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( COUNTY OF BOND )

Proceedings had before the Honorable Board at the regular meeting of said Board, begun and held in person and via Video Conference in the City of Greenville in said County and State, on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, held for the transaction of general County business.

At 9:00 a.m., Chairman, Adam Boudouris, opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call showing a quorum present as follows: Adam Boudouris, Jacob Rayl, Joseph Whalen, Gerald McCray (Via Zoom) and Wes Pourchot.

The minutes of the July 19, 2022, regular meeting and SSD meeting were approved as submitted with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Jacob Rayl. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Brad Criner gave the Board his July 2022 report which included permits, inspections and revenues (see attached). He also informed the Board that their Zoning Board of Appeals meeting has been rescheduled to August 10<sup>th</sup>.

Highway Engineer Jeremy Pestle informed the Board that they received historical clearance for the Red Ball Trail bridge. They are hoping to start the new bridge next year with the new bridge being located to the east of the existing bridge. He also informed the Board that he is taking applications for a maintainer spot. The requirements would include having a Class A CDL, 21 or older and able to pass a drug test. Joseph Whalen inquired about the signage on IL RT 140 and Jeremy informed the Board that he still has not heard back from the State.

A request to use a corner of the Courthouse lawn for a banner displaying the Marcoot Jersey Creamery's Inaugural Cow Patty Car Show which will take place on September 10<sup>th</sup> was presented and approved with a motion made by Jacob Rayl second by Joseph Whalen. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

The Board discussed a Liquor License for Marcoot Jersey Creamery, LLC. Several Board members have been made aware that Mills Township has been a dry Township since 1999. The Board decided to table this item until further research has been gathered with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Joseph Whalen. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Sheriff Jim Leitschuh presented a budget amendment to the Board which was approved with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Gerald McCray. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried. It was noted that it was not an amendment for more expenditures. Jim also discussed heating and cooling improvements needed for the Courthouse and Jail. The boiler system in the main Courthouse building costs \$2500 to maintain each year. To update both heating and cooling in the main Courthouse would be \$75,600 approximately. The Board decided to refer this to the Public Building Commission with a motion made by Wes Pourchot Second by Jacob Rayl. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried. The Sheriff is also working on a grant to pay for a portion of upgrades to the jail plumbing.

Treasurer Colleen Camp gave an update on the ARPA funds. She informed the Board that Katie's Kids has used most of her allocated funds excepting \$400 and is hoping for more funds in order to finish the awning. Funds for the Courthouse and Jail update was discussed also.

Jacob Rayl informed the Board that the Broadband Committee is in planning mode. They are discussing the middle mile that would connect townships with fiber either in air or in ground with the cost of 4 to 15 million. He informed the Board that there are grants that could cover 70-75 % of this cost.

Treasurer Colleen Camp informed the Board that property taxes have been printed and is hoping to have them mailed August 17<sup>th</sup>. She said the due dates will be September and November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The Board announced three openings on the Bond County Board of Review with Ed Gorline, Ron Shevlin and Carol Lingley are seeking reappointment.

The Board announced an opening on the Bond County 377 Board with Nathan Mueller resigning and Ryan Champ seeking appointment.

Under New Business, County Clerk Meg Sybert informed the Board that the State has required a permanent VBM notice be sent out to each registered voter before each of the General and Consolidated election. This is a non-funded requirement and would be an \$8,000 out of budget cost. The Board also discussed the problem with noxious weeds in the county. Highway Engineer Jeremy Pestle informed the Board that they are spraying and mowing constantly. Gerald McCray inquired about having a commissioner for this.

This meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m. with a motion made by Gerald McCray second by Wes Pourchot. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

August 2, 2022

Meg A Sybert, Bond County Clerk