

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY
ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN
TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS ON **September 19, 2023**
ATTEST: JODIE L. BADMAN, COUNTY CLERK

The following proceeding had and entered at large upon the records of said Board, which is done accordingly in the following words and figures to wit;

Chairman Bryan Sharp called the board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Clint Epley led Invocation this evening. Due to a large attendance, the meeting was moved to the Third Floor Court Room A in the Christian County Courthouse.

ROLL CALL

The roll call by Chief Deputy County Clerk Courtney Sharp showed David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahan, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg and Clayton Walter as present. Miranda Langen and Mike Specha were absent. A quorum was had to hold the meeting.

APPROVE COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

Chairman Bryan Sharp asked for a motion to approve the amended minutes, as written, from the July 18, 2023 County Board meeting. *Tim Carlson made a motion to approve the amended July 18, 2023 minutes, as written; Venise McWard second. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

Sharp then asked for a motion to approve the August 15, 2023 County Board minutes, as written. *Linda Curtin made a motion to approve the August 15, 2023 County Board minutes as written; David Buckles second. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

The Chairman then asked for a motion to approve the minutes, as written, for the August 31, 2023 County Board Special Meeting. *Vicki McMahan made a motion to approve the August 31, 2023 County Board Special Meeting minutes, as written; David Puccetti second. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Sharp asked if there was any comments from the public and reminded those who were to speak that they are allowed three (3) minute to speak and it is not a question and answer period.

First to speak was Michelle Knox, the owner of Wind Solar USA, Inc. Ms. Knox stated that she was present at the variance committee hearing recently and the committee approved the company's variance that is related to ground owned by Terrence Havard of rural Langleyville, not solar installation. She affirmed that she was here this evening in hopes that the variance would pass the full Board. Ms. Knox let the Board know that she was there if they had any questions related to the variance.

Next, Nate Patterson spoke to the Board about the Special Use Permit for Central Commodity FS that is going in front of the full board tonight for approval. He told the Board that he opposes the anhydrous storage facility that Central Commodity wants to place near Lake Sangchris. He states that he does not see any changes in the proposal, except for the green screen that was added and a water trap. He is still concerned that if a large leak should happen, there will still be leakage into

the lake. He is ultimately thinks it is the same proposal as before and does not think that placing the anhydrous storage facility next to a natural resource is a good idea.

Dennis Hudson spoke to the Board about the possibility of a catastrophic event. He wanted to know what action he would be able to take to help his disabled wife vacate their home if there were to be a leak at the proposed anhydrous storage facility. He questioned the distance from which an anhydrous storage facility can be positioned to an existing home and he is worried that he and his neighbor are closest to it.

The next speaker, on behalf of the Kincaid residents, was Michael Laurenzana. He had data collected by the EPA that stated incidence for chemical accidents deemed to potential threats to human and environmental health happens every two days. He stated that in the first seven weeks of 2023, there were more than thirty incidences, one every day and a half and that anhydrous has the potential to be one of the most dangerous chemicals used in agriculture today. He posed this question to the Board: Do you want an anhydrous storage facility in your backyard, near your family, your friends or your neighbors? Mr. Laurenzana gave a specific breakdown of the existing water runoff plan and how it will not work, as designed.

Mary Kulavic was the next speaker and advised the Board that she had spoken to them back in April. Ms. Kulavic is a former emergency room registered nurse and an Illinois Army National Guard Occupational Health Nurse with extensive OSHA and Hazardous Material Transportation training. She presented an OSHA list of anhydrous ammonia work injuries from 2017-2022 and informed the Board the dangers of anhydrous ammonia. Ms. Kulavic pleaded to for the Board to make the decision of not allowing the storage facility to be placed on the current proposed site.

Jennifer Laurenzana went before the Board to discuss the proposed Central Commodity facility. She spoke in front of the Board back in April about her opposition to the proposed site and she is still in opposition. She discussed the proposition from Central Commodity about how many holding tanks will be placed on proposed site. Ms. Laurenzana discussed her concern for a possible leak and the repercussions of wind blowing into populated areas. She is also concerned for the natural resource, Sangchris Lake that could be in harm's way if a natural disaster should occur.

The next speaker was Amber Brown, who resides in the proposed anhydrous storage facility area. She would like to reiterate what was said earlier tonight by the previous speakers. Ms. Brown stated that nothing in the newly proposed plan from Central Commodity is different from the proposed plan months ago.

