

Fulton County Board Committee Minutes

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Committee: Public Safety & Campground

Meeting Place: Fulton County Courthouse, 100 N. Main St., Room 313, Lewistown, IL

Time: 5:00 pm

Date: June 14, 2022

CALL IN INFORMATION:

Call in number: (425) 4366382

Meeting code: 5189940 #

1. Call to Order

Time: 5:01pm

MEMBERS:

Cindy Arnett (present/xxxxxx)

Steve Bohler (present/xxxxxx)

Mary Deushane (present/xxxxxx)

Dan Kumer (present/xxxxxx)

Nestor Madson (present/xxxxxx)

Craig Medus (present/xxxxxx) by phone

Karl Williams (xxxxxx/absent) arrived at 5:14pm

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS:

ELECTED & APPOINTED OFFICIALS: Chris Helle – Emergency Services Disaster Agency Director/Acting ETSB Director, Jeff Standard – Sheriff – by phone, John Young – Campground Superintendent – by phone

STAFF: Cindy Simpson, Administrative Assistant to Fulton County Board

GUEST(S): None

2. Roll Call

Roll call was taken, quorum present

3. Call for Additions/Deletions To and Approval of the Agenda

Member Bohler moved to approve the agenda with a second from Member Madson. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

4. Approval of Previous Minutes – May 10, 2022

Member Bohler moved to approve the May 10, 2022 minutes with a second from Member Madson. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

5. Announcements, Communications and Correspondence – None

6. Public Remarks – None

7. Policies – None

8. Declaration of Surplus Property

Sheriff Standard discussed he was contacted by the Canton High School Automotive Technology program and they are looking for an old squad car to be donated to the program.

9. Claims

a. Sheriff

Sheriff Standard reported the total Sheriff claims were \$22,550.03. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Arnett. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

b. Jail

Sheriff Standard reported the total Jail claims were \$34,369.03. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Kumer. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

c. Animal Control

Sheriff Standard reported the total Animal Control claims were \$2,675.43. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Kumer. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

d. Merit

Sheriff Standard reported the total Merit claims were \$424.00. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Madson. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

10. ESDA

a. ESDA Claims

Director Helle reported the total ESDA claims were \$529.42. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Kumer. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

b. Covid – None

PUBLIC SAFETY

11. Old Business – None

12. New Business

a. Discussion/Action: Budget FY23

Member Deushane reported Sheriff Standard turned in his FY23 budget to Comptroller Miles.

13. Campground

a. Campground Claims

Superintendent Young reported the first Campground claims were \$8,755.87. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Arnett. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

Superintendent Young reported the second Campground claims were \$9,742.93. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Kumer. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

b. Web claims

Member Deushane reported the Web claims of 39.24 hours for the quarter. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Deushane. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

14. Old Business – None

15. New Business

a. Discussion/Action: Seasonal part time employee

Superintendent Young reported the previous seasonal part time employee resigned on May 11, 2022. Young reviewed the application on file and contacted Nick Simkins to hire. Nick Simkins has a flexible

work schedule and is available to work after 2:00pm and weekends. Nick is a heavy equipment operator and has construction skills and concrete work experience. The pay will be \$13.50 per hour. The Nick Simkins would like a campsite at the Fulton County Campground and the campground will pay for the electric as part of Nick's compensation package. This information will be in the letter of understanding and the letter will be reviewed by the States Attorney.

Member Bohler inquired how many hours will be worked. Superintendent Young stated the hours will be as needed. Young stated the funds are in his budget for a seasonal employee.

Member Williams inquired if an ad was placed for the job position or if any additional applications were taken.

Young stated this application was on file and is under a year old. Member Kumer stated if this is government funded is there an ad that needs to be posted. Young stated the last time an ad was run he only received three applications.

Member Bohler stated Young needs to check with the States Attorney to be sure there is nothing additional that needs to be done regarding the job. Member Medus inquired with Sheriff Standard how long an application is kept on file at the Sheriff's office. Sheriff Standard stated depending on the job position the application can be kept upwards of two years. This helps eliminate the advertising fees of positions.

Member Bohler moved to approve hiring of the part time seasonal employee pending the approval of the States Attorney review and future positions will be publicly advertised with a second from Member Arnett. Motion carried by roll call vote (7-0).

16. Fulton County Camping and Rec

a. Superintendent's Report

John Young, Camping and Rec Superintendent, discussed since the last committee meeting three incidents were reported and two involved theft of personal property.

- May 28, 2022, A camper reported a stolen exterior rug. An investigation led to the individual who had taken the property. After conferring with the State's Attorney, the camper who stole the item has been informed their license agreement will be forfeited at the end of the season.
- May 30, 2022, Red Barn lake overflow was tampered with and the point where the water would subduct the culvert if the water in the lake had been too high to allow the required time for the overflow to work. A two-inch rain storm shows the repairs to the overflow were successful.
- June 6, 2022, A camper was clearing their campsite reported a wrought iron chair is missing from the campsite.

The abandoned campers are near an end with the removal of the property left since the end of 2021. L8's reclamation will take a great deal of time as the damage done to the site was extensive. The campground will be adding drainage to this area. The Campground has one abandoned camper left for removal. The scrap removal service has been contacted.

Currently, the campground has three electric sites and two non-electric sites open. The campground waiting list is fifteen. There are two showings scheduled for the five sites.

The campground has not received a report from Mid-century regarding the fiber project. Superintendent Young contacted Mid-century for an update.

The campground received the first volunteer to help with the trail project. Campers have asked to volunteer in the past with projects. The campground has set up regulations to accept limited volunteers for projects. These small actions make an amazing difference in the people and the campground.

June 11, 2022, was the campground Family Fishing Derby, turnout was Twenty-two individuals that participated, about the same as 2019. Rob Hilsabeck, IDNR Biologist, gave a fantastic presentation on indigenous wildlife at the campground.

On May 11, 2022 the campground seasonal helper resigned. The campground has been getting by without a part time seasonal helper since this occurred. The hiring practices for the campground will need to be reviewed going forward.

IDPH completed their annual inspection at the campground. The campground passed with a notice that campers campsites had tall grass and woodpiles places directly on the ground. The grass issues have been corrected and campe's, campsites will need to make sure firewood is not placed directly on the ground.

17. Executive Session - None

18. Misc. – None

19. Adjournment

Time: 5:26pm

Member Bohler moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:26pm with a second from Member Arnett. Motion carried by roll call vote (7-0).

APPROVED JULY 12, 2022