

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
MINUTES OF October 17, 2019 MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD
(Revised 12-12-19)

OPENING

Interim County Board Chair Kathy Arbogast called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the County Board Room of the Historic Courthouse, 112 W. Madison, Pontiac, Illinois.

Pastor Kris Wattlelet presented the invocation. Tim Shafer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The clerk called roll with the following **present:** Kathy Arbogast, Linda Ambrose, Robert F. Weller, Steven Lovell, John Vitzthum, James Blackard, William Mays, Gerald Earing, Mark Runyon, Bill Wilkey, Patrick D. Killian, Jason Bunting, John L. Vietti, Tim Shafer, Gina Manker, Joseph D. Steichen Ronald L. Kestner, Paul A. Ritter, Marty Fannin and Vicki Allen **Absent:** James A. Carley, Michael L. Kirkton and John Slagel (arrived at 6:10p.m.) **Vacancy:** Bob Young

Also Present: County Clerk-Kristy Masching, Executive Director-Alina Hartley, Zoning Administrator-Chuck Schopp, Finance Director-Diane Schwahn, Supervisor of Assessments-Shelly Renken and Human Resources Director-Ginger Harris

AGENDA

Interim Chair Arbogast called for approval of the agenda as presented. *Motion by Lovell, second by Weller to approve the agenda as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED ON UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Interim Chair Arbogast called for approval of the August 15 and September 12, 2019 meeting minutes. *Motion by Blackard, second by Wilkey to approve the August 15 and September 12, 2019 meeting minutes.* **MOTION CARRIED ON UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.**

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF PERMANENT CHAIR

Interim Chair Arbogast called for nominations for the permanent Board Chair. *Motion by Blackard second by Fannin to nominate Kathy Arbogast as permanent Board Chair. Motion by Weller, second by Fannin to close nominations.* **MOTION TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS CARRIED ON UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE. The clerk called roll call with Kathy Arbogast being elected as Chairman of the Board. Arbogast - Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast and Allen **Absent:** Carley, Kirkton and Slagel **Vacancy:** Young

Chair Arbogast called for nominations for the permanent Board Vice-Chairman. *Motion by Shafer, second by Earing to nominate Jason Bunting. Motion by Ambrose, second by Mays to nominate Mark Runyon. Motion by Weller, second by Fannin to close the nominations.* **MOTION TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS CARRIED ON UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE. The clerk called roll call with Jason Bunting being elected as Vice-Chairman of the Board. Bunting (13):** Weller, Lovell, Earing, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Ritter, Arbogast and Allen **Runyon (8):** Ambrose, Mays, Vitzthum, Blackard, Runyon, Slagel, Manker, Kestner **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton **Vacancy:** Young

REMARKS BY NEW CHAIRMAN

Chair Arbogast's remarks were as follows. She thanked the Board for their support in selecting her as their chair noting that it was a great honor, one that she didn't take lightly. Arbogast stated that she had spent time speaking with each member individually about their future together and what it should look like. She has heard the Board referred to as dysfunctional, disrespectful and in disarray. Arbogast reviewed the Board's values which were the values the Board expected each one of their employees to embrace, commenting that the Board must set the standard. She noted that our citizens expected an ethical, professional and approachable Board who provides good stewardship of its resources and collaborates for the betterment of the community. Board members are

expected to present a clean, neat and tasteful appearance when representing the county. The Board must exemplify these characteristics and work together to make sure these standards are met, holding themselves and each other accountable when they fall short. We must trust in our process and the structure that has been created. We work as a group through a committee system. No individual on this Board has the authority to act on behalf of the Board without the authority being expressly granted. She asked each of the members to respect the process and work together and not go out on their own. Arbogast stated that there would be controversial items that would require tough decisions. She asked that they respect each other's opinions and treat each other the way they would like to be treated, even when they didn't agree. She asked that they be respectful of one another, our managers, our elected officials, our employees and our citizens. She looked forward to what the Board's future would look like if they did so.

