PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF WOODFORD COUNTY, IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, at an adjourned meeting thereof begun and held in the Woodford County Board Room in the City of Eureka, in said County, on the third Tuesday in January, AD 2022, same being the 18th day of said month.

Tuesday January 18, 2022 6:30 P.M.

Board met and was called to order by Chairman John Krug.

Chairman Krug began the meeting by leading all present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call by the Clerk. Present: Ansel Burditt, Bill Cardin, Justin Faulk (Zoom), Richard Hill, Autum Jones, John Krug, David Meinhold (Zoom), Charles Nagel, Blake Parsons, Jonathan Schertz, Jerry Smith, Dan Steffen, and Donald Tolan. Absent: Albert Durst, excused; and Nick Miller, excused. Also present was County Clerk Dawn Kupfer.

Board announced in session by the Chairman.

Clerk Kupfer presented and read the Certificate of Giving Notice for this meeting.

Mr. Hill moved the Certificate be approved as read, which motion was seconded by Mr. Cardin and was unanimously carried.

Clerk Kupfer submitted the minutes of the December 21, 2021 regular session County Board meeting for additions, corrections and approval.

Mr. Parsons moved to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2021 regular Session County Board meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Nagel and unanimously carried.

Chairman Krug called for public input.

Mr. Dennis Tipsword, Chief Deputy Sheriff of Woodford County announced to the Members of the Woodford County Board he is running for State Representative in the 105th District under the Illinois General Assembly. He said this was formally Dan Brady’s seat, and with the redistricting the seat has shifted west and North of its former location making this a new district for Woodford County. Mr. Tipsword said he had been thinking about a position like this for several years, and the timing seemed to be right. He has been an officer since 1994 and will use his background in law enforcement, and his firsthand experiences of what the recent Crime bill which passed June of 2021 which made unfunded mandates, will be one of the key issues he would like to address. Mr. Tipsword said secondly, he and his wife have run a small business from 1997 till 2015, and he would like to use those experiences in having a better understanding of the burdens small business owners are under. Mr. Tipsword said in 2021 the State of Illinois lost 114,000 people, and he feels this is a problem which needs to be addressed. He said the incremental government overreach, which has been happening the last decade, and have been worse of the course of the last couple of years needs to be stopped. Mr. Tipsword said there are adolescents and young teens who do not know the freedoms they had because they have been living in such a World in where they have never had the freedoms we have had. Mr. Tipsword said these are just some of the items at the top of his list he would like to address in Springfield.

Chairman Krug called for any further public input, hearing none.

The Consent Agenda was presented and clarified for the reporting of these minutes.
Chairman Krug called for any items to be removed from the consent agenda, hearing none.

Mr. Burditt moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which was seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion carried.

Chairman Krug called for approval of the remaining Items on the Consent Agenda.

Appointments: (Note: none were presented).

Petitions, Resolutions and/or Motions:

a. Approval of the Leman Animal Control contract for Boarding of Dogs from the Woodford County Case numbers 2021-CM-63 and 2021-CM-64.

b. Approval of the Order Change #3 for additional time on the Schindler contract.

c. Approval of the Kenyon invoice 13248 in the amount of $1,117.38.

d. Approval of Resolution 2021/2022-015 authorizing the County Board Chairman to execute an engineering agreement with Hampton, Lenzini, & Renwick, Inc. for the Linn Road District Project, Section 21-07137-00-BR.

e. Approval of Resolution 2021/2022-016 to appropriate $1,010,000.00 from the Motor Fuel Tax Fund to pay for maintaining streets and highways from December 1, 2021 through November 30, 2022.

f. Approval of Resolution 2021/2022-019 approving the purchase of 5 new vehicles; 4 for the Sheriff’s Office, and 1 for the EMA from Mangold Ford with a price not to exceed $171,490.00.

Chairman Krug stated there was nothing to discuss under New Business, or Unfinished Business; and there were no Presentations for the evening.

Chairman Krug then called for the vote to approve the claims Paid in Vacation since the last meeting of the Board. Mr. Schertz moved to approve the Claims Paid in Vacation, which was seconded by Mr. Hill. Chairman Krug asked if there were any claims to be added.

Mr. Hill moved to add two (2) claims from the Woodford County Highway Department line item 003-640-6328-002, (which should have been 003-640-6328-013 since it is being paid in vacation) (1) to Janet Waldsmidt-Weldon in the amount of $807.50; and (2) to Jerry Waldschmidt in the amount of $807.50, both claims are to purchase right of way; which was seconded by Mr. Schertz. Motion carried.

Chairman Krug called for a motion to approve the claims as amended; motion carried.

Mr. Schertz presented and read Resolution 2021/2022-020 approving the payment of the Claims, which was seconded by Mr. Steffen.

