

CLINTON COUNTY BOARD MEETING
May 16, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.

Larry Johnson, Chairman

Mike Kreke, Vice Chairman

1. OPENING PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER

Sheriff Dan Travous called the meeting of the Clinton County District Board to order at 7 p.m. on May 18, 2022. The meeting was held with options for Zoom and Conference Call.

3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Present: Heinzmann, B. Knolhoff, K. Knolhoff, Kreke, Netemeyer, Nordike, Rapien, Strieker, Sullivan, Taylor, Wessel, Wesselmann. Absent: Johnson, Middendorff and White. Let the record reflect that we have a quorum. Vice chairman Kreke served as chairman in Johnson's absence.

4. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND GUESTS

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion – Netemeyer made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 18, 2022 regular meeting. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

6. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

7. PUBLIC MAY APPROACH THE BOARD

8. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

9. STANDING COMMITTEES

a. Zoning/Subdivision Committee – Craig Taylor

1. Zoning Report – Jami Staser (Taylor)

i. Motion to Approve – Vacation Plat of Utility and Drainage Easements for LaGarda Estates in Wade Township.

Taylor made a motion for a roll call vote. Wessel seconded the motion.

Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent);

Netemeyer (No); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent). Motion Carried 10-1

b. Economic Development/Enterprise Zone – Keith Nordike

No Report

c. Tourism Committee – Jim Sullivan

1. Motion to Approve – Spending No More Than \$3,000 to Support the State Ball

Tournament Sponsored by the Aviston American Legion. Sullivan explained that the committee approved \$2,000 for radio ads, \$300 for a trophy and \$500 for a full-page ad. Funding will be provided by Clinton County Tourism and will exceed no more than \$3,000.

Sullivan made a motion for a roll call vote. K. Knolhoff seconded the motion. Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (No); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent). Motion Carried 10-1.

d. Environmental Concerns/Unincorporated/Solid Waste – Nelson Heinzmann
No Report

e. Assessment Committee – Bryan Wessel

1. Wessel reported that the 2022 declarations for properties sold in the past month were down 31 from last year. June 15 is the deadline for township assessors to turn in their work for the next tax year.

f. Insurance/ICIT – Nelson Heinzmann

1. Heinzmann said the monthly report shows total fees are down 10.6 percent as compared to this time last year, pharmacy expenses remained the same, medical claims were down slightly and fixed costs were down 24 percent. For this Fiscal Year, expenses without reimbursements, were under budget by 13 percent. With reimbursements, the expenses were under budget by 55.45 percent. Bill Schmaltz of Einstein Consulting and Dan Imming of Imming Insurance were present for an employee meeting on open enrollment held April 21.

g. Facilities Committee – Ken Knolhoff

1. K. Knolhoff reported that the committee is recommending approval of three motions.

i. Motion to Approve – Contract with U-Studios, Inc. for Design of New Health Building

K. Knolhoff made a motion for a roll call vote. Rapien seconded the motion. Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).
Motion Carried 11-0

ii. Motion to Approve – U-Studios, Inc. for Design and Architecture Work for Probation Office

The Probation Department will be converting half of the Circuit Clerk's storage area, which is adjacent to the Probation Office, into office spaces for two new employees. K. Knolhoff made a motion for a roll call vote. Sullivan seconded the motion. Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent);

Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).

Motion Carried 11-0

- iii. Motion to Approve – Change Order No. 2 in the Amount of \$7,745 for the Courthouse HVAC Improvement Project for the Addition of Mini Split System in Server Room.

K. Knolhoff made a motion for a roll call vote. Nordike seconded the motion. Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).

Motion Carried 11-0

- h. Animal Control/County Farm Committee – Craig Taylor

- 1. Taylor reported that for the past month, there were eight dogs taken in with 18 strays, six surrenders and two bite cases. Nine dogs were reclaimed, three were adopted, 15 went to rescue groups and five are still available. There were 15 cats taken in with three strays and seven surrenders. One cat was adopted, 10 went to rescue groups and four are available. Animal Control Warden Bryanna Becker submitted a letter of resignation effective May 22, and applications are being accepted for that position until 4 p.m. on June 6. Work has started on the new multi-purpose building.

- i. Education Committee – James White

No Report

- j. Veterans Committee – Bob Netemeyer

- 1. This Memorial Day weekend, Netemeyer asked everyone to remember the brave men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice to protect our country and our freedom.

- k. Finance/Health/Revolving Loan Committee/General Services/Judiciary – Brad Knolhoff

- 1. Treasurer’s Monthly Report – Denise Trame

- i. Motion to Approve – Treasurer’s Monthly Report.

B. Knolhoff made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Monthly Report. Rapien seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Trame reported video gaming revenue for the past month was \$5,973.04. Real estate taxes have been mailed out with due dates of June 29 and August 29.

- ii. Motion to Approve – Allowing the Treasurer’s Office to Conduct Business with All Banks in Clinton County. Trame explained that Tempo Bank is excluded from the list this year since they are now part of Scott Credit Union and will no longer be accepting property tax payments.

B. Knolhoff made a motion for a roll call vote. Taylor seconded the motion.

Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).

Motion Carried 11-0

iii. Motion to Approve – Resolution Establishing the Salary for the Clinton County Sheriff.

B. Knolhoff explained that the governor signed a bill last month which established a salary structure for all Illinois sheriffs at 80 percent of the State’s Attorney’s salary. The bill also states that 66.7 percent of the sheriff’s salary will be reimbursed by the state.

