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MINUTES

SANGAMON COUNTY BOARD

NOVEMBER 15, 2022

The Sangamon County Board met in Reconvened Adjourned September Session on November 15, 2022 in the County Board Chambers. Chairman Van Meter called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Mr. Stumpf gave the Invocation and Mr. Forsyth 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. Annette Fulgenzi and Mr. Krell were excused.

PROCLAMATIONS

Mr. McGuire presented a Proclamation to Matt Hartman recognizing the hard work and passion he delivered during his short time on the County Board. Mr. Hartman accepted the Proclamation. He stated it has been an honor and pleasure serving on this board.

Mr. Stumpf presented a Proclamation to Rose Ruzic recognizing the indelible, significant, and heartfelt contributions she has made to the lives of Sangamon County residents. Ms. Ruzic accepted the Proclamation. She stated they all worked together very well and she will miss everyone.

Ms. Williams presented a Proclamation to Linda Fulgenzi recognizing the lasting, meaningful, and compassionate contributions she made to the lives of Sangamon County residents. Ms. Fulgenzi accepted the Proclamation. She thanked them and stated she will miss all of them most of all.

Mr. Tjelmeland presented a Proclamation to Sam Snell recognizing the important, enduring, and impactful contributions he has made to the lives of his district and the rest of Sangamon County. Mr. Snell accepted the Proclamation. He thanked them and stated they are all his friends and everyone has been very kind to him.

PILLSBURY PROJECT PRESENTATION

Mr. DelGiorno addressed the County Board regarding the Pillsbury Plant. He stated he is speaking on behalf of retired Fire Marshal Chris Richmond and Polly Poskin. The three of them have been leading the organization called Moving Pillsbury Forward. This all got started when there was the dog on the roof at Pillsbury, and then community meetings began after that. That was fall of 2019, and January of 2022 he got this call from Polly and she said, "Tony, do you happen to know of any attorneys who might have some interest in nonprofit work that might be willing to help us out." Knowing Polly, this was her passive aggressive way of asking him if he would be interested. He said, "Well I might do it", and the rest is history. He has been doing this as pro bono work because this is for the betterment of our community. They have a short video that storytellers put together. He invited Polly up to give more details on where they are as an organization and what they have accomplished so far.

Polly Poskin addressed the County Board. They will show a 6-minute video of the story. On behalf of Tony and Chris, she thanked the Chairman for his leadership. He stepped up right away when they came forward and said they wanted to do something about the Pillsbury site. This has been an economic driver and is an important component of our city since 1929. I am sure many people in this room had relatives and friends who worked at Pillsbury and know what it meant to them. Once it was abandoned, sold and left in disarray, they decided something had to be done to prepare it for future use and development for the City of Springfield. The site deserves that and she thinks they owe it to the site. The Chairman has been exceedingly supportive from the beginning, and they can never thank Brian enough. The Treasurer's Office has also been there every step of the way. They had to detangle this from an injunction and legal hold up about the ownership of the property. State's Attorney Dan Wright did a lot of the research and prepared information to enable them to move forward and get that legal entanglement undone so they could have acquisition. Nothing was going to happen at Pillsbury until someone acquired it, so that is what they wanted to do as a non for profit organization.

The second main thing that had to happen after acquisition was there had to be a Phase 2 Site Assessment. They had to determine whether it was economically and environmentally feasible, and if the site could be appropriately cleared and made ready for redevelopment. The County and City stepped up, and through the Springfield Sangamon Growth Alliance, they were able to get the payment for the Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment, and the report is good. It could have been a lot worse in terms of the contaminants and what it would cost. They are presently engaged in writing a grant to the Federal EPA for the cost of the remediation of primarily lead.

Almost all of the asbestos at the site was cleared out in 2017 by the Federal EPA. They had to come in and clean up some inappropriate and illegal actions that resulted in the exposure of so much asbestos. Some lead does remain. They are probably in the \$500,000 to \$700,000 range to clean up all the lead from the buildings, and not the silos. The silos will remain a big challenge because of the amount of asbestos in them. That Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment has been another boost in the capacity and ability to them to get that site ready for some kind of redevelopment and use. Lastly, they are also asking their federal and state officials how they will help. They submitted a congressionally directed funding request to Senator Durbin's office. He supported that request and it is through the appropriations committee. They should learn by the end of December whether their \$2 million request would be available. They will use that either to further the remediation efforts or to begin some demolition of some of the initial buildings. She thanked them for all the support they provided. The 6-minute video was presented.

