Proceedings of the County Board of Gallatin County, IL

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

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(COUNTY OF GALLATIN)

The members of the County Board in and for the County of Gallatin, State of Illinois, met at the courthouse in Shawneetown, Illinois on Thursday, July 12, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. for a regular meeting.

Roll Call Present: Andrew Lunsford, Chairman; Gary Vickery, Vice Chairman; Lisa Coonse; Randy Drone; Warren Rollman

Absent: None

Others: Lori Hise- Supervisor of Assessments, Brittney Lane-G.C. Circuit Clerk, James Ivy; Deaconess EMS, Terry Schmitt, Kate Rollman

Attest: Deanna Bryant, County Clerk

Chairman Andrew Lunsford called the meeting to order.

Motion #1 by Randy Drone, seconded by Lisa Gary Vickery to approve the minutes of the June 15th, 2023 meeting. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried. 5-0

Motion #2 by Randy Drone, seconded by Lisa Coonse to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2023 Special Meeting. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried. 5-0.

The Financial Report was given by David Barker, County Treasurer. He reported the County Corporate Fund had an ending balance of \$757,385.20 for the month ending June 30, 2023. Receipts total for the month of June was \$170,547.01 and expenditures in the amount of \$208,055.28.

Motion #2 by Lisa Coonse and seconded by Warren Rollman to accept the Financial Report for the month ending, June 2023. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried. 5-0

Motion #4 by Warren Rollman and seconded by Gary Vickery to pay the bills as presented. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried. 5-0.

Bills for Road and Bridge were table due to Justin Hastie; County Engineer being unable to attend the meeting.

In Old Business:

Motion #6 by Randy Drone, seconded by Lisa Coonse to approve the service agreement with Brown and Roberts for work to be done on the Asbury Township bridge. **Attachment A:**

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In New Business:

Motion #7 was made by Gary Vickery seconded by Warren Rollman to reject the ambulance bid from Deaconess EMS. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried 5-0.

The board discussed reviewing the current bid stipulations and reposting the bid packets after the August meeting.

Motion #8 by Gary Vickery seconded by Warren Rollman to approve the COLA Resolution for the State's Attorney Salary. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried. 5-0 **Attachment B.**

Motion #9 by Randy Drone, seconded by Lisa Coonse to approve the resolution setting the Sheriff's salary at 80% of the State's Attorney Salary.

Motion #10 by Warren Rollman seconded by Gary Vickery to accept the Annual Audit Report from Botsch and Associates. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried. 5-0 **Attachment C.**

Deanna Bryant, County Clerk presented to the board a contract to outsource payroll due to ongoing issues with current payroll software and the workload of the office with the upcoming presidential election. The yearly cost of \$7,500 would be paid out of the County Clerk fund.

Motion #11 by Warren Rollman and seconded by Gary Vickery to reject the proposal. Roll Call Vote. Motion Carried. 4-1.

Motion#12 by Randy Drone, seconded by Lisa Coonse to approve Contingency Request to pay Bellwether the first payment of \$6,000 for budget and levy services. Motion Carried. Roll Call Vote. 5-0.

Attachment D.

Motion #13 by Warren Rollman, seconded by Gary Vickery to approve a contingency request to pay to have the stumps removed at the back of the courthouse.

Motion #14 by Warren Rollman, seconded by Gary Vickery to set the Courthouse holiday schedule for 2024 as presented with the exemption of the Juneteenth holiday from the schedule.

Attachment E.

Brittany Lane, Circuit Clerk asked why the Juneteenth Holiday was left off the schedule. Warren Rollman said since it was the newest holiday added and other area counties were no taking it that it shouldn't be included in the list.

Motion #15 by Warren Rollman, seconded by Gary Vickery to approve the hiring of Attorney Rhett Barke to represent the county in the upcoming union negotiations.

Motion #10 by Warren Rollman, seconded by Lisa Coonse to hire Diane Koerber on a contract basis to seek out and write grants for the county.

Motion #11 by Randy Drone, seconded by Lisa Coonse to enter into Executive Session.

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Motion #12 by Randy Drone seconded by Warren Rollman to close Executive Session and open back into the open meeting. Ayes 5 Nay 0.

Motion to adjourn by Randy Drone, Seconded by Lisa Coonse.