

MINUTES OF THE MCDONOUGH COUNTY BOARD

September 21, 2022

The monthly meeting of the McDonough County Board was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, in Courtroom 201 at 7:00 p.m. Roll call resulted in 19 present, and 2 absent. Members Cyndi Helling, and Larry Aurelio were absent. Sheriff Nick Petitgout made the opening declaration. Chair Schwerer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXHIBIT 1

Board Member McGrew moved with a second by Board Member Foster to approve the minutes of August 17, 2022. Motion carried with a voice vote.

EXHIBIT 2

The report from Public Defender, Stephanie Hilton for the month of August, 2022 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 3

The report of Sales Tax collected in June, 2022 was received and filed. County Sales Tax, Public Safety Tax, Cannabis Tax, and Transportation Tax.

EXHIBIT 4

The report of Balances and Investments from County Treasurer Graves for the month of August, 2022 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 5

The report of Circuit Clerk Fischer for the month of August, 2022 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 6

The report from County Clerk DeJaynes on Warrants Issued in Vacation for the month of August, 2022 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 7

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

EXHIBIT 8

Board Member Chapman moved with a second by Board Member Erlandson to approve the report of the Finance Committee as read. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 8A**.

EXHIBIT 9

Board Member Nissen moved with a second by Board Member Durkin 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 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 9A**.

EXHIBIT 10

Board Member Litchfield moved with a second by Board Member Clark to approve the 2023 Holiday Schedule. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 10A**.

EXHIBIT 11

Board Member Foster moved with a second by Board Member Melvin to approve Election Judges. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 11A**.

EXHIBIT 12

Board Member McGrew moved with a second by Board Member Foster to approve Resolutions for Tax Deeds for Parcels 03-000-458-00, 03-000-782-00, 03-001-068-00, 03-001-123-10, 03-001-252-00, 04-000-083-00, 05-000-576-00, 05-000-641-00, 09-000-555-00, 11-100-137-00, 11-100-548-00, 11-200-206-00, 11-200-215-00, 11-200-569-00, 12-000-442-05, 16-000-354-00, and 11-401-020-05. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 12A**.

EXHIBIT 13

Board Member Cortelyou moved with a second by Board Member Foster to approve Resolution Request for County Aid to Bridge Funds Project 2230-100. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 13A**.

EXHIBIT 14

Board Member Marcott moved with a second by Board Member Dixon to approve Resolution Request for County Aid to Bridge Funds Project 2230-101. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 14A**.

EXHIBIT 15

Board Member Hiel moved with a second by Board Member Kipling to approve Resolution to Amend FY 2022 McDonough County Animal Control Memorial Fund Budget. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 15A**.

EXHIBIT 16

Board Member Hiel moved with a second by Board Member Clark to approve Resolution Request for County Liability Insurance Fund Budget. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 16A**.

EXHIBIT 17

A large discussion was held regarding intervening with the CO2 pipeline going through McDonough County, there was 25 people in attendance to support the intervention. The intervention would have to be filed no later than December 1, 2022. State's Attorney Matt Kwacala provided some facts on the intervention process. He stated that he would not file the petition and that an outside attorney should be hired to handle the process, Kwacala believes it would cost the County \$150,000.00 to \$250,000.00. Several Board Members had questions for him

Board Member Chapman moved with a second by Board Member Foster to direct State's Attorney to file as an intervener on behalf of McDonough County with the Illinois Commerce Commission regarding Navigator Heartland Greenway's proposed CO2 pipeline in McDonough County. Intervention shall be filed no later than December 1st, 2022. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 18 yeas, 1 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 17A**.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Jacobs thanked the Board.

Chair Schwerer entertained a motion that Days and Miles are checked, roll be called, and the Board adjourn until Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Board Member Cortelyou moved with a second by Board Member McGrew to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent. With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Sheriff Petitgout gave the closing declaration.