Mr. DelGiorno asked if there were any questions. Ms. Douglas Williams asked how they would identify what is actually Pillsbury property and what is the railroad property since it is by the railroad tracks. Mr. DelGiorno explained they already have a land survey showing exactly where the property lines are. They have also been in contact with a company in Wyoming that owns that track, and they are interested to see how this project moves forward because they may have interested parties who may use that rail service and may possibly use it for light industrial uses. They have also been in contact with Ryan McCrady over at the SSGA. If you want to come out for a visit, they can schedule it. They also did receive a grant from US EPA where they are doing a technical assistance review to provide us with a study of what possibilities there are for redevelopment of this site. That included several stakeholder interviews with area leaders. They should have the results from that by the end of February.

Chairman Van Meter asked if they do have to remove the lead before they can tear it down. Ms. Poskin stated they do. The silos have silver sealing and coating around the concrete that is full of asbestos. They will continue to work with the EPA to see if the lead that remains in the building can be modified to the extent where it is crushed and buried on site and monitored, or they will see if it has to be hauled off. It is very interesting in the demolition world whether you pay that kind of money to remediate and then demolish or just determine that you demolish and take to an approved landfill. Chairman Van Meter asked if it is their intention that it all comes down. Ms. Poskin stated it is, but they are involved in a technical assistance project with the US EPA that will assess if there is anything that is salvageable. They really want to know whether there is anything salvageable or if it all has to be cleared. One thing that came up was there is a lot of concrete foundation at Pillsbury. You could put a solar farm there and never have to remove the concrete. Whether that is viable would have to be determined. They are not dedicated to any single outcome that could be there. Their interest is just to get it ready for something. It will be another three to four years. They hope to demolish a very dangerous area soon.

Chairman Van Meter asked if they are working with the SSGA on marketing the site or if it is too early. Ms. Poskin stated they are working on that and it is not too early. That is another thing they are working on through the technical assistance project. They will get a report in February from that Technical Assistance Grant that might give some guidance and ideas about what they might be able to do.

Ms. Douglas Williams asked what happens with the sewer when they start digging. Ms. Poskin stated they already had the City Sewer & Water Department out to look at the site, and they spread out all the maps. They are doing a very careful study of all the piping, and they know exactly where all these stations and cut offs are. Pillsbury had its own utility system. What is contained under there is not in the surrounding areas sewer system. Everything can and will be shut down.

Mr. Fraase asked if the lead is from the paint. Ms. Poskin stated it is. She would be glad to take them on a tour, and you will see a lot of the lead. Some of the concrete pillars were painted yellow and every fire door has red paint, and that is what contains the lead. That will have to be scraped and carried off.

Ms. Poskin stated they have cleaned up the site since March, and it is safe to be there. They have removed all the unwanted trees, weeds, and brush. They removed seven 20-yard containers of trash, rubbish and freestanding debris. We removed fifteen 30-yard dumpsters of debris off the grounds. The City of Springfield helped them remove the trees and shrubbery. The County and Public Health have assisted with the tipping fees at the landfill in terms of the removal of all the debris. They removed seven 30-yard dumpsters of railroad ties. They removed 175 tons of scattered metal. However, they took nothing off a building. This was just loose metal. Obviously, the salvage company gets money from this and so do they. Their portion was \$25,000, and that does not include copper. They also removed 123 tractor size tires. It is actually very safe now to walk through there, but it is private property. It is a pretty remarkable place, even in its deterioration, and worth a look if you are so inclined. Chairman Van Meter thanked Ms. Poskin and her whole team for what they have done.

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 11, 2022 & NOVEMBER 1, 2022

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Ms. Williams, for approval of the Minutes of October 11, 2022 and November 1, 2022. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED

MINUTES ADOPTED

CORRESPONDENCE

A motion was made by Ms. 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 purchase of a single axle truck with dump body and plow equipment from the State of Illinois Joint Purchase Program.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mr. Mendenhall, to place Resolution 1 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Ms. Williams, to amend Resolution 1 to change the date listed from October to November. A voice vote was unanimous. Chairman Van Meter asked County Clerk Gray to call the roll on the adoption of Resolution 1, as amended. There were 26 Yeas – 0 Nays.

