

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting

Clark County

March 21, 2025

The regular meeting of the County Board met March 21, 2025, 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 February 21, 2025, 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 stated for the public record that he is against the consolidation of township roads to be under the umbrella of the County Highway Department. LeFever feels that decentralization works best for Clark County. LeFever stated that Clark County has good roads. He also said that the State should not be trying to interfere with homeschooling students. LeFever also mentioned that the City of Marshall has an unfunded mandate regarding the Gas Farm Tax. It could cost the City of Marshall utilities between \$300,000 to \$500,000. The State is requiring the City of Marshall to put in regulators and control systems at the expense of the city.

Jack Dinnie with the Moonshine Solar Project informed the Board that their application packet is 99% ready to present to the Board. Dinnie also stated that there will be an open house at the Johnson Township Building on April 9, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. They will have experts in the field available to answer questions. Invitations will be sent out soon.

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Jim Bolin to approve the General Claims. The 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 Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Todd Kuhn 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" with the exception of Jim Bolin who abstained. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

County Highway Engineer Dallas Richardson proceeded through his agenda. He informed the Board that all final plans are submitted to IDOT for the Hogue Town Project. IDOT responded that the one review comment was that Richardson needed to do a bat assessment and none were found. The new building is moving forward, and the exterior is up. Next week gutters, windows and doors should be installed. Richardson asked the Board to approve the Resolution so that Rhonda Cooper and Dallas Richardson can approve Salt Bids with IDOT.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Jim Bolin to approve Rhonda Cooper and Dallas Richardson to approve the Certificate of Authority by Vote; Certificate of Authority by Bylaws; and Certificate of Authority. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

There was no new or old business to discuss.

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and second by Jim Bolin to accept all Office Reports for February 2025. 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:**

None

### **Old Business:**

Team ITS was not able to attend the meeting. This is tabled until next month.

The contract between the City of Marshall and the County of Clark for the dog pound was not ready and is tabled until next month's meeting.

### **Appointments:**

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and second by Jim Bolin to re-appoint Garver to the Casey Fire Protection District Board. This is a three-year term and will expire on 4/30/2028. 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 Mike Parsons to go into executive session and second by Board Member Susan Guinnip at 8:11 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 ( c ) (1) The Appointment, Compensation, Discipline, Etc of 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 Jim Bolin and second by Randy Stephens to come out of Executive Session at 8:26 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 a meeting on township consolidation. Board Member Jim Bolin and Highway Engineer Dallas Richardson also attended. UC CI and TOI sponsored the meeting. UC CI and TOI are against township consolidation. One of the speakers stated that he could see where it would be beneficial to small counties. Chairman Goble asked Richardson about his thoughts, and he said that he feels that most individuals are not against the township government. Richardson does feel that times have changed and having trouble with people filling the positions necessary for each township and that if the geographical area is a little bit bigger, it might be a more efficient way of taking care of business. Board Member Bolin said that there are three or four bills that are being considered. Bolin said that three of the bills are about merging townships. Bolin feels that only one of the three could affect Clark County. If the bill passes, the County would be forced to merge some townships. Richardson stated that the County would not want to support any of the bills the way they are currently written. Board Member Guinnip talked about consolidating services, not townships. Richardson thought that was a good idea.

Chace Bramlett, the Clark County Ambulance Director, gave his monthly update on the full-time ambulance service for Clark County. Call volume remains steady. There were no mutual aid calls last month. Revenues are on track and \$1,134,832.39 has been collected for the last 12 months. Mike Bridges reviews every run and fixes errors which in turn increase revenue. Next Thursday, the new ambulance will be ready to pick up. This new one is due to an insurance claim for an ambulance that was a total loss.

Chairman Goble wanted to clear the record that Clark County is not purchasing the Martinsville Fire Building after the new Fire Building is completed.

Board Member Bolin complimented the First Responder Banquet that was held at Sassafras Ridge. Bolin hopes that it continues and enjoyed the camaraderie and recognition of the County's First Responders.

Chairman Goble informed the Board that the radio system is doing much better.

Board Member Stephens said that the Health Department is going to be doing some upgrades. They are obtaining some quotes for expanding their waiting room.

Dane Tally, IEMA Co-ordinator, updated the Board about the sirens in the York area.

Motion by Todd Kuhn 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 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 Susan Guinnip and second by Brandon Burkybile that the meeting be adjourned until April 17, 2025, 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 8:46 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Bill Brown – Sheriff; Dallas Richardson - County Engineer; Kim Kannmacher - Clark County Treasurer; Gary Strohm - Marshall Advocate; Ami Shaw - Circuit Clerk; Lisa Richey – Clark County Assessor; Laurie Lee -County Clerk; Warren LeFever—Marshall City Alderman; Tammy See – Animal Control; John Donham – resident; Chuck Ayers – EDPR; Jack Dinnie – EDPR; Michelle Blankenship – Probation; Chace Bramlett – CCAS; Mike Bridges – CCAS.