Janet Williams was next to speak. She stated that she is opposed to the anhydrous storage facility as she lives in the proposed area. Ms. Williams said there is no reason this cannot be moved to an unpopulated area.

Lindsey Patterson spoke to the Board and stated that everyone agrees that the current anhydrous facility needs to be moved. She does not think the new proposed site is the answer, as it would still put residents at risk as well as Sangchris Lake. Part of the proposed site sits on the banks of Sangchris Lake and no other contingency plans have been put into place. She also stated that the future growth of the area surrounding Sangchris Lake could be put into jeopardy if the facility is located on the proposed site.

Cory Merriman from CCFS was next to speak to the Board. He before they set up an anhydrous facility, they must complete a consequence analysis. This information helped determine the impact

on the community for the current anhydrous location is so much greater than the proposed site. The risk is reduced greatly by moving it outside of town, ¾ of a mile from the nearest residence.

Pat Wolf, Central Commodity Board of Directors Chairman, spoke to the Board about how hard Central Commodity has worked on getting the anhydrous facility moved out of Kincaid and the amount of money they are spending to do this. Mr. Wolf stated this is something that Central Commodity did not have to do. He asked for a favorable consideration from the Board.

Ernie Cox was next to speak to the Board. He stated he is a new resident to the area of the proposed storage facility. He reiterated questions about the current contingency plan. He is also concerned that the current plan will not work and put residents and natural resources in danger.

Wes Aymer, life-long resident of Kincaid, spoke to the Board. He stated his childhood property was contiguous to Sangchris Lake. He stated that he enjoyed countless hours playing by the lake and his parents still own the property after 44 years. He now resides about two blocks from the current anhydrous plant. Mr. Aymer stated that the plant itself is safe, but the location of the plant is not safe. He believes that FS has tried to take extra safety precautions to protect the citizens of Kincaid. One of the precautions was to install concrete barriers around the storage tank. He stated even though this precaution was taken, accidents can and will occur and there will be little to know time to warn the citizens of Kincaid. He stated that every site is flawed, however the proposed site meets all of the requirements and guidelines set by the State. He stated that the newly proposed anhydrous plant is a better option for the village residents of Kincaid. He thanked the Board for their representation to the citizens of Christian County and asked for their support.

Dale Eggimann, President of the Midland Fire Protection District, was next to speak. He stated that they have never had a problem, but if they did, he said they would not be able to get to their equipment or radios. Mr. Eggimann stated that they would have no time to react where the plant sits now. If the plant were relocated to the proposed site, they would have a little more time to react.

Logan Sarginson spoke to the Board. He stated he had been a member of the Midland Fire Department for three years. During those three years, the fire department had received multiple calls to shut off small anhydrous tank leaks that were dispelling small anhydrous vapors in the air. Despite the strong odor, the vapor is harmless in small quantities. Mr. Sarginson stated that Central Commodity is trying to avoid a future accident by moving the current facility out of the highly populated area that it is in now. The proposed site would be more remote and out of the way for a potential accident involving motor vehicles that travel through town. Central Commodity is trying to move the facility for safety measures.

Next to speak was Mike Sapetti. Mr. Sapetti told the Board that he has been a lifelong resident of Kincaid. He feels that in the interest of most of the town, the planned relocation of the plant is a much safer place for all. Nurse tanks must be pulled out onto Route 104 highway when leaving and with poor visibility; this increases the risk of a traffic accident and anhydrous leak. He feels that Central Commodity FS is using science and an engineering company to show what would happen in the event of a release.

Brent West spoke to the Board about being a small farmer who runs a small trucking business. He stated that dragging the tanks inside of town is very dangerous. Mr. West stated that accidents happen every day and the potential for an accident to happen is right there on the curve at the

current facility. Moving the facility outside of town would be less dangerous for the public. He hoped the Board would consider voting in favor of FS.

Mark Bauman with Central Commodity FS stated that the company had purchased land from the Puccetti family in December 2022. The land was purchased to move the current anhydrous storage facility out of town. He, nor Central Commodity FS directors, would have never imagined there would be so much opposition moving this facility away from the middle of town. Mr. Bauman stated that the plan exceeds all County and State setbacks and is at an adequate distance from residences. He told the Board that this was his fifth meeting addressing the project. He has listened and tried to address concerns of citizens. He told the Board that CCFS has added a containment structure to their contingency plan and a green screen. He commended the Board for their difficult job without much recognition.

