

# MARSHALL COUNTY BOARD MEETING

## May 11, 2023

The Marshall County Board met for the May Board meeting on May 11, 2023; at 8:30 A.M. Chairman Kroeschen called the meeting to order. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call shows: Gauwitz, Meierkord, Chairman Kroeschen, Stash, Minnick, Balensiefen, Lueders, Vice-Chairman McGlasson, Durham and Fecht present and 2 absent.

It was moved by Lueders and seconded by Balensiefen to **approve** the April 13, 2023; minutes as presented. Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

No Health Department update was given.

Ryan Giacometti gave the update on Zoning. The next hearing will be on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM for a special use permit for two meteorological towers. On April 20<sup>th</sup> they had a hearing for a Solar Energy Text Amendment and a Special Use Permit for Midwest Gun Collectors Association.

**#23-51** It was moved by Stash and seconded by Balensiefen to **approve Special Use Permit #23-253 Text Amendment.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstained (Meierkord) and 2 absent.

Greg Crank was present who is the owner of the Midwest Gun Collectors Association and stated this will take 3-5 years before it will be up and ready for use. They have worked out an agreement with Lockport Duck Club on the operation of hours. It was recommended by the Zoning Board that trees be planted on the southern berm and will be hydro seeded and grass planted.

**#23-52** It was moved by Durham and seconded by Gauwitz to **approve Special Use Permit #21-255 Midwest Gun Collectors Association.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

A list of building permits was given to each member.

Assistant Engineer Catherine Terando reported on Highway. The maintainers have installed a few field entrances and are starting to shoulder the roads. They are still waiting on the sub-contractor for Bennington Bridge. Things are going smoothly on Camp Grove Bridge they just poured the first pier. They have met and sent in the road use agreement to Trans-Alta for Western Road.

They received two bids for the new building at the Highway. One bid being 2.6 million and the other being 1.1 million. The lowest bid was from Blunier Builders. 75 to 80 percent of the building will be storage for the Highway Department and it will have a concrete floor, EMA Office will be moved out there and a meeting room/board room will be there as well. The meeting/board room will stay set up, so we don't have to take it down each time. The funds will come from the rest of the American Rescue grant money which is a little over \$800,000 and the Highway will fund. The builder will start construction this year.

**#23-53** It was moved by Gauwitz and seconded by Durham to **approve the Award Highway Facility Bid.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

Recycling update. Collection day was held on April 21<sup>st</sup>, they collected a total of 39 pallets. 42% was from Toluca, 16% was from Wenona and 11% was from Granville. They were under weight from the previous collection event.

**#23-54** It was moved by Lueders and seconded by Minnick to **approve Trustee Tax Resolution 06-07-354-013.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

**#23-55** It was moved by Lueders and seconded by Meierkord to **approve Trustee Tax Resolution 06-07-354-018.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

**#23-56** It was moved by Minnick and seconded by Gauwitz to **approve the re-appointment of John Bayler as President to the Varna Fire Department.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

**#23-57** It was moved by Gauwitz and seconded by Meierkord to **approve the re-appointment of Joe McCall as Trustee of the Varna Fire Department.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

**#23-58** It was moved by Gauwitz and seconded by Lueders to **approve the re-appointment of Mike Blew as Trustee of the Varna Fire Department.**

Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, and 2 absent.

It was moved by Balensiefen and seconded by Meierkord to **approve the payment of bills.**

**Committee Reports:**

**Animal Control:** Minnick stated they currently have a few dogs.

**Building & Grounds:** Durham stated they are working on pricing for the generator.

**COVID 19:** Nothing to report.

**EMA:** Rich Koch stated the next meeting is May 26<sup>th</sup> and he will be attending training on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Finance/Budget:** Nothing to report.

**County Highway & Recycling:** Nothing to report.

**Human Resources & IT:** Nothing to report.

**Insurance:** Nothing to report.

**Lower Offices:** Minnick reported that the tax bills have been sent out. Property owners of Marshall County can sign up for Property Fraud Alert that will notify them of anything that gets filed against their property.

**Public Transportation:** Nothing to report.

**Sheriff:** Minnick they did not have a meeting.

**Upper Offices:** Nothing to report.

**Airport:** Gauwitz reported they had a lot of people show up for the car show. They will be doing the asphalt around the buildings.

**Comm. Mental Health:** Lueders reported they did not have a meeting.

**Economic Development & Enterprise Zone:** McGlasson reported he will have an update in June.

**ETSB:** Mike Mayer reported that he is working with the state on software updates.

**Health Dept.:** Nothing to report.

**Human Services Transportation Comm.:** Nothing to report.

**M-P Extension:** Stash reported he met with Tiffany.

**ROE:** McGlasson reported that he went to the awards banquet.

**Tri-County Opportunities:** Balensiefen reported the next meeting will be held on May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Upper IL River Valley Development Authority:** Meierkord reported they did not have a meeting but the next one would be May 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Zoning & Land Use:** Stash reported they had a few meetings.

At 9:07 A.M. it was moved by Gauwitz and seconded by Meierkord to **adjourn** the meeting.

**6/8/23** It was moved by Balensiefen and seconded by Stash to approve the 5/11/23 **minutes as presented**. Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Motion carried.