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# **SANGAMON COUNTY BOARD**

# MAY 12, 2020

The Sangamon County Board met in reconvened Adjourned September Session on May 12, 2020 by phone. Chairman Van Meter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Annette Fulgenzi gave the Invocation. The Chairman announced they are meeting this evening by phone pursuant to the Governor's order, so the meeting will not allow for public comment or questions from the media, all of the speakers this evening will be available to the media by calling the County Board Office phone number immediately after the meeting.

#### **ROLL CALL**

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

# **COVID-19 REPORTS**

Gail O'Neill, Director of Sangamon County Dept. of Public Health, addressed the County Board. There has been an increase in positive cases since the last meeting. Each case requires them to spend quite a bit of time with each positive person. They all know they had many cases with one of their nursing homes, The Villas. They think they have turned a corner there. The Villas have been very cooperative and they have learned a lot with working with them. So, if they head down a path they think they're going, they will have some positives, and other nursing homes will be better prepared based on their experience. The Centennial Nursing Home had been notifying the press before they even knew there had been a positive case there, which their company has been through this in Missouri, so they are well attuned to this. They do not seem as needing of their help, but they are cooperating and have tested everyone except employees who have not been to work yet. They are



helping them by providing testing kits and anything they need out there. At this time, they are consulting with their doctors. She was on the phone with them last week, and they will probably need to talk on the phone this week. When they first started working with The Villas, they were meeting with them on a daily basis on the phone, and now they probably only talk with them once a week. They do know there have been at least three confirmed positive cases at Centennial. There were actually four, but one of them is not a Sangamon County resident, they are an employee who lives out of town. They really need to keep track and know who is on their employment list because some of them may live out of the county and they only get reports of people who live in Sangamon County. So the confirmed cases are two residents, husband and wife, who lived in a single apartment at the facility and two employees who are at home now. They have been providing information and protective equipment for senior care living centers in Sangamon County. They ask that the centers have their lists of employees and residents ready so they can really keep track of things in case they need help with testing or if there is a problem. They are all very appreciative of that so far. The living centers know they are supposed to be checking their staff on a regular basis, twice a day to make sure none of the employees have any symptoms. They need to make sure their employees are not working when they are sick, and thinks they have learned that if they do not feel well, then they need to stay home. In most cases when the employees have tested positive, they had no idea they had the virus. They were asymptomatic and did not know they were carrying the virus. This is why the process of testing everyone is a good idea. They have been going slow with that. Over the last two weeks, tests have become a lot more available so they are going to get the tests from the state department and right to these facilities.

Dr. Brian Miller, President of the Sangamon County Board of Health, addressed the County Board. The positive cases continue to increase in the county, currently at a steadier rate with about 6 to 14 per day. He believes the number that needs to be watched is the number of people that need to be hospitalized. He believes this is a better barometer of the severity of the spread of the disease, as the total number that are tested positive could just reflect the number of tests being done, rather than the number of tests being performed on people that are more ill. The total number of patients in the hospital have been in study now for approximately two weeks. This was after the number had increased significantly with the infection at The Villas. The number of patients in the hospital would indicate a more smoldering of the infection within the higher risk population in the county. The physical distancing is an ongoing and progressing issue. This phased-in opening issued by the Governor is being interpreted by a vast number of our community as everything is normal and you can go do whatever you want because the risk is over. This is incorrect, but he believes this is being interpreted by the young people much more readily. The young people have been witnessed being out and about and observed with a high degree of frequency not maintaining physical distancing and not wearing a mask. This will become much more problematic as the summer continues. Nursing home contamination is at the top of the concerns for potential high risks of mortality and morbidity. Once an infection occurs within that population, it spreads very rapidly and can produce a devastating effect on those with less of a cushion in their physical condition to absorb the effects of the viral response. They have seen that with the elderly at The Villas where the death rate of those

