STATE OF ILLINOIS  
COUNTY OF WOODFORD

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 March, AD 2022, same being the 15th day of said month.

Tuesday March 15, 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, Richard Hill, Autum Jones, John Krug, David Meinhold, Charles Nagel, Blake Parsons, Jonathan Schertz, Jerry Smith (Zoom), and Dan Steffen. Absent: Albert Durst, excused; Nick Miller, Absent; and Donald Tolan, 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. Schertz 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 February 15, 2022, regular session County Board meeting for additions, corrections, and approval.

Mr. Parsons moved to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2022, regular Session County Board meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Nagel and unanimously carried.

Chairman Krug called for 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.

Mr. Burditt moved to pull Item (b) Ordinance 2021-2022-008 granting a Text Amendment to the Woodford County Animal Control Ordinance.

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

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

Mr. Hill moved to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Mrs. Jones. Motion carried.

Appointments:

a. Approval of the reappointment of Greg Umland to the Carlock Fire Protection District for a 3 year expiring April 30, 2025.

b. Approval of the appointment of Lisa Jording as the Primary Plat Officer.

c. Approval of the appointment of Brittany Crisman, Map Technician, as the Alternate Plat Officer.
Petitions, Resolutions and/or Motions:

a. Approval of Ordinance 2021/2022-008 granting a Special use to Tim Abney to operate a canine holding facility as the contracted Animal Control Warden, located in the (AG) Agricultural District, on 5 acres of a 9.67-acre tract owned by Robert Dubois, commonly described as 909 Black Partridge Road, Metamora, Illinois.

c. Approval of Resolution 2021/2022-025 authorizing an Alternative Plat Officer.

d. Approval of Resolution 2021/2022-028 approving Klaus Plumbing for the purchase of HVAC for Probation for $11,250.00.

e. Approval of Resolution 2021/2022-029 approving the purchase of AED Equipment and Stop the Bleed Kits for the Courthouse from CORMED for $19,625.85.

f. Approval of Resolution 2021/2022-030 approving the purchase from SAS for the Jail Control System for $216,150.00.

g. Approval of a quote in the amount of $2,975.00 from E.S. & S to purchase Power Supply cords for the purpose of charging the election equipment from the extraordinary line item 051-160-5025-004.

h. Approval of making the Grace Nazarene Church the new permanent polling location for the Olio 3 Precinct.

i. Approval of making the Worth Township Building a permanent polling location for Worth 7 Precinct.

j. Approval of making Marlene’s Event Barn a permanent polling location for the Worth 9 Precinct.

Chairman Krug called for Item (b) under Petitions, Resolutions, and/or Motions.

Mr. Burditt stated he wanted to give the Members of the Board a synopsis of what was happening with the Ordinance 2021/2022-008 Animal Control Ordinance. He went on to share with the Board Members some clarification on areas where the citations will be going as well as other changes which had been made to clean up the ordinance. He went on to say Section 7, Item 8 had been corrected to show citations for violations as specified in Section 11 of this Ordinance, with copies of said citations to the Treasurer. Mr. Burditt said the second change they added was a part about submitting a written report to the State’s Attorney for violations of the Illinois Animal Control Act, the Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act where allowed by such Acts, and for violations of the Woodford County Animal Control Ordinance.

Chairman Krug called for a motion on the Ordinance 2021/2022-008.

Mr. Burditt moved to approve Ordinance 2021/2022-008 granting Text amendments to the Woodford County Animal Control Ordinance, which was seconded by Mr. Faulk. Motion carried.

Chairman Krug moved on to New Business stating Item (a) under New Business was for the County Clerk, and he would have her discuss the agreement.

Clerk Kupfer informed the Members of the Board this agreement was with E. S. & S to lock in pricing for the next three years regarding the purchase of election-related services related to the layout and printing of ballots.

Mrs. Jones moved to approve the agreement with E.S & S, which was seconded by Mr. Hill. Motion carried.

Chairman Krug stated there was nothing to discuss under 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. Burditt moved to approve the Claims Paid in Vacation, which was seconded by Mr. Faulk. Chairman Krug asked if there were any claims to add, hearing none.

