

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, STATE OF ILLINOIS  
HELD IN THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN THE CITY OF CARTHAGE  
ON OCTOBER 18, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Delbert Kreps at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Rodgers gave the invocation, and the clerk lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present in person were:

Delbert Kreps, Chairman  
Holly Wilde-Tillman, County Clerk

Mark Menn	Patsy Davis
Tom Rodgers	Tom Bergmeier
Dennis Castlebury	Harry Douglas
Jan Fleming	Pat Cramer
Katherine Phillips	Wayne Bollin
Andrew Asbury	Stephen Finney

Absent was Gary Stansbery and Mark Hanson.

Visitors included John Simon and his crew, Miranda Lambert, and several members of the community.

Mr. Cramer made a motion to approve the September minutes and health executive minutes. Ms. Davis seconded. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”. Motion carried.

Ms. Davis presented the report of the meeting held by the highway, road and bridge from September 29, 2022. 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. Mr. Douglas seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”. Motion carried.

Mr. Bollin presented the reports of the budget meetings and the finance meeting of October 13, 2022. There was a change to the October 5 minutes in regards to the pay of the public defender from 80% to 90%. Mr. Bollin 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. Mr. Menn seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting “yes”. Motion carried.

Mr. Bollin made a motion to pass the resolution to create an office of the public defender for Hancock County. Mr. Bergmeier seconded. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

A motion to advertise for a conflict public defender was made by Mr. Castlebury and seconded by Mr. Asbury. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Dustin from Bellwether spoke. He is happy with the process of the county's budget. The levying process was discussed.

Ms. Wilde-Tillman discussed the ES&S contract. They will cover almost everything for machines except for batteries. We have had this contract for many years. They renew this contract yearly because of the age of the election machines. A motion was made by Mr. Bergmeier to extend the contract with ES&S. Mr. Asbury seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Menn made a motion to renew the contract with Mutual Medical with stop loss of \$30,000. Mr. Castlebury seconded. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Ms. Davis presented the report of the meeting held by the building committee on October 11, 2022. She 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. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Ms. Lambert was there for any questions regarding the DOAP and 5311 Grant agreements. A motion was made by Ms. Davis to approve the DOAP and 5311 Grant agreements. Ms. Phillips seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Finney made a motion to approve the Resolution for taxing districts for parcel #15-09-477-006. Mr. Asbury seconded. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Cramer presented the report of health and miscellaneous from October 10, 2022. He 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. This was seconded by Mr. Finney. A roll call vote was taken with all members present voting "yes". Motion carried.

Mr. Simon went over the EMS study for Hancock County. He presented 2 proposals for the county EMS. The first proposal would be Hancock County administering the ambulance. The second proposal is for Adams County to take over the EMS.

Mr. Bollin had some new business. The first was about the CO2 pipeline and if the county is interested in legal proceedings to intervene the pipeline. This would allow the county to present objections and concerns to the Illinois Commerce Commission. Ms. Mast stated she could set up a zoom meeting. This would cost over \$100,000 which would be divided between the counties. The opioid settlement is complete. We will be receiving \$11,000.

Ms. Phillips motioned to recess until November 22, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. This was seconded by Mr. Asbury. All members present voted "aye". Meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Holly A. Wilde-Tillman, County Clerk