who turn positive is well over 30%. Screening and testing at all nursing homes and of nursing home residents and workers is being stressed, and they have been maintaining contact with them, if not every day then, on an every other day basis. They do this, along with having them readying their lists of all workers and making plans for what to do, in case the infection should occur and in order to handle future outbreaks or anticipated outbreaks. The medical facilities in the county have been and are handling the ill, and they have not been overrun. However, when The Villas did have their outbreak, it did increase the number of patients in the hospital on the COVID floors and in the intensive care unit dramatically. He believes if there had been a second nursing home of equal size that had been infected simultaneously; they would have been running close to having an issue with caring for them. They were able to handle this in their community in part due to time they bought by instituting this shutdown and giving time to the institutions to gear up and formulate their plans. In addition to this, the hospitals furloughed a number of workers who have not been involved in that type of care for COVID infections, people who were more involved with taking care of more elective cases. However, given that elective surgeries and not so urgent surgeries starting up again yesterday, those furloughed people are now being reactivated step-by-step and are coming back to work. St. Johns received a shipment of Remdesivir, an antiviral agent, this past weekend according to a formula that had been generating at the state. They distributed an equal amount to Memorial Medical Center so they each had the same supply of the antiviral agent. They also shipped a small amount out to Blessing Hospital in Quincy. Convalescent plasma is also already being used at the hospitals to a relatively good effect on those people who needed that type of therapy.

The other duties of the Sangamon County Public Health Department continue, including the Child Immunization Program, the WIC Program, the Animal Care Program, with renovations at the animal care facility, which have been made a bit easier due to the huge reduction in animals being there because of a high number of adoptions. The food service inspections are readying to be ramped up as the county businesses are hopefully being opened at some point in the near future, with anticipated restrictions. They all saw the pictures in the paper this past weekend of the food distribution. They thought that went very well; however, he looked at it a little bit differently. The large number of recipients of this food was very concerning to him. It indicated to him that the finances of the County are not necessarily as good as they hoped. This indicates that re-employment and businesses opening are becoming paramount for the total health of the community. This includes physical, medical, financial, emotional, and psychological health. This all needs to be taken into account. The medical community is readying for the post-COVID shutdown surge of delayed care for medical conditions, such as heart disease, cancer, and worsening cases of chronic conditions. The next concerns they have within the department, have to do with small businesses and restaurants reopening with their assistance and guidance to be sure it is understood what the devastating effects could be if citizens or customers become infected and how that would affect the county or the state as a whole, but also their businesses specifically. This needs to be weighed against the risk if they don't reopen. There have been a fair number of healthcare workers around town that have tested positive for COVID, despite taking rather restrictive steps to prevent the infection. His question would be, if they get infected despite taking those rather restrictive steps, what can they expect if less

restrictive conditions were placed on the public? They are also looking at what is going to happen with the youth activities, such as swimming, camping, sports, and then with schools in the fall. The question they have now is the debate between the medical health of the county and citizens of the county versus the overall health of the community, not only the medical health, but also the financial, emotional, and psychological health. What are they willing to place at risk for the infection in order to achieve a more total health of the community?

Dr. Vidya Sundareshan, Medical Director for Sangamon County Dept. of Public Health, addressed the County Board. She wanted to talk a little bit about the data they have compiled. A statistician from SIU has been helping Sangamon County Public Health look at all the data. In terms of the testing that has been done, they look at how many are positive and maintain the information of people that have turned positive. The latest from today is that 3,438 tests have been done with 268 of those being positive, 76 have recovered, and there have been 25 deaths in the County. Of the people who have tested positive, 68% are female and 32% are male, 1% are Asian or other, 16% unknown, 17% are black, and 65% are white. Of the patients that are deceased, 65% are female, 35% male, 96% of them are white and 4% are black. The median age of the people who are deceased is 81 years of age. These are some of the demographics they have collected. They are also looking at a 7day growing rate of test positivity. Those numbers are actually looking a little encouraging. Out of the number of tests being down, the number is going down a little bit. It had gone up all the way to about 12.5%, but in the last couple of days, it has gone down to about 8.4%. Some of the hospitals reported the number to be as low as 6%. So that news is a little encouraging. They do have multiple venues where the tests are being offered. Most of the places where tests are being offered are still open to people who are symptomatic.