Mr. Meinhold presented and read Resolution 2021/2022-031 approving the payment of the Claims,
which was seconded by Mr. Schertz.

Chairman Krug called for a roll call vote. County Board Members voting Aye: Justin Faulk, Richard Hill, Autum Jones, John Krug, David Meinhold, Charles Nagel, Blake Parsons, Jonathan Schertz, Jerry Smith, Dan Steffen, Ansel Burditt, and Bill Cardin. County Board Members voting Nay: None. County Board Members absent: Albert Durst, excused; Nick Miller, Absent; and Donald Tolan, 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 February 28, 2022, was presented. Treasurer Andrews stated she had no concerns with any of the fund balances and went onto to say the monthly sales tax payments continue to be larger than ever. Ms. Andrews said the County Audit along with the Single Audit should be completed soon, as the auditors are waiting for an expenditure report from, We Care for the Transportation Grant monies. She went on to say Clifton Larson Allen plans to present the audits to the Finance Committee in April. Ms. Andrews stated the annual Work Comp Audit had also been completed which resulted in a premium due in the amount of $4,241.00. She said our Work Comp premiums are based on estimates so some years we get a return of premium, and some years we pay a little more. Ms. Andrews said in August 2020 she had estimated the payroll for fiscal 2021. She went on to say it was underestimated as Clerical and Law Enforcement had wage adjustments for the non-union employees and paid $2,500 to the Sheriff’s deputies during Fiscal Year 2021, neither of which were known factors when calculating the estimates.

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

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

The following communication will be placed on file for the regular meeting of the March 15, 2022, County Board meeting:

- Postcard dated February 2, 2022, from the Federal Aviation Administration concerning an aeronautical study for a project in Benson, Illinois.
- Minutes of the Road and Bridge Committee meetings held February 7, 2022, and February 15, 2022; as well as Executive Session Minutes for June 7, 2021, both Sessions 1 & 2; and August 9, 2021.
- Minutes of the County Offices Committee held February 15, 2022.
- Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting held on January 10, 2022.
- Minutes of the Woodford County Zoning Board of Appeals held January 25, 2022.
- Minutes of the Health Care Committee held February 9, 2022.

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 met last Wednesday and TRIA Health presented the annual report. Mrs. Andrews reported a TRIA Pharmacist will consult with our plan participants regarding medications they take for chronic conditions. Mrs. Andrews explained how the plan offers free generics and 50% off select brand medications to plan participants that engage with TRIA. Mrs. Andrews stated the Health Care Plan paid TRIA $4,068 in premiums last year for the group however the annual savings reported was $41,100 stating she feels it is a very good investment. Mrs. Andrews reported they also discussed the Dental Benefits and plan to review those in the fall and may propose changes to the Dental Benefits for Plan Year 2023. The Premium & Claims Reserve and Health Care Plan Funds combined balance as of last Wednesday was just over $748,000 and continues to hold steady.
Mr. Hill, Chairman of the Road & Bridge Committee, reported they have an Engineer leaving how they are looking for a replacement and have an Ad in place for that position. Mr. Hill reported the new Shop Building is moving along how Chris Tyra who they hired to oversee this project has really helped them out. Mr. Hill stated they have a Snow Plow Truck on order and there is a situation with leftover bodies from canceled orders on Snow Plows how there is an opportunity to get a body for one next year at a significant savings over the new price. Mr. Hill stated they are trying to feel that out and see what they need to do or even if it’s a possibility. Mr. Hill reported they have an issue with the main road going north out of Roanoke and down by Secor how the Oil and Chip has not held up how they have been trying to determine what caused this; possibility it was late in the season and they didn’t get the heat they needed; was it because of a hard top road and didn’t sink in like it would have on softer roads. Mr. Hill spoke with Mr. Steffen since he has experience with this and perhaps they didn’t use enough oil. Mr. Hill stated they do not want this to happen again.

Mrs. Jones, reported for the County Offices Committee. Mrs. Jones reported they approved permanent voting locations which the full Board approved on tonight’s consent agenda.

