

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting

Clark County

June 16, 2023

The regular meeting of the County Board met June 16, 2023, at 8:00 A.M. and was called to Order by Chairman Rex Goble. County Clerk Laura Lee led the pledge of allegiance. County Board Chairman Rex Goble led the meeting with a prayer.

ROLL CALL	8:00 A.M.	
Rex Goble	District #1	
Brandon Burkybile	District #2	
Jim Bolin	District #3	Absent
Randal Stephens	District #4	
Susan Guinnip	District #5	
Todd Kuhn	District #6	By phone
Mike Parsons	District #7	

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Susan Guinnip to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2023, regular Board Meeting. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Public Comments:

Warren LeFever commented on Alyson Thompson with the Marshall Public Library. He is encouraging the County Board to be generous with a donation for the Genealogy Library that is to be located on the second floor of the Marshall Library.

Jonathan Burns with HRC gave a brief update on some progress that was made with mental health access issues we have had. Letters have been mailed to any adult that is on their wait list. There are different capacities for adults and kids because not all providers serve everyone. All adults that received a letter should have immediate access to services. HRC is now open on Thursdays again due to having enough support staff to do so. Jonathan reported that they are currently working on expanding their capacity for children. They are currently taking in children, but still have that need for more capacity. They are also looking at evidence-based school preventative programs so that the problem can potentially be stopped before it happens. Burns said he is planning on meeting with the local schools to see what program is needed to make a difference. HRC is currently looking for a program called "Preventure" which is preventive based focusing on mental health and drug abuse. HRC already does "Too Good for Drugs" Program in the middle schools. Board Member Randy Stephens asked Jonathan how many new employees have been hired. Burns said they have hired 2 licensed therapists. Reimbursements have not been requested yet because they have not had the expenses yet. HRC is still looking for 2 more eligible therapists. They have also been able to bolster a peer recovery support specialist to be in the office 4 days a week. Someone with experience, such as suicidal can be appealing to persons in need.

Supervisor of Assessor Lisa Richey approached the board to reconsider her ARPA Funds request for GIS Flights. The arial flights are not tools to raise taxes. It is a tool for discovery. For the 16,134 real-estate parcels in 15 townships, she has 2 assessors and 2 data collectors. These 4 people have to cover all 501 square miles in the county. If the entire amount of \$268,000 cannot be approved, Richey is asking for at least a portion of the funds to be approved. Assessor Richey has also purchased a service that helps with exemptions. Her office does not know when people turn 65 by

showing their birthdate. This program tells her this person turned 65, so to go ahead and send them a Senior Homestead application. This is a good PR for her office. It's fair for everyone to have it and to keep people that are not supposed to have it as well if they have passed or moved or are registered in another county / state.

Susan Guinnip commented that a couple weeks ago she could here at least 5 or 6 times a day, emergency personnel going someplace. Susan just wanted to give a shout out to everyone that helps make our community safe.

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Brandon Burkybile to approve the General Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to approve the County Highway Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

County Highway Employee, Rhonda Cooper, filled in for Dallas, who is on vacation. Rhonda presented the Resolution with Chastain Associates. This would allow for Engineer Richardson to be on one job and Chastain Associates can represent the County to help with filling out paperwork for the State.

Rhonda continued with the agenda. There is a correction to the Engineer Salary resolution. Richardson's salary resolution had the wrong dates for the last two years and this resolution is to correct it. There is no change in amounts, just dates.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Susan Guinnip to approve to Revise 2022 and 2023 County Engineer Salaries due to fixing dates. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See Attached).

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Mike Parsons to approve Resolution for Engineering Services Agreement with Chastain and Associates for Professional Engineering and Surveying services. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See Attached).

Rex reported that the highway department is working on Angling Road. They are working on the Clarksville Road now. Rhonda reported that project should be done by 5 PM today. Monday, there will be another road closing to replace a culvert as well. Rhonda did send an email to Sheriff Bill Brown to put out a press release advising the residents of the new road closure. Mowing is being done on the South end of the county and should finish up in about 2 weeks. Dalton's have been hired to do the spraying on brush and Johnson grass. The County will go ahead and do signs and guard rails this year.

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Brandon Burkybile to accept all Office Reports for May 2023. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See attached).

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to approve Parking Lot Renewal Lease. The cost is \$600 per month. Casey State pays half of it. The Chairman put the question and upon the

roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Next on the agenda was Alyson Thompson regarding donations for the Genealogy Addition to the Marshall Library. Alyson gave a brief report on how the Genealogy Library is coming along. It is located on the second floor and the biggest need / cost right now is to have an elevator installed. Two grants were approved. The grants require matching funds and if the library used their own funds would deplete their resources. One grant requires matching funds of \$200,000 and the other grant requires \$56,000. The total cost of the project will be approximately \$700,000. Any donation from the County would be beneficial. Thompson told the board that the Marshall Library serves not only Marshall but all the County and even surrounding counties. Alyson takes pride in "our" library and we need to make it as accessible as possible to everyone.

