

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: April 12, 2022

CALL IN INFORMATION:

Call in number: (425) 4366382

Meeting code: 5189940 #

1. **Call to Order**
Time: 5:00pm

MEMBERS:

Cindy Arnett (xxxxxx/absent)

Steve Bohler (present/xxxxxx)

Mary Deushane (present/xxxxxx)

Dan Kumer (present/xxxxxx)

Nestor Madson (present/xxxxxx)

Craig Medus (present/xxxxxx)

Karl Williams (present/xxxxxx)

OTHER BOARD MEMBERS:

ELECTED & APPOINTED OFFICIALS: Chris Helle – Emergency Services Disaster Agency
Director/Acting ETSB Director, Jeff Standard – Sheriff

STAFF: Cindy Simpson, Administrative Assistant to Fulton County Board

GUEST(S): None

1. **Roll Call**
Roll call was taken, quorum present

2. **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).

3. **Approval of Previous Minutes - March 8, 2022**

Member Bohler moved to approve the March 8, 2022 minutes with a second from Member Kumer. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

4. **Announcements, Communications and Correspondence – None**
5. **Public Remarks – None**
6. **Policies – None**
7. **Declaration of Surplus Property**

Sheriff Standard discussed there will be four squad cars coming up for auction. The old radios will be given to Bureau County and will be picked up later this week.

8. Claims

a. Sheriff

Sheriff Standard reported the total Sheriff claims were \$20,774.63. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Kumer. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

b. Jail

Sheriff Standard reported the total Jail claims were \$35,759.91. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Medus. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

c. Animal Control

Sheriff Standard reported the total Animal Control claims were \$3,526.20. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Madson. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

Member Kumer inquired who covers Mr. Beekman when he is on vacation or has a day off. Sheriff Standard stated Drake Wilson from Canton usually covers animal control when needed. Member Kumer stated a member of the public indicated the City of Canton will not allow Mr. Wilson to leave the Canton area. Sheriff Standard stated he is not aware of this information.

d. Merit

Sheriff Standard reported the total Merit claims were \$431.59. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Kumer. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

9. ESDA

a. ESDA Claims

Director Helle reported the total ESDA claims were \$419.75. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Medus. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

b. Covid – None

PUBLIC SAFETY

10. Old Business – None

11. New Business – None

12. Campground

a. Campground Claims

Member Deushane reported the first Campground claims were \$4,196.40. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Madson. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

Member Deushane reported the second Campground claims were \$2,292.28. Member Bohler moved to approve the claims with a second from Member Medus. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

b. Tourism Council Claims – None

c. Web Claims

Member Deushane reported the web claim were 38.14 hours. Member Bohler moved to approve the web claims payment with a second from Member Madson. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).

13. Old Business – None

14. New Business – None

15. Fulton County Camping and Rec

a. Superintendent's Report

John Young, Camping and Rec Superintendent, discussed since the last committee meeting two incidents have been reported to the office. Both occurred in the HTW neighborhood of the campground.

A camper reported their 30lb LP tank had been stolen from their campsite.

April 2, 2022 Buckheart Fire Department and FCEMA responded to an emergency call. A camper injured themselves while working on their trailer on their campsite.

An update with abandoned trailers. One abandoned RV was removed by relatives of a site holder who was not invited back for failing to pay their bills. Three of the long term abandoned trailers have been cleared for removal by a licensed junk dealer. The Campground was given estimates on the removal costs is \$200.00 for each trailer. This price includes all disposal costs. The timeline for removal is two to three weeks. The final two abandoned trailers are still in the legal phase. The Campground has not received any responses from the owners.

The placement of lot lines has started and will progress over the summer. Telltale signs are stakes and orange markings.

“Go Fly a Kite!” The Campground first family friendly program event of the camping season. The program will be held on April 23, 2022 from 1:00pm to 5:00pm. Participants will receive a kite to decorate, fly and keep. Kite kits and art supplies will be provided, but supplies are limited! Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Other program event information will be upcoming. Effective communications are sometimes a struggle. The campground is going to try a new service for communicating important information to the campground community, it's called Textedly. Textedly is a messaging service that will allow the campground to send information to campers' cell phones, at no cost to the camper, with updates on everything from weather, burning bans and notices of upcoming activities.

The playground installation is scheduled for the end of July. The supply chain issues with metals has paused the playground equipment production. With the delay this will provide ample time to prep the ground for the playground. The playground will be located on the South side of the road, at the curve of Windy Hill and Red Barn. The location had to be shifted to accommodate drainage, and the new location is more suited for development.

A supply chain delay and weather has pushed the potential installation date for the dump station to April 12, 2022. The dump station will be closed until further notice. The Campground received the water test results from the IDPH on Friday, and the water test passed.

After speaking with Mid-century easement department, the campground provided Midcentury the contact information for the campground local MWRD (Metropolitan Water Reclamation District) official, and the project should be back on track.

Work on the campground website is progressing with the purchase of several domains.

www.fultonilcamping.com; and www.fultoncamping.com are just a couple of the five. The campground will pick the master domain while the others will be linked for ease of finding during searches. The site should go live in the next 45 days. The waiting list for 2022 is fifty-three. Presently, the campground has two non-electric sites open to the public, and one was filled at the beginning of April. Round one for the current campsite holders is completed. The in house campsite list is seventeen electric and two non-electric sites open for bid. The re-introduction of two campsites increased the campground numbers of electric sites. Round two of internal bidding for campsites starts April 13, 2022.

16. Executive Session: – None

17. Misc. – None

18. Adjournment

Time: 5:17pm

Member Bohler moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:17pm with a second from Member Williams. Motion carried by roll call vote (6-0).