

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, STATE
OF ILLINOIS, HELD IN THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF
CARTHAGE ON THE 20TH DAY OF JULY 2021.**

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The meeting was called to Order at 6:30 P.M. by Chairman Delbert Kreps.

The invocation was given by Delbert Kreps. The "Pledge of Allegiance" was led by the Clerk.

Those present in person were: Delbert Kreps, Chairman
 Holly A. Wilde-Tillman, County Clerk

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| Mark Menn | Tom Rodgers |
| Pat Cramer | Stephen Finney |
| Harry Douglas | Wayne Bollin |
| Patsy Davis | Andrew Asbury |
| Gary Stansbury | Katherine Phillips |
| Tom Bergmeier | |

Absent: Dennis Castlebury, Mark Hanson and Janet Fleming

Visitors present were Sam Harnack, Miranda Lambert, Kris Pilkington, Jennifer Meeks, Elgin Berry and Travis Duffy.

Mr. Kreps mentioned that the Trustee's sealed bid auction is open. Bids must be in by August 20th, 2021 and at that time Ms. Pilkington will turn them over to Joseph Meyer's office to handle. She had catalogs in her office for sale, anyone is welcome to take a flier to hang in their district.

Mr. Cramer made the motion to approve the minutes from the regular scheduled meeting held June 22nd, 2021, Mr. Menn seconded the motion. The Chairman took a vote and all those present voted "aye," motion carried.

Ms. Davis presented the report of the meeting held by the Highway Committee on June 29th, 2021. Ms. Davis recapped the minutes and explained a lot of discussion was had on the Connable road. Mr. Bob Miller suggested they look at Highway 15 in Missouri and went over how it was put together. Ms. Davis took pictures of both the Connable and Highway 15 which helped with discussion. The committee is thinking ARPA funds could be used but it will still need to be bid. The committee states there are safety issues and Mr. Berry has done all he can do to patch the road up. They have talked to Mr. Duffy and will be using the Hamilton radar device to keep logged data. Mr. Berry will post on July 21st, 2021 and will turn it over to the Sheriff's office to handle. Mr. Bollin said this is all preliminary and he appreciates the police presence by the Hancock County Sheriff and the State Police. Mr. Bollin also asked Mr. Berry if we had received the money from the State. Mr. Berry stated we may not be receiving those funds

because of authorization. We would not lose the funds but would not get them at this time. Ms. Pilkington wanted to let the board members know that ARPA funds may not be available for roads but Mr. Bollin and Ms. Wilde-Tillman stated that there was correspondence on ARPA funds that it could be used for roads. Ms. Davis moved the report be approved, recommendations of the Committee be concurred in, and the reports be placed on file with the Minutes of this meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Douglas. On roll call, all members participating voted "Yes".

A motion was made by Mr. Menn for the sale of a truck T-23, 1996 International Tandem-Axle dump truck as surplus property. It was seconded by Mr. Finney. Mr. Kreps asked for a vote by voice with all members present voting "aye." Motion carried.

Ms. Davis made a motion to use ARPA funds directly or indirectly pending eligibility to improve the Connable road, it was seconded by Mr. Stansbery. Roll call was taken with all members present voting "Yes."

Mr. Bollin presented the report of the meeting held by the Finance Committee on July 8th, 2021. Mr. Bollin recapped the minutes and asked Ms. Pilkington if she had made a payment to the school. She stated she had made a disbursement to the schools on July 1st, 2021. Mr. Bollin asked Mr. Menn if the Building commission had made a decision on the air conditioning, and Mr. Menn said "No." Ms. Pilkington said she had been going over the lost revenue and she had found many duplications so she would be reaching out to Bellwether in relation to ARPA funds. Mr. Cramer seconded the motion and roll call was taken, all members participating voted "Yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Rodgers made a motion to advertise for a conflict attorney and it was seconded by Ms. Davis. Mr. Kreps asked for a vote and all members present voted "aye." Motion carried.

Mr. Douglas made a motion to have a special Finance committee meeting on August 4th, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. to review Downstate grant receipts and interviewing for a conflict attorney, it was seconded by Mr. Bollin. Roll call was taken with all members present voting "Yes." Motion carried.