BOARD APPOINTMENT TO FILL DISTRICT 2 VACANCY – JOEL BARICKMAN

Chair Arbogast asked for approval of the appointment of Joel Barickman to fill the District 2 County Board vacancy. *Motion by Bunting, second by Ritter to appoint Joel Barickman as County Board Member to fill the District 2 vacancy.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton **Vacancy:** Young

Joel took his seat after being sworn in by County Clerk Kristy Masching.

PRESENTATION

None

APPEARANCES

None

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Bills

B. Appointment:

- a) **Kip Harms** – reappointment to the Northeast Sullivan Mona Drainage District commencing September 3, 2019 and expiring the first Tuesday in September, 2022.

Motion by Fannin, second by Blackard for approval of the Consent Agenda. **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

At this time, Chair Arbogast noted that the Board would be following the Robert's Rules of Order during discussion. Each person would be given the opportunity to talk once with those wishing to speak a second time being at the discretion of the Chair.

HIGHWAY

Committee Chair Steve Lovell reviewed the **Action Agenda Items** as follows:

- a) **Resolution (#2019-10-31):** Extension of Temporary Amendment of Exhibit a, Resolution No. 2016-11-65, Providing for the Collection of Fees for Oversize and/or Overweight Vehicles (Lovell explained that this resolution had been in effect for two years and needed to be renewed for one more year.)
- b) **Quarterly Report:** 3rd Quarter, FY2019

Motion by Lovell, second by Runyon to approve both action items (a. and b.) with one roll call vote. **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

AG & ZONING

Zoning Text Amendment Proposals: Cannabis Regulations - Committee Chairman Jason Bunting reported that with the legalization of recreational marijuana in Illinois as of January 1, 2020 their committee had been discussing what needed to be done by the county for implementation of this law. Zoning Administrator Chuck Schopp provided the following information. Tonight's action would be the County Board's consideration of zoning text amendment(s) to the county's zoning regulations addressing the state's passage of the complex cannabis legislation (SB1438). Schopp stated that his intention of the proposed consideration of cannabis businesses as special uses would allow for the Livingston County Regional Planning Commission and the County Zoning Board of Appeals to be included in the review process pertaining to cannabis businesses zoning regulations. Schopp is also proposing in the procedures of the special use that the county board would make the final decisions with regards to the regulations. The proposed amendments only pertain to the unincorporated areas of Livingston County, rural areas and smaller towns that don't have their own zoning. It didn't include the larger towns that had their own zoning such as Pontiac, Dwight and Fairbury. Schopp reported that since the State would regulate the number of licenses that could be issued within an area there may not be any projects developed in Livingston County. He explained that the proposed text amendment also included the addition of new definitions and added new special uses to the agriculture, business and industrial districts. Schopp asked that the Board take the proposed zoning text amendment and authorize the County Board Chair to sign it which would trigger the review process moving it on to the Regional Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Appeals and then back to the County Board for final approval. His hope is that it would be finalized in December or in January. *Motion by Bunting, second by Ritter to approve the proposed text amendments to the Livingston County Zoning Regulations – Pertaining to Cannabis.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

Bunting announced that they were working with the Village of Dwight Administrator on scheduling a recycling event at the Public Works site from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on October 26 or November 2. Bunting will forward more information as soon as the details are finalized. Ritter invited all the board members to come and help.

SHERIFF, JAIL & LICENSE

Resolution (#2019-10-32): Amending Animal Control Ordinance - Committee Chair Kathy Arbogast reported that the requirement for cats to wear collars would be removed from the ordinance. *Motion by Arbogast, second by Ambrose to approve the resolution amending the animal control ordinance regarding companion cats.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

