

MINUTES OF THE MCDONOUGH COUNTY BOARD

May 17, 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 Larry Aurelio, and Eric Chapman were absent. Sheriff Nick Petitgout made the opening declaration. Chair Schwerer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXHIBIT 1 – McDonough County Sheriff’s Office Awards

McDonough County Sheriff Nick Petitgout honored four officers for their action taken while on duty. Those recognized were Morgan Werkheiser, Josh Redding, Dawson Tucker, and Mark Neve.

EXHIBIT 2 – Public Hearing-Graham Hospital Healthcare Facilities Revenue Bonds Series 2023

County Chair Schwerer called the Public Hearing to order at 7:09 p.m.

Jere Greuel, the MDH Board Chair read a statement about how MDH was formed, and gave an overview of the hospital. Brian Deitz, the MDH CEO gave an overview of the financial impact MDH has provided, he gave the number of surgeries and tests given at MDH. He also discussed the relationship with Springfield Clinic and Blessing.

Dr. Jack McPherson, Dr. Edwin Card, Dan O’Neill, Dr. Rick Iverson (on the MDH Board), Dr. Jill Brody (30 year eye surgeon), and Carol Stewart (on the MDH Board) asked the County Board to support MDH and vote no on the bond for Graham Medical Care.

Michelle Daly, Vice President of Clinic Operations for Graham Medical Group gave an overview of the bond and services that will be provided.

David King stated that he believes that residents need to have a choice in medical care.

County Chair Schwerer adjourned the Public Hearing at 7:50 p.m.

EXHIBIT 3

Board Member Hiel moved with a second by Board Member Clark to approve the minutes of April 19, 2023. Motion carried with a voice vote.

EXHIBIT 4

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

EXHIBIT 5

The report of Sales Tax collected in February, 2023 was received and filed. County Sales Tax, Public Safety Tax, Cannabis Tax, and Transportation Tax.

EXHIBIT 6

The report of Balances and Investments from County Treasurer Graves for the month of April, 2023 was received and filed.

EXHIBIT 7

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

EXHIBIT 8

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

EXHIBIT 9

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 9A**

EXHIBIT 10

Board Member Erlandson 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 10A.**

EXHIBIT 11

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 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 11A.**

EXHIBIT 12

Board Member Dixon moved with a second by Board Member Foster to Appoint Colchester Fire Protection District Trustees – Jamie Sullivan, and Cheryl Webster. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 12A.**

EXHIBIT 13

Board Member Clark moved with a second by Board Member Hiel to approve the Resolution to Amend FY 2023 County General Elections Budget. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 13A.**

EXHIBIT 14

Board Member Cox moved with a second by Board Member Durkin to approve the Resolution to Increase RHSP Fees. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 18 yeas, 1 nay, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 14A.**

EXHIBIT 15

Board Member Berg moved with a second by Board Member Erlandson to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Macomb and McDonough County. Motion carried with a voice vote as **Exhibit 15A.**

EXHIBIT 16

Board Member Cox moved with a second by Board Member Cortelyou to approve Maurer-Stutz Phase 2 Engineering Services for CH-26 Bridge. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 16A**.

EXHIBIT 17

Board Member Blakeley moved with a second by Board Member Dixon to approve the County Aid to Bridge Resolutions for Project Numbers 1951-42, and 2348-21. Motion carried with a roll call vote of 19 yeas, 0 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 17A**.

EXHIBIT 18

Board Member Foster moved with a second by Board Member Durkin to approve the Resolution for Aggregate Bond for \$15,000,000 for Graham Health Care. Motion failed to pass with a roll call vote of 7 yeas, 12 nays, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 18A**.

EXHIBIT 19

Board Member Clark moved with a second by Board Member Erlandson to approve the New Insurance Language "Specialty Drugs Including Infusions Costing Over \$20,000.00 Per Year Are Not Covered Unless Prior Authorization is Obtained From the Claim Administrator". Motion carried with a roll call vote of 18 yeas, 1 nay, 0 pass, and 2 absent as **Exhibit 19A**.

EXHIBIT 20

Specifications are being prepared for outside projects.

EXHIBIT 21

None.

EXHIBIT 22

None.

EXHIBIT 23

None.

Chair Schwerer entertained a motion that Days and Miles are checked, roll be called, and the Board adjourn until Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Board Member Litchfield moved with a second by Board Member Foster 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 8:09 p.m. Sheriff Petitgout gave the closing declaration.