

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting

Clark County

September 20, 2024

The regular meeting of the County Board met September 20, 2024, 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
Todd Kuhn	District #6
Mike Parsons	District #7

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2024, 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:

David Davis spoke to the County Board regarding a boat ramp in Old York. Davis and several other people are wanting to open it up and stated that they would take care of it. The intent is that it will not be open to the public. There was discussion about who owns the road to the boat ramp. It was decided to do more investigating before a decision is to be made.

Chet Burns and Stewart Schutte talked to the County Board about purchasing the old CB shop on the Indiana State line and open a dispensary. They spoke about the opportunities that the County is missing out on by not allowing the sale of marijuana products. Board Member Bolin stated that he felt that there are enough hurdles that the County children face and is against approving the dispensary. The consensus was not to move forward with an approval.

Bob Nelson, a Marshall City Councilman, wanted to let the County Board know that is in support of the County resubmitting the ITEP Grant and will provide help. Nelson retired from IDOT and worked on the first application for the grant. He stated that the focus should be on transportation and non-recreational needs.

Warren LeFever, a Marshall City Councilman, let the County Board know that the Marshall City Council approved the resolution for the ITEP Grant also. The next thing he wanted to talk about was the State is going to be reducing State Funds. The main one is the Corporate Personal Property Replacement Tax and could significantly impact the County. These funds come from businesses. Also, gaming receipts are down and the casino in Terre Haute and inflation may be affecting this. Inflation is also impacting the bidding process. The City was looking at replacing their heating system at City Hall and the amount was \$76,000 above the amount that had been budgeted for that project.

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" except for

Jim Bolin who abstained. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Highway:

Motion by Todd Kuhn and second by Mike Parsons 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 for discussion is the Hogue Town project. Engineer Richardson sent in the ROW's to IDOT two weeks prior to the board meeting and emailed them yesterday to see if they had looked at the documents. IDOT stated that it might be next week. Richardson also stated that the State may take away some of the COVID money that had been set aside for the Hogue Town project due to the expiration in November 2024. Next was to update the Board on the new building. Richardson said that in the next 4-5 weeks should see the concrete footings in place. Oiling and chipping is 99% complete, just doing some spot locations. The work on the railroad crossing project is moving forward. The crossings by Dahnke's Tree Farm and the two crossings by the tank farm are completed. There will be more of the railroad crossing projects to complete next year. The next item on the agenda is regarding making blacktop. Richardson is estimating that the Highway Department will make approximately 200,000 gallons. He also informed the Board that the supply of salt and sand is in good shape. The last item is to approve the County Engineer's salary. One half comes from Motor Fuel and then reimbursed.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Todd Kuhn to approve the Highway Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Payment of the County Engineer's Salary. 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).

There was no new or old business for the Highway Department.

Board Member Parsons asked Richardson about the roads around the River Ferry Solar Farm. Richardson stated that he has submitted an estimate, and it is being reviewed.

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Randy Stephens 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:

BJ Titus and Aaron Crome with the 4-H Improvement Committee spoke to the County Board regarding a donation for the Marshall Fairgrounds. There have already been some significant improvements completed at the fairgrounds in 2022 and 2023. The Clark County Extension decided to host the 4-H fair at Marshall for the next 5 years. Crome and Titus have been able to complete \$125,000 in improvements with zero labor from donations from local and regional individuals and businesses. There is still a need for \$120,600 in the phase 2 part of the project for things such as Arts Hall lighting and electrical upgrades, wash rack for sheep, goats, and cattle, pavilion for rabbits, and chickens and much more. The Committee is asking the County Board for \$40,000.

Next on the agenda is to add the Reorganizational Meeting to the County Board schedule on December 2, 2024, at 8:00 a.m.

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Jim Bolin to Approve adding the Reorganizational Meeting

to the County Board schedule on December 2, 2024, at 8:00 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.

Item 11) c. is Discuss and Possible Approval of an Employee Assistance Program Service Agreement Contract with the Human Resource Center. This is a program for the County's first responders however can be utilized by all employees if there is a need.

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Mike Parsons to approve the Employee Assistance Program Service Agreement Contract with HRC. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

The next item on the agenda is to discuss and possible approval of Ordinance to Assume Emergency Ambulance Service for the Marshall Fire District.

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Brandon Burkybile to Approve the Ordinance to Assume the Emergency Ambulance Service for the Marshall Fire District. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Last item under new business is to discuss and possibly approve a Resolution to Support the Submittal of the Clark County Old National Road Trailway Phase 1 Project to the Illinois Department of Transportation Enhancement Program.

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Todd Kuhn to Approve the Resolution to Support the Submittal of the Clark County Old National Road Trailway Phase 1 Project to the Illinois Department of Transportation Enhancement Program. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Old Business:

NONE

Appointments:

NONE

Committee Reports:

Chace Bramlett, the Clark County Ambulance Director, gave his monthly update on the ambulance service. He stated that August calls were down this month. Fiscal YTD call total is 1858. Collections for August were \$95,887.30 and Fiscal YTD total is \$1,024,881.27. Bramlett stated his crew is taking the extra time to gather better information for billing purposes.

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Todd Kuhn to approve the 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 Randy Stephens and second by Susan Guinnip 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 October 18, 2024, for the regular scheduled Board Meeting at 8:00 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. The meeting adjourned at 8:53 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Chace Bramlett - Clark County Ambulance Service; Dallas Richardson - County Engineer; Bill Brown – Sheriff; Ami Shaw - Circuit Clerk’s Office; Laurie Lee -County Clerk; Lisa Richey – Supervisor of Assessments; Warren LeFever—Marshall City Alderman; Kyle Hutson – State’s Attorney; Gary Strohm – Strohm Newspapers; Kim Kannmacher – Treasurer; Michelle Blankenship – Probation; Eddie McFarland – Health Dept; Lynn Welborn – HS student; David Davis – resident; Chet Burns – The Happy Crop; Stewart Schutte – The Happy Crop; Chuck Ayres – EDP; Bob Nelson – Marshall City Alderman; BJ Titus – 4-H; Aaron Crome – 4-H.