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MINUTES

SANGAMON COUNTY BOARD

JULY 12, 2022

The Sangamon County Board met in Reconvened Adjourned June Session on July 12, 2022 in the County Board Chambers. Chairman Van Meter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Lori Williams gave the Invocation and Mr. Madonia led the County Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Chairman Van Meter asked County Clerk Gray to call the roll. There were 27 Present – 2 Absent. Ms. Deppe and Mr. Preckwinkle were excused.

PROCLAMATION

Chairman Van Meter read a Proclamation for Mike Torchia, Director of Court Services, recognizing his outstanding service to Sangamon County. Mr. Torchia started his career as a Probation Officer in 1986. In 1994, he was promoted to Supervisor and three years later, he was made Deputy Director. In 1999, he was named Director of Adult Probation and ten years later, he became the first director of a new department called Court Services, which combined Adult and Juvenile Probation and Detention. He also created various programs that have had real, positive and meaningful changes in Sangamon County citizens' lives.

Mr. Torchia stated that it has been an honor and privilege to serve the Sangamon County community. He thanked the County Board as well as the Court Services Oversight and Finance Committees. He gave a special thank you to Chairman Van Meter and County Administrator Brian McFadden for all of their support, guidance and encouragement throughout the years.

PRESENTATION – UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS EXTENSION

Chairman Van Meter asked for unanimous consent to proceed out of the published order of business and move immediately to hear a presentation by Terri Miller Casey, Director for the University of Illinois Extension. She began by acknowledging three members of the County Board who serve on the Extension council including Vera Small, David Mendenhall and Craig Hall. She thanked them for all of their support.

Since 1914, The University of Illinois Extension has been the educational outreach for the university and they serve all 102 counties in the state. The purpose of the organization is to take the great research from the U of I and around the world and bring it to everyday people to change their lives. Their best-known program is 4-H. It provides vital leadership training to the youth. They learn to be leaders and serve in their communities and learn a lot about themselves. They discover who they are and what their talents are. They explore careers and lifetime hobbies and end up becoming great volunteers in the community.

Another program they are very proud of is their Master Gardener and Master Naturalists, which are made up of volunteers. There are almost 200 here in Sangamon County. They teach people how to make a better garden, how to beautify the community, and how to bring about a more respectful nature.

They also offer nutrition education through their SNAP-Ed programs. They teach children and adults how they can live a better, healthier life by eating nutritious foods. They teach them how to prepare these foods and how to do it economically.

They have also worked very hard to be good stewards of the taxpayers' money and have not had an increase in their levy since 2011. However, inflation is taking its toll and they need to ask for an increase of 5% in their levy for PTEL. She then thanked the County Board for all of their years of support.

Mr. Mendenhall stated he has been involved with extension for 45 years through six or seven different directors, and it has been an honor and privilege to work with Ms. Casey.

Chairman Van Meter added that they will consider an adjustment, but it will not be raising the levy, it will be adjusting the levy somewhere else.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Bunch, for approval of the minutes of June 14, 2022. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED

MINUTES ADOPTED

CORRESPONDENCE

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Ms. Williams, to place correspondence on file with the County Clerk. A voice vote was unanimous.

RESOLUTION 1

1. Resolution approving an award of Sangamon County FY22 motor fuel tax bituminous material contracts.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, to place Resolution 1 on the floor. Chairman Van Meter asked County Clerk Gray to call the roll. Upon the roll call vote, there were 26 Yeas – 0 Nays.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTIONS 2 - 8

2. Resolution approving a speed limit change on Turkey Run Road in Williams Township.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mr. Constant, to place Resolution 2 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Tjelmeland, to consolidate Resolutions 2 – 8. Chairman Van Meter asked County Clerk Gray to read Resolutions 3 – 8.

3. Resolution approving the construction of a replacement salt storage facility.
4. Resolution authorizing the execution of construction and maintenance agreements with the Union Pacific Railroad for the Woodside Road and Iron Bridge Road grade separations.
5. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Information Systems Department from Levi, Ray & Shoup, Inc. for the purpose of a contract to hire a Systems Analyst II in the amount of \$90,000.
6. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Building & Grounds Department from SEICO for the purpose of jail camera system upgrades in the amount of \$169,101.
7. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Sheriff's Office from the Illinois Department of Human Services/Health Management Associates for the purpose of medication assisted recovery and recovery oriented systems of care in the amount of \$50,000.

8. Resolution approving the FY2023 Springfield Area Transportation Study Grant for the Regional Planning Commission from the Illinois Department of Transportation in the amount of \$537,614.36.

A voice vote was unanimous on the consolidation. A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. McGuire, that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stand as the roll call vote for Resolutions 2 – 8, as consolidated. A voice vote carried.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

WAIVER OF TEN-DAY FILING PERIOD

A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Bunch, to waive the ten-day filing period. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
TEN-DAY FILING PERIOD WAIVED

RESOLUTIONS 9 – 24

9. Resolution approving the salary of the Public Defender in the amount of \$169,878.39.

A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. DelGiorno, to place Resolution 9 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Tjelmeland, to consolidate Resolutions 10 – 24. Chairman Van Meter asked County Clerk Gray to read Resolutions 10 – 24.

10. Resolution approving a grant application to the Division of Public & Intermodal Transportation, Department of Transportation, and State of Illinois for a financial assistance grant under IDOT’s general authority to make such grants for the purpose of offsetting eligible public transportation capital costs of Sangamon County.
11. Resolution approving a grant application for SMART from the Illinois Department of Transportation for a dedicated office building and bus barn in an amount to be determined.
12. Resolution approving a grant application for SMART from the Illinois Department of Transportation for security cameras and electronics, etc. in an amount to be determined.
13. Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Sangamon Mass Transit District and Sangamon Menard Area Regional Transit for vehicle repair and maintenance services.

14. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the County Board from GovConnection dba Nutanix for the purpose of integrated criminal justice software in the amount of \$55,299.14
15. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Department of Public Health from Start Early for the Healthy Families Illinois Program in the amount of \$412,000.
16. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for Court Services from Gateway Foundation, Inc. for the purpose of substance abuse treatment services in the amount of \$120,000.
17. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for Court Services from Gateway Foundation, Inc. for the purpose of providing support to problem-solving court participants in the amount of \$45,000.
18. Resolution approving a grant application for the Department of Public Health from the Illinois Department of Human Services for the Illinois Breast & Cervical Cancer Program in the amount of \$304,239.
19. Resolution approving a grant application for Court Services from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority for the Adult Redeploy Illinois Program in the amount of \$490,804.
20. Resolution approving a grant application for Court Services from the Illinois Department of Human Services for the Juvenile Redeploy Program in the amount of \$416,738.32.
21. Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Illinois Department of Agriculture and the Illinois Department of Public Health and Sangamon County for public health food inspection services at the Illinois State Fair and at non-fair events held on the state fairgrounds.
22. Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Illinois Department of Central Management Services and Sangamon County to provide flu shots to State of Illinois employees during the Fiscal Years 2023-2025.
23. Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between Sangamon County, the Circuit Clerk, the City of Auburn, and the Auburn Police Department for electronic citation services.
24. Resolution approving an extension of the contract with Kim's Autobody, Inc. for vehicle body repair services for county-owned vehicles and other licensed vehicles.

A voice vote was unanimous on the consolidation.

A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Krell, that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stands as the roll call vote for Resolutions 9 – 24, as consolidated. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Resolution 4 – Tabled 5/10/22
2022-004 – Brian Cloyd 13,000 block of Maxwell Hall Road, Loami – Granting a Rezoning and Variances. County Board Member – Craig Hall, District #7.

Mr. Stumpf inquired about tabled Resolution 4. He asked if there would there be any further action to take this evening since it was withdrawn. Chairman Van Meter responded he thought the best outcome for the parties would be to leave it on which would give them the most flexibility in case they need to come back.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolutions

There were no new resolutions.

- B. Appointments

Appointment of David Mendenhall to the Workplace Safety Board for a term expiring July, 2025.

Appointment of Crystal Womack to the Sangamon County Fire District for a term expiring May, 2025.

A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Bunch, for approval of the appointments. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
APPOINTMENTS ADOPTED

The nominations for appointment in August were also submitted.

- C. Appointment of Election Judges

A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Bunch, for approval of the appointment of Election Judges. A voice vote was unanimous.

D. Procurement/Grant Notifications

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John S. Earley, 16100 Aspen Lane, Girard, IL addressed the County Board. Mr. Earley is the President of Prairieland Ambulance in Virden, IL, and he is concerned about ambulance response times.

Prairieland is based out of Virden and has been in existence since 1999 and is quickly growing. In Macoupin County, they have established special service districts. In about two weeks, they will receive their first tax check to support ambulance service in their established district. Over the last two years, he has been working with County Administrator Brian McFadden to be able to cross the county line to serve the balance of the Virden Fire Protection District. He believes the people he would be serving in that area should also be paying a tax that the rest of the Fire Protection District constituents in Macoupin County pay. He is looking to put an advisory referendum on the ballot in November.

Chairman Van Meter added that legal staff is looking into that, and once the research is complete, they will be bringing it to the appropriate committee.

Jane McBride, residing at 3300 Forsyth Drive, Springfield, addressed the County Board. She would like Sangamon County to hire an experienced, trained, professional operations manager for Animal Control. There was a situation with an animal that needed to be euthanized after hours, and the procedures to follow were unclear. She is concerned about the disposition of other field matters and how they are resolved.

She questioned whether officers could exercise judgment in the field or if everything has to be decided by the current operations manager. She wondered if it was true, per the union arrangement, that the operations manager is the one who makes the field services disposition judgments. She asked if the operations manager makes these judgments, what her credentials to do so are. She believes the county needs an experienced and trained operations manager or at least a credentialed field services director.

Terry Nydegger, residing at 1704 S. Camp Butler Road, Springfield, addressed the County Board. Mr. Nydegger is Chief of the Sangamon County Rescue Squad. He and the members are here tonight because they are concerned about a draft to change the name and operating procedures of the Sangamon County Rescue Squad proposed by the OEM/911 Committee.

The rescue squad has been a part of Sangamon County since 1958. Their mission has not changed since that time. It is Preservation of Life and Property through Professionalism. He and the

members do not want to change the name of the Sangamon County Rescue Squad. They have a long history of tradition and years of dedicated service to the citizens of Sangamon County.

They are proud to serve Sangamon County and give up many hours every week. The members donate their time to attend meetings, trainings, special details, and respond to calls that can last weeks and even months. It is an honor for them to serve the board and the citizens of Sangamon County in their time of need no matter what day it is.

They are here to respectfully request that the members of the County Board consider the proposition carefully. They as members are open to change in the policy but not the total desecration of such an honored and trusted organization.

**REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS, REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES,
REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES, AND COMMITTEE REPORT ON CLAIMS**

A motion was made by Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Bunch, to place the reports on file with the County Clerk. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
REPORTS FILED

RECESS

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Ms. Williams, to recess the meeting to August 9, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
MEETING RECESSED

Don Gray
Sangamon County Clerk