

# **FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

## **January 11, 2016**

### **A. CALL TO ORDER:**

The County Board of Ford County met pursuant to adjournment in the Ford County Board Room of the Ford County Jail in Paxton on Monday, January 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman, Randy Berger.

### **B. ROLL CALL:**

The roll call showed the following board members in attendance: Bob Lindgren, Jason Johnson, Jon Clark, Randy Ferguson, Floyd Otto, Gene May, Tom McQuinn, Chase McCall, Tim Nuss, Elynor Stagen and Chairman Berger. Mr. Hastings was seated at 7:30 P.M.

### **C. PROCLAMATION:**

### **D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:**

Floyd Otto

### **E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:**

Mr. Ferguson moved to approve the board agenda. Mr. Otto seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

### **F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Mr. Nuss moved to approve the December 14, 2015 minutes. Mr. McCall seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

### **G. COMMUNICATIONS:**

### **H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:**

David Ebert asked the Board permission to cut back some overgrown trees on some of the Ford County Farmland that he farms. The cost would be no more than \$1,000.00. Mr. Ferguson made a motion to approve the cost. Mr. Otto seconded it.

Voice Vote - Carried

### **I. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:**

Cassy Taylor reported that 12 adult and 3 juvenile cases have been filed. There were 0 PTR'S filed, 1 PSI'S ordered and 1 PSI'S completed. There were 2 adults and 0 juveniles in Residential Alcohol/Drug Treatment. There was 1 adult placed in residential or group homes. She reported that her Intern Dawn Howe has completed her graduate internship. She handed out a Victim Impact Panel Report to the Board. Cassy Taylor announced her resignation as of January 15, 2016 and that Ellen Maxey has been appointed as Interim CMO for Probation and Court Services. Cassy stated it has been a privilege to serve in Ford County.

### **J. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:**

Clerk Evans reported that there is currently a jury trial. Things are running well in her office and with the Collection Agency as well.

### **K. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:**

Treasurer Stevens reported we have a cash balance of -\$13, 483.64 as of December 31, 2015. The auditor is currently performing the audit.

**L. OPPORTUNITY FOR OTHER DEPT. HEADS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

**M. APPROVAL OF ALL DEPT. HEAD REPORTS:**

Mr. Otto moved to approve all department head reports. Mr. McQuinn seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

**N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:**

Mr. Berger reported that there will be a meeting in April to discuss Exhibits for the Road Use Agreement in regard to Windfarms.

**O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**I. Environment**

**II. Finance**

Mrs. Stagen moved to **approve payment of the General Fund bills.** Mr. Nuss seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

**III. Highway**

Mr. Otto moved to **approve payment of the Highway bills.** Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

**IV. Insurance/Personnel**

**V. Overview/Legislation**

**VI. Sheriff**

Mr. Lindgren moved to **approve payment of the Sheriff, County Housing, EMA & Coroner bills.** Mr. McQuinn seconded the motion.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 16-15 ( 2016 FOP Sheriff Contract).** Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 16-16 & 16-17 (Contract for County Alarm System Services with Farmer’s Merchants Bank of Paxton and Farmer’s Merchants Bank of Melvin).** Mr. Otto seconded it.

Mr. Lindgren moved to **adopt Resolution 16-18 (Interagency Agreement with Paxton Police Department for Services).** Mr. Johnson seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

**VII. Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes:**

Mr. Ferguson moved to approve all Committee Minutes. Mr. Otto seconded the motion.

Voice Vote – Carried

**P. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:**

1. Mobile Region 8

Doran/Lindgren

A meeting will be held Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.

2. Union Affairs

Lindgren/ Mc/Quinn

3. EIEDD

Ferguson

4. 708 Board

Berger

5. WIA

Stagen

6. Ford Public Health Dept.

Berger

Lana Sample reported that now they are down 2 employees, the Public Health Dept. will run out of funds after the one payroll in April, if the state budget is not passed.

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| 7. Regional Office of Education   | Berger/Stagen    |
| 8. 9-1-1  | Johnson          |
| Will meet Wednesday at Gibson City Fire Dept.   |                  |
| 9. Zoning   | Johnson          |
| 10. CIRMA   | Nuss             |
| Will meet in Bloomington on January 14, 2016.   |                  |
| 11. Extension   | Hastings/Johnson |
| 12. E.M.A.  | Higgins          |
| 13. Information Technology  | Nuss             |
| Mr. Nuss recently passed out to each department head a booklet to keep an IT Inventory of all equipment in each of the Ford County Departments to help gather reoccurring IT problems for the County Board. |                  |

**Q. OLD BUSINESS:**

**R. NEW BUSINESS:**

**S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At 7:35 P.M. Mr. Nuss moved to go into Executive Session in pursuant of 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) in regard to Personnel. Mr. Otto seconded.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Executive Session ended at 8:09 P.M.

Mr. Ferguson moved to appoint Amy Frederick as Interim County Clerk & Recorder beginning June 6, 2016 thru November 30, 2016 at an Annual salary of \$40,000.00 as a replacement for Linda Kellerhals, who will be retiring. Mr. Hastings seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

**T. ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Otto moved to adjourn; Mr. Hastings seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 8:10 P.M.

**U. PROCLAMATION**

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, February 8, 2016 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Kellerhals, County Clerk

Approved \_\_\_\_\_