MOTIONS CARRIED

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2

2. Resolution approving the FY2023 procurement of diesel fuel and motor fuel in the amount of \$200,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mr. Hall, to place Resolution 2 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Preckwinkle that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stands as the roll call vote for Resolution 2. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 3

3. Resolution approving the FY2022 procurement of water, electric and sewer services from City Water, Light & Power in the amount of \$45,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mr. Bunch, to place Resolution 3 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Preckwinkle that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stands as the roll call vote for Resolution 3. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 4

4. Resolution approving a Joint Funding Agreement for State-Let construction work with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the bridge replacement on Irwin Bridge Road in Gardner Township.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Ms. Williams, to place Resolution 4 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Ms. Williams, to amend Resolution 4. Mr. Fraase stated the date listed should be changed from October to November. A voice vote was unanimous. A motion was made by Mr. Preckwinkle that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stands as the roll call vote for Resolution 4, as amended. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 5

5. 2022-016 – Rolling Meadows, LP, 2625 Central Point Road, Cantrall – Granting a Rezoning and Variances. County Board Member – James Schackmann, District #11.

A motion was made by Mr. Schackmann, seconded by Mr. Stumpf, to place Resolution 5 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Stumpf to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 5.

MOTIONS CARRIED

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 6

6. 2022-017 – Land of Lincoln Solar, LLC c/o Saturn Power Corp., 1020 North Oak Road, Rochester – Granting a Conditional Permitted Use and a Variance. County Board Member – Tom Madonia, Jr., District #9.

A motion was made by Mr. Madonia, seconded by Mr. Stumpf, to place Resolution 6 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Stumpf to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote carried on the adoption of Resolution 6. Mr. Mendenhall, Mr. Preckwinkle, and Mr. Constant voted Nay.

MOTIONS CARRIED

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Chairman Van Meter announced they would proceed out of the regular order of business to Old Business-Resolution 5 with unanimous consent.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Resolution 5 – Tabled 10/11/22

2022-015 – EDPRNA DG Illinois Development, LLC, 3000 block of Kent Farm Road, Buffalo – Granting a Conditional Permitted Use. County Board Member – David Mendenhall, District #3.

A motion was made by Mr. Stumpf, seconded by Ms. Williams & Mr. Bunch to bring Resolution 5, from October 11, 2022, off the Table. A voice vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Stumpf to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. Mr. Hall asked why they originally tabled this. Mr. Stumpf explained they were waiting for a month to see if they could get the Community Benefits Agreement accomplished with the Springfield Sangamon Growth Alliance. They brought it off the table since they do now have an agreement. Chairman Van Meter stated the purpose for tabling this was to give them time to work out an agreement with SSGA. Mr. Hall asked where the funding went to. Chairman Van Meter stated that funding would be allocated by the SSGA. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 5.

MOTIONS CARRIED

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTIONS 7 – 13

7. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services from Morrow Brothers Ford for the Coroner's Office for the purpose of purchasing a new truck in the amount of \$49,120.

A motion was made by Mr. Tjelmeland, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, to place Resolution 7 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Preckwinkle, to consolidate Resolutions 7 – 13. Chairman Van Meter asked County Clerk Gray to read Resolutions 8 – 13.

8. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services from various food vendors for the Sheriff's office for the purpose of FY2023 food supplies in the amount of \$643,958.
9. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services from Advanced Correctional Healthcare for the Sheriff's Office for the purpose of medical and mental health services in the amount of \$1,058,303.

10. Resolution approving an amendment to the total cost for Joe Petty and Associates to conduct final design development, general construction documents, manage procurement and provide construction oversight at an amended total of \$678,000.
11. Resolution approving a grant application from the Illinois Association of Community Action for Community Resources for the PY2023 Employment Barrier Reduction Pilot Agreement in the amount of \$84,375.
12. Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between Sangamon Mass Transit District and Information Systems for information technology services.
13. Resolution approving amendments to the Fiscal Year 2022 Sangamon County Budget.