Mr. Nagel, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported they had a good discussion from Elected Officials on maybe purchasing Security Cameras for different offices and if they were to move forward perhaps ARPA Funds would perhaps support the purchase. Mr. Nagel stated he asked Melissa to contact Bellwether and the first step would be to see if it qualified under those funds how Mr. Nagel feels that it probably would. Mr. Nagel reported once they hear back then perhaps they will move forward with a more formal request and see what the dollars are.

Mr. Burditt, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, reported they approved a couple of the items on tonight’s consent agenda specifically AED Stop the Bleed kits for the Courthouse how that was a significant $19,000 bid they approved. Mr. Burditt then reported on the big one being the Jail Control replacement system $216,150.00 bid approved through SAS.

Mr. Nagel directed a question to Mr. Burditt if he had an update with the HVAC project at the Courthouse what the ARPA Funds are marked for. Mr. Burditt turned it over to Chief Deputy Tipsword who gave an in-depth synopsis of how “Keith Engineering” who has been in the Courthouse doing 3D imaging how as of now there isn’t a good set of plans of the Courthouse how they don’t know where the voids, hidden compartments are or where they may be able to run ductwork through. Once they have gathered all those 3D imaging they will take it back to their Engineers to come up with a plan using what is here. Bids will be opened up how they are looking at late summer at the earliest how this is going to be a 2 budget year process. Mr. Cardin raised the question if these are non-ducted systems. Chief Deputy Tipsword stated this is for ducted systems how this is with the idea of putting the units in the Attic of the Courthouse and run vertical down each quadrant how it will be ran straight down with some branches coming off it not floor by floor how everything will be in a quadrant coming down from units in the attic is what they are looking that is their plan unless they run into problems.

Blake Parsons, Chairman of the Conservation Planning and Zoning Committee, reported they met prior to tonight’s Board Meeting. Mr. Parsons reported they approved some of the items on tonight’s Consent Agenda those being a Resolution authorizing an Alternate Plat Officer, Brittany Crisman and officially designated Zoning Administrator Lisa Jording as Primary Plat Officer.

Mr. Parsons reported for the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Parsons reported they have a previous application 2021-26-S by Eryn Pearson regarding a Dog and Cat Rescue in the R-1 District located in Far Hills Dr. East Peoria, how back in October it was brought to the Board about sending it back for some issues in the findings. Mr. Parsons stated ZBA is going to be reevaluating those findings and reissuing a new recommendation or determining a recommendation based on those findings.

Zoning Administrator Lisa Jording stated they are not going to open the testimony further stating they are going to give it back to the ZBA to discuss the findings and will hopefully provide some more substantial findings how she doesn’t know if the recommendation will change or not but at minimum they will give you
Mr. Parsons stated the recommendation from the ZBA was denied but it was also conflicting because there was a lot of findings that were in the affirmative so it didn’t quite make total sense to them so they thought they would send it back and let them reevaluate those findings how he feels after they do discuss and reevaluate they will have a recommendation next month.

Chairman Krug called for a motion to place the Quarterly Report of file.

Mr. Steffen moved to place the Quarterly Report on file, which was seconded by Mr. Schertz. Motion carried.

Chairman Krug stated there was an Executive Session.

Mr. Nagel moved to go into Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) the appointment, employment, compensation of an employee, which was seconded by Mr. Parsons.

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

Entered Executive Session at approximately 6:58 PM.

Chairman Krug called for a motion to come back into regular session.

Mr. Hill moved to come back into regular session, which was seconded by Mrs. Jones; motion carried.

Chairman Krug called for action coming out of Executive Session.

Mr. Nagel moved to submit repayment to Mr. Jake Evans for the amount not to exceed $34,403.49, which was seconded by Mr. Faulk. Motion carried with one abstention from Mr. Smith.

Chairman Krug announced there would be a Fish/Chicken Fry at the Secor Sportsman Club on April 2, 2022 from 4-8 PM.

Mr. Faulk moved to adjourn until 6:30 P.M. the third Tuesday in April, A.D. 2022 same being the 19th day of said month, which motion was seconded by Mr. Steffen and was unanimously carried.

Chairman Krug announced the Board adjourned at approximately 7:38 PM.

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