

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting

Clark County

June 21, 2024

The regular meeting of the County Board met June 21, 2024, at 8:00 A.M. and was called to Order by Vice-Chairman Susan Guinnip. County Clerk Laura Lee led the pledge of allegiance and Clark County Sheriff Bill Brown led the meeting with a prayer.

ROLL CALL

8:00 A.M.

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

Motion by Mike Parsons and seconded by Randy Stephens to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2024, regular Board Meeting. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

**Public Comments:**

Karen Young, the York Township Supervisor, addressed the Board regarding the information she has found since the last meeting on the sirens. She contacted the gentleman that had brochures about their sirens and the cost. He sent Young a text reply stating that the sirens must be activated manually, either by 911 or EMA. Their system did not have automated activation. Ambulance Director Bramlett stated that he had been in touch with her contact. Bramlett has also done more research and presented other options. He had information and maps from Sentry Siren which is through Table Rock and Federal Signal is Commercial Radio Service out of Terre Haute. The Table Rock system does not have an activated system built into it. The system would have to be purchased and there are two options. One is the satellite method. The advantage of this is that several sirens can be run off one satellite. To do this option, there would be other requirements that would need to be completed. The Federal Signal comes with all this built in. It can be triggered in many ways and the warnings come from the National Weather Service out of Paris. The Sentry Siren radius is approximately .06 miles and the Federal Signal 1.25 miles. Bramlett stated that there is grant money out there and not necessarily his expertise, but glad to help. Sheriff Brown reminded the Board that Clark County has an EMA director that could help with grants, etc. It was decided to table this until the next meeting and contact Dane Tally, EMA Director.

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and seconded by Mike Parsons to approve the General Claims. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye” with the exception of Jim Bolin who abstained. Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Randy Stephens and seconded by Brandon Burkybile to approve the County Highway Claims. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye” with the exception of Jim Bolin who abstained. Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

County Highway Employee, Rhonda Cooper, filled in for Engineer Dallas Richardson. The Highway Department is currently working on the Angling Road with the HSIP project. A pipe is going to be replaced and a guardrail added by Craig Lake. The next item on the highway agenda is Hogue Town project. Currently, they are working on the right of ways. It is time consuming part of the project. The construction of the new building is next on the agenda. At this time, the design is still being developed. The building package has been ordered from CECO. Cooper said that there is no new or old business to discuss.

Motion by Mike Parsons and seconded by Randy Stephens to accept all Office Reports for May 2024. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See attached).

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

The agenda item of Nancy Smitley with the City of Marshall was moved to the first item due to Smitley needing to get back to her office. She explained that she was asking for approval to add territory to the Clark County Enterprise Zone. The request is for the south end of Marshall to add another parcel.

Motion by Mike Parsons and seconded by Todd Kuhn to approve Ordinance 2024-03 to add territory to the Clark County Enterprise Zone. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Next on the agenda is to Approve Election Judges for the 2024 – 2026 years. This is done every two years.

Motion by Jim Bolin and seconded by Brandon Burkybile to approve the list of Democrat and Republican Election Judges for 2024 to 2026. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Next on the agenda is to discuss and approve the necessity and possible purchase of an investigative resource called Cellebrite. Sheriff Bill Brown and State's Attorney Kyle Hutson explained to the Board what Cellebrite does and why it is needed. There have been situations where this tool is needed but currently, the phone must be taken to Mattoon or to the Illinois State Police. Sheriff Brown emphasized that this is not intended to be used without consent or proper procedure. By not having this resource, the trained personnel from the other agencies are the ones that are having to testify. The cost of Cellebrite for the first year is \$14,769.00. This includes training and then each year there is an annual fee of \$8,400 with a 5% increase. If it is locked in for four years, this locks in the \$8,400 annual fee for four years. Sheriff Brown said that this could be paid for from the opioid funds and this was confirmed by State's Attorney Kyle Hutson. The other advantage of having this tool is that if the phone needs to be sent off, it could take two weeks or more.