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 7 – 13, as consolidated. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 14

14. Resolution approving the Annual Budget and Appropriation for the County of Sangamon, Illinois for the Fiscal Year December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2023.

A motion was made by Mr. Preckwinkle, seconded by Mr. Bunch, to place Resolution 14 on the floor. County Administrator Brian McFadden gave a slideshow presentation on the FY2022-2023 budget. He thanked Eric, Alex, Keith, and Auditor Andy Goleman from the Auditor's Office for all of their hard work on this. He gave a quick review of FY2022, which they are projected to finish up with another solid year. Those of you on the Finance Committee that get the regular reports know their biggest cost center is payroll, and that is down from budget. The hiring environment out there is to blame or take credit for that. They are pretty sure they are going to finish the year under budget on expenditures. Revenue items are coming in at budget or slightly above budget, so it looks like it will be another strong finish. Of course, it will have to be audited, and you will get the report on the audit to make it official.

The budget is up significantly from prior years. The County budget project for FY2023 is \$160 million. That is a \$32.7 million increase or about a 25% increase. There are two very good reasons for that. The first is that inflation has driven up the CPI, which has driven up their payroll costs. It has also caused their commodity costs to go up.

They have about \$30 million in new capital spending in this year's budget. Various projects account for that, from the Transportation Center to this building, and to the Sangamon County building.

He talked about revenue first. They all know you cannot spend what you do not have. As in the past, their first or second largest revenue source is property tax, which is projected to bring in about \$36.4 million, which is a 2.7% increase. The factors they use to build that are all primarily based on projections that have not been decided yet. The growth and the equalized assessed value of the entire County is at 3%, and the CPI is at 2%. New construction is at 1.5%. They have a couple TIF's that expired in Sherman, which is providing some additional property tax revenue. They are projecting a reduction of 1.15% in the property tax rate, with the estimated rate of the EAV, based upon the levy. It will remain less than it was 30 years ago, and that is significant. They have an unwritten policy that if they see two years in a row of reduced pension costs and see tax revenue starting to stabilize they would like to provide a rate reduction to the property tax payers. They had to do that to reduce the CPI.

Another large revenue item is state tax distribution. They used to have a policy where they go back and budget actual revenue from two year's prior. That has been a challenge for a couple reasons. First was because of the Great Recession and second because of COVID. He does think they are starting to see stabilization of the revenue. As of 2020, it went into the dumpster, and in 2021 they budgeted as if it was going to be in the dumpster by significantly reducing revenue estimates. In 2022, it started to look normal, and in 2023, it is starting to look like that as well. In replacement of the two year policy they have done, Eric came up with a formula they use that factors in a number of things such as ten year history, a three year lookback, and budgeting at 85 percentile of what that formula presents, and that gives them these numbers. Some show strong increases, some show reductions, and some are flat. The revenue sources include personal property tax, income tax, state sales tax, supplemental sales tax, use tax, and video tax. Those numbers are an increase of about 12%. Other large revenue items they have are fines and fees, which are \$15.5 million, up about \$400,000. There are no new fines & fees in this budget. Animal Control is proposing a reduction in some costs for adoption and other things. The committee has not reviewed that yet, so it is not yet in the budget. In addition, the local Builders Association has proposed a change in how building permits are done. That needs to go in front of committee as well. Lastly, is grants and other state reimbursements. This is up 76%, but that is a little misleading because ARPA funds make up \$15 million of that. Take those out and the grants and state reimbursements are flat compared to where they usually are. They are heavily grant funded and do a lot of things on behalf of the State of Illinois. They are part of State government when it comes to certain operations. They get a lot of grants from the State to perform those functions.

Miscellaneous is up significantly, and that is a reflection of all the capital projects that are going on right now. Departments are using reserves or fund balances to spend on capital projects. These are projects like 911 that is using the money for the new emergency radio system.

The Highway Department is also working on a couple large projects including Woodside and Iron Bridge. Also, bond proceeds have been put into a fund, and they are now spending those bond proceeds on projects.