Next on the Agenda was to approve the Dog Pound Lease. This will be addressed after the Executive Session.

Old Business:

Mike Parsons reported that York Township Board unanimously voted to have Sunday alcohol Sales starting at noon.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Brandon Burkybile to Approve Sunday Alcohol Sales for West Union Convenience Store. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Appointments:

Motion by Todd Kuhn and second by Brandon Burkybile to appoint Bobby Boyd to the 911 Board. He will replace Michael Duvall. The term will end on 12/31/2025. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Board Member Randy Stephens to go into executive session and second by Board Member Mike Parsons at 8:28 A.M. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the meeting to go into executive session for **Lease of Property** provision 5ILCS 720/2 © (1), **Salary of Animal Control Personnel** provision 5ILCS 120/2 © (1).

CLOSED MEETING CERTIFICATION: CLARK COUNTY

I certify that I understand Section 2 of the Illinois Open Meeting Act and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, no other topic was discussed during the closed meeting, or closed portion of the meeting, in violation of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

/s/ Rex Goble, Presiding Officer

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to come out of Executive Session at 9:11 A.M. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Committee Reports:

Board Member Guinnip stated that the Life Center is looking for a new location. Guinnip reported that the County has been doing an "in kind" of \$6,000 to the Life Center. This probably means that the County may have to pay extra. Chairman Rex Goble said that we are going to have to find a place for the Life Center to move to since they are going to lose their current building.

Chairman Goble presented a report from Fitch and Associates that combined the information from Marshall Ambulance and Clark County Ambulance. They were not able to get exact figures on the payor mix from the previous billing agency for Clark County Ambulance. Fitch tried to figure from the National Average, and use conservative figures. Clark County has hired a new billing agency but it will take at least six or seven months with them to have better numbers. Fitch, with the estimated, numbers, is proposing 2 staffed ALS ambulances 24 / 7 and one partial on call ALS ambulance in West Union. In the future, it will have to be decided on how to do the levies going forward. The plan is for the Marshall Ambulance to contract the Clark County Ambulance to provide services. There is also an opportunity to add another truck for transports of patients from one medical institution to another. The pay will have to be re-structured. Resumes are being accepted for an ambulance coordinator.

Rex reported that we are currently taking bids on the radio upgrade. The bid specifications can be picked up in the County Clerk's office and have a submission date of June 30, 2023. The bids will be put on the July Agenda for approval. Rex has been talking to Joey O'Rourke about leasing the tower that he uses for the radio station. Joey wants \$1.80 a coaxial foot. This a little high of what they thought it would be. This would make the cost approximately \$1,170 per month to lease it. Part of the cost is because Dahnke's owns part of the property and gets a percentage.

A short discussion was made regarding the fly overs for the Assessors Office. After some discussion, it was decided to bring Assessor Richey back into the meeting for clarification of the fly over. Richey was asked what the cost of a normal resolution is. She stated that it is approximately \$100,000 and that the resolution that she is requesting is \$268,000. Stephens asked how often the whole county is done and she replied that it is usually done every three to four years. The last one was done in 2020 and the next one will be in 2024. Richey stated that it is cheaper to do the whole county as opposed to a quarter of the county every year. Richey has had trouble getting applicants to apply for assessing townships and having better resolution to view new construction.

Sheriff Bill Brown addressed the board. He reported that he thought he had submitted a USDA Grant for a squad car. One squad car completely equipped is \$49,000. Brown received a call and was told the County is too rich. He was told that we have too much money in the General Fund that is not earmarked for something. Rex said he talked to Cory Sheehy and he said we just need to come up with a Capital Plan. Not that we have to spend it but at least have a plan.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to approve Preceding Bills. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to approve One Day and Mileage Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Brandon Burkybile that the meeting be adjourned until June 29, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. for a Special Board Meeting. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll

being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. The meeting adjourned at 10a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Ami Shaw - Circuit Clerk; Lisa Richey – Clark County Assessor; Kim Kannmacher – Treasurer's Office; Laurie Lee -County Clerk; Loretta Nelson – County Clerk's Office; Rhonda Cooper – Highway Department; Gary Strohm - Marshall Advocate; Warren LeFever—Marshall City Alderman; Eddie McFarland – Health Department, Jonathon Burns – Clark County Health Department; Tammy See – Animal Control; John Donham; Alyson Thompson- Marshall Public Library; Veronica Whitesell.