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Sharp stated there were a few appointments that needed to be done, but he has not finalized those appointments yet. Sharp reminded the Board of previously sent emails that stated Seth Foster and Jeff Nolen had resigned from the Board.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Sharp informed the Board that the need to go into a Closed Session, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8) - Security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public or public property. This session will include the following persons to be present during all or part of this Closed Session, such other person or persons as the Chairman or the Committee may decide to bring in this meeting and or during such Closed Session: All present Board members, Liz Hile, Courtney Sharp, Mary Barry, Shawn Hammers, Blake Tarr and Dr. Chad Anderson. *Bryan Sharp made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8), second by Vicki McMahan. A poll drew all ayes. Motion carried.*

RE-OPENING OF REGULAR SESSION

The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 7:55 pm on Tuesday, September 19, 2023.

ROLL CALL

The roll call showed Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahan, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson and Linda Curtin as present.

PETITIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND/OR ORDINANCES

Chairman Sharp stated that there several ordinances to be heard and voted upon. The first ordinance brought before the full board after approval at the ZBA, is O 2023 ZB 028 that deals with a text amendment 1-3-1 Drainage District Construction Rules and Requirements. *Venise McWard made a motion to approve O 2023 ZB 028, second by Jean Vandenberg. A roll call vote called upon the following: Vicki McMahan, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley and Ken Franklin. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

The next ordinance to be heard was O2023 ZB 030. This is a text amendment for section 1-3-18 of the Drainage District Construction Rules and Requirements. *Jean Vandenberg made a motion to approve O2023 ZB 030, second by Clint Epley. A roll call vote called upon the following: Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton*

Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin and Vicki McMahon. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.

The next ordinance presented was O2023 ZB 031 that adds to the Zoning Code, Article 1-5-4 Entitled the Special Uses. Chairman Sharp stated that the language in the ordinance needs to be clarified by the ZBA. *David Buckles made a motion to approve O2023 ZB 031 with clarification from the ZBA, second by Tim Carlson. A roll call vote called upon the following: Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard and David Puccetti. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

Ordinance O2023 ZB 032 relating to the amount of alternates on the Zoning Board of Appeals was next on the list. Chairman Sharp stated that this ordinance needs to be reassessed due to statutory limits of the number of alternates and asked for a motion to send O2023 ZB 032 back to committee. *Vicki McMahon made a motion to send ordinance O2023 ZB 032 back to the ZBA committee for consideration, Thomas Snyder, Jr. second. A roll call vote called upon the following: Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, David Puccetti and Bryan Sharp. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

Next on the agenda was O2023 ZB 033 that discusses the variance for the solar array at the property of Terence and Carol Harvard, 1476 North 930 East Rd, Taylorville, PIN 17-13-19-100-003-01. *Venise McWard made a motion to approve ordinance O2023 ZB 033 as written, David Puccetti second. A roll call vote called upon the following: Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp and Thomas Snyder, Jr. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

Ordinance O2023 ZB 034 that discusses the variance applied for by Central Commodity FS to install solar panels at a storage facility in Rosamond Township. Chairman Sharp asked for a motion to approve the ordinance. *Jean Vandenberg made a motion to approve ordinance O2023 ZB 034, Tim Carlson second. A roll call vote called upon the following: Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr. and Jean Vandenberg. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

The last ordinance on the agenda was O2023 ZB 035, a Special Use Permit Application for Central Commodity FS to relocate current NHS facility in the Village of Kincaid to a location outside of city limits. Chairman Sharp asked for a motion to approve. *Ken Franklin made a motion to approve O2023 ZB 035, David Buckles second. A roll call vote called upon the following: David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr. and Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter with ayes. David Puccetti with a nay. Motion carried with (11) ayes, (1) nay.*

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

SEPTEMBER 2023 COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were presented and placed on file in the Clerk's Office.

