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COUNTY OF WOODFORD)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF WOODFORD COUNTY, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, at an adjourned meeting thereof begun and held in the Woodford County Board Room in the City of Eureka, in said County, on the third Tuesday in July, AD 2021, same being the 20th day of said month.

Tuesday July 20, 2021 6:30 P.M.

Board met and was called to order by Chairman John Krug.

Chairman Krug began the meeting by leading all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call by the Clerk. Present: Ansel Burditt, Albert Durst, Justin Faulk, Richard Hill, Autum Jones, John Krug, Barry Logan, David Meinhold, Blake Parsons, Jonathan Schertz, Jerry Smith, Dan Steffen, and Donald Tolan. Absent: Charles Nagel, excused; and Jason Spence, excused. Also present was County Clerk Dawn Kupfer.

Board announced in session by the Chairman.

Clerk Kupfer presented and read the Certificate of Giving Notice for this meeting.

Mr. Hill moved the Certificate be approved as read, which motion was seconded by Mr. Schertz and was unanimously carried.

Clerk Kupfer submitted the minutes of the June 15, 2021 regular session County Board meeting for additions, corrections and approval.

Chairman Krug called for any corrections or additions, hearing none; motion carried.

Mr. Parsons moved to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2021 regular Session County Board meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Smith and unanimously carried.

Chairman Krug called for public input, hearing none.

The Consent Agenda was presented and clarified for the reporting of these minutes.

Chairman Krug called for any items to be removed from the consent agenda, hearing none.

Chairman Krug called for approval of the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Schertz moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which was seconded by Mrs. Jones. Motion carried, with an abstention from Mr. Steffen on Item (d) under Petitions, Resolutions, and/or Motions.

Appointments:

- a. Approval of the reappointment of Stanley Ulrich to the Linn Mt. Vernon Cemetery Association for a four year term expiring April 30, 2024.
- b. Approval of the reappointment of Vincent Winkler to the Linn Mt. Vernon Cemetery Association for a 3 year term expiring April 30, 2024.
- c. Approval of the reappointment of Timothy L. Schoon to the Linn Mt. Vernon Cemetery Association for a 3 year term expiring April 30, 2024.

- d. Approval of the reappointment of Gretchen A. Strauch to the Linn Mt. Vernon Cemetery Association for a 3 year term expiring April 30, 2024.
- e. Approval of the reappointment of Loyd Damerell to the Linn Mt. Vernon Cemetery Association for a 6 year term expiring April 30, 2027.
- f. Approval of the appointment of Harold Weiss to the Washburn Fire Protection District to complete the unexpired three year term of Stan Ulrich expiring June 1, 2024.
- g. Approval of the appointment of Cayla Comens (representing the FOP Probation) to the Health Care Committee to fill the unexpired term of Derek Reinmann expiring the 1st Monday in December, 2021.

Petitions, Resolutions, and/or Motions:

- a. Approval of Ordinance 2020/2021-010 granting a Special Use for petition 2021-14-S in Worth Township to James L. Kiesewetter for a Roadside vegetable/farm stand with signage, located in the Residential Single Family District on a 5.36 acre parcel, described as part of the E ½ (Ex. 0.80 AC R/W) Section 20, T27N-R3W of the 3rs P.M. Woodford County, Illinois, and more commonly described as 339 E. Townhall Road, Metamora, Illinois.
- b. Approval of Ordinance 2020/2021-011 Granting a map amendment for petition #2021-15-Z Cruger Township filed by Austin Blunier for a Map amendment from Commercial District and Agriculture District (AG) to Heavy Industrial District, located on a 3.17 acre parcel , described as Lot 5 and E ½ of Lot 7 in the NE ½ SE ¼ and Lot 9 E ½ of SE ¼ Section 25 T26N-R2W of the 3rd P.M. Woodford County, Illinois, more commonly described as 632 State Route 117, Eureka, Illinois.
- c. Approval of Resolution 2020/2021-055 increasing the Public Defender Salary.
- d. Approval of Resolution 2020/2021-056 awarding Worth Township supplemental MFT Maintenance Contract to Steffen 3D.

Chairman Krug stated there are no items under New Business and called for Item (a) under Unfinished Business.

Chairman Krug called for a motion to remove Item (a) under Unfinished Business from the table.

Mr. Logan moved to remove this from the table, which was seconded by Mr. Steffen. Motion carried.

Mr. Logan moved to approve Item (a) under Unfinished Business the approval of Non-Union Employee Wage Scale Agreement, and make it effective the first payroll after the Chairman has signed the agreement. He went on to state he would like to add the following conditions to the agreement. Mr. Logan moved to amend the agreement by adding to the last sentence to add after the word officials, insert “personal wages”, so the sentence will read, “Elected officials personal wages are not subject to this Employee Pay Schedule, but their employees are.” Mr. Logan went on to say this change will not be accepted, go into effect or be signed by the Chairman until all Department Heads have agreed to abide to this change and sign a statement stating so. Mr. Burditt moved to second this motion.

Mr. Logan stated this agreement has been in the works since December of 2020, at which time Chairman Krug, the Finance Chairman Mr. Nagel, and himself have had a lot meetings with the Treasurer and other Department Heads. He went on to say the wages which are being agreed to for the non-union employees this evening were compared to union salaries to get those non-union employees on par. Mr. Logan said there were areas where some individuals were off quite a bit, and there were some who were where they should be. He went on to say the whole idea of this agreement is for there to be parity among all of the employees. Mr. Logan stated after this goes into effect and the County has a starting point, then whenever the corresponding union has a new contract those employees will receive the same raises and benefits. Mr. Logan said this will also be useful during the budget process.