Since May 11<sup>th</sup>, elective surgeries resumed in both the hospitals. As part of resuming elective surgeries, patients who are undergoing surgery need a COVID test done 72 hours prior to their surgical procedure. If they are symptomatic or asymptomatic, they are eligible for testing. A lot of this testing is currently being done at Walgreens, and at centers where tests are being outsourced to a third-party lab. The test results are available 72 hours prior to going into surgery. Another group where the criteria has been relaxed is testing at Walgreens. Anyone who is 18 years of age or older, even without symptoms, are able to go for a test. What is different about the Walgreens center is they do have a grant from HHS, and it is in fact free of cost to anyone intending to seek the test. They do have information now on people who are asymptomatic and went in for testing as well. It adds to the information pool they already have to check the percentage of positivity rates. Their percentage of positivity rates is slightly lower than the population they have been tracking, which was predominantly symptomatic. Their test also includes the methodology, it is a self-administered test, so anybody that is taking the test has to obtain a nasal swab and the results are available within two hours. The test takes about five minutes to conduct, at the most 15 minutes for a negative test, and the results are later given to the patient by phone, and then later a hard copy is sent to them. In addition to this, the Federally Qualified Health Centers at the Sangamon County Department of Public Health affiliated with SIU are also conducting these tests. In addition, respiratory centers from both

hospitals continue to conduct tests and screen people for any other respiratory problems. The two hospitals continue to have the capacity to do tests on their inpatients with rapid testing, with turnaround time being two hours to 24 hours. There is a lot of capability for testing now and the capability has gone up too. IDPH labs have also ramped up their numbers. They are testing, reporting, and have the capability to conduct 1,500 to 2,000 tests per day. Availability for Sangamon County looks good. She also spoke about antibody testing. All the testing they have available is antigen testing, which directly looks for the virus. Antibodies are produced in our bodies in response to the infection. The main value of checking antibodies is for a population-based study to see how many people are already immune to this infection even without being able to identify exposure or even having symptoms. That is one value of getting an antibody test. Also, it will eventually be a benefit for the vaccine study. As of now, although they have it available here in the hospitals, those tests are being validated and they do not know how to best interpret the antibody test results. They are not actively using these tests for making decisions on how to take care of patients.

They are in a good position with respect to antivirals. There is an antiviral called Remdesivir. Both St. John's and Memorial Hospitals have received about 50 vials each of these. A trial was completed and it showed patients who received Remdesivir did show improvement in their conditions, so they are fortunate to have that for their patients if they need it. In addition to that there is also another group of medications which is given to patients who are having really bad effects from chemicals released in their body. It is called a cytokine storm. If they have a bad response to the virus, those are the types of patients where this group of medications can be given. That is also available to them here in Springfield. Lastly, they have partnered with the local blood banks and are able to obtain convalescent plasma, which is antibodies that are protected against COVID from someone who has recovered. They are making referrals from their recovered pool to these blood banks for them to donate plasma. That plasma can be given to patients who are really sick and unable to produce these antibodies. Overall, she thinks they are in a good place for treatment and administering tests. They are still looking to see if they have the capability to do the antibody tests. The validation for that is still pending.

Dr. Sundareshan also addressed one of the questions asked was about school closures. This is a congregate setting, and school closures does have some litigation. Their numbers have come down, but the trend has not been established. The numbers have just started dipping down. The actual number of cases are still going up, but the test positivity rates seems to have come down a little bit. They want to see that trend continue before they make decisions to relax. The doctors and both hospitals have looked at this collaboratively to see what the local statistics look like based on the metrics IDPH has recommended. These include: total number of tests done, test's positivity, hospital admissions, number of beds available in medical/surgical units, beds available in ICU, and number of ventilators available. All these metrics are looked at, which will help them go from Phase 2 to Phase 3.

Dr. Sundareshan also addressed the question of pediatric patients. They do have a national rate of 2% of COVID positive patients who are in the pediatric age groups. It is not as severe as it is in the adult population. When children go to day care they may not get that sick when they get an infection, but they can pass it on to other adults who are more vulnerable and have compromised immune systems. There is a call for more testing in the pediatric age groups in states where numbers are higher. In children, they are seeing a very concerning manifestation of COVID, which is called multi-system inflammatory syndrome. It is presenting about four weeks after the illness and can be devastating for the pediatric population.

