

The Jefferson County Board met in **Regular Session** on Monday, **September 26, 2022**, in the Jefferson County Board Room located on the lower level of the County Courthouse.

Chairman Cliff Lindemann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

County Clerk & Recorder Connie Simmons called the roll:

Board Members present: Steve Draege, Joey McDermott (arrived 7:35 p.m.), Tim Marlow, Randy Edwards, Jeff Williams, Jeff Nowland, Adam Ortgiesen, Wayne Hicks, James Malone and Cliff Lindemann + Fisher Overstreet (11)

Board Members absent: James Wilemon, Michael Young (2)

Legal Counsel present: State's Attorney Sean Featherstun

The invocation was given by Pastor Bumper Quick, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input – none

Board Member and Chairman comments

Motion by Draege seconded by Edwards to approve the Republican Party's recommendation to appoint **Fisher Overstreet** to **County Board District 10** to complete the term of Jere Shaw.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (9 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain) Chairman appoints.

County Clerk Simmons swore him in.

Motion by Edwards seconded by Hicks to approve the **August 22, 2022, Regular Session Full Board Meeting minutes**.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Land, Tax and Appointments Committee Chair Hicks stated this Committee did not meet due to lack of Democrat candidate for Merit Commission.

Technology Committee Chair Ortgiesen stated they did not meet this month.

Services Committee Chair Draege stated they did not meet this month.

Motion by Draege seconded by Marlow to accept the **Public Defenders Report**.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

ARPA Committee Chair Lindemann presented the September 22, 2022, Committee Meeting minutes.

Lindemann moves seconded by Edwards to allocate \$100,000 to each of the 13 **“needy” townships**, and \$50,000 to each of the 3 **“non-needy” townships**.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Lindemann moves seconded by Edwards to allocate up to \$100,000 to **tuck-point and seal the Courthouse**.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Lindemann moves seconded by Edwards to allocate \$151,525 to purchase **handicap accessible voting machines**, and \$200,000 to replace a **dump-truck at the Highway Department**.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Lindemann moves seconded by Williams to allocate \$10,425 for the Health Department to purchase **smart programmable thermostats and appointment scheduling software**.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (9 aye - 1 nay Edwards – 0 abstain)

Lindemann moves seconded by Edwards to cap the ARPA expenditures until a later date.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Highway Committee Chair Marlow presented the September 22, 2022, Committee Meeting minutes.

Marlow moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **monthly claims**.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Marlow moves seconded by Edwards to approve the low **Fuel Bid** for September 27, 2022, through December 27, 2022, from Gateway FS, at the price of gasohol \$2.59 and diesel \$3.79.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye – 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Marlow moves seconded by Edwards to award the **Saddle Club Road Bridge**, Dodds Township, Section 19-04109-00-BR, to Dees, Inc., West Frankfort, Illinois, at the bid price of \$256,767.00.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye – 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Marlow moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **Dareville Unit 1 Subdivision** as proposed.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye – 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Marlow moves seconded by Ortgiesen to concur in the resolution of Support for Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program for grant funding for installation of **sidewalks connecting the existing sidewalk network of the City of Mt. Vernon to the Mt. Vernon Township High School and State Route 148**. Total cost to County using Motor Fuel Tax funds shall not exceed 20% of total cost, except for lighting and land acquisition which is 50%.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye – 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Marlow moves seconded by Edwards to approve improvements to **East Lang Highway grade crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad Company track** (Village of Bonnie), at no cost to county. Voice vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye – 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Fiscal Committee Chair Williams presented the September 22, 2022, Committee Meeting minutes.

Williams moves seconded by Malone to approve **Resolution 2022-09-01 Fixing the Compensation of the Judges of Election.**

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Williams moves seconded by Draege to approve the **amounts in revised Resolution 2022-09-01 for Judges of Election.**

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye – 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Williams moves seconded by Edwards to approve the annual donation of \$250 to the **Senior Saints Hall of Fame.**

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Williams moves seconded by Edwards to approve the annual donation of \$2,500 to the **Jefferson County Crime Stoppers.**

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

(McDermott arrived 7:35 p.m.)

Williams moves seconded by Edwards to approve a \$1,000 sponsorship to ***The Lights* by Cedarhurst Center for the Arts.**

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (11 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Williams moves seconded by Malone to approve the **monthly paid claims** as presented.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (10 aye - 0 nay - 1 abstain McDermott)

Williams moves seconded by Edwards to approve the **Payroll Distribution Report** as presented.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (11 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Public Safety Committee Chair Malone stated they did not meet this month.

Motion by Malone seconded by Draege to accept the **Animal Shelter Report** as presented.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (11 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Motion by Hicks seconded by Marlow to approve **all Committee Reports** as presented.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (11 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Correspondence

We received \$6,525 from State of Illinois for June 2022 Election Judge re-imbusement.

Senior Saints Hall of Fame dinner will be November 4, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Mitchell Museum per David Keen.

Dodds 1 polling place has been moved back to Dodds Township Building due to sale of Randy's Dance. New voter cards have been mailed out. We will use their workshop area if new building is not completed.

Jeff Sechrest has resigned as delivery person for urban voting setup. He will ride along, using his truck and trailer, for November, 2002, to train us. Alex Ross from my office will be one of the two workers.

New Business

Motion by Hicks seconded by Williams to approve a resolution **Supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans**.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (11 aye - 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Chairman Lindemann announce the **October Meetings** will be:

Committee Meeting – Thursday October 20, 2022

Full Board Meeting – Monday, October 24, 2022

Motion by Ortgiesen seconded by Draege to go into Executive Session at 7:42 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining, negotiating matters, employees, real estate, appointment of public officials and update of pending litigations, if needed, per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(2)(3)(5)(6)(11)(12)(14).

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (11 aye – 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Motion by Hicks seconded by Edwards to come out of Executive Session at 8:18 p.m.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (11 aye – 0 nay – 0 abstain)

Motion by Hicks seconded by Edwards to approve the **FOP Deputy Contract** for December 1, 2021, thru November 30, 2025.

Roll call vote. Motion Carried. (8 aye - 2 nay McDermott, Nowland - 1 abstain Malone)

Motion by Hicks seconded by Williams to adjourn at 8:21 p.m.

Voice vote. Motion Carried. (11 aye - 0 nay - 0 abstain)

Connie Simmons, County Clerk & Recorder