Chairman Krug called for a vote on the motion as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Chairman Krug stated there was no presentations.

Chairman Krug then called for a motion to approve the claims Paid in Vacation since the last meeting of the Board. Mr. Durst moved to approve the Claims Paid in Vacation, which was seconded by Mr. Meinhold.

Chairman Krug asked if there were any claims to be added, hearing none; Motion carried.

Mr. Hill presented and read Resolution 2020/2021-057 approving the payment of the Claims, which was seconded by Mr. Steffen.

Chairman Krug called for a roll call vote. County Board Members voting Aye: Jerry Smith, Dan Steffen, Donald Tolan, Ansel Burditt, Albert Durst, Justin Faulk, Richard Hill, Autum Jones, John Krug, Barry Logan, David Meinhold, Blake Parsons, and Jonathan Schertz. County Board Members voting Nay: None. County Board Members absent: Charles Nagel, excused; and Jason Spence, excused. Motion carried.

Chairman Krug called for the Treasurer's report.

Treasurer Andrews presented the Summary of Accounts Report, the Revolving Loan Monthly Activity Report for period ending June 30, 2021. Treasurer Andrews stated on the Summary of Accounts report the Mentally Deficient Persons (MDP) fund shows a negative fund balance for the end of June, but as of the July 2, 2021 distributions they no longer have a negative fund balance. She went on to explain this happens due to the fact the County makes quarterly payments to the MDP Fund, and once the first distribution is made the fund corrects itself. Ms. Andrews stated the first distribution was made on July 2, 2021 to all of the taxing bodies from the first installment of taxes in the amount of \$44,229,243.38, and the second installment of taxes will be due on September 3, 2021.

Chairman Krug called for a motion to place the report on file.

Mr. Schertz moved to place all of the Treasurer's reports on file, which motion was seconded by Mr. Tolan and was unanimously carried.

Mr. Burditt moved to place the Office of the County Board Report dated July 20, 2021 on file, which was seconded by Mr. Parsons and was unanimously carried.

Chairman Krug stated there is no Communications to be placed on file this month.

The respective Chairmen gave the reports of each Standing Committee.

Chairwomen Andrews reported for the Health Care Committee (Health Insurance Committee). Chairwoman Andrews stated they met last Wednesday. Chairwomen Andrews reported on the Premium & Claims Reserve Fund and Health Care Plan Funds stating the combined balances as of July 20, 2021 was \$799,414.42. Chairwomen Andrews stated funds in the amount of \$209,766.17 from reinsurance proceeds were recently received bringing the balance up. Chairwomen Andrews also stated anything over and above the \$20,000 stop loss limit, reinsurance kicks in. Discussion on the number of higher than normal claims that have already been processed this year compared to last year how they anticipate premium increases for plan year 2022.

Mr. Hill, Chairman of the Road & Bridge Committee, reported they had their Construction Manager attend their meeting helping them walk through decisions on the new Shed they plan to build next year. Mr. Hill reported as they lay the ground work for the Shed they made a couple bigger decisions pertaining to whether the Shed should be a wood frame or a steel frame, they came to the conclusion wood frame would be better for a variety reasons and how the structure of the building was decided to be left detached from other structures. Mr. Hill stated they are very happy to work with Chris Tyra and the numbers he presented to them for this project.

Mr. Hill, reported for the County Offices Committee. Mr. Hill reported the biggest discussion they had was the idea of a Board Coordinator and the distinct difference between a County Board Coordinator and County Administrator. Mr. Hill stated they wanted to make clear this position is still being discussed and they are trying to find a path forward further stating this position is under the authority of the County Board. Mr. Hill stated he believes it will help them run the business of the County more affectively. Mr. Hill asked for any ideas and welcomes input from anyone on this topic.

Ms. Jones, reported for the Finance and Economic Development Committee. Ms. Jones reported on the budget talks stating half the departments presented their budgets for FY 2022.

Mr. Logan, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, reported they had a good meeting.

Mr. Parsons, Chairman of the Conservation Planning and Zoning Committee, reported they did not meet this month from lack of any agenda items.

Mr. Parsons reported for the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Parsons reported they have 3 Petitions for July 27th, all 3 are for a Special Use:

- Petition for a Fire Arms Sales and Repairs Business, (Safety and Fire Arm classes for Conceal and Carry) located at Santa Fe Trail in Metamora.
- Petition to allow large Farm Animals in a R1 residential area. Both of these petitions are located in the same area.
- Petition for a small Landscape Business located in a R1 residential area on Upper Spring Bay road.

Chairman Krug called for Public Announcements. Mr. Logan stated there will be a Watermelon Festival in Spring Bay August 26th.

Chairman Krug stated there were no need to go into Executive Session.

Mr. Steffen moved to adjourn until 6:30 P.M. the third Tuesday in August, A.D. 2021 same being the 17th day of said month, which motion was seconded by Mr. Faulk and was unanimously carried.

Chairman Krug announced the Board adjourned at approximately 6:51 P.M.

Attest: Dawn L. Kupfer, Woodford County Clerk & Recorder