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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 Tuesday, August 1, 2023, held for the transaction of general County business.

At 3:30 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 July 18, 2023 regular meeting and July 20, 2023 special meeting was approved as submitted with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Jacob Rayl. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

The County Clerk's Report for the month of June 2023 and Semi-Annual Report (see attached) was approved as submitted with a motion made by Jeff Rehkemper second by Chris Timmermann. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Under Public Comment, Tom DeVore was in attendance. He wanted the Board to rethink passing Resolution 08-01-23-01. He felt it would only make things worse for Bond County. He commented that it would actually help his clients but he is more concerned with the future of the Board and Bond County. He said if they pass this Resolution, there will be parts of the County that will be assessed sooner than four years and that this is against the statute. He also stated that by even putting this Resolution on the Agenda, they are admitting fault in the previous resolution, fault that was made by the previous Board.

Also, under Public Comment, Ron Witcher was in attendance and let the Board know of his disappointment in appointing States Attorney Dora Mann to be the FOIA officer for all of Bond County. He thought that this was inappropriate for she has enough duties to fill and that someone on a lower pay scale should be responsible for fulfilling these requests. He also thought that the Board was not following other laws and that they needed to look into them. He did not specify what laws.

Supervisor of Assessments Georgia Shank presented Resolution 08-01-23-01 for establishing the division of Bond County into four assessment districts (see attached). Jeff Rehkemper and Chris Timmermann both expressed concerned that if the Resolution was passed it would not be fair to parts of Lagrange and Central. These parts of these townships would be assessed sooner than 4 years. They felt this would only make the situation worse than it already is. They wanted time to discuss the statute with States Attorney Dora Mann. Chairman Butch Myers pointed out that she has already reviewed and approved the Resolution. Jeff Rehkemper made a motion to table the Resolution second by Chris Timmermann. Roll Call Vote: 2 ayes, 3 nays (Rayl, Pourchot, Myers), motion did not carried. Jeff Rehkemper and Chris Timmermann then suggested that we not raise any assessments in the County next year and then start the schedule as listed on the Resolution the following year. This would ensure each Township would not be assessed sooner than every four years. They also felt that after reviewing State Statute, we are not following the law and again stated they wanted to wait to discuss with States Attorney Dora Mann. Supervisor of Assessments Georgia Shank and Treasurer Colleen Camp stressed that there are only two options, we can go back to a quadrennial (entire county assessed every four years) or we can continue the quarter-quad methodology (one quarter of the county reassessed each year) as stated on this Resolution. They both stressed that we must move forward for this to ever get better. Jeff Rehkemper asked why we couldn't have a year of no assessment increases and what control the State has over

that. County Clerk Meg Sybert explained that if the county is not properly assessed the State will issue a higher multiplier. Jacob Rayl pointed out that there is no easy fix to the problem but we have to start somewhere. Jacob Rayl made a motion to approve the Resolution second by Wes Pourchot. Roll Call Vote: 3 ayes, 2 nays (Rehkemper, Timmermann), motion carried.

Zoning Administrator Brad Criner gave the Board his July 2023 report which included permits, inspections and revenues (see attached). He informed the Board of a budget adjustment that has been completed, moving on -line permit software fees, Cloudpermit, from the GIS fund to the Zoning budget. He also wanted to let them know he is researching the potential need to update the Bond County Zoning Ordinance to address battery storage facilities. Chairman Butch Myers suggested to reach out to the UCCI to gather further information.

The Board approved Carol Lingley to the Bond County Board of Review with a term to end May 31, 2025 with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Chris Timmermann, Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

The Board announced three openings for the Bond County Board of Health with Krista Hamilton being recommended for appointment and Matthew McCullough and Carrie Ackermann being recommended for reappointment.

Under Old Business, Highway Engineer Jeremy Pestle gave the Board an update on the status of the Highway Department. He is just now getting vehicle numbers for repair and replacement for his vehicle fleet. He plans to have International there to inspect to see if any of the parts can be salvaged and put on other trucks. They are still looking for replacement vehicles to purchase. There has not been a lot to choose from. There was discussion of a possible shop to rent until the Highway's shop is clear of soot. SERVPRO is still in the process of cleaning. Chairman Butch Myers said that it is not a healthy environment for anyone.

Under New Business, Jeff Rehkemper expressed his disappointment on the new law signed by Governor Pritzker allowing immigrants to become law enforcement officers in the State of Illinois.

This meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m. with a motion made by Wes Pourchot second by Jeff Rehkemper. Roll Call Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

Meg A. Sybert, Bond County Clerk

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