Bill Lee, Director of the Office of Emergency Management, addressed the County Board. His office's main focus has been personal protective equipment and getting their hands on as much as they can to fill requests. To date, their office has delivered 255,281 pieces of PPE to 43 different agencies within the county. They are sitting pretty good right now with not a lot of real concerns except for small gloves, which is a nationwide shortage. They gave them all extra-large gloves when filling out the requests. So imagine having a 4'2" nurse with extra-large gloves on. So that part has been a nightmare. In addition, in dealing with PPE, they are currently in the process of utilizing a program the federal government has put together for all first responders and long-term care facilities to utilize, and it is free for them. What it does is decontaminates the K-N and N-95 masks up to 20 times. It allows them to extend the life of these masks significantly. Right now, some people are using masks five times, putting them in a bag, and throwing them out. These masks can be used 20 times before they are thrown out, so that extends the use of that mask for 100 days. Their office has also been working with the neighboring counties, specifically looking forward to coming up with a plan for the reopening, based on the Governor's guidance. That's a work in progress and will be for a while. They have also supported the Central Illinois Food Bank. The county has provided CDL drivers to assist them. They order their groceries by the semi-load and they are short on drivers, so the Highway Department threw in some drivers, which has helped them significantly. They have also recently provided law enforcement support to assist with this weekend's drive thru food distribution and that assisted 750 separate families. They have also helped advertise the text for food program they have come up with. Citizens can now text a phone number to find out where the nearest food pantry is. The need is fairly large and the Central Illinois Food Bank and all the pantries that support it are all doing fine right now. The support from the community is huge, they are getting a lot of groceries in, and so they are not seeing a need right now. The preferred method of donations right now is money because it takes manpower to sort through all the donations of food to see what is expired and what is not. There is also cross contamination, so they prefer to order their food by the semi-load. So, if anyone is looking for a way to donate, cash is the preferred method.

Brian McFadden, Sangamon County Administrator, addressed the County Board. As the Board knows, they have been tracking their COVID-19 related costs. They currently stand at \$822,000 as of yesterday. That breaks down to \$548,000 in payroll related costs, and non-payroll costs are at about \$274,000. The non-payroll portion of costs has slowed down dramatically. Some of their more recent expenditures they did as a part of their partnership with SIU School of Medicine on their testing site

in the parking lot of the County Public Health and Community Services building. They agreed to rent the tents being used there, which is running them about \$5,000 a month. It is a good thing they got those tents because it has been a very cold and rainy spring and they have nurses and a doctor out there trying to work with people. They do have some big, sturdy, waterproof tents they can work out of.

They are also looking into a different approach on how to test inmates if they have a reason to test them. They have goals to try not to remove those individuals from the jail and instead take a test to them. So they are looking at different options and that may involve some additional costs on behalf of the county. The County has gotten maybe two or three hotel rooms and covered the cost as a part of the program for providing housing to those individuals in quarantine and isolation who have no option or financial resources to cover themselves. They have not really had any emergency procurements or emergency hires that have occurred since the committees have started meeting. That whole process is running through the committees as it did before. There may still be emergencies because of existing procurement rules, but nothing at the current time.

