

## **MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD MEETING**

### **December 10, 2020**

The Marshall County Board met through a Zoom Session for the December Board meeting on December 10, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. County Clerk & Recorder Jill Kenyon called the meeting to order. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call shows: Kroeschen, McGlasson, McLaughlin, Johnson, Minnick, Donna, Balensiefen, Stash, Gauwitz, Daykin, Lindstrom, and Bakewell present.

County Clerk & Recorder Jill Kenyon called for nominations for Chairman.

**#20-89** It was moved by McLaughlin and seconded by McGlasson to nominate **Gary Kroeschen as Chairman.**

Roll call vote show: 11 yes, 0 no, 0 absent and 1 abstained.

**#20-90** It was moved by Kroeschen and seconded by Balensiefen to nominate **Travis McGlasson as Vice-Chairman.**

Roll call vote show: 11 yes, 0 no, 0 absent and 1 abstained.

Chairman Gary Kroeschen and Vice-Chairman Travis McGlasson took over the meeting.

It was moved by Daykin and seconded by Balensiefen to approve the November minutes as presented. Roll call vote shows: 12 yes, 0 no, and 0 absent.

County Engineer Pat Sloan reported on Zoning. Each County Board Member received a list of the permits. He stated they will have a hearing on Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> for an Agri-Chemical Facility on Route 251 South of Wenona. They currently have four applications for January, and they are all Solar. They currently have been approved but they have not been built. As they are on a waiting list to be built.

**#20-91** It was moved by Lindstrom and seconded by McLaughlin to **approve Escrow Agreement for the Camp Grove Decommissioning Estimate (\$2,390,120).**

Roll call vote shows: 12 yes, 0 no, and 0 absent.

County Engineer Pat Sloan reported on Highway. He stated they are busy restoring some roads. They have had employees out due to COVID, but they are currently back at this time.

**#20-92** It was moved by Lindstrom and seconded by McLaughlin to **approve Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code Section 19-00102-00-BR Camp Grove Rd Bridge, CH8.**

Roll call vote shows: 12 yes, 0 no, and 0 absent.

Recycling has been normal.

Vice-Chairman McGlasson noted that the Deputies contract will be postponed until January as the contract is not ready and no need for Executive Session.

**#20-93** It was moved by Balensiefen and seconded by Daykin to **approve the Purchase of Service Contract between MSW Projects and Marshall County.**

Roll call vote shows: 12 yes, 0 no, and 0 absent.

**#20-94** It was moved by Daykin and seconded by McLaughlin to **approve the County Clerk & Recorder 6 Month Report and Annual Report.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

**#20-95** It was moved by McLaughlin and seconded by Balensiefen to **approve the re-appointment of Robert Russell to the ETSB Board for a 3-year term.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

**#20-96** It was moved by McLaughlin and seconded by Balensiefen to **approve the re-appointment of Matthew Zulz to the ETSB Board for a 3-year term.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

**#20-97** It was moved by Stash and seconded by Minnick to **approve the re-appointment of Larry Johnson to the Whitefield-Saratoga Drainage District.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

**#20-98** It was moved by Gauwitz and seconded by Balensiefen to **approve the resolution Designating Bank Depositories for the County Treasurer.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

**#20-99** It was moved by McLaughlin and seconded by Balensiefen to **approve Budget Amendments (A. Sheriff Commissary, B. FTA Warrant, C. Vehicle Maintenance, D. Contract Addressing, E. Internet Services, F. Purchase Equipment, G. Equipment Maintenance, H. Health Insurance, I. Township Bridge Program Fund).**

Roll call vote shows: 12 yes, 0 no, and 0 absent.

**#20-100** It was moved by Donna and seconded by McLaughlin to **Accept the Resignation Letter-State's Attorney Paul Bauer.**

Roll call vote shows: 12 yes, 0 no, and 0 absent.

Paul Bauer wanted to thank the County Board Members for letting him service the County.

Vice-Chairman McGlasson wanted to thank Paul Bauer on behalf of the County for the service that he has done for the County Board and Marshall County.

**#20-101** It was moved by Lindstrom and seconded by McLaughlin to **approve the appointment of Patrick Murphy as State's Attorney to fill the rest of Paul Bauer term for a 2-year term.**

Roll call vote shows: 12 yes, 0 no, and 0 absent.

Chairman Kroeschen noted that he only received two other applications and they were not residents from Marshall County. He also stated that Pat Murphy has been the Public Defender for over 20 years with Marshall County. The swearing in is attentively set for January 4<sup>th</sup>.