Chairman Krug called for a roll call vote. County Board Members voting Aye: Ansel Burditt, Bill Cardin, Justin Faulk, Richard Hill, Autum Jones, John Krug, David Meinhold, Charles Nagel, Blake Parsons, Jonathan Schertz, Jerry Smith, Dan Steffen, and Donald Tolan. County Board Members voting Nay: None. County Board Members absent: Albert Durst, excused; and Nick Miller, excused. Motion carried.

The Report of the County Treasurer on receipts and disbursement of the General Fund, current fund balances and interfund transfers for the period ending December 31, 2021 was presented. Treasurer Andrews stated she had no concerns with any of the fund balances. She went onto to give the Members of the Board an update on the status of the CURE Funding, going on to say the Health Department was able to transfer approximately $65,000 of unclaimed funding to the County in December. Once the County’s allocation amount was updated on the Local CURE Portal, Ms. Andrews was able to submit reports for reimbursement of Correctional Jailers pay. She went on to say the status has been undated to “approved”, and the County should be receiving a check in the amount of $65,513.64 within a couple of weeks. Ms. Andrews stated the County has already received $624,141.57 in December of 2020 so this will bring the total amount of CURE Funding claimed by the County to $689,655.21 which is 100 % of the adjusted County allotment. This is in addition to...
the $12,581.82 claimed by the Health Department which was received in March of 2021. Ms. Andrews also told the Board Members the County audit is currently underway, and in addition to the standard audit it would be necessary to have a single Audit again this year as we have expended more than $750,000 of Federal funding. Ms. Andrews said the auditors will be testing the CBDG RLF Close-out Program for the single audit report.

Mr. Nagel moved to place the Treasurer’s reports on file, which motion was seconded by Mr. Burditt and was unanimously carried.

Mr. Steffen moved to place the report of Office of County Board on file, which was seconded by Mr. Tolan. Motion carried.

The following communication will be placed on file for the regular meeting of the January 18, 2022, County Board meeting:

- Letter received on January 12, 2022 from Nicor Gas containing information on keeping the community and natural gas facilities safe, as well as a map of their territory.
- Minutes of the Road and Bridge Committee meeting held December 14, 2021, and released Executive Session minutes from June 7, 2021 Session 1; Session 2; and August 9, 2021. 
- Minutes of the Public Safety Committee meetings held November 8, 2021; and December 13, 2021. 
- Minutes of the County Offices Committee meeting held December 14, 2021. 

Mrs. Jones moved to place all correspondence on file, which motion was seconded by Mr. Hill and was unanimously carried.

The respective Chairmen gave the reports of each Standing Committee.

Chairwomen Andrews reported for the Health Care Committee (Health Insurance Committee). Chairwoman Andrews reported they did not meet last week. Chairwoman Andrews stated the Premium & Claims Reserve and Health Care Plan Funds combined balance of $722,969.54 continuing to hold its own.

Mr. Hill, Chairman of the Road & Bridge Committee, reported on the progression of the New Building.

Mrs. Jones, Chairwomen of the County Offices Committee, reported on the discussion they had pertaining to State Holidays and the General Election.

Mr. Nagel, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported their Committee met right before the County Board Meeting.

Mr. Burditt, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, reported on the Vehicles for the Sheriff’s Department and EMA how the bid came through Mangold Ford. Mr. Burditt gave an update on the Cures transfer of funding to the Sheriff’s Department to be used for Correction Officers. Mr. Burditt reported on Animal Control and the ongoing discussion they are having working out the details.

Mr. Parsons, Chairman of the Conservation Planning and Zoning Committee, reported their Committee did not meet for lack of action or agenda items.

Mr. Parsons reported for the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Parsons reported they have 4 applications at this month’s hearing January 25th at 6:00 pm for:

- Variance to reduce a side yard setback from 30 ft. to 17 ft. for a home addition located at 406 County Road 1125 E. Deer Creek, Illinois.
- Special Use to operate a Canine Holding Facility for the Contracted Animal Control Warden located at 909 Black Partridge Rd., Metamora, Illinois.

- Special Use to operate a Spray Patch Business including road repair and street sweeping located at 1300 County Road 700 N, Eureka, Illinois.

- Special Use to operate a 32.53 acre Solar Farm Energy System located on vacant ground ¼ mile North of County Highway 2, on the West side of County Road 2500 E, Minonk, Illinois.

Chairman Krug called for Public Announcements, hearing none.

Chairman Krug stated there was not a need for an Executive Session.

Mr. Steffen moved to adjourn until 6:30 P.M. the third Tuesday in February, A.D. 2022 same being the 15th day of said month, which motion was seconded by Mr. Burditt and was unanimously carried.

Chairman Krug announced the Board adjourned at approximately 6:54 PM.

Attest: Dawn L. Kupfer, Woodford County Clerk & Recorder