

CASS COUNTY BOARD MEETING

May 8, 2017

The Cass County Board met in the Courthouse, in the Courtroom, on Monday, May 8, 2017 at the hour of 7:00 P.M.

Present: David E. Parish
Chairman

Attest: Shelly Wessel
Cass County Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Parish, who directed the Clerk to call roll.

Roll Call:

Parish	Present	Barnett	Present	Noe	Present
Lynn	Absent	Hagloch	Present	Schaefer	Present
Starkey	Present	Douglass	Present	Merriman	Present
Wessel	Present	Brannan	Present		

As a result of the roll call the Clerk states that all board members are present except for board member Lynn.

Chairman Parish states we do have a quorum.

Chairman Parish now leads the board in the pledge of allegiance.

The Clerk next reads the minutes from the April 10, 2017 Cass County Board Meeting.

Schaefer makes a motion to approve the minutes and Merriman seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The Chairman directs the Clerk to read the Correspondence.

The Clerk reads a thank you note from the family of Bette Plunkett (Treasurer Wilson's mother).

The Clerk next states a letter was received from IDOT stating the Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds for partial reimbursement of the Cass County Engineer's salary was approved.

The Clerk also states a letter was received from IDOT stating the resurfacing project on County Highway 7 to County Highway 5 is complete.

Chairman Parish next calls for reports from the standing committees:

Clerk Wessel, reports the Courthouse and Jail committee met on May 4 and approved all bills as presented.

Hagloch reports the Road and Bridge committee met on May 1, 2017 and approved all bills.

County Highway Engineer Icenogle presents a resolution authorizing \$40,000 from FAS for the County Highway 12 resurfacing project (if needed). Wessel makes a motion to approve the resolution and Starkey seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

Merriman, Chairman of the Public Safety, Environment and Housing Committee reports the committee met on April 24, 2017. Merriman states a report was received from ESDA Director, Roger Lauder.

Merriman reports Animal Control met on April 27, 2017. Eleven dogs were picked up, two were returned to owners, six were adopted, and three were euthanized. One dog bite was reported.

Merriman reports Penny Meyer is resigning from the Animal Control Board and a replacement will be appointed.

Merriman reports Cass Rural Water will meet tomorrow evening. May is the first month of billing for the new line going to Chandlerville.

Brannan reports the Housing Committee met on April 20. Steve Horton is going to discuss the Cass Affordable Housing application with the new Virginia Mayor.

Miranda Clark has been hired as a fulltime employee and Erica Garcia has been hired as a part-time employee.

Steve is working with the TIF district to obtain funding for a parking lot.

Brannan reports the Health Board met April 26th. Kailyn Brown has been hired as a PRN (as needed) dental assistant and front desk receptionist.

Dr. Sanchez will be leaving on May 22.

Hospice netted \$12,836 during their fundraiser. That amount may be slightly lower than last year, but some additional funds may still come in.

Merriman reports a Special Public Safety meeting will be held on May 11 at 6:30 p.m. to meet with representatives from American Ambulance and Beardstown Ambulance to discuss their services.

Schaefer states a Policy and Procedures meeting was held and reviewed last part of the sample employee policy manual provided by IPMG. It was decided that current sick leave and vacation policies will be left in place.

The Clerk states she needs to add some verbiage to read Cass County and then she will send the manual to Kyle at IPMG.

Hagloch reports the Insurance and Bonds Committee met today. He states concerns were raised by both the Insurance Risk Manager

and the Insurance Agent. A meeting with the full committee will be held in late July or early August.

Hagloch reports E-9-1-1 met on April 24th and approved all bills.

Schaefer, liaison for Arenzville Rural Water reports the annual meeting will be held on May 20th. He states the last month's loss was only 12%.

Noe reports O.E.D.C met April 27th. He states there is a new superintendent at Site M. His name is Billy Lowe. There will be someone in the office full time now.

Schaefer, Liaison to Mental Health states a new employee has been hired. He was a former human resources manager in Jacksonville and is also the Church of the Nazarene Minister.

Starkey reports Beardstown TIF met May 1. Four applications were received and approved. The applications were from Dollar General, the Sazarac, the Roundhouse, and Tyson's Drive-In.

There was also discussion on Falcon's Fish processing plant and the old Glove Factory.

Brannan states Prairie Council on Aging will be hosting a Business After Hours event on May 25th from 4:30 until 6:30 p.m.

There are no reports from the following committees:

Legislative

Finance & Judiciary

Liquor Control

Supervisor of Assessments

Economic Development

Resource Conservation

Cooperative Extension

MCS

O.E.D.C. Tourism

The Board next moves on to new business.

The Chairman presents the appointments of H.A. Votsmier and Gary Noe to the Cass County Board of Review for terms ending May 2019, Robert Schaefer and Bill Merriman to the Cass County Board of Review Advisory Board for terms ending May 2019, Roger Hendricker, Gary Hish, and Donald Newell to the Farmland Committee for Assessment Review for terms ending May 2020, Roger Lauder and Patricia Blair to Cass County E-9-1-1 for terms ending May 2020, and the temporary appointment of Travis Cox as Cass County Treasurer.

Wessel makes a motion to approve the appointments and Douglass seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The Chairman next reads a letter of resignation from Treasurer Micki Wilson. She states in the letter she will resign effective May 31, 2017. Wilson recommends the appointment of Chief Deputy Travis Cox to fulfill her remaining term.

Douglass makes a motion to accept the resignation with regret and Barnett seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried. The board thanks Wilson for her years of service to Cass County.

Parish states there will be a luncheon in honor of Wilson on May 31st from 11:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the courtroom.

The Chairman next presents the temporary appointment of Travis Cox as County Treasurer. Merriman makes a motion to approve the appointment and Brannan seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The Clerk presents a Cass County Trustee Resolution to the Board. Schaefer makes a motion to approve the Resolution and Noe seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

Chairman Parish presents the Main Hallway Renovations Contract with RL Vollintine Construction Company to the Board for approval. Wessel makes a motion to approve the contract and Barnett seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

Chairman Parish states he is concerned about the amount of the quote the board voted to accept last month for the stairwell patching and painting project. He is going to get quotes from other individuals to see if we can get a cheaper estimate.

The clerk next presents the monthly reports for the Sheriff, Treasurer, Zoning Officer, Circuit Clerk, and Death Examiner. A motion to receive the reports is made by Noe and seconded by Douglass. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The approval of claims is next presented. A motion to approve the claims is made by Brannan and seconded by Starkey. Chairman Parish directs the Clerk to call roll.

The Clerk calls roll.

Roll Call:

Parish	Yes	Barnett	Yes	Noe	Yes
Lynn	Absent	Hagloch	Yes	Schaefer	Yes
Starkey	Yes	Douglass	Yes	Merriman	Yes
Wessel	Yes	Brannan	Yes		

As a result of the roll call, the Clerk states that all members present have voted in the affirmative. Chairman Parish declares the motion carried.

The Chairman states there are no matters to discuss in Executive Session.

At approximately 7:42 p.m., a motion to adjourn and reconvene on the night of June 12, 2017 is made by Wessel and seconded by Noe. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.