They continue to review their budget. They have a group of himself, the Auditor's Office, and the Treasurer's Office tracking cash flow and revenue. They are starting to get some early revenue numbers from the State, and they are not very pretty. It looked like in March they kind of hung in there, but in April there is very little data, so he does not want to draw from that. It looks like the income tax revenue took a big hit in April. They will have more information on that in the coming weeks and will see what they need to do to address those issues. He also wanted to let the Board know there is another group that has been meeting and will continue to meet to discuss reopening the County Building and the other facilities. Mr. McFadden, Judge Madonia, Alex Davenport from Court Security, Byron Deaner with Building and Grounds, and Charlie Stratton from Human Resources are meeting regularly to talk about what needs to be done with the building. Courts are going to decide a lot of that. Judge Madonia came up with a plan to use the existing building for court calls without involving the elevators. They are continuing to operate under their modified plan that has been put in place through the end of May. In a few weeks, they will probably be extending those, but he does not see a hard turn as far as re-opening the County. He envisions a softer re-opening in phases. But a lot of that will be driven by what happens with the courts. They continue to make modifications to the building. They talked about having plexiglass installed, and they have talked about putting up signage and things on the floor to distance people. Byron is actively ordering PPE for employees returning to work and for those who have been here as well. Some departments have made some operational changes. The Treasurer's Office has more staff in the building as well given the fact that property tax bills have gone out. Highway is looking at going back to full staffing in about a week from now, obviously following the distancing guidelines. SMART has begun the process of delivering pharmaceuticals and groceries to individuals. They are not giving rides, but are doing pickups for those individuals. Those are the operational changes since the last time they talked.

Mr. Madonia said he has many of his constituents asking if they are going to deviate from the Governor's plan with a 28-day period between each phase. He asked Brian McFadden if the County is going to look at a 14-day plan and use their models and their own data for the County as opposed to what the Governor is using for the central region. Mr. McFadden said as they have done from the beginning of this crisis, there are several options available to them. The unified command did put together their own plan, which was before the Governor released his plan. It basically mirrored what the Governor eventually did as far as phases. They really had not discussed the timing as far as how quick that would be. They have also put together the framework of a plan that would mirror what the Governor is doing, but with a potentially different timeframe. They also put together a plan that mirrored exactly what the Governor is doing that would involve more direction and more instructions to restaurants and salons so they can comply with what the Governor has put out. They have a number of options in place right now. They have begun to try and establish a metrics for their county. They felt the best option was to mirror, for the most part, the metrics the State was using. They are in the Central Illinois region for the Governor's plan. A region that is really in the best shape as far as all the State's metrics the Governor has set out. This involves the hospitalizations, the number of hospitalizations, the number of ventilators available, and the number of ICU beds available. So there is a hospital-centric portion to it, and there is also a community-centric portion to it. This involves the positivity rates and the number of tests being done. They are trying to replicate that as well. There has not been a decision made of the overall approach and whether or not they will move from the time frame the Governor has laid out. They have options, it is just a matter of coming up with a final plan. Chairman Van Meter asked if this plan will also include talking with community leaders and business owners. Mr. McFadden said it would. They talked about the fact of putting together different sector groups, one being their medical community and one being their local community leaders, which are primarily the mayor, officials, and legislators. They also talked about one being their business and economic group, which would be the Chamber of Commerce and the Nursing Home Association, and other types of employer groups they would consult with, and the last would be the group that is the rest. They thought this would be a better approach rather than try to bring together what would be large groups. Everyone has been trying ball park as far as what the expectation is for a salon, restaurant, or wherever it might be. They would definitely want that input and they will take the effort to get that, but frankly, he thinks for the last couple weeks, the days have gone to issues that affect people's lives and livelihoods.

Mr. Madonia asked if this was something the County Board would decide in June, or if Gail and her team could make the decision. Chairman Van Meter said it would be handled by the taskforce team. Mr. McFadden explained they would want a countywide approach or a regional approach. It does not make much sense if you can do this in Chatham, but not in Sherman, etc. They had some preliminary discussions with village leaders and mayors in the county, from the smaller villages to the City of Springfield about something that goes county-wide. This has been a unifier from day one. With infinite command, they have people like the Mayor, County Board Chairman, administrators, and people like that. Then there are law enforcement, hospitals, and advisors. The missing components are the economic and business groups. They want their input and discussion.

What is happening in other places has not been a county vote. It has been driven by consultation with the mayors and the village presidents to make sure everybody is on board with what needs to be done and when it needs to be done. He does not think they need to wait on a vote from the County Board, but they definitely appreciate County Board input.

