

STATE OF ILLINOIS     )  
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COUNTY OF VERMILION )

VERMILION COUNTY BOARD  
June 2, 2020  
6:00 P.M.

**MINUTES**

The County Board of Vermilion County, State of Illinois met via zoom meeting in the Vermilion County Administration Building in the City of Danville, Vermilion County, Illinois on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

Upon call of the roll, 20 were present, 7 were absent.

Invocation: Phearn Butler

Mr. Morse led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attest: Lindsay Light, Chief Deputy Clerk/Robyn Heffern, Assistant Chief Deputy Clerk

Chairman Baughn in the Chair.

**ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA**

Chairman Baughn entertained a motion to approve as presented. Motion made by Mr. Nesbitt. Second by Mr. Bieritz. Motion carried by acclamation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Baughn entertained a motion to approve minutes as presented. Motion made by Mrs. Mackiewicz. Second by Ms. Walls. Motion carried by acclamation.

**REPORT ON CLAIMS**

Chairman Baughn entertained a motion to dispense with the reading of the Report on Claims and place on file. Moved by Mr. Nesbitt. Second by Mr. Golden.

Upon call of the roll, 19 voted yes, 1 present, 7 absent. Motion passes.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Green, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, O’Kane, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, Watson, A.J. Wright, & Dan Wright.

**RAFFLE/POKER RUN APPLICATION LIST**

Chairman Baughn entertained a motion to dispense with the list and place it on file. Moved by Mrs. Witzel. Second by Mr. Bieritz. Motion carried by acclamation.

**AUDIENCE COMMENTS**

None.

**APPOINTMENT OF VERMILION COUNTY CIRCUIT CLERK (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020)**

Chairman stated it was the recommendation of the Republican Central Committee to appoint Melissa Quick as the new Circuit Clerk effective July 1, 2020. Motion to appoint Melissa was made by Mr. Weaver, seconded by Mr. Nesbitt. Upon call of the roll, 19 voted yes, 1 present, and 7 absent. Motion carried.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Green, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, O'Kane, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, Watson, A.J. Wright, & Dan Wright.

**APPOINTMENT OF VERMILION COUNTY REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS (EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020)**

Chairman stated it was the recommendation of the Republican Central Committee to appoint Aaron Hird as the new Regional Superintendent of Schools effective July 1, 2020. Motion to appoint Mr. Hird was made by Mrs. Witzel, seconded by Mr. Nesbitt. Upon call of the roll, 19 voted yes, 1 present, and 7 absent. Motion carried.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Green, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, O'Kane, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, Watson, A.J. Wright, & Dan Wright.

**EXECUTIVE & LEGISLATION (BAUGHN)**

**RESOLUTION 20-0601: COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES:** Chairman Baughn entertained a motion to dispense with the reading and for its passage. Moved by Mr. Weaver. Second by Mr. Bieritz. Upon call of the roll, 18 voted yes, 1 no, 1 present, 7 absent. Motion carried.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Green, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members voted no, to-wit: Ms. O'Kane

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, Watson, A.J. Wright, & Dan Wright.

**RESOLUTION 20-0602: PARKING LEASE FOR SERVING KIDS:** Chairman Baughn entertained a motion to dispense with the reading and for its passage. Moved by Mrs. Butler, second by Mrs. Witzel. Upon call of the roll, 19 voted yes, 1 present, 7 absent. Motion carried.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Green, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, O'Kane, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, Watson, A.J. Wright, & Dan Wright.

**FINANCE (FOUREZ)**

**FINANCIAL UPDATE:**

Mr. Fourez gave a brief update stating everything was in order.

**RESOLUTION 20-0603: SALARY SCHEDULE-2020 ELECTED OFFICIALS:** Chairman Baughn asked if everyone received the amended resolution showing salary amounts for 2022/23 and 2023/24 for review prior to the meeting. Mr. Green questioned the raises given the current financial crisis. Mr. Green made the motion to approve the original resolution without raises for 2022/23 and 2023/24, and Ms. Brenneman seconded. Mr. Stark stated he believes the board has requested the elected officials to do more with less, so they need to be rewarded because they've always come through for the board. Mr. Bieritz discussed the need for loftiness between the staff and the elected officials, as the staff has continued to get raises but the officials haven't been increased. He stated he would like to keep the elected officials' salaries in line with other staff increases. Ms. Haton stated if you broke the raises down to monthly, it's really not a lot, it's realistic, and it's in line with what other businesses in the area are doing. Ms. O'Kane asked about the vote of the Finance Committee, and Chairman stated it was unanimous that the elected officials received their increases.