Ms. Davis presented the report of the meeting held by the Building, Grounds, and Insurance on July 12th, 2021. Mr. Duffy was questioned about the medical bills for the inmates, and he stated that was 2 months of bills and that they had one inmate that required more care. Ms. Lambert spoke on the contract and Cares amendment. The contract would pay for Ms. Sutton to help with the transition between directors. The new allotment for CARES would help with supplies and oil changes and is a result of more funding becoming available. Mr. Kreps asked for clarification on the 19 females in the Hancock County jail. Mr. Duffy stated in the month of June they had 38 male inmates and 19 females processed. The committee minutes should reflect this change. Ms. Davis moved the reports be approved, recommendations of the Committee be concurred in, and the reports be placed on file with the Minutes of this meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Phillips. Roll call was taken with all members present voting "Yes."

Mr. Menn moved to pass the resolution authorizing the borrowing agreement for \$63,240.00 for new police vehicles; (2) 2021 Dodge Durango PPV, VIN 1C4RDJFG0MC752307 and VIN 1C4RDJFG2MC752308. It was seconded by Mr. Rodgers, roll call was taken with all members present voting "Yes." Motion carried.

Ms. Davis made a motion to enter into the Profession service agreement for public transportation and it was seconded by Mr. Cramer. Roll call was taken with all members present voting "Yes." Motion carried.

Mr. Douglas made a motion to enter into agreement for CARES act #53-11 for new allotment of \$168,397.00. The only line-item categories they are requesting funds from are for supplies and oil changes which will provide additional funding. It was seconded by Ms. Phillips with all members present voting "aye." Motion carried.

Ms. Cramer presented the report of the meeting held by the County Health and Miscellaneous on June 13th, 2021. Mr. Finney asked that the committee minutes reflect the payoff as \$37,380.99 to pay off the loan. Mr. Cramer moved the reports be approved, recommendations of the Committee be concurred in, and the reports be placed on file with the Minutes of this meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Finney. On roll call, all members participating voted "Yes".

Mr. Rodgers made a motion to approve the Contractual Write-off as of June 2021 in amount of \$63,187.26 and the additional collection efforts for 2 months of \$23,353.41 and it was seconded by Mr. Finney. Roll call was taken with all members present voting "Yes." Motion carried.

Mr. Kreps asked Ms. Wilde-Tillman to explain the Ordinance of reapportionment. She stated Pilot Grove was being moved from District 1 to District 2 to make each district within 10% or less of each other. The American Community Survey 5-year estimate numbers were used for population because the Census numbers will not be out until late August or September. Ms. Davis made a motion to approve the ordinance of reapportionment and it was seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Kreps called for a vote by voice with all members present voting "aye." Motion carried.

Ms. Harnack advised board members she would be holding a seminar called "Reversing the Exodus," aimed at retaining business and family in Hancock County. She would be sending out information soon and planned to have it at Marine Bank in Carthage.

Mr. Rodgers would like the board to use the call-in phone system. He will not be able to attend next month and would like the opportunity to call in. Mr. Kreps stated it was not working the last time they tried to provide call in service.

Ms. Davis made a motion to go into Executive Session regarding personal. It was seconded by Mr. Rodgers. Mr. Kreps called for members to vote by voice with all members present voting "aye." At 7:13 p.m. the Hancock County Board went into executive session.

Ms. Davis made a motion to come out of Executive session and it was seconded by Mr. Douglas and all members present voted by voice "aye." At 7:33 p.m., the board came out of executive session.

Mr. Kreps appointed Mr. Asbury, Mr. Douglas and Mr. Stansbury to a committee to look into uniform policy for Hancock County employees that are not elected.

A motion was made by Mr. Finney to adjourn the meeting until August 17th, 2021, at 6:30. It was seconded by Mr. Rodgers, and it carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Holly A. Wilde-Tillman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'H' and a long, sweeping underline.

Holly A. Wilde-Tillman

Hancock County Clerk and Recorder