B. Knolhoff made a motion for a roll call vote. Nordike seconded the motion. Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).

Motion Carried 11-0

The Finance Committee also discussed the Accelerated Illinois Broadband Initiative. Earlier this year, the county entered into an agreement with Kaskaskia College and other governing bodies in the area with a goal of improving broadband/internet access in the Kaskaskia College region. The initiative includes training to assist with procuring any future grants related to enhancing broadband/internet services. Cheryl Brinkmann of rural Carlyle will be representing the county in the training. B. Knolhoff said he will also be participating in a limited capacity. As for the countywide emergency radio system, Mazzitello Professional is finalizing a draft Request For Proposals with the bidding process to follow later this year.

1. Law Enforcement/EMA/Welfare/Safety/Liquor – James White
No Report

m. Road and Bridge Committee – Bryan Wessel

1. Highway Engineer’s Report – Dan Behrens

Behrens said the Breese-Germantown Road resurfacing project is scheduled for an August bid letting in Springfield. The funding will include \$164,984 in Covid Relief funds and the remaining portion will be split 80 percent federal and 20 percent local with the programmed amount at \$1.5 million. Two motions are on the agenda related to that project.

i. Motion to Approve – Joint Funding Agreement for State-Let Construction Work

Wessel made a motion for a roll call vote. Sullivan seconded the motion.

Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).

Motion Carried 11-0

ii. Motion to Approve – Resolution for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code for Resurfacing Germantown Road.

Taylor made a motion for a roll call vote. Wessel seconded the motion.

Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).

Motion Carried 11-0

- iii. Motion to Approve – Petition from Germantown Township for 50 Percent County Match for a Culvert Replacement on Old Carlyle Road.
B. Knolhoff made a motion for a roll call vote. Heinzmann seconded the motion. Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).
Motion Carried 11-0

- n. Personnel/Labor Committee – Mike Kreke
 - 1. Kreke said there are three employees who have submitted their letters of resignation and all three will be receiving their payouts according to their respective union contracts. Jodi Nehrt of the Sheriff’s Department will be retiring on May 11, 2023. Monica Mensing of the Circuit Clerk’s Office will be retiring May 20, 2022. Jean Becker in the Supervisor of Assessments Office will be retiring February 10, 2023.
 - i. Motion to Approve – Letter of Resignation and Payout for Jodi Nehrt.
Strieker made a motion for a roll call vote. Heinzmann seconded the motion. Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).
Motion Carried 11-0
 - ii. Motion to Approve – Letter of Resignation and Payout for Monica Mensing
Nordike made a motion for a roll call vote. Wessel seconded the motion. Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).
Motion Carried 11-0
 - iii. Motion to Approve – Letter of Resignation and Payout for Jean Becker
Rapien made a motion for a roll call vote. Wesselmann seconded the motion. Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).
Motion Carried 11-0
 - iv. Motion to Approve – Side Letter for Highway Maintainers to Receive a One-Time \$500 payment for COVID Premium Pay.
B. Knolhoff made a motion for a roll call vote. Rapien seconded the motion. Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (No); Nordike (Yes); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent).
Motion Carried 10-1

10. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- a . 708 Mental Health Board/Area Agency on Aging – James White
No Report.

- b. County Health – James White
 - 1. Motion to Approve - Health Department Monthly Report
Netemeyer made a motion to approve the Health Department Monthly Report.
Strieker seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- c. GIS Committee – Craig Taylor
No Report
- d. 911 Committee – Mike Kreke
 - 1. Kreke said there are ongoing debates among state legislators regarding the legality of the \$5 million that's been taken from the 911 budget and moved elsewhere in the state budget.
- e. Technology Support – James White
No Report
- f. UCCI – Jim Sullivan
 - 1. There was no meeting in April due to the UCCI Conference later in May. Sullivan handed out copies of UCCI materials related to the Treasury's Final Rule for County Recovery Funds.
- g. Reorganization Committee – Mike Kreke
No Report

11. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Wessel made a motion for a roll call vote for approval of Accounts Payable. Heinzmann seconded the motion.

Heinzmann (Yes); Knolhoff, B (Yes), Knolhoff, K (Yes); Middendorff (Absent); Netemeyer (No); Nordike (No); Rapien (Yes); Strieker (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes); White (Absent). Motion Carried 9-2

12. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- i. Motion – Appointment – Gail Schuermann – Board of Review
- ii. Motion – Appointment – Curt Strieker – Trustee St. Rose Water District
- iii. Motion – Appointment – Chad VonderHaar – Trustee St. Rose Water District
- iv. Motion – Appointment – Allan Billhartz – Trustee Aviston Fire Protection District
- v. Motion – Appointment – David Cohoon – Trustee Posey Cemetery Association
- vi. Motion – Appointment – James Taylor – Trustee Posey Cemetery Association
- vii. Motion – Appointment – Bonnie Nehrt – Trustee Posey Cemetery Association
- viii. Motion – Appointment – Andy Lorenz – Trustee Posey Cemetery Association

- ix. Motion – Appointment – John L. Peppenhorst – Carlyle Southwest Public Water District
Sullivan made a motion to approve all appointments as listed. B. Knolhoff seconded
the motion. Motion Carried.

15. NEW BUSINESS

16. ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2022

Taylor made a motion to adjourn until Monday, June 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. B. Knolhoff
seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

ATTEST:



Vicky Albers
County Clerk & Recorder