As the motion and second was on the table to decline this resolution and revert back to the original, upon call of the roll, 0 voted yes, 1 present, 19 no, and 7 absent. Motion failed.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: None.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members voted no, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Green, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, O'Kane, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, AJ Wright, & Dan Wright.

Motion to dispense with the reading and approve the amended resolution that includes raises for 2022/23 and 2023/24 for the elected officials was made by Mr. Fourez, seconded by Mrs. Stark. Upon call of the roll, 18 voted yes, 1 abstention, 1 present, 7 absent. Motion passes.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, O'Kane, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

Mr. Green abstained.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, Watson, A.J. Wright, & Dan Wright.

**ORDINANCE 20-0604: AMENDMENT TO THE COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET & APPROPRIATION  
ORDINANCE FOR THE LIABILITY FUND - \$175,000:**

Chairman Baughn entertained a motion to dispense with the reading and approve as presented. Moved by Mr. Fourez, seconded by Mr. Stark. Upon call of the roll, 19 voted yes, 1 present, 7 absent. Motion carried.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Green, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, O'Kane, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, Watson, A.J. Wright, & Dan Wright.

**ORDINANCE 20-0605: AMENDMENT TO THE COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET & APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE NON-DEPARTMENTAL FUND - \$30,000:** Chairman Baughn entertained a motion to dispense with the reading and approve as presented. Moved by Mr. Fourez. Second by Mr. Stark. Upon call of the roll, 19 voted yes, 1 present, 7 absent. Motion carried.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Green, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, O'Kane, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, Watson, A.J. Wright, & Dan Wright.

**TRANSPORTATION (EAKLE)**

**RESOLUTION 20-0606: COUNTY BRIDGE FUND 062, LOVE TOWNSHIP-SECTION 20-10120-00-DR, MIDDLEFORK TOWNSHIP-SECTION 20-12156-00-DR:** Chairman Baughn entertained a motion to dispense with the reading and approve as presented. Move by Mr. Weaver. Second by Mr. Eakle. Upon call of the roll, 19 voted yes, 1 present, 7 absent. Motion carried.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Green, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, O'Kane, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, Watson, A.J. Wright, & Dan Wright.

**RESOLUTION 20-0607: COUNTY ENGINEER'S SALARY:** Chairman Baughn stated this is done by state recommendation, and entertained a motion to dispense with the reading and approve as presented. Move by Mr. Eakle. Second by Mr. Bieritz. Upon call of the roll, 19 voted yes, 1 present, 7 absent. Motion passes.

The following members voted yea, to-wit: Bieritz, Boyd, Brenneman, Butler, Duncan, Eakle, Fourez, Golden, Green, Haton, Mockbee, Nesbitt, O'Kane, Mrs. Stark, Mr. Stark, Walls, Weaver, Witzel, and Chairman Baughn.

Mr. Morse was present.

The following members were absent, to-wit: Bird, Hart, Mackiewicz, Thatcher, Watson, A.J. Wright, & Dan Wright.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Chairman Baughn stated there was no need for Executive Session.

**CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS/ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

The June birthdays on the board were acknowledged. There were no comments heard from the chairperson of each committee except Mr. Nesbitt who stated he was very proud of the Danville Police Department and the Vermilion County Sheriff's office. Chairman stated the next month he hopes to be able to meet in-person, following social distancing guidelines. He stated the county has received a sizable COVID grant for visitation and court proceedings. He informed the board that the courthouse opened for normal business on June 1<sup>st</sup>. He thanked Mr. O'Toole and the Health Department for all of their hard work during the COVID pandemic, stating to-date there have been 2,788 negative tests, 42 positive & 1 current hospitalization. Budget talks are underway, as Chairman and Erika have already met with a few offices and are planning on meeting with more this month. He explained the audit date has been extended by the state, and ours is almost done so we will meet the deadline. He informed the board of the break-in at the animal shelter Monday night stating that it's currently under investigation. Lastly, he thanked the Danville Police Department and the Vermilion County Sheriff's Department for their hard work this past week.

**APPOINTMENTS FOR JUNE 2020:**

The following appointment is for the **Danville Sanitary District:**

Term expired: Chad D. Hays; 3742 N. Lake Blvd., Danville, IL 61832

**Appointment: Chad D. Hays; 3742 N. Lake Blvd., Danville, IL 61832**

**3 Year Term: 05/2020-05/2023**

Motion to approve the appointments as presented was made by Mr. Golden, seconded by Mrs. Stark. Motion carried by acclamation.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m. to Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 6 p.m. at the Vermilion County Administration Building located at 201 N. Vermilion Street, Danville, IL 61832.

Cathy Jenkins, Vermilion County Clerk