

presented to over 100 sophomores. Ms. Buckley said they were meeting with Lowpoint Washburn to discuss implementation of school enrichment programs to their school district. She stated the Extension and 4-H programs are always looking for volunteers, and for anyone interested please reach out to the Eureka Extension Office.

Chairman Nagel stated he was appreciative of the update and invited Ms. Buckley to return in the future.

Mr. Krug stated the Woodford County Farm Bureau has been having a Member of the Farm Bureau come to the monthly Board meetings for the past several years. He then introduced Mr. Dennis Pfanz, the President of the Woodford County Farm Bureau, and thanked the Farm Bureau for showing an interest in the County Board.

The Consent Agenda was presented and clarified for the reporting of these minutes.

Chairman Nagel called for any items to be removed from the consent agenda.

Mrs. Jones moved to pull Item (5) from Petitions, Resolutions, and/or Motions, which was the Bellwether Cost Study.

Chairman Nagel called for any further Items to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Steffen moved to pull Item (14) from Petitions, Resolutions, and/or Motions, which was Resolution 2022-2023-024 the purchase of a new snowplow truck.

Chairman Nagel called for any further Items to be removed from Consent Agenda, hearing none.

Chairman Nagel called for a vote of the remainder of the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Smith moved to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Mr. Baumann. Motion carried.

Appointments:

1. Approval of the Reappointment of Richard Burmood to the Benson Fire Protection District for a 3-year term expiring May 1, 2026.

Petitions, Resolutions and/or Motions:

2. Approval of Ordinance 2022/2023-003 granting a text amendment to amend the Woodford County Zoning Ordinance Section 15-Light Industrial District, Section 16- Heavy Industrial District, Section 17-General Commercial District. These changes amend the permitted uses in the applicable districts.
3. Approval of Ordinance 2022/2023-004 granting a Special Use to Josh Uphoff to allow Construction Warehouse in the Agriculture District on 5.45 acres commonly described as 2421 County Road 1200 N. El Paso, Illinois.
4. Approval of Ordinance 2022/2023-005 granting a Special Use to Joseph Fussner to allow a Home Occupational Type 2 which includes residential and commercial mowing and limited landscaping and stockpiling in the Conservation District on 9.68 acres commonly described as 688 Bricktown Road, Lowpoint, Illinois.
6. Approval of the amended Resolution 2022/2023-011 authorizing the purchase of two vehicles from Morrow Brothers to be paid from Line Item 051-220-5060-013.
7. Approval of the Woodford County Health Care Plan 2023 COBRA/IMRF Retiree Rates effective April 1, 2023.
8. Approval of Resolution 2022/2023-018 accepting quotes for Spray Patch Oil, Section 23-00000-19-GM.
9. Approval of Resolution 2022/2023-019 accepting aggregate stockpile material quotes, Section 23-

00000-20-GM.

10. Approval of Resolution 2022/2023-020 accepting aggregate pit material quotes, Section 23-00000-25-GM.
11. Approval of Resolution 2022/2023-021 for the procurement of bulk rock salt through the Joint State bidding process.
12. Approval of Resolution 2022/2023-022 authorizing the County Board Chairman to execute a construction engineering agreement with Hermann & Associates, LLC., for Section 21-00058-00-RS.
13. Approval of Resolution 2022/2023-023 in support of Woodford County Agriculture.

Chairman Nagel called for Item (5) under Petitions, Resolutions, and/or Motions.

Mrs. Jones moved to approve Item (5) under Petitions, Resolutions, and/or Motions the Bellwether Cost Study Agreement, which was seconded by Mr. Steffen.

Chairman Nagel called for discussion of Item (5) the Bellwether Cost Study Agreement.

Mrs. Jones stated the Bellwether Cost Study had been discussed at the County Offices Committee meeting because Finance did not meet, and the thought was that a discussion at the full County Board should be given. Ms. Jones asked the County Clerk to explain the cost study and why it is necessary.

