

MINUTES  
FULTON COUNTY BOARD  
REGULAR SESSION  
February 8, 2022

Chairman Roger P. Clark called the Regular Session, February 8, 2022, meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. in Courtroom 201 at the Fulton County Courthouse in Lewistown, IL.

County Clerk Patrick J. O'Brian called the roll and found the following members present: Quorum was present. (Present-P; Absent-A)

Cindy Arnett – P	Vicki S. Hoke – P	Brian Platt – P
Barry Beck – P	Donna Hudson – P	John Spangler – P
Stan Berry – P	Laura Hepp Kessel – P	John E. Taylor – A
Steve Bohler – P	Dan Kumer – P	Lisa Thompson – P
Roger Clark – P	Nestor Madson – P	Karl Williams – P
Mary Deushane – P	BJ McCullum – P	Heidi Wilner – P
Susan Duquette – P	Craig Medus – A	

**Elected/Appointed Officials** Staci Mayall- Treasurer, Patrick O'Brian - County Clerk, Julie Russell – Supervisor of Assessment, Charlene Markley – Circuit Clerk, Keith Munter – Fulton County Engineer, Justin Jochums – States Attorney, Jeff Standard – Fulton County Sheriff

**Staff** - Cindy Simpson – Fulton County Administrative Assistant

**Guests** – Cole McDaniel –Spoon River Partnership for Economic Development

**Media**- John Froehling – Fulton Democrat

#### ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

A. Regular Session – January 11, 2022

Member McCullum moved to accept the minutes and place on file the regular session January 11, 2022 minutes with a second from Member Berry. Motion carried by roll call vote (18-0).

#### ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Member Thompson moved to approve the agenda with a second from Member Beck. Motion carried by roll call vote (18-0).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE** – None

#### PROCLAMATIONS:

A. **Discussion/Action: Resolution:** Fulton County Disaster Proclamation

Member Thompson moved to approve the resolution with a second from Member Arnett. Motion carried by roll call vote (18-0).

#### PUBLIC REMARKS: No Remarks made

Name: Sam Cutler & Velma Schumm

Address: Mackinaw, IL

Topic: Non-renewal at Campground

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Member Bohler moved to approve the consent agenda with a second from Member Madson. Motion carried by roll call vote (18-0).

### **A. CLAIMS**

Claims- Sheriff, Jail, Board of Review, Zoning, County Board, Miscellaneous, Public Defender, Merit, Property, Supervisor of Assessments, ESDA, Animal Control, Highway, VAC, Clayberg, Camping & Recreation, Spay/Neuter Program, Fulton County Public Transportation

### **B. REPORTS**

Reports- Animal Control, Treasurer, FCCRA POS Report, VAC, Zoning, SFY22 2Q PCOM Report  
Other Reports- Public Defender, State's Attorney/Circuit Clerk, Sheriff, County Clerk

### **D. PERSONNEL & LEGISLATIVE**

### **E. PROPERTY & COURTS**

### **F. FINANCE/INSURANCE**

- a. General Fund Transfer
- b. Other Funds Transfers
- c. General Fund Immediate Emergency Appropriations
  - i. **Resolution:** \$577.00 Immediate Emergency From: Unappropriated Funds in the General Fund To: #001-074-535105, Humane Society Revenue to Canton
- d. Other Fund Immediate Emergency Appropriations
- e. **Resolution:** Trustee Parcels
- f. **Resolution:** RFP for Broker of Record Health Insurance – 3-year Term
- g. **Resolution:** Polling place location change Canton Precinct 12 to St. Mary's Gym

## **PUBLIC SAFETY & CAMPGROUND**

## **COUNTY HIGHWAY**

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

## **EXECUTIVE**

## **HEALTH**

## **MISC.**

## **ACTION AGENDA**

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Mayall reported County General expenditures of \$1,134,057.39 and revenue is \$1,099,828.02. The deficit for January is \$34,229.37.

The workman's compensation audit will start on February 9, 2022. The Affordable Care Act Audit was filed on February 8, 2022.

### **HEALTH**

Member Kessel discussed the Fulton County Health Department has vaccination clinics every Friday.

### **COUNTY HIGHWAY**

Member Madson discussed the Fulton County Highway Department has been doing snow removal with the recent snow storm. Brush and tree removal work is being done throughout Fulton County.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY & CAMPGROUND**

Nothing to report

## **PROPERTY & COURTS**

### **a. Discussion/Action:** Courthouse Maintenance Agreement- Kreiling

Member Arnett discussed that Bill Smick suggested the courthouse flat roof needs to be inspected and suggested Kreiling roofing. The Kreiling roof agreement is a 10-year agreement and the roof would be inspected every two years. Member Arnett stated the agreement can be broken at any time.

Member Thompson inquired if Kreiling Roofing only does the inspection or does Kreiling do the maintenance work on the courthouse roof. Member Arnett stated Kreiling is the current company that has been doing the inspections for the courthouse roof and could do the roof work if it is needed. Member Arnett would like States Attorney Jochums to review the Kreiling agreement.

Member Arnett stated the inspection is done every two years and would cost \$1,200.00.

Chairman Clark discussed the contract from Kreiling does not state there is an out clause for Fulton County.

Member Arnett moved to approve the Kreiling contract pending the States Attorney's review with a second from Member Madson. Motion carried by roll call vote (17-0) with Member Platt not present to vote.

## **PERSONNEL/LEGISLATIVE**

### **a. Discussion/Action: Resolution:** Daniel J. Oaks – Trustee Appointment – Wee-Ma-Tuk Water District

Member Thompson moved to approve the resolution with a second from Member McCullum. Motion carried by roll call vote (17-0) with Member Platt not present to vote.

