

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting

Clark County

August 20, 2021

The regular meeting of the County Board met August 20, 2021 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 Randy Stephens and second by Mike Parsons to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2021 Special Ambulance Meeting and July 16, 2021 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.

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Mike Parsons 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 Susan Guinnip 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” with the exception of Jim Bolin who abstained. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

County Highway Engineer, Dallas Richardson, proceeded through his agenda. The HSIP Angling Road closure should re-open in a couple of weeks. Clarksville Road bridge repair will start but the road will not be closed except when pouring concrete. The Cleone Road will be the next project. The Hogue Town road (400th road) will have the top poured next week and then will be approximately three to four weeks of dirt work and then guard rails installed. There will be some closures while working on this but hope to have completed before harvest. Wabash Township – Livingston box culvert plans will be submitted the end of this month and looking at a March 2022 letting for this project. The low water crossing project is still working on securing funding for it and could possibly be a project for next year. The Weaver Road overlay project used more of the “Rebuild Funds” than originally planned. A resolution is needed for the Weaver Road project.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens voting to approve Resolution to execute Road Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code for Weaver Road in the amount of \$497,328.76. 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).

The Ameren Road damage repair of blacktopping and patching is almost 90% complete. The Ameren funds received will be used to seal the roads and need to haul some rock. Oil and chipping will start Monday for the next five to six weeks. HFE-300 is needed and had a letting for it. A Resolution is needed to accept the low bidder for HFE-300.

Motion by Todd Kuhn and second by Susan Guinnip voting to approve Resolution to accept low

bidder for HFE-300. 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 Randy Stephens to accept all Office Reports for July 2021. 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).

In New Business: A request was made by Moe's Package Liquor store for a One Day Liquor License for an event on October 9, 2021.

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Brandon Burkybile to approve the One Day Liquor License for Moe's Package Liquor. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

New Business: Discussion regarding possible sidewalk repair in West Union. There is a beauty shop in downtown West Union that the sidewalk in front of it is in disrepair and down by the Legion Building. The township does not have the funds to repair it and is asking what can be done and this is an unincorporated residential area. It was decided to talk to the Township Supervisor and see what could be done.

New Business: Todd Kuhn wants to update the Courthouse's cameras, panic buttons, and door locks. Commercial Radio has been working with the Sheriff's office on upgrading their system. The door locks would give the Sheriff access to all offices without searching his key ring with a multitude of keys and be able to gain quicker access in case of an emergency. The Board gave permission to Todd Kuhn and Susan Guinnip to move forward. The cost is approximately \$60,000.

New Business: Dr. Amy James asked the Board to reinstate the tax levy for the Health Department to the amount prior to FY2021. The Board agreed to do this and let her know that the Budget meeting is September 16, 2021.

New Business: Approve Resolution regarding Freedom of Personal Choice Relating to Pandemic Orders was tabled. Chairman Rex Goble asked that States Attorney Kyle Hutson look at the resolution before a decision is made to approve it or not.

New Business: Approve Bellwether LLC Contract regarding American Fiscal Recovery Funds. Bellwether is a consulting firm that will help the County with submissions and compliance.

Motion by Todd Kuhn and second by Randy Stephens to approve Bellwether LLC to help the County. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

New Business: Approve the 2022 Holiday Schedule

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Susan Guinnip to approve the 2022 Holiday Schedule. 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 gave the board a report on the Census. Warren told the board members that the whole county lost 880 people. This is caused by a number of factors, particularly the enlargement of farms and the state of rural living; we just don't have the jobs that cities have. Compared to other counties, for example, we did not lose as much as Coles County. Predictions on what they had and forecasted in their surveys were completely off. Warren thinks our numbers are

pretty good in our county. Being a bordering county, means people from Terre Haute can come over here to work. The population in Clark County is the same now as it was in 1863.

Clerk Laurie Lee told the board that she got a quote from Progressive Lighting for LED lighting. Some of the Offices have had to replace lights and fixtures. If you buy 25 fixtures or more (does not include labor), it is \$83.90 each. Lower quantities would be \$102.90 each. Lee suggests doing one or two offices at a time.

No Old Business

Union-York Water District appointment: Tabled

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Jim Bolin to enter into Executive Session at 8:34 a.m. to discuss Highway Salaries and Salary of the County Engineer. 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 Jim Bolin and second by Mike Parsons to come out of Executive Session at 9:34 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.

Chairman Goble had to leave at 9:00 and Vice-Chairman Guinnip conducted the meeting from that time.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens Voting to approve Resolution to request consent from Springfield to reappoint County Engineer. 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 Todd Kuhn and second by Mike Parsons Voting to approve Resolution to reappoint County Engineer for 6 years. 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. Jim Bolin reported that the Insurance Committee met and agreed on a 3.81% increase for the current policy for the next year. Jim said that the county still needs to look into options, because up to 6 options can be presented.

Motion by Jim Bolin 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 Randy Stephens and second by Todd Kuhn 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 Mike Parsons and second by Jim Bolin that the meeting be adjourned until September 16, 2021 (Budget Meeting) and September 17, 2021 (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 9:45 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Nancy Macey - Clark County Treasurer; Ami Shaw - Circuit Clerk; Lisa Richey – Clark County Assessor; Laurie Lee -County Clerk; Michelle Blankenship – Probation Office; Dallas

Richardson - County Engineer; Kevin Carpenter – Health Department; Amy James – Health Department; Warren LeFever—Marshall City Alderman; Peg Mills; Gary Strohm – Strohm Newspaper; Paul Wilson.