

**Kankakee County  
County Board Meeting  
February 8, 2022**

The meeting of the Kankakee County Board, Kankakee, Illinois, held on February 8, 2022 pursuant to the adjourned meeting of September 14, 2021 was called to order at 9:00 a.m., by the Chairman of the Board, Mr. Wheeler. Mr. Miller delivered the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The following members were present:

Mr. Hess, Mrs. Polk, Mr. Snipes, Mr. Sirois, Mr. Liehr, Mrs. Webber, Mrs. Peters, Mr. Payton, Mrs. Parker, Mr. Fairfield, Mr. Carrico, Mr. Ekhoﬀ, Mr. Swanson, Mr. Fetherling, Mr. Dunnill, Mr. Miller, Mr. Long, Mr. Kerkstra, Mr. Hunter, Ms. Bryan, Ms. Hudson, Mr. Smith, Mr. Alexander-Hildebrand, Mr. Gowler, Mr. Rayman, Mr. Wheeler

**Members Absent** – Mr. Tholen, Mr. Collins

Mr. Long made a motion to approve Mr. Hunter via zoom. Mr. Dunnill seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Quorum – Present**

**Public Commentary - None**

**Presentation – None**

**Vacancy Appointments – None**

**Proclamation – None**

**Certificates of Appreciation – None**

**Minutes of the Last Meeting**

The minutes of the January 11, 2022 meeting were submitted to the County Board for approval. The reading of the minutes was waived. Ms. Hudson made a motion to accept the minutes. Mrs. Polk seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Claims Committee Reports**

A motion to approve the claims reports from December 2021 were made by Mr. Swanson and seconded by Mr. Fairfield. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 26 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Department Reports**

The department reports were read and accepted on the motion of Mr. Dunnill and seconded by Mr. Liehr. Motion carried by voice vote.

1. County Collector’s Monthly Report for December 2021
2. County Treasurer’s Monthly Report for December 2021
3. Coroner’s Monthly Reports for December 2021

4. Coroner's Monthly Receipts for December 2021
5. Circuit Clerk's Monthly Reports for December 2021
6. Recorder's Monthly Reports for December 2021
7. County Clerk's Monthly Reports for December 2021
8. Kankakee County Building Report November and December 2021
9. Animal Control's Monthly Reports for December 2021
10. Monthly Resolution List for February 2022

## **Committee Presentations and Resolutions**

### **Consent Agenda**

Mrs. Parker made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Ms. Hudson seconded the motion. Mr. Hendrickson, County Clerk, read the items into the record. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 26 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

- *Appointment of Brett Harrod to the Zoning Board of Appeals (16)*
- *Declaration of Computer Equipment as Surplus for the Kankakee County Sheriff's Department (17)*

### **Highway and Buildings**

Mr. Ekhoﬀ made a motion to approve the *Concurring Resolution (18)*. Mr. Swanson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 26 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

### **Planning, Zoning and Agriculture**

Mr. Ekhoﬀ made a motion to approve the *Kankakee County Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Consultant (19)*. Mr. Fetherling seconded the motion. Mr. Skimerhorn explained the resolution. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 26 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

### **Executive Session**

Mr. Carrico made a motion to enter executive session at 9:15 a.m. for the purpose of Employment Matter Involving Specific Employee(s) - 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2). Mr. Gowler seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 26 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

Mrs. Polk made a motion to exit executive session at 9:30 a.m. Mr. Payton seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Swanson made a motion to *Appoint Gregory Heiden as County Engineer* for a six-year term from 3/27/2022 through 1/1/2028 at 100% of the IDOT recommended salary. Ms. Bryan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 26 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

### **Finance**

Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the *Property Tax Abatement for Tax Year 2021 Payable 2022 to be Abated in its Entirety (21)*. Mrs. Peters seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 26 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

Mr. Liehr made a motion to approve the *Amendments to the Combined Annual Budget and Appropriation for Kankakee County, Illinois 2020-2021 Fiscal Year (22)*. Mr. Fairfield seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 26 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

### **ARPA Fund Projects -Consent Agenda**

Mr. Kerkstra made a motion to approve the ARPA Fund Projects with the resolution *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 098 – Lost Revenue Fund to the Kankakee County Sheriff Department – EOC Equipment Upgrade (31)* to be read separately. Mrs. Parker seconded the motion. Mr. Hendrickson, County Clerk, read the items into the record. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 26 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 095 – American Rescue Plan Fund to Advantage Copy & Repair (23)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 095- American Rescue Plan Fund to Hemenover Construction (24)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 095 – American Rescue Plan Fund to New Beginnings for Cats (25)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 095 – American Rescue Plan Fund to Two Rivers Supply (26)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 095 – American Rescue Plan Fund to the Kankakee County Clerk's Office – Election Judge Training Program (27)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 098 – Lost Revenue Fund to Shoup Manufacturing (28)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 098 – Lost Revenue Fund for Circuit Clerk and Sheriff Copier (29)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 098 – Lost Revenue Fund to the Kankakee County Clerk's Office – Outdoor Ballot Box (30)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 098 – Lost Revenue Fund to the Kankakee County Sheriff Department – Shield Force (32)*

Mr. Fairfield made a motion to approve the resolution *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2021 Fund Number 098 – Lost Revenue Fund to the Kankakee County Sheriff Department – EOC Equipment Upgrade (31)*. Mr. Long seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 25 ayes to 1 nay (Mr. Rayman). Motion carried.

### **Openings**

- There is one opening on the Claussen Park Drainage District
- There is one opening on the Exline Creek Drainage District
- There is one opening on the McGillivray Special Drainage District
- There are two openings on the Canavan Drainage District
- There are two openings on the Manteno No.9 Drainage District
- There are two openings on the Bourbonnais Fire Protection District

### **New Business --**

Mr. Wheeler acknowledged and thanked Anita Speckman, County Administrator, for all her extra duties and meeting deadlines in which he stated they were lucky to have her.

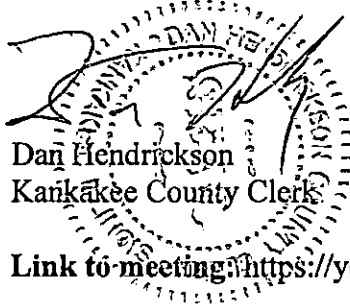
**Old Business – None**

**Other Business – None**

**Adjournment**

Mr. Hess made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:46 a.m. Mr. Kerkstra seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Dan Hendrickson  
Kankakee County Clerk

Link to meeting: <https://youtu.be/g5cchjrz99w>

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