

MINUTES OF THE MCDONOUGH COUNTY BOARD
MARCH 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 16 present, and 5 absent. Board Members Eric Chapman, Dustin Berg, Craig Foster, Travis Hiel, and Larry Aurelio 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 Kipling to approve the minutes of February 15, 2023. Motion carried with a voice vote.

EXHIBIT 2

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

EXHIBIT 3

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

EXHIBIT 5

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

EXHIBIT 6

The report from County Clerk DeJaynes on Warrants Issued in Vacation for the month of February, 2023 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 7

The Transfer of Appropriations of Monies was referred to the Finance Committee. County Chair Schwerer reported the Finance Committee did not transfer any funds as **Exhibit 7A**

EXHIBIT 8

Board Member Nissen 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 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 5 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 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 5 absent as **Exhibit 9A**.

EXHIBIT 10

The Revenues/Expenses of 2021-2022 for Macomb Public Building Commission were reviewed and filed.

EXHIBIT 11

Board Member Blakeley moved with a second by Board Member Clark to Approve the Continuation of Transparency Regulation Coverage. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 11A**.

EXHIBIT 12 & 13

Board Member Dixon moved with a second by Board Member Cox to Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for Seal Coating the North and South Townships. Motion carried with a voice vote **Exhibit 12A and 13A**.

EXHIBIT 14

Board Member Cox moved with a second by Board Member Kirby to Approve Resolution Request for County Aid to Bridge Funds Project 2246-40 Emmet Township Road. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 5 absent as **Exhibit 14A**.

EXHIBIT 15

Board Member Cortelyou moved with a second by Board Member Litchfield to Approve Resolution Request for County Aid to Bridge Funds Project 2230-107. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 5 absent as **Exhibit 15A**.

EXHIBIT 16

Board Member Cox moved with a second by Board Member Dixon to Approve Resolution Request for County Aid to Bridge Funds Project 2230-109. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 5 absent as **Exhibit 16A**.

EXHIBIT 17

Board Member Dixon moved with a second by Board Member Litchfield to Approve Resolution Request for County Aid to Bridge Funds Project 2230-110. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 5 absent as **Exhibit 17A**.

EXHIBIT 18

Board Member Cortelyou made a motion with a second by Board Member Litchfield to Amend the Resolution to Establish Policy for Replacing Mailboxes Damaged and/or Destroyed by Highway Department so that it states the address clearly. Motion carried on a voice vote as **Exhibit 18A**.

Board Member Litchfield moved with a second by Board Member Dixon to postpone approval of the Mail Box Policy until the April full Board meeting. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 18A**.

EXHIBIT 19

Board Member Litchfield moved with a second by Board Member Raby to Approve Intergovernmental Agreement Between McDonough District Hospital and McDonough County Sheriff Regarding Medical Services. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 19A**.

EXHIBIT 20

Board Member Dixon stated that he would like to wait a month to intervene.

Board Member Erlandson moved with a second by Board Member Durkin to Approve Carbon Pipeline – Petition to Intervene and Hire Attorney Joseph Murphy to Represent the County. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 14 yeas, 1 nay, 1 pass, and 5 absent as **Exhibit 20A**.

EXHIBIT 21

A large discussion was held regarding the ARPA project plan. Board Member Cox gave an overview of the proposal. County Chair Schwerer stated that he is not comfortable signing the contract until next month. Board Member Dixon would like to see the men's restroom project done rather than the clock tower being done. Board Member's Cox, Aurelio and Chair Schwerer will meet with the architects prior to the April full Board Meeting. No action was taken as **Exhibit 21A**.

EXHIBIT 22

No action taken as **Exhibit 22A**.

EXHIBIT 23

None.

EXHIBIT 24

Marilyn Shelly thanked the Board.

Chair Schwerer entertained a motion that Days and Miles are checked, roll be called, and the Board adjourn until Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Board Member Cortelyou moved with a second by Board Member Litchfield to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 16 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 5 absent. With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m. Sheriff Petitgout gave the closing declaration.