

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY
ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN
TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS ON **June 20, 2023**
ATTEST: JODIE L. BADMAN, COUNTY CLERK

The following proceeding had and entered at large upon the records of said Board, which is done accordingly in the following words and figures to wit;

Chairman Bryan Sharp called the board meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Clint Epley led Invocation this evening.

ROLL CALL

The roll call by County Clerk Jodie Badman showed Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg and Clayton Walter as present and a quorum was had to hold the meeting. David Buckles, Seth Foster and Mike Specha were absent.

APPROVE COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

Chairman Bryan Sharp asked if there were any corrections and to accept the minutes from the May 16, 2023 County Board meeting. Chairman Sharp called for a motion to approve the minutes *Vicki McMahon made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Tim Carlson. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Sharp asked if there was any comments from the public. There was none.

APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments to bring before the Board.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND/OR ORDINANCES

ARPA Fund Referrals given to Chairman Sharp for consideration by the Board.

- **O2023 CB 022 Building Purchase for Christian County Public Health Department**

Sharp asked for a motion to approve and amount not to exceed \$350,000.00 for the purchase of property at 730 N. Pawnee St., Taylorville, Illinois, and repairs to that property that will become the location of the Christian County Public Health Department. *After no discussion, Linda Curtin made the motion and Venise McWard seconded it. A roll call vote called upon the following: Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg and Clayton Walter Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

- **O2023 CB 023 Autistic Movement Project Elevator**

Sharp asked for a motion to approve an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 for the purpose of installation of an elevator at the location of the Autistic Movement Project located in Pana, Illinois. *Jean Vandenberg made the motion and Clint Epley seconded it. A roll call vote called upon the*

following: Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter and Timothy Carlson. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.

- **O2023 CB 024 Remaining ARPA Funds Usage**

Chairman Sharp asked for a motion to approve that the remaining amount of available ARPA funds, estimated on this date to be \$464,830.30 for the use of additional Courthouse upgrades; Upgrades to the County Board Room and/or any overage for the HVAC project. *Vicki McMahon made the motion and Venise McWard seconded it. A roll call vote called upon the following: Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson and Linda Curtin. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

- **O2023 CB 025 Repairs and Maintenance Christian County Jail & Sheriff's Office**

Chairman Sharp asked for a motion to approve allocating an amount not to exceed \$2,100,000.00 to the Christian County Jail & Sheriff's office for repairs and maintenance. *Jean Vandenberg made the motion and Jeff Nolen seconded it. A roll call vote called upon the following: Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin and Clint Epley. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

- **O2023 CB 026 Preservation of Christian County Historical Society Log Home**

Chairman Sharp asked for a motion to approve allocating an amount not to exceed \$60,324.00 to the Christian County Historical Society for the purpose of building a structure that will preserve the brick log home. *David Puccetti made the motion and Linda Curtin seconded it. A roll call vote called upon the following: Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley and Ken Franklin. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

- **O2022 CB 037 - RESCIND**

Chairman Sharp asked for a motion to approve the rescinding of ordinance O2022 CB 037, which referred to an allocation of ARPA funds to rock the driveway at the Christian County Public Health office on Springfield Rd., Taylorville. This will no longer be necessary because of the move to a new facility by CCHD. *Vicki McMahon made the motion and David Puccetti seconded it. A roll call vote called upon the following: Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley and Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

ZBA REFERRALS

A referral from the Executive Committee to the Board for a Text Amendment Proposal to the Zoning Code related to special use procedures and to assist in streamlining the processes. Chairman Sharp recommended and asked for a motion to amend 1-5-4-A Section and 1-11-25 Lapse of Approval as presented. *Venise McWard made a motion and second by Jean Vandenberg. Discussion was had and Ken Franklin question some verbiage. It was agreed upon to have the Zoning Office make the correction and it would not have to go back in front of the committee for approval. Chairman Sharp asked for an amended motion. Ken Franklin made the motion and Venise McWard second. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

JUNE 2023 COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were presented and placed on file in the Clerk's Office.

1. The Treasurer's Reports for period ending May 31, 2023
2. The Local Solid Waste Fees Fund report for May 2023
3. IDOT – Motor Fuel Tax Allotment and Transactions for May 2023
4. ROE – Expenditure Report for May 2023
5. Ameren Vegetation Management Letter
6. IEPA Notice of Application for Permit to Manage Waste
7. Prevailing Wage Report for May 2023

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/ENVIRONMENTAL/ZONING AND WELFARE

Thomas Snyder, Jr. highlighted the meeting of the Highway/Building/Grounds/Environmental/Welfare/Zoning Committee. He stated the meeting was called to order on Monday, June 12, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Christian County Courthouse. The purpose of the meeting was County building issues, highway business and any other matters properly brought before the Committee. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum.

