

MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD MEETING

March 11, 2021

The Marshall County Board met through zoom for the March Board meeting on March 11, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. Chairman Kroeschen called the meeting to order. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call shows: Chairman Kroeschen, Vice-Chairman McGlasson, McLaughlin, Minnick, Donna, Johnson, Balensiefen, Minnick, Stash, Gauwitz, Daykin and Lindstrom present.

It was moved by Bakewell and seconded by Lindstrom to approve the minutes for 2/11/21 as presented. Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent, motion carried.

County Engineer Pat Sloan reported on Zoning. The follow text amendment was recommended from the ZBA Board under three conditions. 1. Road use agreement from the City of Lacon 2. Update the decommission cost estimate 3. Landscaping plan for the western south side This all would have to be put together before applying for the building permit. They will have three years for construction. This is on the north side of Lacon. The Developer Bill French from Sunvest was present on zoom to answer any questions or concerns.

Sloan stated they have another application that was continued on a text amendment that has been proposed from Spring Bay Land Development LLC. This hearing will be held Thursday, March 18th at 7:00 P.M. through zoom. This amendment only applies to new shooting ranges and gun clubs.

#21-24 It was moved by Stash and seconded by Minnick to **approve Special Use Permit #21-231 Schulte 1 Community Solar LLC.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Sloan reported on Highway. Forman Dave Kenyon provided a list of all the issues they encountered over the last snow event. They had a lot of issues with equipment and a lot of repair bills. They have all the equipment back to 100%. They are getting ready to bid out MFT work. This will not be a big gathering it will be private. Hoping next year, they can hold an event for this. He stated they have a petition from La Prairie Township to replace a large culvert on 850N.

#21-25 It was moved by Daykin and seconded by Lindstrom to **approve Request for County Aid for Township Bridge Repair-Co. Aid Project 705 (La Prairie Township).**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Recycling is going well. There will be a household collection event on May 15th at the fairgrounds in Henry. North Central is managing this event. It is for herbicides, chemicals, paint etc. They will be getting organizations to help with this event. Chairman Kroeschen noted that the County will make a financial donation to the organizations that help with this event.

Sloan stated with the weather that we are having the roads are cracking with different temperatures. He stated that the towers over in Bennington Township are going up. He stated that they are putting up around 1 to 2 towers a day. Rebecca Donna expressed her concerns about the roads being dirty and the only knowledge that they know what is going on is through Facebook. She stated that some people do not have Facebook. Sloan stated that everyday they have a plan of day planned out for that day, but it does not go out to each resident. This is a big construction project. Chairman Kroeschen noted that there are engineers out on these sights daily watching and fining them. Sloan stated they have paid over \$50,000 in fines. With a big project you will have dirt and mud. They are using a street sweeper. All emergency vehicles are notified and can get through if an emergency shall arise.

Vice Chairman McGlasson gave a few updates on the Union Contracts. Still working on a few issues. Waiting on to see if they are going to hold a ratification vote. Hoping this to be done by April.

#21-26 It was moved by Stash and seconded by McLaughlin to **approve & Amend Ordinance #21-12 Henry Gauwitz re-appointment to the Board of Review for a 2-Year Term Instead of a 1-Year Term.**

Vote shows: 11 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

#21-27 It was moved by Bakewell and seconded by Gauwitz to **approve Re-appointment of Robert Nelson to Wenona Fire Protection District (3-Year Term).**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Traci Dowell for MSW Projects gave an update. She stated that Hannah Fuchs the new PCOM Director has been training with IDOT on the Black cat. She also stated that in 2019 they had 6,671 trips. In 2020 they were down 10%. They are starting to get busier. It was stated that County Clerk & Recorder Jill Kenyon ordered the new laptop and Hannah received it. Hannah stated that at her interview a printer could be purchased. It was decided to order a printer.

#21-28 & A It was moved by Daykin and seconded by Balensiefen to **Approve Resolution Authorizing Execution and Amendment of FEDERAL CARES Act Section 5311 Grant Agreement.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

#21-29 It was moved by Gauwitz and seconded by Daykin to **Accept Special Warranty-Transportation.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

#21-30 It was moved by Stash and seconded by Gauwitz to **Approve Section 5311 Downstate Operating Assistance Program (DOAP) Board Resolution for the Provision of Public Transportation Between Marshall and Stark Counties.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

#21-31 It was moved by Daykin and seconded by McLaughlin to **Approve an Ordinance to Provide for Public Transportation in Marshall County, Illinois.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Laurie Geuther from the Health Department gave an update on the vaccinations. She stated that Marshall County has a good process on how things are going. She stated that 13.45% that are fully vaccinated. They received a \$40,000 grant for process, and they are receiving a new system called EM Track and will be in affect in Marshall County in a month. They are trying to give out 400 doses a week. They are moving towards 1-B Plus. They currently have a link on Facebook for people who want to sign up for the vaccination. She stated that the phone system scheduling takes a lot of manpower and they just do not have it. With the EM Track system, they will not have any paper transfers. She stated that you can go onto dph.illinois.gov and look and see how many vaccines have been given in the County.

It was moved by Stash and seconded by McLaughlin for the **Payment of Bills.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays.

Committee Reports:

Animal Control: Minnick stated that all is good.

Building & Grounds: Nothing to report.

COVID 19: McLaughlin reported that they are looking at future meetings.

EMA: McLaughlin reported that Rich is working hard, and they will have a meeting next month.

Finance/Budget: Nothing to report.

County Highway & Recycling: Lindstrom stated that there has been lots of repairs on equipment. The new snowplow will be ready in a few months.

Human Resources & IT: Nothing to report.

Judicial Offices: Nothing to report.

Lower-Level Offices: Gauwitz reported that the Assessor got the new multiplier. County Clerk is waiting on Railroads to finish taxes and send on, voting is currently going on & the machines will be tested Friday. Megan Spradling is working on bonding passed by the state.

Public Transportation: Nothing to report.

County Sheriff & Coroner: Gauwitz reported that a part-time dispatcher went to full-time, and they hired a part-timer.

Airport: Gauwitz reported that they were having a meeting tonight.

Comm. Mental Health: Nothing to report.

Economic Development & Enterprise Zone: McGlasson stated that they had a meeting to talk about water way funds from Federal & the State. Stash reported that the Henry Mayor had a meeting about the Plant closing and there is activity but not sure what way they want to go with the property.

ETSB (911): McLaughlin reported Mike Mayor is finishing up final paperwork on grant. Mike will be training & the maps for the state are updated.

Health Dept.: Lindstrom stated that they are still trying get staff hired and there has been a lot of turn over.

Human Services Transportation Comm.: Daykin reported that there will be a meeting the 1st Tuesday in April.

Marshall-Putnam Extension: Nothing to report.

Regional Office of Education: Nothing to report.

Tri-County Opportunities: Nothing to report.

Upper IL River Valley Development Authority: Nothing to report

Zoning & Land Use: Nothing to report.

Chairman Kroeschen stated that he received an e-mail about passing a second amendment resolution and said they should do a petition and let the voters decide. He also stated that he wanted each member to call or email him on their opinion.

Johnson asked when it would be possible to have meetings back to in person and Chairman Kroeschen said that the board should contact him on what they would like to do.

At 9:42 A.M. it was moved by Daykin and seconded by Gauwitz to **adjourn** the meeting.

4/8/21 It was moved by Balensiefen and seconded by Stash to approve the **minutes 3/11/21 as presented**. Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Motion carried.