

DATE: November 4, 2024

**TRANSPORTATION  
(Road and Bridge, Building and Grounds)  
DECEMBER, 2023 THRU NOVEMBER, 2024  
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) Kevin Weston – Chairman, Courthouse Construction
- (x) Angela Evans
- (x) John Gossett
- (x) Neil Hargis
- (x) Larry Miller – County Board Chairman
- (x) Curtis Overton
- ( ) Ray Minor
- (x) David Bartoni
- (x) Brad Wilson 5:08

County Offices

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- ( ) Abigail Dinn
- ( ) Darla Fitzgerrell, Court Services
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- (x) Cynthia Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments
- ( ) Judge Melissa Morgan
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Guests (and subject of those stating public comments) ...Donnie Miklos, Steve Vercellino, Randy House and other interested parties that attended. No Public Comments

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 by Chairman Kevin Weston. See above lists of those attending and the subject of those stating public comments.

Matt Barnett, County Highway Engineer, was asked to present county highway's claims to the board and to give his report...

- 21 mine road in process.
- Asphalt project is in process.
- Culverts are being replaced.
- Worked on the problem at Animal Control and it seems to do well..

Chairman Weston gave his updates...

- Explained that he will have a couple of items at the next county board meeting in November...
- One of 2 quotes for “fixing” problem concerning phone access to alarm.
- NovaCom Quote for access control for Justice Center.
- Last week he had met with IDOT concerning crosswalks for the Square. Project will be spring, 2026.  
Discussion followed.

The meeting adjourned at 5:23 PM

Minutes submitted 11//2024

Kevin Weston, Chairman- Transportation (Road and Bridge) Committee

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Judge Morgan was in attendance to again speak to the Board concerning the LED light sign for the Courthouse lawn. She will ask for consent from the board, and upon consent, she will submit a grant for the 8’x4’ sign and also for the work to put in the electrical connection – Clinton Electric will do that connection for \$3,200. She did explain that as the years go by, if any- thing would need to be fixed, the county would be responsible for

that and the monthly electrical cost. Board member Kevin Westen (Chairman Building and Grounds) said, that during his committee, he would ask the board for their consent and which version of the sign was wanted.

The meeting was called to order at 5:28 by Chairman Kevin Weston. See above lists of those attending and the subject of those stating public comments.

Matt Barnett, County Highway Engineer, was asked to present county highway's claims to the board and to give his report...

- 21 mine road is now open (after 2 ½ mile of asphalt) for business today.
- Greater Egypt Regional Planning and Development Commission, Marion IL has reached out to them concerning an opportunity with safety money.
- Potential projects will be approved in approximately one year to 18 months.  
Will be looking for a replacement for his Resident Engineer. Michael Scales will be going into the military.
- Donnie Miklos, Foreman is having to replace his truck. He will be getting a 2024 Chevy and it is covered with County Highway Fund.

Chairman Weston gave his updates...

- Has Novacom Control Access for the Justice Center on the agenda.
- Will be recommending Security Alarm for fire system which is also on the agenda.
- Also on the agenda is a request from Browning Township - to lower their ARPA request on Roadwork Project on Benton Field Board –
- He has been talking with City of Benton about the possibility of leasing a part of the Campbell Building to the city.
- Responding to Judge Morgan's request earlier concerning the LED Sign -County Board Chairman Larry Miller asked the board members present to indicate their consent by placing their initial on the picture of the design that each one likes best.

The meeting adjourned at 5:41 PM

Minutes submitted 11/27/2024

Kevin Weston, Chairman- Transportation (Road and Bridge) Committee