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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 Wednesday, November 6, 2024, held for the transaction of general County business.

At 7:00 p.m., Chairman, Bernard Myers, opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call showing a quorum present as follows: Bernard Myers, Jacob Rayl, Wes Pourchot, Chris Timmermann, and Jeff Rehkemper.

The minutes of the October 15, 2024 special public hearing and regular 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.

The bills listed on Edit Report dated October 17, 2024 (see attached) were approved as submitted with a motion made by Chris Timmermann second by Jeff Rehkemper. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

The Board reviewed Zoning Administrator Brad Criner's October 2024 report which included permits, inspections and revenues (see attached). Brad was in attendance to request approval to hire an individual on a contract basis to publish Zoning Board public notices and letters to adjoining landowners for a fee of \$100 per meeting. After discussion, the Board tabled the issue at the advice of State's Attorney Dora Mann with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Jacob Rayl. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Treasurer Colleen Camp was in attendance to discuss the Principal Insurance quote. Group life insurance increase 10 cents per employee and dental insurance saw a 7% increase. After discussion, the Board approved with a motion made Jeff Rehkemper second by Chris Timmermann. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

The Board reviewed Highway Engineer Mike McCormick's October 2024 report. Mike was in attendance for any questions and reminded the Board that the Public Informational meeting for Red Ball Trail Wooden Bridge over BNSF Railroad is scheduled for November 19, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

After discussion, the Board approved County Highway Resolution 11-06-24-01 for Improvement Under the Illinois Highway Code for Panama Avenue with a motion made by Jacob Rayl second by Wes Pourchot. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

After discussion, the Board approved County Highway Resolution 11-06-24-02 County Agreement of Understanding for Maintenance with a motion made by Chris Timmermann second by Wes Pourchot. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Holly Clarke, Post 1377 Auxiliary President, was in attendance with Bill Johnston to answer any questions that the Board had regarding the Veterans Assistance Commission. Holly

also invited the Board to the first Veteran's Assistance Commission meeting on November 15, 2024. Jeff Rehkemper indicated that with regard to the Supervisor position, he would like to stipulate that a resident of Bond County be given preference. The Board asked State's Attorney Dora Mann if they were able to make that a stipulation. Dora asked for time to review the statute. Holly informed the Board that they did have someone in mind who currently lives in St. Jacob. He currently does VA work and is already federally trained. Holly said that once they advertise for this position they could post that it is a preference that the candidate be from Bond County but ultimately, they need to hire the person who is most qualified and give the most assistance to the Veterans. The Board moved to the next topic so that Dora could review the statute.

After discussion, the Board amended the December 3rd meeting time to be 4:00 p.m., the Board approved the schedule for the County Board Meetings 2024-2025 with a motion made by Jeff Rehkemper second by Chris Timmermann. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

The Board approved the Court Holiday schedule for 2024-2025 with a motion made by Chris Timmermann second by Wes Pourchot. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

State's Attorney Dora Mann explained to the Board that when it comes to hiring the supervisor for the Veterans Assistance Commission they can express to the VA Commission that they prefer someone from Bond County but they cannot require it. After, discussion the Board approved the proposed budget and levy for the Veterans Assistance Commission with a motion made by Jacob Rayl second by Jeff Rehkemper. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

The Board discussed the 2024-2025 Budget, Appropriation, and Levy. County Clerk Meg Sybert informed the Board that the Sheriff's Department and Probation both have adjusted their budgets. There were no changes to the levy. Jeff Rehkemper asked Treasurer Colleen Camp how to make the budget not be a deficit. Colleen said that the County needs more revenue. Jacob Rayl asked Colleen where the County is for this fiscal year. Colleen said they were about even maybe even in the positive with the fiscal year ending November 30th.

The Board approved the request to place the Salvation Army thermometer in the Southeast corner of the Courthouse lawn November 17th, 2024 through January 12th, 2025 with a motion made by Jeff Rehkemper second by Wes Pourchot. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

The Board approved the Sheriff's Report for September 2024 with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Chris Timmermann. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

The Board was presented a final copy of the Labor agreement between Illinois FOP Labor Council and Bond County, IL. Jeff Rehkemper said they adjusted the sick leave and have had Sheriff Jim Leitschuh and Deputy Sheriff Josh Hill both review the final copy. They are both in agreement and Jeff recommends the Board approve it. The Board approved with a motion made by Jeff Rehkemper second by Chris Timmermann. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

This meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m. with a motion made by Chris Timmermann second by Jeff Rehkemper. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

November 7, 2024
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