

MINUTES OF THE MCDONOUGH COUNTY BOARD

January 17, 2018

The monthly meeting of the McDonough County Board was held at the McDonough County Courthouse at 7:00 p.m. roll call resulted in 18 present, 3 absent. Chief Deputy Nick Petitgout made the opening declaration. Board Member Sims led the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXHIBIT 1

Board Member Hiel moved with second by Board Member Aurelio to approve the minutes of December 20, 2017. Motion carried with a voice vote.

EXHIBIT 2

The report from Public Defender, Nigel Graham for the month of December 2017 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 3

The report of Sales Tax collected in October 2017 was received and filed. County sales tax, Public Safety tax, and Transportation tax were all down.

EXHIBIT 4

The report of Balances and Investments from County Treasurer Graves for the month of December 2017 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 5

The report of Circuit Clerk Wilson for the month of December 2017 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 6

The report from County Clerk DeJaynes on Warrants Issued in Vacation for the month of December 2017 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 7

The Transfer of Appropriations of Monies was referred to the Finance Committee. County Clerk Gretchen DeJaynes reported the finance committee did not transfer any funds as **Exhibit 7A**

EXHIBIT 8

Board Member Aurelio moved to approve the report of the Finance Committee as read with Board Member Nissen seconding the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 17 yeas, 3 absent and one pass as **Exhibit 8A**.

EXHIBIT 9

Board Member Toland moved with Board Member Oster seconding to dispense with the reading of the claims report and to approve it as approved by the Claims committee. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 17 yeas, 3 absent and one pass as **Exhibit 9A**.

EXHIBIT 10

Matt Martin, project manager for Capital Power-Cardinal Point Wind was present with an update on the project. There would be around 75 turbines that would produce 150 mega watts, they have land owner support. An application will be presented to the Board in the next couple of months.

EXHIBIT 11

Board Member Cox moved with Board Member McGrew to approve the 2018 Aggregate Resolution. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 17 yeas, 3 absent and 1 pass as **Exhibit 11A**

EXHIBIT 12

State's Attorney Matt Kwacala gave a brief description of the new Sexual Harassment Ordinance and Policy. Board Member Hemingway moved with Board Member Oster seconding to approve the new Sexual Harassment Ordinance and Policy. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 17 yeas, 3 absent and 1 pass as **Exhibit 12A**.

EXHIBIT 13

Board Member McGrew moved with Board Member Toland seconding to remove from table the motion for reappointment of Rita Moore, Dr. Rick Iverson and Matt Reynolds to the MDH Board. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Dr. Iverson stated that MDH was named as one of only 3 Illinois hospitals listed in the top 100 rural hospitals in the country. He discussed the ambulance service being outsourced, the general running of the hospital and its need for experience and fiscal accountability. He also stated that the hospital now has a helicopter service and that it has transported 150 patients since June of 2017.

Member Oster stated that he was glad to see the Board's participation and requested a roll call vote. Member McGrew would like to see Bushnell represented on the MDH Board. Member Kelso stated that citizens have concerns about the MDH Board. Member Clark would like to see more women on the MDH Board. Motion failed to pass with a roll call vote of 6 yeas, 11 nays, 3 absent and one pass as **Exhibit 13A**.

Chairman Schwerer stated that, In light of the vote just taken, he is requesting that each Board Member submit to him in writing the names of 3 people that they have personally contacted that are willing to serve on the McDonough District Hospital Board by January 31, 2018.

Other

The farm bureau will be hosting a solar meeting on Tuesday January 23 at Spoon River College.

Chairman Schwerer entertained a motion that Days and Miles are checked, Roll be called and the Board adjourn until Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Board Member Oster made the motion which was seconded by Board Member Aurelio. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 18 yeas, 3 absent. With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m. Sheriff Van Brooker gave the closing declaration.