -
ARPA FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item
on the agenda is the quote for HVAC for the
Probation building using the ARPA (American Rescue
Plan Act) funding. Kevin Weston stated that Dwyer
Company Heating and Air gave a quote of \$15,600.

John Gossett made a motion a accept the quote as
presented. Curtis Overton seconded the motion. On
roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said quote is made a part of these minutes.

**HVAC - STATE'S
ATTORNEY - ARPA
FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item
on the agenda is the quote for HVAC for the State's
Attorney's office using the ARPA (American Rescue
Plan Act) funding. Kevin Weston stated that Dwyer
Company Heating and Air gave a quote of \$34,300.

John Gossett made a motion to accept the quote as presented. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said quote is made a part of these minutes.

**SHREDDING FOR COUNTY
OFFICES - ARPA
FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the shredding for County offices by Marco Shredding from Fenton, Missouri, being paid for using the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding and he presented an email which was to Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk showing that it will cost \$15.00 per box times approximately 200 boxes up to \$4,000.00.

Kevin Weston made a motion to approve the shredding as presented. Angela Evans seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said email is made a part of these minutes.

**ANIMAL CONTROL -
NINE UNIT CAT STAX -
ARPA FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is the quote for the Animal Control-Nine Unit Cat Stax which will be paid for using the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding with a cost of \$5,947. Brad Wilson asked Do we euthanize cats? Bobby Overturf, Animal Control Supervisor, replied Yes. Neil Hargis asked How long do we wait before that process? Bobby Overturf, Animal Control Supervisor, replied Depends on how ferrell they are. Chairman J. Larry Miller asked How many a day do you get? Bobby Overturf, Animal Control Supervisor, replied 20 per day, it's in litters.

John Gossett made a motion to accept the quote for Nine Unit Cat Stax as presented. Curtis Overton seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes except Neil Hargis and Brad Wilson voted no.

Said quote is made a part of these minutes.

**CONCEPTE OF ILLINOIS
(COUNTY CLERK
MONITORS) - 1%
FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is Concepte of Illinois for County Clerk's monitors using the 1% funding with a total amount of \$2,105.00.

Brad Wilson made a motion to approve the payment to Concepte of Illinois. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**SECURITY ALARM
(COURTHOUSE) - 1%
FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is Security Alarm including smoke detectors for the Courthouse using the 1% funding with a total amount of \$845.00.

Brad Wilson made a motion to approve the payment to Security Alarm. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**TECHELECTRONICS
(COURTHOUSE) - 1%
FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is Tech Electronics for a service call at the Courthouse using the 1% funding with a total amount of \$22.25.

Brad Wilson made a motion to approve the payment to Tech Electronics. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**REIMBURSE FRANKLIN
COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK
OPERATION FUND - 1%
FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is to reimburse Franklin County Circuit Clerk operation fund for additional workers salary for moving files from storage using the 1% funding with a total amount of \$870.00.

Brad Wilson made a motion to approve the payment to the Circuit Clerk operation fund. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**UNIVERSAL MOVING -
1% FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is Universal Moving for moving the Circuit Clerk storage items from the warehouse to the Franklin County Courthouse and Campbell Building from May 1st thru May 16th an additional total amount of \$8,050.00 and 50% down payment for moving the Treasurer and County Clerk for a total amount of \$7,950.00 using the 1% funding for a total of both being \$16,000.00.

Brad Wilson made a motion to approve the payment to Universal Moving. Kevin Weston seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**DAVE SHULTZ
LOCKSMITH (CAMPBELL
BUILDING) - ARPA
FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is Dave Shultz, Locksmith for the Public Defender's office in the basement of the Campbell building using the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding with a total amount of \$490.00.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the payment to Dave Shultz, Locksmith. Angela Evans seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**F.W. PLUMBING (JDC)
- ARPA FUNDING**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is F. W. Plumbing for the Juvenile Detention Center using the ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding for replacing a hot water tank - this was an emergency - with a total amount of \$7,195.35.

Jack Warren made a motion to approve the payment to F. W. Plumbing. Angela Evans seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

Said copy of the claim and invoice are made a part of these minutes.

**BOARD OF REVIEW - 1
APPOINTMENT**

Chairman J. Larry Miller informed the County Board that the next item on the agenda is an appointment to the Board of Review and he recommends reappointing Scott Ward for another two year term ending June 1, 2025.

Angela Evans made a motion to reappoint Scott Ward to the Board of Review as presented. Curtis Overton seconded the motion. On roll call vote, all voted yes.

**COUNTY CLERK,
CORONER & SHERIFF
MONTHLY REPORTS**

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated the next item on the agenda are the April, 2023 monthly reports from the Franklin County Clerk, Franklin County Coroner and Sheriff.

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

Said reports are made a part of these minutes.

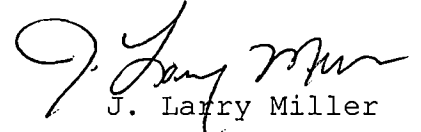
CLOSED SESSION

Chairman J. Larry Miller stated that the next item on the agenda is a closed session and he informed the County Board that no closed session is needed at this time.


**RETURN TO OPEN
SESSION**

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman J. Larry Miller asked the Board if there were any questions. Jack Warren made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Angela Evans seconded the motion. There being no further business Chairman J. Larry Miller declared the meeting adjourned.



J. Larry Miller
Franklin County Board Chairman



Kevin Wilson
County Clerk and Recorder