

# MINUTES OF THE MCDONOUGH COUNTY BOARD

December 18, 2024

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 Dustin Berg, and Larry Aurelio were absent. Sheriff Nick Petitgout made the opening declaration. Chair Blakeley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **EXHIBIT 1**

Board Member Durkin moved with a second by Board Member Kipling to approve the minutes of December 2, 2024 with corrections. Motion carried with a voice vote.

## **EXHIBIT 2**

The report from Public Defender, Scott Terry for the month of November, 2024 was received and filed.

## **EXHIBIT 3**

The report of Sales Tax collected in September, 2024 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 November, 2024 was received and filed.

## **EXHIBIT 5**

The report of Circuit Clerk Fischer for the month of November, 2024 was received and filed.

## **EXHIBIT 6**

The report from County Clerk Benson on Warrants Issued in Vacation for the month of November, 2024 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 Chapman 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 Chapman moved with a second by Board Member Foster 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, 1 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 9A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 10**

Annual Reports from County Clerk Benson, County Treasurer Graves, and Circuit Clerk Fischer were received and filed as **Exhibit 10A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 11**

Board Member T. Litchfield moved with a second by Board Member Durkin to approve the Appointment of Leilani Segura, MD to the McDonough County Board of Health. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 11A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 12**

Board Member Cox moved with a second by Member T. Litchfield to Re-Appoint Chief Dan Meyer, Kory Nicholas, and Terry Foulk to the ETS Board for Three Year Terms. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 12A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 13**

Board Member Cox moved with a second by Board Member Foster to approve the IDOT Resolution Requesting Consent to the Appointment of an Acting County Engineer. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 13A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 14**

Board Member Foster moved with a second by Board Member Chapman to approve the Resolution Appointing an Individual Authorized to Sign McDonough County Highway Department Claims. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 14A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 15**

Board Member Durkin moved with a second by Board Member Foster to approve Budget Resolutions A-E. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 15A**.

#### **EXHIBIT 16**

None.

#### **EXHIBIT 17**

Member Erlandson stated that there has been a lot of discussion regarding a solar ordinance, and battery storage for solar energy. He informed the Board that Member Durkin has spent a tremendous amount of time on ordinances.

#### **EXHIBIT 18**

None.

**EXHIBIT 19**

Chair Blakeley entertained a motion that Days and Miles are checked, roll be called, and the Board recess until Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. Board Member Raby moved with a second by Board Member Kipling to recess 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 7:17 p.m. Sheriff Petitgout gave the closing declaration.