Thomas Snyder, Jr. stated to the Board that Cliff Frye had indicated that the final plans have been submitted for King Bridge #8 and the project is tentatively scheduled to be on IDOT's September 22 bid letting. This project is funded with Federal, State and Local Bridge Funds. *Thomas Snyder, Jr. made a motion to adopt resolution R2023 HY 006 appropriating \$20,000 from the County Bridge Fund for the County's share of the estimated costs to construct King Bridge #8 (Section 20-06115-00-BR) and Vicki McMahon made a second. After no discussion, a roll call vote called upon the following: Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon and Venise McWard. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

Snyder brought to the Board another committee item regarding the authorization of the County Board Chairman to execute the Joint Agreement with IDOT for Federal funds on King Bridge #8 (Section 20-06115-00-BR). *Thomas Snyder, Jr. made a motion to give authorization to County Board Chairman, Bryan Sharp, to execute the Joint Agreement with IDOT for Federal funds on King Bridge #8 (Section 20-06115-00-BR) and Venise McWard second. A roll call vote called upon the following after no discussion: David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard and Jeffrey Nolen. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

Another item brought before the Board by Snyder was allowing Henson Robinson to complete the permanent repairs needed at the Highway Department roof. *Thomas Snyder, Jr. made a motion to authorize Henson Robinson to complete the permanent repair pending approval from States Attorney McWard that this situation qualifies as an emergency, Vicki McMahon second. Discussion was had by States Attorney McWard and he stated that he had talked with Bill Kennedy. They were in agreement that it was an insurance claim and with the deductible being paid, no extra money was coming out of the County's pocket. The project could be completed. A roll call vote called upon the following: Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti and Bryan Sharp. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

Thomas Snyder, Jr. stated that Cliff Frye had requested to hire up to two part-time employees to mow roadsides at the rate of \$20.00 per hour. *Snyder made a motion to allow the Highway Department to hire two temporary employees for mowing roadsides at \$20.00 per hour and Vicki McMahon second. A roll call vote called upon the following: Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp and Thomas Snyder, Jr. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

Another agenda item from committee that was brought to the full board by Snyder was a preliminary agreement for NBIS Bridge Inspection for all NBIS structures due for inspection this winter. *Thomas Snyder, Jr. made a motion to authorize the County Board Chairman to execute the preliminary engineering agreement with NBIS for bridge inspection not to exceed a cost of \$47,500.00. Second by Dave Puccetti. A roll call vote called upon the following: Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr. and Jean Vandenberg. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

Last item that was brought before the Board was an update on the Courthouse entrance doors being replaced. *Thomas Snyder, Jr. made a motion to allow Bill Kennedy to develop the bid specifications for bids and to put out for bid replacement of the remaining Courthouse entrance doors and second by Ken Franklin. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR

Clint Epley, Committee Chair, highlighted the meeting of the Highway/Building/Grounds/Environmental/Welfare/Zoning Committee. He stated the meeting was called to order on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Christian County Courthouse. The purpose of the meeting was to address any agenda items, any personnel issues, policies and any other matters properly brought before the Committee. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum.

Epley stated the actions brought to the full Board from the committee tonight were a recommendation to the full Board by County Clerk Jodie Badman, to adopt a new ordinance for Recording Fees and related Recording Fee Schedule as a result of legislative action that passed for Public Act 102-1135 which amended sections 3-5018 and 3-5018.1 to increase the Rental Housing Support Program surcharge recording fees to any real estate related charge unless otherwise exempt by \$9.00.

Clint Epley made a motion to approve O2023 CB 021 Recording Fees & Recording Fee Schedule effective July 1, 2023, and second by Linda Curtin. A roll call vote called upon the

following: Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg and Clayton Walter. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.