County Clerk, Dawn Kupfer stated a recent House Bill 3878 passed, which will increase the Rental Housing portion of the Recording fee an additional \$10.00, and the thought was to review the other fees at the same time. She said by statute the fees in her office can only be increased when a certified cost study had been conducted. Ms. Kupfer said the last time a cost study had been conducted was 2018, and Bellwether had performed the study at that time. She said this is time sensitive due to the fact HB 3878 fee increase will go into effect 7/1/2023. Clerk Kupfer said in order to have the proper time to pass a Resolution to increase the fees, as well as post the new fees (60) days prior to implementing them the Board would need to approve this in a timely fashion. Ms. Kupfer said many of the Counties are looking at doing the cost study for more than just the Recorder's Office, and that is why she presented the agreement with the addition of the Sheriff and Animal Control.

Mrs. Jones said to give clarity to the pricing on the agreement, \$6,000.00 of the agreement would be for the Clerk and Recorder's Office and GIS; then an additional \$5,000.00 for Public Safety, and \$5,000.00 for Animal Control. She went on to say at County Offices it was discussed on how the \$6,000.00 would be paid for, but she said coming out of County Offices was we did not have a full agreement for the other \$10,000.00.

Clerk Kupfer said her understanding was they approved her \$6,000.00, and to her knowledge it was agreed \$1,000.00 would come from her Recorder Automation Fund; \$2,500.00 would come out of the GIS Fund; and the remaining \$2,500.00 would come out of the Contingent Fund as it had been done in 2018, but the Board needs to discuss and decide if this is what they want to do. Discussion followed.

Mr. Krug moved to amend Item (5) under Petitions, Resolutions, and/or Motions to approve the \$6,000.00 for the County Clerk and Recorder, and GIS, as well as moving the additional Sheriff and Animal Control portions back to Public Safety for further discussion, which was seconded by Mr. Barth. Motion carried. Mr. Meinhold added he would like to have the Public Safety Committee come back with what the benefit would be in conducting the Sheriff and Animal Control.

Chairman Nagel called for Item (14) under Petitions, Resolutions, and/or Motions, Resolution 2022/2023-024 the purchase of a New Snow Plow Truck.

Mr. Steffen moved to approve Item (14) Resolution 2022/2023-024 the purchase of a New Snow Plow Truck, which was seconded by Mr. Smith. Mr. Steffen stated he pulled this to give an update of what the Committee had reviewed, going on to say the Road and Bridge had been reviewing other possible options.

Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Chairman Nagel moved on to New Business stating Item (1) under New Business was the Schindler and Sons Certificate for payment in the amount of \$135,914.45 from the RLF Grant Project.

Mr. Krug moved to approve the Schindler and Sons Certificate of payment from the RLF Grant fund in the amount of \$135,914.45, which was seconded by Mr. Baumann. Motion carried.

Chairman Nagel moved to New Business Item (2) the Knapp Concrete Request for Reduction of Retainage to 5 percent in the amount of \$57,492.11.

Mr. Steffen moved to approve the Knapp Concrete Request for Reduction of Retainage to 5 percent in the amount of \$57,492.11, which was seconded by Mrs. Jones. Motion carried.

Chairman Nagel moved to New Business Item (3) the Health Department Annual Report.

Mr. Miller moved to place the Health Department Annual Report on file, which was seconded by Mr. Ferris. Motion carried.

Chairman Nagel stated there was nothing to discuss under Unfinished Business; and there were no Presentations for the evening.

Chairman Nagel then called for the vote to approve the claims Paid in Vacation since the last meeting of the Board. Mrs. Jones moved to approve the Claims Paid in Vacation, which was seconded by Mr. Miller. Chairman Nagel asked if there were any claims to add, hearing none.

Mr. Krug presented and read Resolution 2022/2023-025 approving the payment of the Claims.