FINANCE

Presentation of FY 2020 Budget, Capital Requests & Levies – Committee Chairman Tim Shafer reported that the draft FY20 Budget will be put on public display physically and electronically until the November 14th County Board meeting where they will take final action on it. Finance Director Diane Schwahn made the following remarks on the document: a revised copy of the transmittal letter was on their desks; budget process had same goals in mind as last year, to maintain or reduce the county tax rate and reduce the General Fund deficit; county rate has decreased over last five years; FY2020 rate is 1.15029 (FY2019=1.17068); have reduced the General Fund deficit each of the past three years; reduced capital expense projects by about \$200,000; short term goal was to identify discretionary programs (Attachment B); Summaries (pg 48-49) highlights revenue & expenses across all funds, including the General Fund; General Fund revenue had increased about \$700,000 attributable to the federal inmate program, the State of Illinois grants in aid for Probation, property tax increase and small increase in fees and charges for services; increase in General Fund expenses of 3.9% attributed to salary increases overall, an increase in contingency, and increases in jail budget for personnel costs and inmate medical costs; an increase in county's miscellaneous department to account for retirements in the Sheriff's department next year; and noted that the county's ending fund balances are strong. Schwahn stated that some documents added to the budget this year (pg. 39) show the correlation between the department and what they're responsible for. *Motion*

by Shafer, second by Earing to approve the proposed FY2020 Budget for public display for a month prior to taking action at the November meeting. **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

Proposal: Vanguard Appraisals – Commercial & Industrial Appraisals – Chair Shafer explained that this had been under consideration for the last two to three years and was an effort to manage the complexities associated with the appraisals of commercial and industrial properties that aren't the same as in residential properties. This proposal would come at a significant cost but the alternatives were significantly costlier. Supervisor of Assessments Shelly Renken reported that after reviewing the commercial and industrial properties it was apparent that there were inequities based on the past three year's sales statistics. The sales data showed that our PRD (price related differential) which measures inequities, is 1.87 with the recommended range being .98 and 1.03. She stated that statutorily they are to value all properties except farmland at 33 1/3% of market value and was concerned that they were not doing that with their commercial and industrial properties. Her recommendation to the Board was to contract with Vanguard Appraisals to come and do a complete reassessment of these classes of properties. Renken explained that this company had been in business for over fifty years and had been doing business with us for over twenty years. Renken stated the following regarding the proposal: all properties would be reviewed at one time in the same year; would be assessed in a quadrennial reassessment year; currently have 1221 commercial industrial properties (apart from grain elevators) and 404 unimproved commercial industrial lots. Vanguard would begin their work the fall of 2022 and would complete their work in time to send out notices for the 2023 assessment year. The proposed cost of the project is based on the parcel count, would cost about \$521,000, would be spread out over three years as a budgeted capital expenditure and paid at the completion of the project. By the completion of the project, Renken plans to have a plan in place on how to move forward so that this doesn't happen again. She noted that they have started by implementing software with the Zoning Department which helps with the permitting and how the permits are reported to her office. *Motion by Shafer, second by Wilkey to approve the proposal with Vanguard Appraisals for the appraisals of the commercial and industrial properties.* Discussion highlights follow. Barickman voiced his concerns and questioning the timing, why we had to sign a contract now for work that wouldn't take place for three years and the price. He felt that other options should be examined which might be available and less expensive and noted that it hadn't been explained to him if proposals from other companies had been received. Barickman questioned what the plan would be moving forward commenting that it would be hard for him to vote in favor of this proposal not knowing what the plan would be for the future. He commented that the state statutes had provisions for us to make it easier on ourselves moving forward. The state statute allows for the county to set up a system whereby the county can be divided into four districts with a revolving cyclical plan to do a quarter of the county every year. Barickman felt that this was a good solution moving forward and noted that it was difficult for him to say ok I'll agree that we have a plan for a plan and vote for a contract to pay five hundred and some thousand dollars to a company that's not going to put boots on the ground and actually do this work until three years from now. *Barickman made a motion to table this for now until those questions were answered. Runyon seconded the motion.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes:** Ambrose, Vitzthum, Runyon, Killian, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** Weller, Mays, Lovell, Blackard, Earing, Wilkey, Vietti, Shafer and Arbogast **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

Further discussion took place on what step to take next. Chair Arbogast stated that it would be sent back to the committee. Renken noted that the contracts needed to be signed and returned back to Vanguard by December 15. If the deadline was not met, Vanguard couldn't guarantee our county a slot for the 2023 assessment year. Renken commented that it's very hard to find somebody who was certified in mass appraisals that could do this type of work. She didn't know of another company who did this type of work. She reiterated that we would be setting aside money for three years and wouldn't be paying the bill until the process was completed. It was also noted that this company would enter all the updated data (includes sketches and photos) into the assessor's software system as well.

