

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MASON COUNTY BOARD

State of IL            )  
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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 September 12, 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: ELDON GARLISCH, SCOTT GARLISCH, RONALD KNOLLENBERG, DOROTHY KREILING, HUGH MCHARRY, DARELL SARFF and KENNETH WALKER. Bill Parsley 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:    Knollenberg made a motion to approve the May board minutes. Seconded by Kreiling. Motion carried.

APPEARANCES – PUBLIC COMMENT

Curt Wilkey – Re: Non-vehicle usage in the County. (no show)

Ryan Held from the Mason County Farm Bureau presented lapel pins to the board and a plaque in recognition of Mason County supporting the Mason County Farm Bureau.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board then considered the consent agenda as follows:

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REPORTS:

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

APPOINTMENTS BY CHAIRMAN:

- 1.    Randy Fornoff-Mason District Hospital-exp. 09/30/2026
- 2.    Carol Himmel-Mason District Hospital-exp. 09/30/2026
- 3.    Dan Gunter-Mason District Hospital-exp. 09/30/2026
- 4.    Hugh McHarry-Board of Health-exp. 07/01/2024
- 5.    Ronald Knollenberg-Board of Health-exp. 07/01/2025

RESOLUTIONS:

- 1.    Resolution 2023-91-Tax Agent Deed-Tucker Teubel-Parcel 02-31-311-005-\$925.00

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2. Resolution 2023-92-Tax Agent Deed-Dave Hibbert-Parcel 02-31-318-013-\$871.00
3. Resolution 2023-93-Tax Agent Deed-Tucker Teubel-05-31-101-063-\$900.00
4. Resolution 2023-94-Tax Agent Deed-James D.D. Whitley-07-06-203-004-\$1,260.00
5. Resolution 2023-95-Tax Agent Deed-Nathan Czuba-13-01-200-014-\$3,421.00
6. Resolution 2023-96-Tax Agent Deed-Mike Grelck-13-14-104-002-\$8,888.00
7. Resolution 2023-97-Tax Agent Deed-Illini Marine Service, John Yazell-16-17-125-008-\$1,801.00
8. Resolution 2023-98-Tax Agent Deed-Nathan Czuba-20-07-229-007-\$1,893.00
9. Resolution 2023-99-Tax Agent Deed-City of Mason City-20-08-106-005-\$838.00
10. Resolution 2023-100-Tax Agent Deed-Shawn McHenry-09-01-211-005-\$838.00

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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

MOTION: Sarff made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by E. Garlisch. Motion carried. McHarry requested a separate vote on the Randy Fornoff appointment to the Mason District Hospital Board. All members voted in favor with McHarry voting against the appointment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Code Enforcement Officer Trevor Koonce reported that he will be sending out warning letters to several people in the mobile home parks in hopes of getting things cleaned up in those areas.

Paul Gann reported for the Building & Grounds Committee that they are waiting on a transfer switch to finish all the HVAC project and two more rooms that were initially left out of the project still need HVAC work completed. Gann also reported that the carnival company did a great job cleaning up after themselves, but he would have liked for the garbage around the courthouse to have been cleaned up sooner than it was.

Dorothy Kreiling reported for the Emergency Services Committee that the Health Department has flu shots available, and they are offering public clinics at the schools and nursing homes. Kreiling also reported that there has been a rise in bat bites. Senior Care is still hiring. Kreiling noted that our hospital operates on the cloud, which makes us less apt to be hacked like the hospitals that have recently been hacked. Paul Gann shared information about the active shooter training they have been conducting. Richard Crum shared information about the conferences he has attended.

Ron Knollenberg reported for the Finance Committee that the budget is in progress and a meeting will be held on Friday, September 15, 2023.

Scott Garlisch reported for the Road & Bridge Committee that the county is still mowing and patching. Garlisch also noted that he believes we need to revisit our commercial solar ordinance to address mowing, weeds, and fines.

Hugh McHarry reported for the Special Problems Committee that the German Company (RWE) is contacting landowners now. He also noted that a Special Use Permit

has been submitted for the Rockdale Solar Project.

Chief Deputy Clerk Lori Wickman reported that Circuit Clerk Kate Nunn appointed Debbie Friend as her Chief Deputy and hired Theresa Cox. Nunn still needs to hire another deputy. Election packets are now available for pick up.

**RESOLUTION 2023-87 APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR COUNTY ENGINEER'S SALARY**

The board then considered Resolution 2023-87 for Approval of the Agreement for County Engineer's Salary. (see board file for resolution)

**MOTION:** S. Garlisch made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-87. Seconded by McHarry. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 2023-88 APPROVING RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE COUNTY ENGINEER'S SALARY**

The board then considered Resolution 2023-88 for Approval of the Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Payment of the County Engineer's Salary. (see board file for resolution)

**MOTION:** E. Garlisch made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-88. Seconded by Hugh. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 2023-89 APPROVING REVISED REAPPOINTMENT OF COUNTY ENGINEER**

The board then considered Resolution 2023-89 for Approval of the Revised Reappointment of County Engineer. (see board file for resolution)

**MOTION:** McHarry made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-89. Seconded by Knollenberg. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 2023-90 APPROVING PENNSYLVANIA TOWNSHIP COUNTY AID TO BRIDGES FOR A LARGE CULVERT REPLACEMENT ON 3330E**

The board then considered Resolution 2023-90 for Approval of Pennsylvania Township County Aid to Bridges for a Large Culvert Replacement on 3330E. (see board file for resolution)

**MOTION:** E. Garlisch made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-90. Seconded by Knollenberg. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION 2023-101 APPROVING A ZONING VARIANCE FROM SHANNON AND AMY BIKAI FOR ADDITIONAL GARAGE ON CAR DETAILING BUSINESS AT 32312 CR 2400N, MANITO IL**

The board then considered Resolution 2023-101 for Approval of a Zoning Variance from Shannon and Amy Bikai for Additional Garage on Car Detailing Business at 32312 CR 2400N, Manito, IL. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: McHarry made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-101. Seconded by E. Garlisch. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2023-102 APPROVAL FOR THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN OFF ON A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE COMMERCIAL BUILDING LOCATED AT 112-114 N ORANGE, HAVANA IL

The board then considered Resolution 2023-102 for Approval for the Chairman to sign off on a Contract to Purchase Commercial Building Located at 112-114 N Orange, Havana IL. (see board file for resolution)

MOTION: E. Garlisch made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-102. Seconded by Sarff. Motion carried. Darell Sarff abstained from voting.

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. Garlisch 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 recessed at 9:29 a.m. until the next regular meeting that will be held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

MOTION: Kreiling made a motion to recess. Seconded by McHarry. Motion carried.