Chairman Nagel called for a roll call vote. County Board Members voting Aye: John Krug, David Meinhold (Zoom), Nick Miller, Chuck Nagel, Jerry Smith, Dan Steffen, Donald Tolan, Tim Worner, Randy Barth, James Baumann, Zachary Ferris, and Autum Jones. County Board Members voting Nay: None. County Board Members absent: Denise Durst, excused; Blake Parsons, excused; and Johnathan Schertz, absent. 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 February 28, 2022, was presented. Treasurer Andrews stated the fund balances are all doing well, and she had no concerns. She reported the County Audit is wrapping up, and the auditors have been reviewing the CDBG RLF Projects as part of the Single Audit process. Ms. Andrews felt they are on track to present the Audited Financial Statements at the April Finance Committee meeting.

Mr. Ferris moved to place the Treasurer's reports on file, which motion was seconded by Mrs. Jones and was unanimously carried.

Mr. Steffen moved to place the both the report of Office of County Board, and Communications for the month on file, which was seconded by Mr. Baumann. Motion carried.

The following communication will be placed on file for the regular meeting of the February 21, 2023, County Board meeting:

- Letter of Commendation dated January 1, 2023, from Mr. Gary Twist for Ms. Janet Gibbs, Deputy Assessor.
- Letter of Commendation dated January 1, 2023, from Mr. Gary Twist for Mr. Bolden (Bud) Malcom.

- Letter from Nicor Gas regarding information to keeping the community and natural gas facilities safe, as well as a map of the areas served by Nicor.
- Minutes of the Road and Bridge Committee meeting held on January 9, 2023; Executive session minutes from January 9, 2023.
- Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meetings held January 9, 2023.
- Minutes of the County Offices Committee Meeting held January 10, 2023.
- Minutes of Conservation, Planning, and Zoning Committee held on January 9, 2023.
- Minutes of the Zoning Board of Appeals held on November 22, 2022.
- Minutes of the Health Care Committee held on January 11, 2023.
- Minutes of the Liquor Commission held on April 6, 2021.

Mr. Ferris moved to place the Communications for the month on file, which was seconded by Mr. Barth. Motion carried.

The respective Chairmen gave the reports of each Standing Committee.

Chairwomen Andrews reported for the Health Care Committee (Health Insurance Committee) reporting they met last Wednesday. Chairwomen Andrews reported the main topic of discussion was the COBRA/IMRF Retiree rates which was on tonight's County Board agenda and approved this evening. Chairwomen Andrews stated as of last Wednesday the Premium & Claims Reserve and Health Care Plan Funds combined balance was \$766,200.93, which is slightly up from the month before.

Mr. Steffen, Chairman of the Road & Bridge Committee, reported they took bids for the oil they will be using this next year for spray patching. Mr. Steffen stated they received a quote for stock piling material and quotes from several gravel pits how they will be taking bids for the State Letting that is coming up for the west half of the Santa Fe Trail explaining they are going to do the west half from Rt. 26 up to Lourdes Road.

Mrs. Jones, Chairwomen of the County Offices Committee, reported they discussed the Cost Study which was discussed at tonight's meeting.

Mr. Meinhold, Chairman for the Finance Committee reported they did not have a meeting this month but plan to meet next month on March 15th.

Mr. Miller, Vice Chairman, reported for the Public Safety Committee. Mr. Miller reported they had a good IT presentation and plan to have more discussion concerning that. Mr. Miller reported the Sheriff has found a couple more vehicles with color options which was approved. Mr. Miller stated they asked the States Attorney to look at current ordinance and potentially modify it to add some additional violation for excessive barking and dog bites.

Mr. Miller, Chairman of the Conservation Planning and Zoning Committee reported due to the States Public Act they voted to drop the Special Use Permit so that will go to the March 28th ZBA meeting.

Mr. Miller reported for the Veterans Assistance Commission. Mr. Miller reported a couple weeks ago they did a visit to a Nursing Home, and they have had some good turnaround from that.

Chairman Nagel announced there were still County Board Members who needed to complete their Open Meeting Act training (OMA), as well as some Members still need to turn in their Economic Interest Statement.

Mr. Steffen moved to adjourn until 6:30 P.M. the third Tuesday in March, A.D. 2023 same being the 21st day of said month, which motion was seconded by Mr. Worner and was unanimously carried.

Chairman Krug announced the Board adjourned at approximately 7:02 PM.

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