With the increase in the EAV countywide, the story is the same, although they have seen a couple years where it has actually grown. In 2005, they seen the growth of property values growing an average of 6% a year, which is very healthy. Now it has been growing at less than 1% a year. That puts pressure on the property tax rate. New construction and development is driving the growth in the EAV. That has dropped off dramatically, and is reduced by almost 1/3. That is also putting pressure on property taxes on every taxing body in Sangamon County. The rate historically goes up and down depending on what is going on with the levy that year and what is determined later with the growth of property in the county. We try to keep it within the range of 7% and 8%. They are getting that done, and there is a rate reduction projected for this year's budget, but it becomes a little more challenging each year.

Chairman Van Meter stated this information on the chart is so critically important. The EAV is the value of all the property in the community. You would think it should be increasing every year when property values go up, but what you can see is it is increasing at a much lower rate than it was back in 2005. These are signs of a community that is not growing. You also see this with new construction. They used to have big increases in the value of newly constructed property in the community, but it has tailed off to nothing. When they are seeing tiny increases, it means the community is not growing and it puts pressure on all the governments to operate because growth means increased revenue without increasing the tax rate. When you increase the tax rate, it further decreases growth in the community. It is so important that they continue projects, like Moving Pillsbury Forward, to attract business and growth in this community. Mr. McFadden added if you have a growing EAV, you can spend and tax rates can go down.

There was a 25% increase in All Funds, and the General Fund is up about 4%. Headcount is up 18 positions, but that is not what normally happens. Of those, ten are grant funded and six are directly caused by the new Safe-T Act. Therefore, 17 of the 18 positions are either covered by another revenue source or a grant or contracts. A small number are positions not related to this. Payroll is their single largest cost center. It is up 4.7% at \$2.6 million. That is a reflection of their union contracts and non-union wages, which are essentially pegged to inflation and capped at 4%. They did put a 2% lag in this budget. What is helping this budget is they have a lot of vacant positions. They are having a hard time finding staff. The union wages will be about 4% and non-union will be right in the same ballpark. Non-union wages are based upon a performance evaluation. An average score on those would be around 4.2%. Overtime is up slightly. The Sheriff's Office is down about \$60,000, but they used additional overtime because of staffing shortages. The Public Defender's Office also had to use overtime. The problems they had in the past with overtime in the Sheriff's Office seem to be in the rearview mirror. He gave a big thanks to Tim Eggleston, Sheriff Campbell, Chief Deputy Mayfield, and Larry Beck in the Jail for that.

Pensions are down 2.1%. They were down 4% last year, which is a savings of \$106,000. The regular rate that covers most County employees is down 19%. There are now more employees that are Tier 2 as opposed to Tier 1, which brings down pension costs. There is also a lot of vacant positions, which brings it down as well. The other factor is the Stock Market, which is not working to their advantage right now. When returns are high, generally the contributions go down.

Lastly, health insurance overall spending was down, which is misleading because when they budget a vacant position there is no health costs associated with that position. The actual cost charged by Blue Cross per participant is up 18%. The actual cost to the employee is up, but the actual cost is down because of those vacancies. Historically, they budget for some use of the fund balance in health insurance, but it rarely is used.

Auditor Andy Goleman addressed the County Board regarding worker's compensation. Resolution 22 deals with worker's compensation and they are asking for your approval of that tonight. The FY2023 premium will be \$925,223. That is up \$65,000 or a 7.6% increase from FY2022. The premium is based on a five-year lookback of total costs incurred and the total County payroll. The number of claims and total amount incurred has been trending downward over the last 12 years, so that is a good thing. However, one significant cost claim in 2020 is reversing this trend and is driving the premium back up, which will negatively affect the premium through 2025. One premium is causing this.

Mr. McFadden stated that pension costs and health insurance costs have been going down. Part of that is due to the reduced headcount and vacancies of positions. This is a unique budget due to the fact they have all the capital spending going on. When you look at the department-by-department comparisons, which is on the budget document you were sent, there will be some weird anomalies. For instance, the 911 budget is up 216% because they are going to spend a projected \$5.5 million on the emergency radio system. The Highway Department budget is up 40% because of the Woodside Iron Bridge Project. Child Advocacy is up because of new grants they received and they added new headcount. The Coroner is up because of the Regional Facility, so they will have more expenses but also more revenue, so that balances out. The Public Defender and State's Attorney are also up because the Safe-T Act is driving that up. There are some unusual and unique increases here but there is a story behind them that makes sense for those large increases.

