

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, STATE OF
ILLINOIS, HELD IN THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF
CARTHAGE ON THE 21st DECEMBER 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 Stephen Finney. The "Pledge of Allegiance" was led by the Clerk.

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

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

Absent were: Mark Hanson and Jan Fleming

Mr. Kreps asked for a motion of the November County Board meeting minutes and the Executive meeting held on November 16th, 2021. Mr. Cramer made a motion to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Ms. Davis. Roll call was taken with all members present voted "Yes."

Mr. Kreps welcomed all visitors in attendance; Joy Swearingen, Melissa Best, Jeri Schuester and Donna Thompson, Konnor Bland, Sarabella Wheeler, Travis Duffy, Keith Krohe, Sam Harnack, Elgin Berry, Kris Pilkington, and Ada Bair.

Mr. Kreps invited the members of the Hasten family to speak. Ms. Best stated her father had been taken to the ER and diagnosed with and AFib stroke. It was a dire situation where he could lose his arm. There was a bed for him at Barnes but Memorial Hospital could not get the ambulance to transfer him. In the end, the family transported him to Blessing in their car. They wanted to make the County aware of the situation and hope to prevent it in the future. Mr. Kreps stated that the ambulance has a policy that they cannot transport over 60 miles but the director has the ability to make that decision if there is a need for a patient to be transferred. The board is aware of the situation and is working on a solution.

Ms. Bair confirmed everything that the family is saying is true and commended the family on their bravery. She stated the hospital worked on this situation for many hours and felt that their hands were

ted. The family was able to get this accomplished where the hospital could not because they took him to the ER and he was admitted through there.

Mr. Kreps read a thank you from Betty Twaddle for her reception and plague.

Ms. Harnack thanked the board for supporting Economic Development in the past year and appreciate their continued support.

Ms. Davis presented the report of the meeting held by the Highway Committee on November 29th, 2021. 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. Menn. Roll call was taken with all members present voting "Yes." Motion carried.

Mr. Douglas made a motion to establish Temporary Weight Restrictions on Township and County Roads for up to 90 days, it was seconded by Mr. Cramer. Roll call was taken with all members present voting "Yes." Motion carried. Mr. Finney asked Mr. Berry if the Road commissioner could post that for more than 90 days and Mr. Berry said no, it was set by statue.

A motion was made by Ms. Davis to accept all quotations from all plants, quarries and lowest on-road cost for furnishing materials to the county and the various township, it was seconded by Mr. Finney. Roll call was taken, and all members present voted "Yes," motion carried.

Mr. Bollin presented the report of the meetings held by the Finance Committee on December 9th, 2021. Ms. Wilde-Tillman reported that Ms. Mast had spoke to Ms. Lambert and she seemed willing to reimburse the County. Brianna from Ramsey Financial had sent the information to Ms. Lambert. Mr. Krohe spoke about the No Surprise Act passed by the governor. There are some things the plan can do to keep costs down. Offering AirEvac to employees and reimbursing them is a possible solution. It will be discussed at the next Finance meeting in January. . Mr. Bollin 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. Douglas and roll call was taken, all members participating voted "Yes". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Castlebury to approve participation in the National Opioids Settlement, it was seconded by Mr. Cramer. Mr. Kreps took a vote by voice with all members present voting "aye," motion carried. Mr. Kreps will be the signature on this settlement participation.

Mr. Finney made a motion to enter into an agreement with the State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor, it was seconded by Mr. Bollin. Roll call was taken with all members present voting "Yes." Motion carried.

The Bellwether agreement for the 2022 Budget process was tabled until we get a contract. It was also decided to table the MTC agreement for the Sheriff's new phones until they hear a decision from the 911 board.

Mr. Finney made a motion to approve the HAVA Election Security Grant agreement, it was seconded by Mr. Bergmeier. Roll call was taken with with all members present voting "Yes." Motion carried.