

**MINUTES OF THE MCDONOUGH COUNTY BOARD**  
**FEBRUARY 15, 2023**

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 David Cortelyou were absent. Sheriff Nick Petitgout made the opening declaration. Chair Schwerer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**EXHIBIT 1**

Board Member Litchfield moved with a second by Board Member Aurelio to approve the minutes of January, 2023. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**EXHIBIT 2**

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

**EXHIBIT 3**

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

**EXHIBIT 5**

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

**EXHIBIT 6**

The report from County Clerk DeJaynes on Warrants Issued in Vacation for the month of January, 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 Aurelio moved with a second by Board Member Blakeley 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 18 yeas, 0 nays, 1 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 9A**.

### **EXHIBIT 10**

Board Member Clark moved with a second by Board Member Aurelio to approve the Appointment of Michael Kirby to the WIRC CAA Board. Motion carried on a voice vote.

### **EXHIBIT 11**

Board Member Dixon moved with a second by Board Member Foster to approve the Re-Appointment of Mike Hardy, David Estes, Jeff Rench, and Kory Nichols to the ETS Board. Motion carried on a voice vote.

### **EXHIBIT 12**

Board Member Durkin moved with a second by Board Member Chapman to approve the Appointment of Derek Watts to Replace Tom Clark on the ETSB Board. Motion carried on a voice vote.

### **EXHIBIT 13**

Michael Fries with Klingner and Associates informed the Board that a space study was not done. He discussed the project and construction costs. Fries stated that they are not to the design phase yet. The costs that were listed were just projected general costs. The Building and Grounds Committee will determine how to proceed from here.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Humane Society will be having a Casino Night on March 4<sup>th</sup> to raise funds for the Animal Shelter.

Chair Schwerer entertained a motion that Days and Miles are checked, roll be called, and the Board adjourn until Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Board Member Foster moved with a second by Board Member Kipling 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 8:24 p.m. Sheriff Petitgout gave the closing declaration.