

The Jefferson County Board met in **Recessed Session** on Monday, **August 22, 2016**, in the Jefferson County Board Room, located on the lower level of the County Courthouse.

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

County Clerk & Recorder Connie Simmons called the roll:

Board Members present: Steve Draege, Sean Wilkey, Tommy Hayes (arrive 7:05p), Tim Marlow, Randy Edwards, Jeff Williams, Justin Fulkerson, Cliff Lindemann, Bob Watt, Joyce Damron, Wayne Hicks, James Malone and Robert White (13)

Legal Counsel present: Assistant State's Attorney Derek Smith

The invocation was given by Watt followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by White.

Public Input

Donations were taken up for the Senior Saints.

Board Member and Chairman comments

Malone recognized Linola Spann for her ongoing activities for the youth in Mt. Vernon, and efforts to keep the area mowed, etc.

Damron stated the Aquatic Zoo has had another successful summer - \$6,000 a day and booked solid for parties.

White stated the tour of our new Mt. Vernon Township High School was informative and Governor Rauner stated it will put other schools in the State to shame. They will offer culinary, shop, multi media, etc., but still have much to do before school can open next week.

White stated the District Commander will be at the Ina Boat Ramp this Friday, the City of Mt. Vernon has gotten grant money freed up to renovate the old armory into a Community Center, and there are new businesses popping up throughout the County.

Motion by Hayes seconded by Hicks to approve the **July 25, 2016, Recessed Session Full Board Meeting minutes.**

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Public Safety Committee Chair Hayes stated this Committee did not meet this month.

Motion by Hayes seconded by Edwards to approve the **Animal Shelter Report** as presented.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Highway Committee Chair Draege presented the minutes from the August 18, 2016, Committee Meeting. Minutes were amended to reflect that two motions had passed 4 aye - 0 nay.

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **monthly Highway claims** as presented.
Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to award the **monthly fuel** to Synenergy at the bid price of \$1.6284 per gallon for diesel and \$1.4784 per gallon for gasohol for a combined price of \$3.1068.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **2016-2017 County Highway Budget** in the amount of \$821,510.00.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **2016-2017 County Highway Levy** in the amount of \$385,510.00.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **2016-2017 County Bridge Budget** in the amount of \$352,231.00.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **2016-2017 County Bridge Levy** in the amount of \$178,144.00.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **2016-2017 Federal Matching Aid Budget** in the amount of \$178,144.00.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **2016-2017 Federal Matching Aid Levy** in the amount of \$178,144.00.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **2016-2017 County Motor Fuel Tax Budget** in the amount of \$1,346,988.00.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Williams to award the **Malecki Road Bridge**, Section 14-018126-00-BR, **Farrington Township**, to Dees Construction in the amount of \$181,896.00.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to approve the use of Local Matching Funds for the **Richview Road re-surfacing project** at a cost of \$181,000.00.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **Federal Matching Aid Agreement for Richview Road.**

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Malone to approve the use of Local Matching Funds for the **Academy Road Bridge**, Section 14-00210-00-BR, **Bald Hill Township**, at no cost.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Draege moves seconded by Watt to approve the **Federal Matching Aid Agreement** for the **Academy Road Bridge.**

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Land, Tax & Appointments Committee Chair Edwards presented the minutes from the August 18, 2016, Committee Meeting.

Edwards moves seconded by Wilkey to appoint **Pat Fenton** to the **Round Knoll Cemetery Board.**

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain) Chairman appoints.

Edwards moves seconded by Wilkey to re-appoint **Jan Pigge**, **Mary Ellen Brown** and County Board Member **Jeff Williams** to the **Round Knoll Cemetery Board.**

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain) Chairman re-appoints.

Services Committee Chair Malone stated this Committee did not meet this month.

Motion by Malone seconded by Edwards to accept the **Public Defenders' Reports** as presented.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Fiscal Committee Chair Watt presented the minutes from the August 18, 2016, Committee Meeting.

Watt moves seconded by Malone to approve the **audit of paid claims** as presented.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Watt moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **Payroll Distribution Report** as presented.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Technology Committee Chair Lindemann presented the minutes from the August 18, 2016, Committee Meeting.

Lindemann moves seconded by Watt to adopt the Metropark Communications, Inc. Option 2, for our **VOIP carrier** for a five-year period for all departments except Sheriff.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Lindemann moves seconded by Hayes to add a line item to the 2016-2017 County Budget at \$100 a month for Terry Knowles as our **Technology Consultant**.
Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Motion by Lindemann seconded by Hayes to approve **all Committee Reports** as presented/amended.
Voice vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Correspondence

County Clerk Simmons informed the Board that she has been sued for not issuing a marriage license to an inmate at Big Muddy. Judge Weber has dismissed the case for lack of compliance per 20 Ill. Adm. Code 525.310(b) and (d).

Motion by Hicks seconded by Fulkerson to go into Closed Session at 7:50 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining, negotiating matters, and employees per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(2).
Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Motion by Edwards seconded by Hayes to come out of Closed Session at 8:39 p.m.
Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Motion by Watt seconded by Damron to accept the proposed **3-year contract with FOP Deputies** retro to December 1, 2015. Proposition includes 3% raise each year, Health insurance contribution \$50 with \$1,000 deductible (was \$40 and \$200) and maximum out of pocket of \$3,000 (was \$600). Also County-issued and paid cell phones are to be phased out when contracts expire and each Deputy will receive a \$70 monthly stipend to provide own cell phone for 24/7 availability.

White stated this proposition avoids arbitration which costs approximately \$40,000.00 of taxpayer's money, plus decreases our catastrophic exposure in health insurance liability which will benefit the County for years to come. Also, the cell phone will show a decrease in expense over time. We now have four required cell phones, but it could have gone up to 21 or the number of current deputies.

Wilkey stated this raise equals approximately \$44,000 which is one deputy off the street that the Sheriff is wanting.

Draege stated that the Deputies had agreed to a 1-year 1% when times were hard, so this is really only 10% over 4 years which is 2.5% a year, which is the minimum in arbitration and we probably would not have gotten the insurance increases.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (11 aye - 1 nay Wilkey - 1 abstain Marlow)

Motion by Draege seconded by Fulkerson to recess at 8:50 p.m.
Voice vote. Motion Carried. (13 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Connie Simmons, County Clerk & Recorder

APPROVED BY FULL BOARD SEPTEMBER 26, 2016.