There is approximately \$38 million in capital spending in this budget. About \$30 million of it is new. They spend millions every year on capital just to keep this place going and on their infrastructure. Another longstanding policy is they don't let their infrastructure fall apart on them, so they spend money every year on buildings and vehicles. These capital projects are paid out of several sources. There was \$8.6 million for the County Complex work that is being done, and about \$1.5 million for the County Sheriff, and about \$10 million for the design work and the Transportation Hub. ARPA is the next large source at about \$16 million in spending.

Those on the list are the Regional Facility, Community Services Building, Helping Hands, land purchases, and various HVAC work covered under ARPA. Long range planning, Fund 031, which is normally used to pay for capital, is about \$2 million. There is about \$1.5 million in spending there through IS. and \$250,000 various projects for the Sheriff's Office. Buildings & Grounds also has a number of capital projects as well.

The 911 Department is up about \$5 million for the radio system. Highway is up \$4.9 million for various road projects and equipment purchases. The vehicle replacement program will be about \$450,000 a year with \$50,000 coming from a grant and \$400,000 coming out of Fund 031. There is significant new programming in this budget. Assistance to the housing and homeless, corporations being formed, recycling programs, the 3rd Street Rail Study at \$250,000, Washington Street Mission, Nursing Pipeline Program, and the Farm to Table Program, which the County Board will decide if they want to take that program any further. Some of these are ARPA eligible.

To wrap this up, the top ten takeaways from this budget are 1) an estimated property tax rate cut; 2) stabilization of state tax collection; 3) CPI driving up payroll costs; 4) pension costs are down for second year; 5) worker's comp rate change; 6) health care costs projected to decline; 7) commodity costs are increasing dramatically; 8) significant financial impact of the Safe-T Act; 9) massive capital investments; and 10) programming over \$900,000. This is a balanced budget, they are living within their means, they are paying their bills on time, they have financially sound and affordable pensions, they have financially sound and affordable healthcare, they have limited and controlled debt, they are operating within the constraints of tax caps, they maintain a rainy day fund/reserve for when it is needed, and they operate under a property tax rate that is still lower than it was 30 years ago.

Mr. Hall stated the Safe-T Act is mandated by the State, there will be six new jobs, and it is going to cost over \$1 million by the time they are done. He remembers when that went through financing. That was a square pill to swallow, and there is nothing they can do about it. They get mandated to do things, but the funding doesn't make any sense at all. Mr. McFadden explained that the Safe-T Act is not a mandate in that you have to hire six people. It is a mandate in how you operate. It is a mandate in how the courts, Public Defender, State's Attorney, and Sheriff operate. They did a lot of research and talked to other counties to see how they are staffing to do this. Some are going overboard and some are putting their head in the sand to see if it goes away. It is not going to go away. They have talked to many counties and met with their State's Attorneys and Sheriffs, and this is what came out of that process. They feel they need these new employees to operate based upon the new requirements. It is essentially going to mean a 24/7 operation for the courts.

Chairman Van Meter explained when the Safe-T Act was adopted there was a lot of talk at the Legislature in recognition that there would be costs associated with it, and a lot of good faith representation that they intended to provide funding for the implementation, but the funding never came through. They are still hoping there will be funding at some point.

Mr. Preckwinkle complimented the elected officials, department heads, and County Administrator McFadden for putting together an incredible budget for 2023 with huge increases and positive programs. It took more work than typical, so he wanted to commend them for their hard work.

Mr. McFadden concurred that they have a great group of elected officials and department heads. He talked to his colleagues and it is like a death match in other counties, like a thunder dome type of environment when they do their budgets. Not that they don't have disagreements, but they work them out in a way that produces a good product at the end, and it is a brand here in how we operate. No one wants to change that process because it has produced a good financial product.

A motion was made by Mr. Preckwinkle that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stands as the roll call vote for Resolution 14. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTIONS 15 – 18

15. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Department of Emergency Management from OnSolve, LLC for the purpose of the SAM System contract extension in the amount of \$45,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Mendenhall, seconded by Mr. Constant, to place Resolution 15 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch to consolidate Resolutions 15 – 18. Chairman Van Meter asked County Clerk Gray to read Resolutions 16 – 18.