Mr. Madonia asked Dr. Sundareshan if there would be a possibility for youth activities in June, such as camping and sports. And if not, is there a date that would justify that? Dr. Sundareshan said she is not sure if she has an answer for that. All of the guidance comes from the Governor's Office. How do they keep the numbers down and limit the sports and recreation, while still being productive? Dr. Sundareshan stated is sorry but she does not have an answer for that. The same metrics they are looking at are helping the in the recovery phase for most of the things in the community. Mr. Madonia stated he wished they had a local plan as opposed to a state plan. Chairman Van Meter explained the challenge of creating guidelines for the myriad of activities their community engages in is extremely challenging in trying to balance guideline with each individual activity.

Mr. Mendenhall wants to know if they can put out a press release letting people know they are paying attention, are trying to come up with a plan, are not ignoring them, and are listening to them. Mr. McFadden stated he would try to work something out with that.

Annette Fulgenzi stated sports probably would not happen until phase 4 or phase 5. She has been told that as of right now, summer sports are very unlikely.

Mrs. Hills directed her question to Dr. Sundareshan. Her understanding is Walgreens on 9<sup>th</sup> Street is performing tests on anyone who wishes to receive a test as long as they are over 18. Her question is if a majority or a large number of population goes and test negative, what would that do to their metrics? Dr. Sundareshan said they would have to incorporate that information to see the percentage of positivity in people who are asymptomatic. That is an important piece of information they really have not been able to get from the tests that have already been performed. They are selected from the people they have performed the test on by really restricting those who are symptomatic. Definitely, the metrics will take into account the total number of tests, which include the Walgreens tests as well. That will bring down the percentage of positivity. There has been some concern about how well the tests work. They are typically collecting a specimen from the back of the throat for obtaining the virus. They are looking to see whether this test is comparable to the results they are getting from the other tests as well. The false negative rate has been said to be about 15%. That information was available to them up front. They are also looking to see how many were symptomatic and trying to get that information and look at whether the numbers they are getting are accurate or not. Those numbers are already being incorporated. The total tests reported from Public Health are already incorporated.

### **MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mrs. Williams, seconded by Mr. Bunch, for approval of the Minutes of April 13, 2020. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
MINUTES ADOPTED

### CORRESPONDENCE

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

## **RESOLUTION 1**

1. Resolution approving the grant application for Land of Lincoln Workforce Alliance from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for the 1E (Emergency) Grant in response to COVID-19 in the amount of \$150,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mrs. Williams, to place Resolution 1 on the floor. Chairman Van Meter asked County Clerk Gray to call the roll. There were 25 Yeas – 0 Nays – 1 Present. Annette Fulgenzi voted present.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

# **RESOLUTIONS 2 – 8**

2. Resolution approving the grant application for the Land of Lincoln Workforce Alliance from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for the Apprenticeship Grant in the amount of \$96,550.

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

- 3. Resolution approving a contract with the Land of Lincoln Workforce Alliance and Lawrence Education Center for the WIOA Program in the amount of \$163,722.
- 4. Resolution approving a contract with the Land of Lincoln Workfoce Alliance and Capital Area Career Center for the WIOA Program in the amount of \$163,130.

- 5. Resolution approving the grant application for Community Resources from DCEO for the LiHeap HHS Program to provide energy assistance to low income residents of Sangamon County in the amount of \$777,930.
- 6. Resolution approving the grant application for Community Resources from DCEO for the LiHeap State Program to provide energy assistance to lower income residents of Sangamon County in the amount of \$1,271,989.
- 7. Resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of an amended and restated installment purchase contract for the purpose of undertaking certain projects.
- 8. Resolution approving the grant application for ETSD from the Illinois State Police for the NG9-1-1 Expenses Grant Program in the amount of \$96,418.75.

A voice vote was unanimous on the consolidation.

Mr. Delgiorno asked if the LiHeap grant application would allow Community Resources to start taking applications and when they could expect to receive the grant money once it is submitted to the State. County Administrator Brian McFadden stated they are now taking applications after initially suspending new applications, per direction from the State. Existing applicants could still re-apply. These are the traditional grants they normally receive. They are also in the process of receiving some additional funding, potentially up to \$300,000 in LiHeap and Weatherizing funding. So yes, you will see that ramping up soon. He does not have the exact dates with him right now. The intent is to get additional CSBG funds for LiHeap assistance, rental assistance, and potentially food assistance as some issues are lifted. He can get the exact timeline out to the County Board tomorrow.