Clint Epley informed the Board that Zoning Director, Blake Tarr, brought to the committee two (2) changes/additions to the Zoning Code related to special use procedures and to assist in streamlining the processes. *Epley made a motion to accept the ZBA proposed 1-5-4-A section to the overall Christian County Zoning Code as presented and Jean Vandenberg second. Chairman Sharp called for discussion and then made a motion to amend the ZBA proposed 1-5-4-A section motion to have language to state the following: in proposal 1-5-4-A, mailings and notices of public community meetings or other open houses shall be sent out to landowners and residents within the footprint and to landowners and residents within 1.5 miles of the proposed outside boundary of the project, **at the expense of the applicant.** Additionally, language to read newspaper of general circulation of Christian County not less than 30 days before the meeting, **at the expense of the applicant.** Thomas Snyder, Jr. second. A roll call vote called upon the following: Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter and Timothy Carlson. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

Epley made a motion before the Board the ZBA proposed 1-11-25 Lapse of Approval section to the overall Christian County Zoning Code as presented, second by Vicki McMahon. In discussion, Bryan Sharp made a motion to amend the motion to change language in proposal 1-11-25-B to take out no hearings, no notices or no fees are required for extensions, and Ken Franklin seconded the amended motion. A roll call vote called upon the following: Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson and Linda Curtin. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.

AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Venise McWard, Chairman highlighted the Audit/Finance/Purchasing/Budget Committee that met on Wednesday, June 14, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the Christian County Courthouse, Taylorville, Illinois. The purpose of the meeting was to address agenda items and any other matters properly brought before the committee. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum.

- CLAIMS

Venise McWard made a motion and second Tim Carlson to recommend to the full Board to approve the claims presented for June. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried. *Venise McWard made a motion to approve and pay the claims presented for June and Vicki McMahon seconded. A roll call vote called upon the following: Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin and Clint Epley. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS/OTHER

Chairman Sharp discussed renegotiating the 9-1-1 Intergovernmental Agreement with Shelby County. He stated that he had read over the existing contract and he told the Board that he feels there are some things that need updated/upgraded to catch up with the times. He told the Board that one (1) year's notice is required to be given to Shelby County and asked the Board for their

approval for him to notify them of changes that need made. He wanted to make sure that the Board was doing their due diligence for the County before signing. *Ken Franklin made a motion to allow Chairman Sharp to execute notification to Shelby County in regards to the 9-1-1 Intergovernmental Agreement and re-visit in one year, a second was made from Vicki McMahon. A roll call polled all ayes.*

In other business, State's Attorney McWard spoke to the Board about entering an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement Between the County of Sangamon and the County of Christian Regarding Child Advocacy Center Services. He explained that the agreement would provide that Christian County would reimburse the cost back to Sangamon County for providing CAC services to Christian County residents. *Ken Franklin made a motion to send to the Finance Committee for review and a second from Vicki McMahon. A roll call polled all ayes.*

Next, Cliff Frye went over the bids received for the 2023 County and Township MFT. *Linda Curtin made a motion to approve the MFT bids as read for County and Township and refer the township bids to the individual township commissioners and Jeff Nolen second. A roll call vote called upon the following: Miranda Langen, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley and Ken Franklin. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

The next agenda item was the Preliminary Engineering Agreement for Highway Safety Improvement Project on County Highway #1. Cliff Frye explained that the road is heavily traveled and there have been numerous accidents. *Jeff Nolen made a motion to execute the agreement with Cummings Engineering Corp. with a second from Dave Puccetti. After no discussion, a roll call vote called upon the following: Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley and Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT – June 20, 2023

Chairman Sharp entertained a motion to approve the Mileage and Per Diem Report. *Thomas Snyder, Jr. made the motion and a second by Tim Carlson. A roll call vote called upon the following: Venise McWard, Jeffrey Nolen, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Miranda Langen and Vicki McMahan. Motion carried with (13) ayes, (0) nay.*

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u># of Meetings This Month</u>
David Buckles	\$100.00	\$25.00	2
Timothy Carlson	\$100.00	\$50.00	3
Linda Curtin	\$100.00	\$75.00	4
Clint Epley	\$100.00	\$25.00	3
Seth Foster	\$100.00	\$25.00	2
Ken Franklin	\$100.00	\$75.00	4
Miranda Langen	\$100.00	\$50.00	3
Vicki McMahan	\$100.00	\$25.00	2
Venise McWard	\$100.00	\$50.00	3
Jeff Nolan	\$100.00	\$25.00	2
David Puccetti	\$100.00	\$50.00	3
Thomas Snyder, Jr.	\$100.00	\$75.00	4
Mike Specha	\$100.00	\$25.00	2
Jean Vandenberg	\$100.00	\$50.00	3
Clayton Walter	\$100.00	\$50.00	3
Bryan Sharp	\$769.24		

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Sharp called for a motion from the floor to adjourn until next meeting scheduled for July 18, 2023.

Tim Carlson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and David Puccetti seconded the motion. Motion carried with all ayes.