Ordinance (#2019-10-33) Establishing a County Retailers' Occupation Tax (Cannabis Sales) - Committee Chairman Tim Shafer reported that this would handle the cannabis sales in the county. The county would be charging the maximum rate allowed by statute for the county portion which is .75 in municipalities and .375 in unincorporated areas. *Motion by Shafer, second by Bunting to approve the Resolution establishing a County Retailers' Occupation Tax for cannabis sales.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

Resolution (#2019-10-34) Establishing Coroner's Salary for 2021, 2022, 2023 & 2024 and Resolution (#2019-10-35) Establishing Circuit Clerk's Salary for 2021, 2022, 2023 & 2024 – Committee Chair Shafer stated that the salaries for the elected officials is established before the primary takes place. The two offices under consideration are the Circuit Clerk and the Coroner's salaries for the next four years. The Coroner's current salary is \$55,000 with it being increased \$1,000 annually each year of the four year term. The Circuit Clerk's current salary is \$69,800 with it being increased \$1,000 annually each year of the four year term. *Motion by Shafer, second by Manker to approve the Resolutions establishing the Circuit Clerk and Coroner's salaries for 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 (Approve both resolutions with one roll call vote).* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

PERSONNEL

Resolution (#2019-10-36) Perfect Attendance Incentive – Human Resources Director-Ginger Harris explained that this initiative was identified as an incentive goal of the FY 2018 and 2019 Strategic Planning sessions. The idea of this plan is to reward the employees who show up every day to do their job. She reviewed the criteria for receiving the \$250 bonus payable on an annual basis retro to January 1, 2019. *Motion by Vietti, second by Blackard to approve the Resolution authorizing the Perfect Attendance Incentive.* Discussion followed. **MOTION CARRIED ON UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.**

Resolution (#2019-10-37) Personnel Policy Amendment - Human Resources Director-Ginger Harris explained that two of the amendments were a result of moving the vacation and sick leave accruals from the timekeeping system to the payroll system for a more automated process. The current system doesn't calculate the accruals in the manner explained in the personnel code. The last amendment dealt with the Employee Rep Committee and amending the language in the Employee's Committee Section to be more accurate with what our Personnel Manual indicates what our Employee's Committees will be. *Motion by Vietti, second by Fannin to approve the Resolution authorizing the amendments to the Personnel Policy.* **MOTION CARRIED ON UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.**

PUBLIC PROPERTY

Chair Killian reported that their meeting was well attended and Don Verdun presented his monthly report with them.

Resolution (#2019-10-38) Authorizing Sale of Excess Property – Killian explained that their committee approved the sale of 112 concrete pavers (24"x24") and 12 cut pavers. *Motion by Killian, second by Ambrose to approve the Resolution authorizing the sale of the pavers by sealed bid, with no minimum bid requirement.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

Resolution Authorizing Mental Health Sublease to Project OZ - Killian stated that Chris Myers was present to discuss Project Oz's request to lease space in our building. This request is under advisement of the State's Attorney. Killian stated that the need has been shown in Livingston County that more people are needed in our county to assist with the project. Myers has contacted Attorney Blakeman to work on the lease agreement. Their

committee approved this action. Executive Director Alina Hartley stated that she had spoken with Chris Myers and Tom Blakeman who reported that the lease hadn't been completed. Hartley reported that the Mental Health Board would be entering into the lease agreement and we would draft a resolution approving the sublease. Hartley explained that the overall rental amount for Mental Health was \$550, of that Project Oz would be paying Mental Health a portion. Mental Health would continue to pay the County their full amount of \$550. *Motion by Killian, second by Ritter to table this item.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** Ambrose, Vitzthum, Runyon, Killian, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** Weller, Mays, Lovell, Blackard, Earing, Wilkey, Vietti, Shafer and Arbogast **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