Motion by Jim Bolin and seconded by Brandon Burkybile to approve the purchase of the investigative resource called Cellebrite and lock in the four-year price which is \$39,769.00 and to be paid out of the opioid funds. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The fourth item on the agenda is to review bids for the repair of the sidewalk around the courthouse and the resealing and re-stripping of the parking lot. Sheriff Brown advertised for bids to be submitted to him for the repair and maintenance items regarding the courthouse. He did not receive any bids for the resealing and re-stripping of the parking lot but received two bids for the repair of the sidewalks. One was from M&K Excavating in the amount of \$15,280 and the second was from F&C out of

Toledo, for \$9,975. Both bids included the prevailing wage. After much discussion, the Board agreed to hire the in-county bid with M&K Excavating.

Motion by Mike Parsons and seconded by Randy Stephens to approve M&K Excavating to repair the damaged sidewalks around the courthouse. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye" with the exception of Bolin and Kuhn who voted "nay". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The next item on the agenda was the Illinois Recovery Oriented System of Care (ROSC) but unfortunately the representatives were not able to come.

A three-year lease agreement with Forsythe Family Farms for the parking lot on the west side of the courthouse that is used by employees was presented to the Board. The cost starting July 1, 2024, will be \$750 per month. This cost is shared with Casey State Bank.

Motion by Jim Bolin and seconded by Brandon Burkybile to approve Parking Lot Renewal Lease. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The last item on the agenda is to approve to authorize the Vice-Chairman Susan Guinnip to sign on behalf of the County of Clark to participate in the opioid settlement with Kroger.

Motion by Jim Bolin and seconded by Mike Parsons to approve to authorize Vice-Chairman Susan Guinnip to sign on behalf of the County of Clark to participate in the opioid settlement with Kroger. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

The first agenda item under old business is to discuss and approve the sirens for West Union and Old York. This was discussed at the first part of the meeting and is tabled until more information is gathered, and contact made with Dane Tally, the EMA Director.

The next item under old business is to discuss and approve the River Ferry Solar Farm Decommissioning Plan. The State's Attorney said that a plan was received, but he responded that he would like more clarification on the percentage for the decommissioning cost at year 6 and beyond. The plan is that the company will clean up the site unless it is defunct and that is when the bond funds would be used in the clean-up process. It was decided to table this until next month.

The last item under old business was to discuss and approve a plan for courthouse storage of documents. There was no new information to share so this has been tabled.

## **APPOINTMENTS:**

Motion by Randy Stephens and seconded by Mike Parsons to re-appoint Darlene Hildebrand to the Clark County Health Department Board. This is a five-year term and will expire on 06/30/2029. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Mike Parsons and seconded by Randy Stephens to appoint Kathy Reynolds to the West Union Fire Protection District Board to fill the vacancy of Danny Hone. The term will expire on

05/01/2025. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Ambulance Director, Chace Bramlett, gave an update on May 2024 and included some YTD totals. He stated that call volume did drop last month with 151 but YTD calls are 1,273. The enroute to arrival on scene is at 92.06% which is 15 minutes or less. This is a good statistic. Fiscal YTD total collections is \$689,052.03 and Bramlett looks for that to increase. The Clark County Ambulance Service is now able to do transfers and that adds to the revenue. He reported that the West Union Ambulance Building sold for \$14,500. The yellow ambulance sold for \$18,500 and the other ambulance is going to Windsor and the price is \$22,500. There are going to be some repairs completed on the older ambulances and the new one should be ready at the end of the year.

Board Member Burkybile updated the Board regarding the Radio Tower. There have been some delays with electricity and are waiting for a transfer switch and generator. This project is getting closer to being completed.

Motion by Todd Kuhn and seconded by Mike Parsons to approve Preceding Bills. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Randy Stephens and seconded by Jim Bolin to approve One Day and Mileage Claims. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and seconded by Jim Bolin that the meeting be adjourned until July 19, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. The Vice-Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Vice-Chairman declared the motion adopted. The meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.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, Chuck Ayers – EDP; Chace Bramlett – EMS; Nancy Smitley – Enterprise Zone; Gary Strohm – Strohm Newspapers; Karen Young – York Township.