1. The Treasurer's Reports for period ending August 31, 2023
2. The Local Solid Waste Fees Fund report for August 2023
3. ROE – Expenditure Report for August 2023
4. The August 2023 Public Defender's Report
5. IDOT – Motor Fuel Tax Allotment and Transactions for August 2023
6. The August 15, 2023 Prevailing Wage Report
7. IEPA Notice of Application for Permit to Manage Waste at Five Oaks Recycling and Disposal Facility

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/ENVIRONMENTAL/ZONING AND WELFARE

Thomas Snyder, Jr. highlighted the meeting of the Highway/Building/Grounds/Environmental/Welfare/Zoning Committee. He stated the meeting was called to order on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Christian County Courthouse. The purpose of the meeting was County building issues, highway business and any other matters properly brought before the Committee. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum.

Thomas Snyder, Jr. presented to the Board a request to use the Courthouse lawn for the annual Chilifest event the weekend of October 7th and 8th. He also referenced additional information that was provided which included vendors checking in starting on October 6 at 5 p.m. with cleanup beginning on Sunday the 8 at 5 p.m. Assistant States Attorney Mary Barry inquired if required food permits have been received. Linda from the Chamber advised permits have been received. *Thomas Snyder Jr. made a motion to approve the use of the Courthouse lawn for the annual Chilifest event on October 7 through October 8, 2023, second by David Buckles. Motion carried with (12) ayes.*

Next, Snyder stated that Cliff Frye presented a spreadsheet from the August 30, 2023 bids for Section 18-15120-00-BR, South Fork Bridge #26. The original estimated cost for this project was projected at \$438,774.00. The low bid was from Yamnitz & Associates for \$341,852.16. Motion by Jeff Nolen and second by Thomas Snyder, Jr. to recommend to the full Board to award Section 18-15120-00 Br, South Fork Bridge #26 to Yamnitz & Associates for \$341,852.16 and to authorize Chairman Sharp to execute the contract. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion Carried. *Thomas Snyder, Jr. made a motion to award Section 18-15120-00 Br, South Fork Bridge #26 to Yamnitz & Associates for \$341,852.16 and authorize Chairman Sharp to sign the contract, second by Vicki McMahon. A roll call vote called upon the following: Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter and David Buckles. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

Thomas Snyder, Jr. informed the Board that the carpet estimates for the former ROE office were received from Ron Brown, Maintenance Supervisor. Brown provided two estimates for new carpet in the former ROE office. He noted he has attempted to obtain a third estimate and is still hoping to get that before the September Board meeting. The committee would like the ability for the Board to approve an estimate if that third estimate is received by the Board meeting date. The committee felt where the expense would be paid from should be determined by Finance. Motion by Mike Specha and second by Thomas Snyder, Jr. to recommend to the full Board to take action to award bid for new carpet for the former ROE office if a 3rd carpet estimate is received by the September 19, 2023 meeting and to refer the matter of where the expense would be paid out of to the Finance Committee. All members were in favor and the motion carried. Ron Brown then spoke to the full Board at tonight's meeting stating that the third bid had never been received. *Thomas Snyder, Jr. made a motion to take action for awarding bids for new carpet for the former ROE and to refer the matter of where the expense would be paid out of to the Finance Committee. Second by Ken Franklin. A roll call vote called upon the following: Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahan, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles and Timothy Carlson. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

The last item Snyder brought before the Board was records storage. He stated that Bill Kennedy had advised the records storage problem had been a long, ongoing issue and something needs to be done. The discussion for a solution involved the basement at the LSW building, the County Courthouse basement or possibly the current Health Department building, when vacated. The Sheriff's department will be using the basement at the LSW building and the Courthouse basement will need work.

Chairman Sharp advised that he had been in contact with a relative of his who is a partner with another individual on a climate controlled storage facility that is located across from the post office. The facility is also very secure with keypad entries. There is a 16 X 7 room that recently opened up that would be available for \$120.00 a month that might serve the county well for at least a short term solution until another solution is determined.

Motion by Mike Specha and second by Thomas Snyder, Jr. to recommend to the full Board to approve securing a climate controlled storage room at Franklin Street Storage on a short term basis for \$120.00 per month until a different solution can be determined and to refer to Finance where the expense cost for the remainder of FY23 would come from. The Public Defender's office budget for FY24 should be updated to include the annual expense. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.

Thomas Snyder, Jr. made motion to approve securing a climate controlled storage room at Franklin Street Storage on a short-term basis for \$120.00 per month until a different solution can be determined and to refer to Finance where the expense cost for the remainder of FY23 would come from. The PD's office budget for FY24 should be updated to include the annual expense, second by Mike Specha. A roll call vote called upon the following: Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahan, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson and Linda Curtin. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.

EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR

Clint Epley, Committee Chair, highlighted the meeting of the Highway/Building/Grounds/Environmental/Welfare/Zoning Committee. He advised that the meeting was called to order on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Christian County Courthouse. The purpose of the meeting was to address any agenda items, any personnel issues, policies and any other matters properly brought before the Committee. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum.

Clint Epley stated that one of the actions brought to the full Board from the committee was a recommendation to the full Board for a residency waiver for Mr. Robert Thompson who is an employee with Animal Control. It was noted the individual at the time of hire and during orientation was aware of the County's residency requirement. Additionally noted was under Personnel section J of the County Board Rules reviewed it states only a professional skill will qualify for a petition to waive and approved by the Personnel Committee and the full County Board. Motion by Clint Epley and second by Jean Vandenberg to recommend to the full Board to deny the residency requirement for Mr. Robert Thompson based on the provisions of the County Board Rules under Personnel section J. Roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried. *Clint Epley made a motion to deny the residency requirement for Mr. Robert Thompson based on the provisions of the County Board rules under Personnel section J, second by Timothy Carlson. A roll call vote polled all ayes.*

Epley then presented to the Board two more residency waivers from the Health Department. He stated that Dr. Chad Anderson highlighted the two (2) residency waiver requests for the Health Department. Ms. Mariah Zinn was recently employed as an Environmental Inspector and Mr. Bryan Delendik, Jr. as the Emergency Response Coordinator. Both individuals are currently living in Springfield and are aware of the residency requirement. Bryan Delendik relocated to this area from New Jersey and attempted to find housing in the county but was unable to do so. Mariah was already residing in Springfield. Both position have been advertised without receipt of any qualified applicants from Christian County. Mariah and Bryan both hold high degrees for their respective fields. Motion by Jean Vandenberg and second by Clint Epley to recommend to the full Board to waive the residency requirement for Ms. Mariah Zinn and Mr. Bryan Delendik, Jr. until January of 2025 at which time they will be reviewed again. All members were in favor. Motion carried. *Clint Epley made a motion to waive the residency requirements for Ms. Mariah Zinn and Mr. Bryan Delendik, Jr. until January of 2025 at which time they will be reviewed again. Second by Linda Curtin. A roll call vote polled all ayes.*

Committee Chair Epley then presented two text amendment proposals from Blake Tarr, Zoning Officer.

Motion by Jean Vandenberg and second by Clayton Walter to recommend to the full Board to refer to the ZBA for consideration to adopt Appendix D, Battery Energy Storage System text amendment as presented. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried. *Clint Epley made a motion to refer to the ZBA for consideration to adopt Appendix D, Battery Energy Storage System text amendment as presented. Venise McWard second. A roll call vote polled all ayes.*

Motion by Clint Epley and second by Jean Vandenberg to recommend to the full Board to refer to the ZBA for consideration to adopt the wind and solar text amendments and amend the solar and battery storage presented text to standardize the fees to match wind. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried. *Clint Epley made a motion to refer to the ZBA for consideration to adopt the wind and solar text amendments and amend the solar and battery storage presented text to standardize the fees to match wind, second Linda Curtin. A roll call vote polled all ayes.*

AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Venise McWard, Chairman highlighted the Audit/Finance/Purchasing/Budget Committee that met on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the Christian County Courthouse, Taylorville, Illinois. The purpose of the meeting was to address agenda items and any other matters properly brought before the committee. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum.

A referral item was on the agenda to bring to the full Board. Ken Franklin made a motion, second by Vicki McMahan, to recommend to the full Board to use the previously allotted ARPA funds for the HVAC (\$588,000.00) and the window replacement (\$482,640.00) projects with the remaining balance from each project to come from the FY24 Budget. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried. *Venise McWard made a motion to use the previously allotted ARPA funds for the HVAC (\$588,000.00) and the window replacement (\$482,640.00) projects with the remaining balance from each project to come from the FY24 Budget, second by David Buckles. A roll call vote called upon the following: Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahan, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin and Clint Epley. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

Venise McWard, Chairman highlighted the Audit/Finance/Purchasing/Budget Committee that met on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at the Christian County Courthouse, Taylorville, Illinois. The purpose of the meeting was to address agenda items and any other matters properly brought before the committee. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum.

