

CASS COUNTY BOARD MEETING

August 13, 2018

The Cass County Board met in the Courthouse, in the Courtroom, on Monday, August 13, 2018 at the hour of 7:00 P.M.

Present: David E. Parish
Chairman

Attest: Casey Miller
Chief Deputy 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
Gabbert	Present	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.

Chairman Parish states we do have a quorum.

Chairman Parish now leads the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Parish then asks if there are any public comments. There are no public comments.

The clerk next reads the minutes from the July 9, 2018 Cass County Board meeting.

There are no corrections or additions to the minutes. Brannan makes a motion to approve the minutes and Starkey seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The Chairman directs the clerk to read the correspondence. The Clerk states there is no correspondence.

Chairman Parish next calls for reports from the standing committees:

Barnett, reporting for the Courthouse and Jail Committee, states the committee met on August 9, 2018 and approved all bills as presented.

Hagloch, chairman of the Road and Bridge committee reports the committee met on August 6th and approved all bills. Hagloch states the next meeting will be held on September 6th because Labor Day is on Monday September 3rd.

Merriman, Chairman of Public Safety, Environment and Housing Committee reports they met on July 23, 2018.

Merriman states Animal Control met and Trayce picked up fifteen dogs, five were returned to the owners, four were adopted, five were euthanized, and one was dead on arrival. Two raccoons were also picked up in Beardstown.

Merriman, Liaison to Cass Rural Water reports the the Newmansville Road Extension is complete. There are excess USDA funds which will be used to replace some of the meters. Possibly consolidating with other local water districts was discussed. The next meeting is scheduled for August 21st.

Brannon reports that the Housing Committee met on July 19th.

The Virginia Affordable Housing began accepting applications on July 30th.

Ameren has been installing street lights. Driveways will accommodate six or seven cars. Fences will not be allowed due to the issues of maintaining a fence.

There is one vacancy at Lynn, two in Arenzville, seven at Riverside, and none at Parkside or Garnier.

Brannan reports the Cass County Health Board met on July 25th. A physician has agreed to come to work here, but an exact start date has not been given.

Donna Givens has resigned to go into private practice. Daisy Rodriguez has resigned. Kaylenn Brown has gone to PRN to continue her education. Seven people were removed from the PRN list.

Brannan states the Cupcake Law was discussed at the meeting. The Cupcake Law allows people to sell baked goods from their home if sales do not exceed \$1000 a month. The baked goods cannot be transported and sold at a retail establishment.

Board Member Schaefer inquired about the condemned building at Garnier. Brannan states that she is not privy to the outcome of the lawsuit, but there will be an appeal.

Barnett, Chairman of the Finance and Judiciary Committee, reports meeting with the County Clerk and the Treasurer to review the budget. He states we have had a good year thanks to the Supervisor of Assessments. We may be able to lower tax rates. The next meeting will be held August 31st at 10:00 a.m. in the jury room.

Merriman, Chairman of the Supervisor of Assessments Committee, states a meeting was not held in July. The next meeting is scheduled for August 20th at 6:00 p.m.

Hagloch, Liaison for E-9-1-1 states the committee met on July 23rd and approved all bills.

Schaefer, Liaison for Arenzville Rural Water states the committee met. They are very close to beginning Phase 3. Funding options are being considered. Borrowing the money is a much faster option than applying for grants. It could take up to two years to receive funding through grants.

Noe, Liaison of OEDC, reports a meeting was held on July 26th. The County Fair took in \$83,000.00 in livestock sales.

Noe also stated the kitchen is now opened at Duke and Joanie's in Chandlerville.

Schaefer, Liaison of Mental Health, reports the board did not meet in July due to air conditioning issues. Schaefer states in the June meeting it was decided that Cass County Mental Health will not legally change its name. It will however, be referred to as the Community Hope and Recovery Center. This is being done to raise awareness of the number of different programs available to help people. The substance treatment program treats between 155-160 people. The outpatient program treats 123 people and the New Hope SASS program serves 91 children.

The New to You store celebrated its tenth anniversary this year.

There are no reports from the following committees:

Legislative

Insurance and Bonds

Liquor control

Economic Development

MCS

Policies & Procedures

Cooperative Extension

Resource Conservation

OEDC Tourism

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The board now moves on to new business.

Chairman Parish presents the Appointment of James K. Rolf to the Meredosia Lake Drainage and Levy District, Jerry Brooks to South Sangamon Drainage and Levy District, and Brian Becker to Cass County E-9-1-1 Board.

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

Chairman Parish next presents a Resolution concerning Cass County as a Sanctuary County for Firearms.

Chairman Parish states the Resolution was drafted to reject the concept of Cass County being a sanctuary for all firearms prohibited by the State of Illinois. After brief discussion Merriman makes a motion to table the Resolution and Douglass seconds the motion. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The Clerk next presents the monthly reports for the Sheriff, Treasurer, Zoning Officer, Circuit Clerk, County Clerk, Death Examiner, Maintenance Engineer, State's Attorney. A motion to receive the reports is made by Merriman and seconded by Hagloch. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.

The approval of claims is 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
Gabbert	Yes	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 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 7:46 p.m., a motion to adjourn and reconvene on the night of September 10, 2018 is made by Wessel and seconded by Starkey. The vote is by acclamation and declared carried.