

**MINUTES OF THE MCDONOUGH COUNTY BOARD**  
**SEPTEMBER 20, 2023**

The monthly meeting of the McDonough County Board was held at the Spoon River College Outreach Center at 7:00 p.m. Roll call resulted in 19 present, and 2 absent. Members Dustin Berg, and Larry Aurelio were absent. Sheriff Nick Petitgout made the opening declaration. Chair Schwerer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**EXHIBIT 1**

Board Member Kirby moved with a second by Board Member Kipling to approve the minutes of August 16, 2023. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**EXHIBIT 2**

The report from Public Defender, Stephanie Hilton for the month of August, 2023 was received and filed.

**EXHIBIT 3**

The report of Sales Tax collected in June, 2023 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, 2023 was received and filed.

**EXHIBIT 5**

The report of Circuit Clerk Fischer for the month of August, 2023 was received and filed.

**EXHIBIT 6**

The report from County Clerk DeJaynes on Warrants Issued in Vacation for the month of August, 2023 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 Foster moved with a second by Board Member Clark 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 Cortelyou moved with a second by Board Member Blakeley to approve the 2024 Holiday Schedule. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 10A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 11**

Board Member Cox moved with a second by Board Member Foster to Approve the Re-Appointment of Andy Baker, Carol Steward, and Kathleen Neumann to the McDonough District Hospital Board ending December, 2025. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 11A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 12**

Board Member Hiel moved with a second by Board Member Litchfield to approve the Tax Deed Resolution. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 12A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 13**

Board Member Chapman moved with a second by Board Member Cortelyou to Approve the Resolution Request for County Aid to Bridge Funds Projects 2347-34, 2352-57, and 1530-85. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 13A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 14**

Board Member Cox moved with a second by Board Member Chapman to Approve the Resolution to Accept Bids to Furnish and Deliver Material for 2024 Federal Pavement Preservation Program 24-00000-00-PP. 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 Foster to Approve 100% of the Remaining ARPA Funds be Used Towards Approved Expenses. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 17 yeas, 2 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 15A**.

Board Member Hiel moved with a second by Board Member Litchfield to Approve Establishing a Building Maintenance and repair fund. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 17 yeas, 2 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 15B**.

#### **EXHIBIT 16**

Board Member Clark moved with a second by Board Member Kipling to postpone the Approval of Ordinance to Register Cats until the October 18, 2023 Meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote as **Exhibit 16A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 17**

Board Member Clark moved with a second by Board Member Kipling to postpone the Approval Amendment of McDonough County Animal Control Ordinance. Motion carried on a voice vote as **Exhibit 17A**.

**EXHIBIT 18**

There will be a progress meeting on Tuesday, September 26, 2023.

**EXHIBIT 19**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Oliver Ellen with RWE answered a few questions regarding the wind farm.

Chair Schwerer entertained a motion that Days and Miles are checked, roll be called, and the Board adjourn until Wednesday, October 18, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Board Member Cortelyou moved with a second by Board Member Foster 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 7:30 p.m. Sheriff Petitgout gave the closing declaration.