Chairman David Zimmerman Monica Connett, Dist. 1 Kim D. Joesting, Dist. 1 Frank Sciortino, Dist. 1 Nancy Proehl, Dist. 1 Nick Graff, Dist. 2 Greg Menold, Dist. 2 Greg Sinn, Dist. 2 Joe Roberts, Dist. 3 Vacant, Dist. 3 Tammy Rich-Stimson, Dist. 3



John C. Ackerman County Clerk

Vice Chairman, Michael Harris, Dist. 3
Jay Hall, Dist. 1
Wayne Altpeter, Dist. 1
Sam Goodard, Dist. 1
Mindy Darcy, Dist. 2
Brandon Hovey, Dist. 2
Carroll Imig, Dist. 2
William Hauter, Dist. 2
Russ Crawford, Dist. 3
William (Bill) Atkins, Dist. 3
Greg Longfellow, Dist. 3

# TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY JUNE 30, 2021 6:00 PM

James Carius Community Room, Tazewell Law & Justice Center, 101 S. Capitol Street, Pekin, Illinois 61554

#### **ROLL CALL BY COUNTY CLERK**

Attendance was taken by Roll Call and the following members of the board were present: Board Chairman David Zimmerman, Vice Chairman Harris, Members Altpeter, Atkins, Connett, Crawford, Darcy, Goddard, Graff, Hall, Hauter, Hovey, Imig, Joesting, Longfellow, Menold, Proehl, Rich-Stimson, Roberts, Sciortino, Sinn, - 21. Absent: None

To help control the spread of the COVID-19 virus a remote meeting was allowed per Illinois Governor J.B. Pritzker's order dated March 16, 2020; therefore some County Board members attended this meeting via teleconference.

#### INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Zimmerman led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Zimmerman recognized Gary Twist for his many years of service as the Tazewell County Supervisor of Assessments. Chairman Zimmerman thanked Mr. Twist for his dedication to Tazewell County the last 14 years and wished him good luck with his retirement. Vice Chairman Harris presented Mr. Twist with a plaque for his service to Tazewell County.

#### COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED & APPOINTED COUNTY OFFICIALS

Vice Chairman Harris voiced concerns regarding some complaints he had received regarding the Recorder of Deeds office.

Member Hovey stated he was concerned with the comments from Vice Chairman Harris pertaining to the Recorder of Deeds office.

County Clerk/Recorder of Deeds John C. Ackerman stated the information was regarding online subscription services with the new land records vendor. He stated the rate being charged was the same rates being utilized in 68 counties within Illinois, including Fulton, Woodford and Mason Counties.

### APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 26, 2021 COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS

Member Connett moved to approve the minutes of the County Board Meeting held on May 26, 2021, as printed; seconded by Member Darcy. Motion to approve the minutes for the County Board Meeting held on May 26, 2021, as printed were approved by voice vote of 20 Yeas and 0 Nays.

#### IN-PLACE PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting started at 6:14 PM and ended at 6:20 PM.

#### IN-PLACE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting started at 6:20 PM and ended at 6:21 PM.

#### IN-PLACE RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting started at 6:21 PM and ended at 6:22 PM.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Transportation: Approve contract for joint bridge construction with Marquette Heights, Resolution T = 21-35.
- 2. Finance: Approve transfer request for the County Clerk/Recorder, RESOLUTION F-21-20.
- 3. Finance: Approve the FY22 Budget Parameters, RESOLUTION F-21-21.
- 4. Human Resources: Approve an agreement with Korn Ferry, RESOLUTION HR-21-06.
- 5. Risk Management: Approve worker's compensation settlement, RESOLUTION RM-21-02.
- 6. Risk Management: Approve worker's compensation settlement, RESOLUTION RM-21-03. Resolution will pass upon approval of the In-Place meeting,

- 7. Executive: Approve accepting the resignation of County Board Member, Toni Minton, RESOLUTION E-21-114.
- 8. Executive: Approve changes to polling locations, RESOLUTION E-21-122
- 9. Executive: Approve Emergency Declaration for tree removal at the Courthouse, RESOLUTION E-21-123.
- 10. Executive: Approve the first invoices for DCBG RLF Closeout Grant 18-248951, RESOLUTION E-21-124.
- 11. Executive: Approve agreement with Bellwether, LLC for consulting services for the American Rescue Plan Act funding, RESOLUTION E-21-125.
- 12. Executive: Approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component, namely Dempsey's Pub, Inc., RESOLUTION E-21-115. Resolution will pass upon approval of the In-Place meeting,
- 13. Executive: Approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component, namely Tequilas Mexican Bar & Grill, RESOLUTION E-21-116. Resolution will pass upon approval of the In-Place meeting,
- 14. Executive: Approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component, Touch of Bronze, Inc. RESOLUTION E-21-117. Resolution will pass upon approval of the In-Place meeting,
- 15. Executive: Approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component, namely Lyt, Inc. dba Art at the Bodega, RESOLUTION E-21-118. Resolution will pass upon approval of the In-Place meeting.
- 16. Executive: Approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component, namely Dearcos Sheldon, Inc. dba Office of Main, RESOLUTION E-21-119. Resolution will pass upon approval of the In-Place meeting.
- 17. Executive: Approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component, namely Morton Firehouse Pizza LLC, RESOLUTION E-21-120. Resolution will pass upon approval of the In-Place meeting.
- 18. Executive: Approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component, namely Terry Cooper dba Hilltop Grill, RESOLUTION E-21-121. Resolution will pass upon approval of the In-Place meeting.

