

October 2, 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
- (x) Jack Warren – Labor Negotiations (Animal Control)
- (x) Kevin Weston – Labor Negotiations (County Highway)
- () Brad Wilson – Labor Negotiations (Juvenile Detention Center)

County Offices

- () Amos Abbott, Director 911
- (x) Kyle Bacon, Sheriff
- () Ryan Buckingham, Director EMA
- (x) Abigail Dinn
- () Darla Fitzgerrell, Court Services
- () Marty Leffler, Coroner
- () Lorie LeQuatte, ROE
- () Cynthia Miklos, Supervisor of Assessments
- (x) Jim Muir, Circuit Clerk
- () Bobbie Williams, Animal Control Supervisor
- () LaVonda Porter, JDC Superintendent
- (x) Gayla Prather, County Board Adm. Assist.
- () Mike Rolla, County Engineer
- () Judge Melissa Morgan (Joined the meeting at 5:08)
- () Monica Urban, Probation
- (x) Steve Vercellino, Treasurer
- (x) Kevin Wilson, County Clerk

Guests...John Metzger, James Rusher, Alan Minton, and other interested parties.

Public comments ...Liam Mungovan spoke concerning the upcoming October 16th County Board Meeting. He let the Board know that there would be 60 Veterans and their families coming to that meeting in support of Veteran's Assistance Commission (VAC).

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 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 10/2/2023 is \$6,791,809. ARPA balance is \$4,928,440.45, cashflow without ARPA is \$1,863,368.67. The complete report can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 10-2-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 1.
- Reported to the Board that at this time the first distribution should go out soon and the County's portion would be around 1.7M
- Around a total of 2M will go out the following Friday for the first distribution.

County Board Chairman Larry Miller asked Vercellino if he felt the Harris program was an efficient system for county finances. Vercellino said he has cleaned it up somewhat and will continue to do so. Board Member Curtis Overton asked if there was a better system available. Vercellino explained that the Harris system is the financial system used by the county and Devnet is the Real Estate Tax system. Discussion followed.

Rick Linton gave his last report to the board from his position as director of the Rend Lake Area Tourism Council. His complete report can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 10-2-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 2. He and his wife Barb will be officially enjoying their retirement January 1, 2024. He also let the board know that the new director will be Darby Beasley-Piatek. Linton thinks she will do a great job in promoting Rend Lake and Franklin County as a whole. County Board Member Joh Gossett complemented Rick for all he has done for the county. He also asked Rick about progress on the Wayne Fitzgerald State Park area. Rick said it will be a slow project, but it is progressing. He mentioned that the former look is gone. More cabins will be taking the place of the hotels.

The meeting adjourned at 5:33 PM
Minutes submitted 10/12/2023
Ray Minor - Finance Committee

October 16, 2023

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Guests...John Owens, David Bartoni, Steve Vercellino, and other interested parties.

Public comments (and the topic of their comments)...there were no public comments at this time.

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 by Chairman Ray Minor. See above list of those attending, and also, those stating public comments and the topics of their comments.

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- ARPA balance is \$4,914,615.45, cashflow to be reported after September is reconciled. The full report can be seen on www.franklincountyil.gov as 10-16-2023 Finance Committee Meeting Attachment 1.
- 1.7 M from the first distribution went into general county fund...distribution is being made to other entities.
- No cash flow was given on this report, due to the tax distribution.
- Board Chairman Larry Miller asked the treasurer if the board could have the balances in the non-restricted funds within a couple of weeks?

Sheriff Kyle Bacon mentioned to the Board that the FOP Bargaining Agreement will be on the following meeting agenda for approval. Bacon stated he had no problems with the agreement.

Supervisor of Assessments Cindy Miklos presented a new easement from K&E Technical, Inc to Rascal X-Press. This easement is on the following meeting agenda for approval.

County Board Member Brad Wilson mentioned that he and Neil Hargis were working on the ARPA applications. At this time the board has received 12 requests for ARPA funding. Applications will be taken until the money is completely allocated. Date deadlines for the applications were also discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 5:18 PM
Minutes submitted 11/2/2023
Ray Minor - Finance Committee