

CASS COUNTY BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 9, 2017

The Cass County Board met in the Courthouse, in the Courtroom, on Monday, January 9, 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	Present	Hagloch	Absent	Schaefer	Present
Starkey	Present	Douglass	Present	Merriman	Present
Wessel	Absent	Brannan	Present		

As a result of the roll call the Clerk states that all board members are present except Wessel and Hagloch.

Chairman Parish declares there is a quorum.

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

The Clerk next reads the minutes from the December 12, 2016 Cass County Board Meeting. Icenogle notes the Pictometry contract was not broken, just extended. Schaefer mentions the date to reconvene should read January 9, 2017. Merriman makes a motion to approve the minutes as amended and Brannan seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The Clerk next reads the correspondence.

An ordinance creating the Beardstown 2017 Enterprise Zone was received.

Alan Deckard resigned as a voting member of the Health Board.

I.D.O.T. approved the Resolution Appropriating Funds for the County Engineer's salary and the resolution appropriating funds for the maintenance of various streets and roads. I.D.O.T. also sent notification that the FAS 577 contract has been accepted.

Chairman Parish next calls for reports from the standing committees:

Lynn, Chairman of the Courthouse and Jail Committee, reports the committee met January 5<sup>th</sup> and approved all bills.

Merriman, Chairman for the Road and Bridge Committee, reports the committee met January 3<sup>rd</sup> and approved all bills.

Icenogle reports the new truck will be in Springfield this week and may be available before the forecasted storms this weekend.

Chairman Parish then deviates from the Agenda to allow Icenogle to discuss the Various Engineering Agreements for Hutchison Engineering and Artisan.

Icenogle states these Agreements allow for Hutchison and Artisan to perform various services. The County has accepted similar agreements for the past 4-5 years. Barnett makes a motion to authorize the Chairman to sign the necessary agreements once they are received and Douglass 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 December 19<sup>th</sup>. Lauder gave an E.S.D.A. report.

Merriman reports the Animal Control Committee met December 22<sup>nd</sup>. 15 dogs were picked up, 9 returned to their owner, 2 adopted, and 4 euthanized. Two dog bites were reported in Beardstown.

Brannan, reporting for the Health Department, reports Slifer is returning as a part-time employee.

Teen Reach was awarded \$76,000 in funding.

The Health Department is looking for a new drug company. The current company usually gives around \$95,000, but is only giving \$70,000 this year.

A grant was received to expand obstetric and dental services.

Brannan, reporting for the Housing Authority, reports the board met January 5<sup>th</sup>. A jury trial for the lawsuit is set in April.

Merriman, reporting for the Supervisor of Assessments committee, reports the committee met December 13<sup>th</sup> for the annual meeting. The next meeting will be held on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

Barnett, reporting for the Insurance and Bonds committee, reports the premiums have increased 12%. Once the committee meets they will have a recommendation for the board.

There are no reports from the following committees:

Rural Water

Finance and Judiciary

Legislative

Liquor Control

Economic Development

Policies and Procedures

E-9-1-1

M-C-S Community Services

Resource Conservation

Cooperative Extension

O.E.D.C.

Mental Health

O.E.D.C. Tourism

T.I.F.

The Board next moves on to new business.

The Clerk presents the appointments to the Cass County Health Board and Zoning Board. A motion to approve the appointments is made by Schaefer and seconded by Noe. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The Clerk then presents the Petit/Grand Jury Resolution. Merriman makes a motion to approve the Resolution and Barnett seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

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

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

The Clerk calls roll.

Roll Call:

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

At approximately 7:43 p.m., a motion to adjourn and reconvene on the night of February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 is made by Douglass and seconded by Merriman. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.