

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MASON COUNTY BOARD

State of IL)
)s.s.
County of Mason)

Proceedings of a meeting of the County Board of Mason County, a meeting begun and held at the Mason County Courthouse located at 125 N. Plum, Havana, IL on June 13, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Kenneth Walker. Roll call was taken with the following members present: KENNETH WALKER, ELDON GARLISCH, RONALD KNOLLENBERG, DOROTHY KREILING, HUGH MCHARRY, BILL PARSLEY and DARELL SARFF. SCOTT GARLISH being absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: E. Garlisch made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Kreiling. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Parsley made a motion to approve the May board minutes. Seconded by Kreiling. Motion carried.

APPEARANCES – PUBLIC COMMENT

Community Economic Educator Richard Proffer from the University of IL Extension Office spoke to the board regarding broadband in the county. Proffer went over the process needed to help get broadband in the rural areas of Mason County that need it. The first item that they will focus on is establishing a Local Leadership Team (LLT).

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board then considered the consent agenda as follows:

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REPORTS:

- 1. May report of County Clerk
- 2. May report of Treasurer

APPOINTMENTS BY CHAIRMAN:

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

(see board file for matters pertaining to the consent agenda)

MOTION: Kreiling made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by McHarry. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

County Clerk Summer Brown reported for the zoning department that they have been very busy and that she hoped to have someone hired very soon to take the Code Enforcement position.

Dorothy Kreiling reported for the Emergency Services Committee that the Mason County Health Department is offering covid boosters if it's been 4 months since your last one. Colorectal screening is now available and free to 45-75 year old people. MCHD is also collecting dead birds to test for West Nile and other diseases. Kreiling noted that domestic cases and theft have increased. Kreiling reported that the dive team has been called out for three rescues for stranded boaters. The Havana Police Department and Sheriff's office are looking for weather spotters. There will be meetings held on March 7 & 14th for those interested in being a weather spotter.

County Clerk Summer Brown reported that the electrical at the courthouse should be completed by the end of July. Brown also reported that tax bills are out and that the new fees for her office will take effect on July 1st.

RESOLUTION 2023-44 AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO APPROVE THE SALT CREEK SOLAR PROJECT DECOMMISSIONING PLAN

The board then considered Resolution 2023-44 Authorizing the Chairman to Approve the Salt Creek Solar Project Decommissioning Plan. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: E. Garlisch made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-44. Seconded by Parsley. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-52 RECOGNIZING THE NEED FOR LEGISLATION TO AMEND THE ILLINOIS COUNTY HIGHWAY CODE THAT WOULD GREATLY ENHANCE INFRASTRUCTURE CONDITION AND CONTINUE ECONOMIC INVESTMENT IN THE COUNTY.

The board then considered Resolution 2023-52 Recognizing the Need for Legislation to Amend the Illinois County Highway Code that Would Greatly Enhance Infrastructure Condition and Continue Economic Investment in the County. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: Knollenberg made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-52. Seconded by Garlisch. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-53 APPROVING ARPA FUNDS FOR REPAIR OF COURTHOUSE ROOF

The board then considered Resolution 2023-53 for Approval of using ARPA Funds for Repair of Courthouse Roof. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: Kreiling made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-53. Seconded by McHarry. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2023-54 APPROVAL OF APPRECIATION FOR LYN PEDIGO

The board then considered Resolution 2023-54 for Approval of Appreciation for Lyn Pedigo. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: McHarry made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-54. Seconded by Kreiling. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-55 APPROVING TEXT AMENDMENTS REGARDING COMMERCIAL WIND ENERGY FACILITIES TO MASON COUNTY WIND FARM ORDINANCE

The board then considered Resolution 2023-55 for Approval of Text Amendments Regarding Commercial Wind Energy Facilities to Mason County Wind Farm Ordinance. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: E. Garlisch made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-55. Seconded by Parsley. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-56 APPROVING TEXT AMENDMENTS REGARDING COMMERCIAL SOLAR ENERGY FACILITIES TO MASON COUNTY SOLAR ORDINANCE

The board then considered Resolution 2023-56 for Approval of Text Amendments Regarding Commercial Solar Energy Facilities to Mason County Solar Ordinance. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: Parsley made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-56. Seconded by Kreiling. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-57 APPROVAL BY THE COUNTY BOARD TO CHANGE AND ESTABLISH THE NEW MASON COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL FEES

The board then considered Resolution 2023-57 for Approval by the County Board to Change and Establish the new Mason County Animal Control Fees. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: McHarry made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-57. Seconded by Parsley. Motion Carried by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION 2023-58 ADOPTION OF BOARD RULES AND PROCEDURES

The board then considered Resolution 2023-58 for Adoption of Board Rules and Procedures. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: Kreiling made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-58. Motion died due to lack of second. McHarry made a motion to table Resolution 2023-58. Seconded by Parsley. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-59 APPROVAL OF TEXT AMENDMENTS REGARDING BEHIND THE METER SOLAR ENERGY FACILITIES TO MASON COUNTY SOLAR ORDINANCE

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The board then considered Resolution 2023-59 for Approval of Text Amendments Regarding Behind the Meter Solar Energy Facilities to Mason County Solar Ordinance. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: McHarry made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-59. Seconded by Parsley. Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

The following motion was then made concerning a list of claims paid in vacation presented to the board for review and approval:

MOTION: E. Garlsich made a motion to approve the list of claims. Seconded by Kreiling. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m. until the next regular scheduled meeting that will be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

MOTION: McHarry made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Parsley. Motion carried.