Gerald Earing of the Ad-Hoc Committee reported that they had one meeting so far, had toured a few buildings and had ruled out the K-Mart building.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Resolution (#2019-10-39) Amending Community Healthcare Referendum – Alina Hartley explained that this resolution to amend the referendums that were previously approved. There were only a couple of changes. Instead of reading Livingston County Home Healthcare Program it will read Livingston County Community Healthcare Program. This will be consistent throughout the document and will clarify that there are two parts to the program, the Home Nursing portion and the other is Home Services. An informational document is being released which will be posted to the website detailing what the program is and what voters will be voting on. It will also indicate what the referendum questions are, what the results of the original referendum were, why we're doing this and the ultimate cost to the tax payer. It's meant to be unbiased and not made to sway the voters either way, just let them know what the referendums are for. If this doesn't pass then the prior referendum will move forward as written. It was noted that there was a plan to educate the people, it just hadn't been released and will be closer to the election. *Motion by Arbogast, second by Bunting to approve the resolution amending the Community Healthcare Referendum.* Discussion followed regarding the name change from Livingston County Home Healthcare Program to Livingston County Community Healthcare Program. **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** Bunting and Fannin **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton

ELECTION, RULES & LEGISLATION

Vice-Chair Vickie Allen (in the absence of Chairman James A. Carley) reported that they met before the Board meeting, approved the appointment of Kip Harms and discussed the county checking into a new credit card company. Hartley reported that the IACBM had released a request soliciting proposals from counties on possible policy items for their 2020 platform. She explained that these would be items you'd want the State to consider possible legislation on. The committee just approved submitting a change to the cannabis regulations in regards to the expungement of past records and changing the expungement to more of a sealing of the records to where they don't go away, they are not visible to the public or to potential employers but would be visible to law enforcement.

VETERANS ASSISTANCE

Committee Chair Ron Kestner reported that their meeting was well attended and they were well within their budget.

INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY

Committee Chair Vicki Allen reported that they reviewed Jon's department report. Sear reported the following: large upgrade to Spillman was taking place on Tuesday (10th), completed a repair on the keying machine replacing the motherboard and hard drives; was an issue with the PRI lines provided by Frontier which effected the administrative lines for 911; placing the end of the year computer order within the next week or two; anticipating approximately 20 new computers; they have begun working on the 2020 directory and anticipate printing new books in December.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

John Slagel reported that they're next meeting would be held in November.

MID CENTRAL COMMUNITY ACTION

Bill Wilkey reported that they did not have a quorum to hold the meeting.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Joe Steichen reported they met on September 9th. MaLinda Hillman will be retiring with Jackie Dever (Director of Nurses) having been selected as her replacement. Tondra Harris will be replacing Jackie as the Director of Nurses. Jim Day who is the Chairman of the Board will be retiring in December but has agreed to continue his term on the Board of Health.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH

Jack Vietti reported that their next meeting will be on October 24 at 4:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dick Haas congratulated the new Chair, Vice-Chair and Board Member. He reminded everyone to become more aware of their financial reporting, internal control duties and opportunities throughout the year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(11) Pending Litigation was made by Manker, second by Mays. **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton*

Executive session commenced at 7:35 p.m. Open session resumed at 7:45 p.m.

ACTION RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Motion by Blackard, second by Ritter to remain in the settlement negotiation class. **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes:** Weller, Ambrose, Mays, Lovell, Vitzthum, Blackard, Earing, Runyon, Killian, Wilkey, Vietti, Bunting, Slagel, Manker, Steichen, Shafer, Fannin, Kestner, Ritter, Arbogast, Barickman and Allen **Nays:** None **Absent:** Carley and Kirkton*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

*The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m., on motion by Barickman, second by Mays. **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES ON VOICE VOTE.***

Kathy Arbogast, Chair

Attest:

Kristy A. Masching

County Clerk

November 14, 2019

Approved