16. Resolution approving a grant application for the Department of Emergency Management from the Illinois Emergency Management Agency for the Emergency Management Performance Grant in the amount of \$65,759.83.
17. Resolution approving an agreement between Menard County Board of Health, Menard County, Sangamon County Board of Health, and Sangamon County for the provision of Public Health Services in Menard County, Illinois.
18. Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between Sangamon County, Illinois, the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk, the Village of Divernon, Illinois, and the Divernon Police Department for electronic citation services.

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 15 – 18, as consolidated. A voice vote was unanimous.

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 19 – 33

19. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Auditor’s Office from CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP for the purpose of a three-year contract for professional financial audit services in the amount of \$452,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Preckwinkle, seconded by Mr. Miller, to place Resolution 19 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Madonia, to consolidate Resolutions 19 – 33. Chairman Van Meter asked County Clerk Gray to read Resolutions 20 – 33.

20. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Auditor’s Office from Triune Health Group for the purpose of two-year worker’s compensation medical nurse case management services in the amount of \$60,320.

21. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Auditor’s Office from Cincinnati Insurance for the purpose of automobile/property damage insurance in the amount of \$81,478.

22. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Auditor’s Office from Illinois Counties Risk Management Trust for the purpose of worker’s compensation insurance in the amount of \$925,223.

23. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Auditor’s Office from Cowbell Cyber for the purpose of cyber risk insurance in the amount of \$103,668.

24. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Auditor's Office from Euclid Insurance Company for the purpose of auto liability insurance with professional and excess liability in the amount of \$85,353.
25. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Auditor's Office from Troxell, Inc. for the purpose of risk management services for self-insured liability in the amount of \$80,000.
26. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Auditor's Office from Chubb Insurance Company for the purpose of commercial property insurance in the amount of \$301,884.
27. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Coroner's Office from NMS Lab for the purpose of toxicology testing in the amount of \$60,000.
28. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Coroner's Office from MMC Lab Services for the purpose of autopsy and testing services in the amount of \$35,000.
29. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Coroner's Office from SIU School of Medicine for the purpose of pathologist autopsy fees in the amount of \$330,000.
30. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Sheriff's Office from Motorola Solutions for the purpose of connecting to their Starcom Network in the amount of \$58,260.
31. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Sheriff's Office from various supply vendors for the purpose of Sheriff's Office, Jail, and inmate supplies in the amount of \$165,975.
32. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Sheriff's Office from Keith Cummins, DDS for the purpose of inmate dental services in the amount of \$39,024.
33. Legacy Park Sports Complex Development Agreement.

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 19 – 33, as consolidated. A voice vote carried. Ms. Williams abstained from voting on Resolution 29.

MOTIONS CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolutions

There were no new resolutions.

B. Appointments

Appointment of Keith Moore to the Building Code Board of Appeals for a term expiring November, 2023.

Appointment of Tony Smarjesse to the Building Code Board of Appeals for a term expiring November, 2023.

Appointment of Steven Ponder to the Building Code Board of Appeals for a term expiring November, 2023.

Appointment of Larry D. Hemingway, Sr. to the Building Code Board of Appeals for a term expiring November, 2023.

Appointment of William Pfeffer to the Woodwreath Cemetery Board for a term expiring November, 2028.

Appointment of Robert Frazier to the Land of Lincoln Workforce Investment Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of Amanda Bergdorf to the Land of Lincoln Workforce Investment Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of Reiko Hurd to the Land of Lincoln Workforce Investment Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

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 December were also submitted.

C. Procurement/Grant Notifications

There were no procurement/grant notifications.

D. Ratification of Corrections Collective Bargaining Agreement.

A motion was made by Mr. Madonia, seconded by Mr. Bunch, to ratify the Corrections Collective Bargaining Agreement. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
CONTRACT RATIFIED

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

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

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Ms. Williams, 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 Ms. Williams, seconded by Mr. Bunch, to recess the meeting to December 13, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
MEETING RECESSED

Don Gray
Sangamon County Clerk