

ESDA & CLAIMS COMMITTEE
October 20, 2020

The ESDA & Claims Committee held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, 2nd Floor Courtroom 201. Committee members present were Chair Dave Nissen, Vice Chair Letha Clark, Ken Durkin, Joe Erlandson, Craig Foster, Travis Hiel, Julie Melvin, and Richard Marcott. Also present was County Chair Scott Schwerer, County Clerk Gretchen DeJaynes, ESDA Director Edgar Rodriguez, and Patrick Stout.

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

Approval of September 15, 2020 Minutes

Member Durkin moved with a second by Member Hiel to approve the September 15, 2020 minutes as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

ESDA Director Report

ESDA Director Rodriguez reported on the number of COVID-19 cases in McDonough County at the present time. McDonough County is in Warning Level by IDPH. This indicates there are warning signs of increased COVID-19 risk in the county. Rodriguez has applied for approximately \$272,041 in federal grant money. IDPH is in McDonough County doing free testing for a 4 day period. Rodriguez also received a grant for \$50,000 for Multi Hazard Mitigation Plan. McDonough County has been chosen for Flood Plain, this will take about 2 years. Rodriguez worked with the University of Hawaii on tornado training. He also addressed concerns with the Health Department. Chair Schwerer thanked Ben Thompson for sending out flyers on the COVID-19 testing.

Approval of EDSA & Claims Committee Claims

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

Approval of Claims

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

Chair Schwerer thanked Member Cox for setting up the tour of the marijuana farm. Several members attended. He also reminded all to continue to wear a mask and practice social distancing.

Member Durkin moved with second by Member Hiel to adjourn the meeting. With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.