

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting

Clark County

July 21, 2023

The regular meeting of the County Board met July 21, 2023, at 8:00 A.M. and was called to Order by Chairman Rex Goble. County Clerk Laura Lee led the pledge of allegiance. Sheriff Bill Brown led the meeting with a prayer.

ROLL CALL

8:00 A.M.

Rex Goble	District #1
Brandon Burkybile	District #2
Jim Bolin	District #3
Randal Stephens	District #4
Susan Guinnip	District #5 ABSENT
Todd Kuhn	District #6 BY PHONE
Mike Parsons	District #7

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randal Stephens to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2023 regular Board Meeting and the June 29, 2023 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.

Public Comments:

Christine Blankenship voiced concerns regarding not having a nurse on staff at the jail to give shots Sheriff Brown explained that his office works with the Health Department to help provide care and have done so for many years. Ms. Blankenship was not aware that this was being done.

Warren LeFever was next with the public comments. He did a study on the tax situation in Clark County and stated that the County's cash reserves are way too high. He stated that the people of Clark County could go three years without paying property taxes. He said that the property taxes need to be reduced and that Dave Taylor has talked to the Board about the reserves being too high. LeFever said that he would start putting stuff in the newspaper so that the people will know and complain too. LeFever stated that he is not pleased and the County needs to reduce the taxes and give back to meaningful projects.

Karen Young spoke next to the Board regarding the sirens for West Union and West York. Young received a quote from Ameren. She said that Ameren would donate the poles and that it would save approximately \$2,000 per siren. She left the quote with the Board. She is also working on donations toward the cost.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to approve the General Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye" except for Jim Bolin who abstained. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Brandon Burkybile to approve the County Highway Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye" except for Jim Bolin who abstained. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

County Highway Engineer, Dallas Richardson, proceeded through his agenda. The first item is the

HSIP Clarksville Rd / Angling Rd project. Richardson said that they are working very hard on the Clarksville Road. There are 18 different locations and 7 of the locations are pretty much completed. It has gone very well. The first round of mowing is completed. The spraying was hired out and Richardson was not pleased with the job after their first pass. They are going to come back and do another pass. Richardson thinks that they drove too fast while spraying. Oil and Chip will start mid-August. The 2021 and 2022 Compliance Review report was available and that Clark County Highway Department was in compliance. Chairman Goble told Richardson that all the work looks really good.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Brandon Burkybile to accept all Office Reports. 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:

First on the agenda under new business is to open and approve the Commercial Radio Bid for VHF Trunked Radio System. There was only one bid submitted and that was from Commercial Radio Service, Inc. This will be an upgrade for all emergency services, townships, health department, and the highway. The total amount of the bid is \$413,674.00. This also includes a generator.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to accept the bid from Commercial Radio Service, Inc. 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).

Curtiss Cline was going to talk to the Board about his Civics class and wanting his students to come to different meetings around the County. He was not able to come today but will come in the future.

Carrie Miller and her Students were incorrectly put on the agenda for July, 2023 and it was supposed to be for August, 2023. They will attend at the August Board meeting.

Approve Tower Lease Agreement with WMMC Radio is tabled until the August 2023 Board Meeting.

Old Business:

Meg Steward was not able to make the meeting and talk about the Marshall Learning Center.

Approve Ordinance 2023-12 Expending ARPA funds not to exceed \$300,000 for the purpose of purchasing consoles, updated software, new roof, repair of parking lot and more for Emergency 911.

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and second by Mike Parsons to approve Ordinance 2023-12 for the use of ARPA funds to purchase new consoles, updated software, new roof, repair parking lot and more for Emergency 911.

Appointments:

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Jim Bolin to appoint Valerie Jones, tenant, to the Clark County Housing Board. This is a one-year term and will expire on 8/1/2024. 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 appoint Don Maloney to the Clark County

Housing Board. This is a five-year term and will expire on 8/1/2028. 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 Randy Stephens and second by Jim Bolin to re-appoint Ned Heltsley to the North Fork Conservancy District. This is a five-year term and will expire 08/21/2028. 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 Jim Bolin to go into executive session and second by Board Member Brandon Burkybile at 8:24 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 provision 5ILCS 120/2 © (1) regarding Compensation for Animal Control Employee.

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 8:44 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:

Chairman Goble updated the Board regarding the Clark County Ambulance Service. They have narrowed the search for a Coordinator to three candidates. They will be interviewed by zoom in the next week. Details are still being worked out on the best way to absorb the Marshall Ambulance Service. The Marshall Fire Protection District has their next meeting on August 8, 2023 and hope to have a vote on an agreement to move forward.

Board Member Bolin stated that a quote was received from Snedeker Insurance for the employee health insurance. The overall premium increased by 3.53%. Clerk Lee is to contact individuals on the insurance committee to see if they want other products quoted.

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Mike Parsons 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 Jim Bolin 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 Brandon Burkybile and second by Mike Parsons that the meeting be adjourned until August 18, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. for the 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. The meeting adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Jason Wimbley - Clark County Ambulance; Dallas Richardson - County Engineer; Ami Shaw - Circuit Clerk's Office; Laurie Lee -County Clerk; Lisa Richey – Supervisor of Assessments; Warren LeFever—Marshall City Alderman; Eddie McFarland – Health Department; Tammy See, Animal Control; John Donham, Jonathan Burns – 708/HRC; Kyle Hutson – State's Attorney; Michelle Wymer – Strohm Newspapers; Karen Young – York Township; Peg Mills; Christine Blankenship.