Pat Murphy wanted to thank everyone, and he looks forward to his new position. He also stated that he will be submitting his resignation as Public Defender. He also noted that Judge Bauer will be the one to make the appointment of a new Public Defender and that the new person does not have to be a resident from Marshall County.

Hector Gomez from the Health Department gave an update on COVID-19. He stated a testing site was held on December 9<sup>th</sup> at the Henry United Methodist Church and 60 residents were tested. He also stated that because Bureau County has such a high death rate from the virus, they would be receiving 260 doses of the vaccine. They will be given to healthcare workers and front-line workers first and then decided from there. Once a person is given the vaccine, they must stay an extra 15 minutes to be monitored to make sure they do not have a reaction. The person will receive 2 shots within 21 days. The vaccine is no cost and is covered by the COVID Relief Fund. Gomez stated they are currently looking for a big enough facility to hold the event.

**#20-102** It was moved by Lindstrom and seconded by McLaughlin to **accept the resignation of Donna-Augustyn Sloan from the Marshall County Health Board.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

It was moved by Stash and seconded by McLaughlin for the **Payment of Bills**.  
Roll call vote shows: 12 yes, 0 no, and 0 absent.

**Committee Reports:**

**Animal Control:** Nothing to report.

**Building & Grounds:** Johnson reported that an inmate has done a lot of painting at the Sheriff Department and Courthouse.

**COVID-19:** Chairman Kroeschen reported that the County has received over \$35,000 back from the Cures Grant that has been submitted for reimbursement. We have received back the money that was spent on the Election Day pens, upgrades to the bathrooms and reimbursement of salaries. NCICG has submitted a request for an additional \$300,000 to help with reimbursement of salaries.

**EMA:** McLaughlin reported they have decided to postpone the next meeting until January 2021.

**Finance/Budget:** Finance Chairman Bakewell reported that the General fund for 2020 is down \$100,000; office fees and fines are down; sales tax is also down about \$45,000. Real Estate is as expected.

**County Highway & Recycling:** Lindstrom reported that a few employees were affected from the COVID and some were exposed.

**Human Resources & IT:** Lindstrom stated that they are going to be looking into the sick day policy about contract tracing. He stated that this virus could last a long time. If we are paying employees to be off and we must pay part-time people to cover jobs its costing the County a lot of extra money. Employees may have to use sick days or not get paid for it.

**Judicial Offices:** Nothing to report.

**Lower-Level Offices:** Gauwitz reported that the Assessor Office is working on Board of Review and the County Clerk & Recorder Office is working on completing the work from the Election. Jill Kenyon County Clerk & Recorder stated that Gina Noe Circuit Clerk & herself worked on the phone greeting message for the phone system and the new system would go live on Friday and everything was programmed and installed from VoiceSpring.

**Public Transportation:** Gauwitz stated that they put an ad in the newspapers and face book for a new PCOM Director. This position is part-time only.

**County Sheriff & Coroner:** Gauwitz reported they had a part time deputy move to full time and a full-time deputy move to part time. Jail Inspection is set for Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. They currently have 7 inmates.

**Airport:** Gauwitz reported they have a meeting tonight. They will be working on the levy for the second parking lot.

**Comm. Mental Health:** Nothing to report.

**Economic Development & Enterprise Zone:** Nothing to report.

**ETSB (911):** McLaughlin reported they have been working on moving antennas. The west side of the river is completed and currently working on the east side.

**Health Dept:** Chairman Kroeschen reported he wanted to thank Donna Augustyn-Sloan for her service to the Health Department Board.

**Human Services Transportation Comm.:** Daykin reported they had a meeting December 8<sup>th</sup> and stated they are looking at areas that do not have transportation services on how they can be of help.

**Marshall-Putnam Extension:** Nothing to report.

**Regional Office of Education:** Nothing to report.

**Tri-County Opportunities:** Nothing to report.

**Upper IL River Valley Development Authority:** Bakewell reported they have not had a meeting.

**Zoning & Land Use:** Stash reported they had a meeting this week and discussion was held on Text Amendments and they would be having meetings in December and January on solar and wind.

At 9:35 A.M. it was moved by Gauwitz and seconded by Bakewell to **adjourn** the meeting.

**1/14/21** It was moved by Balensiefen and seconded by Minnick to approve the **minutes 12/10/20 as presented**. Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.