### **b. Discussion/Action: Resolution:** Steven J. Clapper – Trustee Appointment – Wee-Ma-Tuk Water District

Member Thompson moved to approve the resolution with a second from Member Beck. Motion carried by roll call vote (17-0) with Member Platt not present to vote.

### **c. Discussion/Action:** Training requirements for 2022 – Harassment, Whistleblower and Ethics

Member Thompson discussed a memo will be sent out to all department heads and the department heads will need to sign and return the sheet to Clerk O'Brian.

Member Thompson moved to approve the training requirements for 2022 – Harassment, Whistleblower and Ethics with a second from Member McCullum. Motion carried by roll call vote (17-0) with Member Platt not present to vote.

## **FINANCE/INSURANCE**

### **a. Discussion/Action:** COVID Bonus pay for employees

Member Spangler stated there will be no discussion regarding this item. There will be a meeting on February 22, 2022 regarding ARPA funds.

**b. Discussion/Action: Resolution:** Fulton County – Village of Bryant Intergovernmental Agreement for Storm Water Project

Member Spangler asked States Attorney Jochums to discuss the Intergovernmental agreement between Fulton County and the Village of Bryant. States Attorney Jochums discussed the Fulton County Board agreed to spend \$300,000.00 for a Storm water project using ARPA Funds. Fulton County is not the decision maker of this project. Fulton County is only providing up to \$300,000.00 for the project and Fulton County will not oversee the project.

Member Berry inquired why is Fulton County worrying about this project for the Village of Bryant and why the taxes for Bryant cannot be raised to take care of this. Jochums stated with the number of residents it is not financially possible for the Village of Bryant to raise the taxes to pay for the storm water project. Member Berry stated there are numerous places in Fulton County that have the same or similar issues and Fulton County cannot do projects for everyone.

Member Spangler moved to approve the resolution with a second from Member Madson. Motion carried by roll call vote (17-1) with Member Berry voting nay.

**c. Discussion/Action:** FC Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant program

Member Spangler discussed the Fulton County Small Business Covid-19 Relief Grant Program. This is using ARPA funds to help the small businesses of Fulton County.

Cole McDaniel of SRPED discussed there is a big interest in the program and the program will make a great impact for many businesses in Fulton County. The grant funds available will range from \$2,500.00 to \$50,000.00. Business applying for the grant will need to provide Financial documentation. A certification agreement will be needed from the business owners certifying the number provided are accurate and do not hold Fulton County liable.

Member Thomson discussed the grant funds will go very fast. In the information provided, the application needs to be turned in by March 16, 2022. Cole McDaniel discussed in mid-February, a business event will be held in Canton, Lewistown and other surrounding towns regarding the grant program.

Treasurer Mayall will present a resolution at the March Fulton County Board meeting to create an account to pay the small business grants from using the ARPA Funds.

Member Spangler moved to approve the resolution with a second from Member Beck. Motion carried by roll call vote (18-0).

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**a. Discussion/Action: Resolution:** ZBA meeting per diem allowance

Member Bohler discussed the proposed change to the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting per diem rate. Member Beck inquired why the per diem change is being done now instead of after the November 2022 election. Member Bohler stated the Zoning Board of Appeals members are appointed not elected officials. The per diem change needs to be ready to pay the ZBA members after the first meeting in December 2022. Chairman Clark discussed since the Fulton County Board members' will receive an increase in December 2022 for meeting per diems, this is the right thing to do for the ZBA.

Member Duquette inquired why is the chairman of the ZBA being paid \$100.00 per meeting. Member Bohler stated the chairman of the ZBA has to do legal work at times, and research on county and state laws and site inspections.

Member Bohler moved to approve the resolution with a second from Member Kumer. Motion carried by roll call vote (18-0).

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Real Estate Matters: 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5); Closed Meeting Minutes: 5ILCS 120/2(c) (21)

Member Kumer moved with a second from Member Thompson to go into executive session at 7:30pm. The motion carried by roll call vote (18-0).

Member Kumer moved with a second from Member Beck to return to open session at 8:18pm. The motion carried by roll call vote (18-0).

**MISC.**

a. **Discussion/Action:** Real Estate Matters with Fred Palin

Member Madson moved to approve the Real Estate Matters that the Fulton County Board is interested in the Fred Palin property, but additional information is needed before a final decision is made, with a second from Member McCullum. Motion carried by roll call vote (16-2) with Members Hoke and Hudson voting nay.

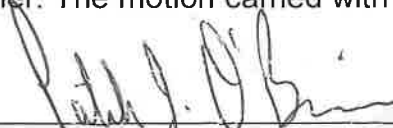
b. **Discussion/Action:** Review Executive Sessions

Member Kumer moved to approve the Executive Session remain closed with a second from Member Duquette. Motion carried by roll call vote (18-0).

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Time:** 8:22pm

Member Duquette made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:22pm with a second from Member Kumer. The motion carried with all present voting ayes (18-0).

  
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Patrick J. O'Brien, Fulton County Clerk &  
Ex-Officio Clerk of the Fulton County Board

**CERTIFICATION:**

I, Roger P. Clark, Chairman of the Fulton County Board, State of Illinois, do hereby certify that I have examined the record of the February 8, 2022 Regular Session of the County Board of Fulton County, Illinois and find the same to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, this day approve the same.

Witness this 8th day of March, 2022.

  
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Roger P. Clark  
Fulton County Board Chairman