Chairman Van Meter asked if they are always taking applications. Mr. McFadden stated they were not taking new applicants, but existing applicants were able to come in and renew, given the uncertainty during the first couple of weeks of dealing with the COVID pandemic. He believes that has ended, and they are now taking applications. He will verify that also and get back to the County Board. Chairman Van Meter asked if there is also the possibility of a referral to Capital Township as well if someone lives in Capital Township. Mr. McFadden stated that is correct. The Capital Township general assistance services were moved to the Public Health & Community Services building where they are interacting on a daily basis. Capital Township General Assistance staff has been working very closely with the Community Resources staff to determine the best use of the CSBG funds. Those funds have less strings attached and can be used for a variety of different things. It will all be direct assistance from the County to individuals. They will not be sub-contracted out from other organizations. Referrals do happen every day. Before they were referring each other back and forth, and people had to get on a bus and drive from one building to another. Now they can just walk down the hall from one office to the other.

A motion was made by Mr. Preckwinkle that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stands as the roll call vote for Resolutions 2-8, as consolidated. A voice vote carried. Annette Fulgenzi voted present on Resolutions 2-6.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

### WAIVER OF TEN-DAY FILING PERIOD

A motion was made by Mrs. 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 - 14**

9. Resolution approving the grant application for the Sheriff's Office from the Department of Justice for the FY2020 Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$35,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Tjelmeland, seconded by Mr. DelGiorno, to place Resolution 9 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Smith, to consolidate Resolutions 9 - 14. Chairman Van Meter asked County Clerk Gray to read Resolutions 10 - 14.

- 10. Resolution approving the proposal from the Farnsworth Group in the amount of \$138,200 to conduct the first phase of architectural and engineering design for renovations at the Sangamon County Complex.
- 11. Resolution approving the professional services agreement between Sangamon County and Hanson Professional Services, Inc. to perform design services for the proposed Springfield-Sangamon County Transportation Center.
- 12. Resolution approving the salaries of Sangamon County elected officials.
- 13. Resolution allowing the Election Office to procure additional vote by mail packets from Byers Printing Company in the amount of \$37,674.
- 14. Resolution approving a grant application for SMART from the Illinois Department of Transportation for the Cares Act Funding for SMART transportation in the amount of \$497,832.

A voice vote was unanimous on the consolidation. A motion was made by Mr. Preckwinkle that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stands as the roll call vote for Resolutions 9-14, as consolidated. A voice vote carried. Mrs. Hills voted present on Resolution 11.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

#### A. Resolutions

There were no new resolutions.

# B. Appointments

Appointment of James Reinhart to the Sangamon County Water Reclamation District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of John Pruitt to the Sangamon County Water Reclamation District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of David Mendenhall to the Sangamon County Extension Board for a term expiring May, 2021.

Appointment of Craig Hall to the Sangamon County Extension Board for a term expiring May, 2021.

Appointment of Steve Voyles to the Auburn Fire & Rescue District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Greg Marshall to the Buffalo Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Gerald Hughes to the Chatham Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of John Martin to the Dawson Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Brian Spelman to the Divernon Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Leland Rhodes to the Eastside Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Kenneth Stewart to the Illiopolis Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Polly Sabo to the Lake Springfield Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Frank Stroble to the Northside Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Tim Boblitt to the Pawnee Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Larry Kane to the Pleasant Plains Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Mike Yurgec to the Sherman Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Keith Rigdon to the Sherman Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Samuel Collins to the Western Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

Appointment of Rich Spenn to the Williamsville Fire Protection District for a term expiring May, 2023.

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

MOTION CARRIED
APPOINTMENTS ADOPTED

C. Procurement/Grant Notifications

There were no notifications.

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

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

MOTION CARRIED REPORTS FILED

# **RECESS**

A motion was made by Mrs. Williams, seconded by Mr. Bunch, to recess the meeting to June 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
MEETING RECESSED

Don Gray Sangamon County Clerk