

Tax & Elections Committee Meeting
Tuesday June 1, 2021 @ 5:00 P.M.
VCAB, 201 N Vermilion St, Chambers

MINUTES

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order and Roll Call

Committee Chairman Morse called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 1, 2021. Upon the call of roll, the following members were present: Tom Morse, Joel Bird, Jerry Hawker, Nancy O'Kane, Bruce Stark, and Becky Stark. Marla Mackiewicz was absent. 6 present, 1 absent. Also attending the meeting were; Matt Long- Supervisor of Assessments, Lindsay Light- County Clerk's Office, Robyn Heffern- County Clerk's Office, Larry Baughn-County Board Chairman, Bill Donahue- Risk Consultant-County Board, and Jennifer Jenkins, CB Office Manager.

Agenda Item 2 – Adoption /Amendments to Agenda

Hawker moved to adopt the agenda and a second was made by Bruce Stark. Motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 3 - Approval of Minutes for the Previous Meeting- December 2, 2020

Bruce Stark moved to approve the minutes second was made by O'Kane. Motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 4 - Audience Comments

None.

Agenda Item 5 – Discussion Regarding Offices Under the Tax and Elections Committee

Chairman Larry Baughn advised that the Danville Election commission had requested through Judge Schick, at the time of the request, that they handle their own finances. Judge Schick advised that he would leave that with Judge O'Shaughnessy once he took over. After a meeting with Barb Bailey from the Election Commission board, the Danville Election Commission Attorney, Mr. Beardsley, Sandy Delhaye- Danville Election Commissioner, Judge O'Shaughnessy, William Donahue- Risk Consultant, and Larry Baughn – Vermilion County Chairman, Judge O'Shaughnessy advised has an order signed by all of the Judges of their Circuit that orders them to conduct business just like any other County office would. The County Board controls the Vermilion County budget. The Danville Election Commission is included with this budget.

Jerry Hawker presented to the committee that he has been attending, on a monthly basis, Election Commission meetings. He has suggested that there is an excessive amount of taxpayer money being utilized for the Danville Election Commission for a job that they County can and does do. The Danville Election Commission is setup by referendum for the County to support them. Hawker feels as if there are a lot of ways to cooperate between the offices to save the taxpayers money. Hawker provided a handout prepared by the County Clerk's office of different scenarios in how a normal, general primary election and a general election and also consolidated are handled with press releases, final results, polling places, jetpacks, paperwork, etc. He feels as if this could be a significant savings if things were done in unison between the two offices of County Clerk and the Danville Election Commission. Discussion ensued.

Agenda Item 6 – Executive Session

None required

Agenda Item 7 – Items of Information

Baughn advised that there will be a Tax and Elections committee meeting for budgets either next month or the following.

Agenda Item 8 –Adjournment

Motion by Bird, second by O'Kane to adjourn the meeting.
Committee Chairman Morse adjourned the meeting at 6:17 PM.

Minutes by: Jennifer Jenkins, Office Manager, County Board