Member Crawford moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as outlined in the Agenda packet; seconded by Member Graff. The Consent Agenda was approved by voice vote of 20 Yeas; 0 Nays.

The following items were removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

**Item 2 Finance:** Discussions were held regarding the proposed transfer request by the County Clerk/Recorder. Member Harris voiced concerns regarding the transfer and requested the board wait until the end of the fiscal year for such transfer. He stated he would not support the transfer.

Member Hovey voiced his opposition to the transfer and stated concerns about the transfer.

Member Graff explained that the County Clerk budget was cut by the board and the Washington Primary was also not accounted for when budgeting for Election Judges. He stated that past practice was to allow for a transfer instead of waiting until the end of the fiscal year.

Member Crawford mentioned he supported Member Graff's statements.

Member Imig asked if waiting to make the transfer would cause any problems.

County Administrator Ferrill explained that Tazewell County policy was to allow transfers from contingence funds rather than waiting for the end of the fiscal year.

Member Darcy spoke about the Washington Primary in regards to budgeting for the County Clerk Election Judge line item.

Member Connett stated the board discussed at great lengths when discussing contingence funds during the budget process the need to monitor such funds.

Member Crawford explained to the board the last time Tazewell County saved transfers until the end of the year was 1979.

Member Hovey said he agreed with Member Connett & Member Graff's statements. He stated this matter would be a teaching moment for the County and he suggested that any vendetta between individuals on the county government level be resolved immediately.

Member Rich-Stimson motioned to approve transfer request for the County Clerk/Recorder, Resolution F-21-20; seconded by Member Hovey. Motion to approve the resolution was passed by voice vote of 14 Yeas; 6 Nays – Connett, Darcy, Harris, Hovey, Joesting, Proehl.

**Item 6 Risk Management:** Member Menold made a motion to approve worker's compensation settlement; seconded by Member Atkins. Motion to approve Resolution RM-21-03 was passed by voice vote of 20 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 7 Executive:** Member Darcy made a motion to approve accepting the resignation of County Board Member, Toni Minton; seconded by Member Atkins. Motion to approve Resolution E-21-114 was passed by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 2 Nays – Darcy, Harris.

**Item 12 Executive:** Member Harris made a motion to approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component namely Dempsey's Pub, Inc.; seconded by Member Roberts. Motion to approve RESOLUTION E-21-115 was passed by voice vote of 20 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 13 Executive:** Member Harris made a motion to approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component namely Tequilas Mexican Bar and Grill; seconded by Member Roberts. Motion to approve RESOLUTION E-21-116 was passed by voice vote of 20 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 14 Executive:** Member Harris made a motion to approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component namely Touch of Bronze, Inc.; seconded by Member Roberts. Motion to approve RESOLUTION E-21-117 was passed by voice vote of 20 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 15 Executive:** Member Harris made a motion to approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component namely Lyt, Inc. dba Art at the Bodega; seconded by Member Roberts. Motion to approve RESOLUTION E-21-118 was passed by voice vote of 20 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 16 Executive:** Member Harris made a motion to approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component namely Dearcos Sheldon, Inc. dba Office of Main; seconded by Member Roberts. Motion to approve RESOLUTION E-21-119 was passed by voice vote of 20 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 17 Executive:** Member Harris made a motion to approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component namely Morton Firehouse Pizza, LLC; seconded by Member Roberts. Motion to approve RESOLUTION E-21-120 was passed by voice vote of 20 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 18 Executive:** Member Harris made a motion to approve the initiation of the close out process for the CDBG DSBS component namely Terry Cooper dba Hilltop Grill; seconded by Member Roberts. Motion to approve RESOLUTION E-21-121 was passed by voice vote of 20 Yeas; 0 Nays.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Maintenance Grounds Superintendent Mike Schone remarked that the flower planters around the courthouse grounds that Member Crawford complimented during the Property Committee Meeting were arranged and paid for by County Treasurer Mary Burress, County Clerk/Recorder John C. Ackerman and Judge Paul Gilfillan.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Zimmerman congratulated Sheriff Jeff Lower on his department being awarded a first place finish in the Sheriff 26-50 category and Teen Safety Specialty award for the 2020 Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge on behalf of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Traffic Committee.

#### **REVIEW OF APPROVED BILLS**

Board Members reviewed the approved bills as presented.

### **APPROVE the July 2021 CALENDAR**

Member Imig moved to approve the July 2021 calendar; seconded by Member Altpeter.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Zimmerman stated effective next month all committee meetings and board meetings would be in person attendance eliminating the need for Zoom meetings.

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Zimmerman announced the meeting was adjourned. The Tazewell County Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:38 P.M. The next regular scheduled County Board meeting will be July 28, 2021.