Venise McWard stated to the Board that a motion was made by Vicki McMahan and second by Linda Curtin to recommend to the full Board to approve the claims presented for September. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried. *Venise McWard made a motion to approve the claims presented for September, second by Thomas Snyder, Jr. A roll call vote called upon the following: Vicki McMahan, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley and Ken Franklin. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

The next item was moving funds from General Obligation Fund to Capital Improvements. Motion by Venise McWard and second by Vicki McMahan to recommend to the full Board to approve the transfer of \$650,000.00 from the General Obligation Fund to Capital Improvement for the FY24 budget. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried. *Venise McWard made a motion to approve the transfer of \$650,000.00 from the General Obligation Fund to Capital Improvement. Second by Linda Curtin. A roll call vote called upon the following: Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin and Vicki McMahan. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

McWard then discussed the sale of delinquent tax properties. Motion by Linda Curtin and second by Vicki McMahon to recommend to the full Board to adopt Resolutions R2023 TR 010 through R2023 TR 037 for the sealed bid sale of delinquent tax properties. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried. *Venise McWard made a motion to adopt Resolutions R2023 TR 010 through R2023 TR 037 for the sealed bid sale of delinquent tax properties with a second from Jean Vandenberg. A roll call vote called upon the following: David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon and Venise McWard. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

Chairman McWard reviewed the referrals from Highway, Building and Grounds. Motion by Venise McWard and second by Linda Curtin to recommend to the full Board to use Court House Maintenance expense line item for the cost of new carpet in the former ROE office with a limit of up to \$4,000.00. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried. *Venise McWard made a motion to use Courthouse Maintenance expense line item for the cost of new carpet in the former ROE office with a limit of up to \$4,000.00, Thomas Snyder, Jr. second. A roll call vote called upon the following: Bryan Sharp, Thomas Snyder, Jr., Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard and David Puccetti. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS/OTHER

Chairman Sharp addressed a few questions regarding the County Board rules. He has been consulting with Assistant State's Attorney, Mary Barry, and they both feel as though the rules that are set in place are a very good set of rules and the Board is doing a great job procedurally following them, but maybe need reviewed from time to time.

Sharp then told the Board that he and Blake Tarr, Zoning Director attended a meeting regarding relocation of enterprise zones and as soon as he has more information, he will bring it before the Board.

The next item on the agenda was the 2024 Holiday Schedule. Chairman Sharp called for a motion to approve from the floor. *Linda Curtin made a motion to approve the 2024 Holiday Schedule, second by Thomas Snyder, Jr. A roll call polled all ayes. Motion carried.*

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT – September 2023

Chairman Sharp entertained a motion to approve the Mileage and Per Diem Report. *Thomas Snyder, Jr. made the motion and a second by Linda Curtin. A roll call vote called upon the following: Jean Vandenberg, Clayton Walter, David Buckles, Timothy Carlson, Linda Curtin, Clint Epley, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon, Venise McWard, David Puccetti, Bryan Sharp and Thomas Snyder, Jr. Motion carried with (12) ayes, (0) nay.*

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u># of Meetings This Month</u>	<u>Extension of Rate</u>
David Buckles	\$100.00	\$25.00	2	\$50.00
Timothy Carlson	\$100.00	\$25.00	4	\$100.00
Linda Curtin	\$100.00	\$25.00	6	\$150.00
Clint Epley	\$100.00	\$25.00	4	\$100.00
Ken Franklin	\$100.00	\$25.00	6	\$150.00
Miranda Langen	\$100.00	\$25.00	1	\$25.00
Vicki McMahon	\$100.00	\$25.00	7	\$175.00
Venise McWard	\$100.00	\$25.00	5	\$125.00
Jeff Nolan	\$50.00	\$25.00	2	\$50.00
David Puccetti	\$100.00	\$25.00	2	\$50.00
Thomas Snyder, Jr.	\$100.00	\$25.00	3	\$75.00
Mike Specha	\$100.00	\$25.00	2	\$50.00
Jean Vandenberg	\$100.00	\$25.00	4	\$100.00
Clayton Walter	\$100.00	\$25.00	3	\$75.00
Bryan Sharp	\$769.24			

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Sharp called for a motion from the floor to adjourn until next meeting scheduled for October 17, 2023.

Timothy Carlson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and second by David Puccetti. Motion carried with all ayes.