

ESDA & CLAIMS COMMITTEE
August 18, 2020

The ESDA & Claims Committee held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, Courtroom 201. Committee Members present were Chair Dave Nissen, Vice Chair Letha Clark, Ken Durkin, Joe Erlandson, Travis Hiel, Dick Marcott, and Julie Melvin. Also present was ESDA Director Edgar Rodriguez, County Board Chair Scott Schwerer, County Clerk DeJaynes and Patrick Stout.

Chair Nissen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of July 14, 2020 Minutes

Member Durkin moved with a second by Member Clark to approve the July 14, 2020 minutes as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

ESDA Director Report

Director Edgar Rodriguez gave the July report. Rodriguez discussed the Covid case numbers testing and results, with a positivity rate of 3.84% there has been 158 positive, 3,961 negative, 60 pending, 116 recovered, 26 active, and 16 deaths. Schools will be opening soon, they have plans in place for WIU and for the School Districts but he feels that the Health Department should be ramping up efforts. They are still not getting any cooperation from the Health Department as they are only working 4 days a week and he feels that they should be working on a rotation to be available 7 days a week. They had been working 7 days a week, once we went 19 days without any positive case's they went back to 4 days. Member Hiel inquired as to who the Health Department reported to. WIU is working the IDPH to provide mass testing.

Approval of Claims

Member Erlandson moved with a second by Member Melvin, to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Approval of Board Claims

Member Durkin moved with a second by Member Marcott, to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote

Other

None

County Board Chair Comments

County Chair Schwerer announced that at the Board meeting tomorrow night there will be a representative there for the new proposed wind farm.

Adjourn

Member Hiel moved with a second by Member Durkin to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.