

**Kankakee County
County Board Meeting
May 10, 2022**

The meeting of the Kankakee County Board, Kankakee, Illinois, held on May 10, 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. Tholen, 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. Hudson, Mr. Smith, Mr. Alexander-Hildebrand, Mr. Rayman, Mr. Wheeler

Members Absent – Mr. Hess, Ms. Bryan, Mr. Collins, Mr. Gowler

Quorum – Present

Public Commentary –

Gene Rademacher and Jim Crocker from Grant Park, IL spoke regarding their approval of the reappointment of trustee, Tony Brunello for Grant Park Fire Protection District.

Steven Hunter spoke regarding that it was good to be back and thanked all for the well wishes for him.

Presentation –

Lori Gadbois and Staci Wilken gave a presentation on the Kankakee County Convention & Visitors Bureau. Mrs. Polk thanked the Kankakee County Convention & Visitors Bureau for helping with the Miss Senior Illinois Competition.

Vacancy Appointments – None

Proclamation – None

Certificates of Appreciation –

10 Years

Tricia Donahoe, Corrections
Douglas Hayden, Sheriff's Dept.
Kerry Hartman, Maintenance
Damian Martin, Maintenance

45 Years

Stephen Blanchette, Highway Dept.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the April 12, 2022 meeting were submitted to the County Board for approval. The reading of the minutes was waived. Mrs. Parker made a motion to accept the minutes. Mr. Payton seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Claims Committee Reports

A motion to approve the claims reports from March 2022 were made by Mr. Liehr and seconded by Mr. Ekhoﬀ. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 24 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

Department Reports

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

1. County Collector's Monthly Report for March 2022
2. County Treasurer's Monthly Report for March 2022
3. Coroner's Monthly Reports for March 2022
4. Coroner's Monthly Receipts for March 2022
5. Circuit Clerk's Monthly Reports for March 2022
6. Recorder's Monthly Reports for March 2022
7. County Clerk's Monthly Reports for March 2022
8. Kankakee County Building Report March 2022
9. Animal Control's Monthly Reports for March 2022
10. Monthly Resolution List for May 2022
11. Quarterly Report of the Iroquois and Kankakee Regional Superintendent of Schools

Committee Presentations and Resolutions

Consent Agenda

Mr. Tholen made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the *Appointment of Jamyce Cleggett to the Kankakee County Housing Authority (76)* and *Appointment of Patrick Pahl to the Grant Park Fire Protection District (78)* (corrected scrivener's error which was written as reappointment) to be read separately. Mr. Long seconded the motion. Mr. Hendrickson, County Clerk, read the items into the record. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 23 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

- *Appointment of Mark O'Connor to the Limestone Township Fire Protection District (74)*
- *Appointment of Glenn Wulff to the fill an unexpired term on the Emergency Telephone System Board (75)*
- *Reappointment of Brian Stauffenberg to the Manteno Fire Protection District (77)*
- *Reappointment of Robert Casino to the Bourbonnais Fire Protection District*
- *Reappointment of David Hinderliter to the River Valley Metro Mass Transit District*
- *Reappointment of Kevin Buente to the McGillvray Drainage District*
- *Reappointment of Kyle Kraetzer to the Kankakee Valley Airport Authority*
- *Reappointment of Steve Cote to the Board of Review*
- *Declaring Equipment as Surplus – EOC Projectors at Sheriff's Department*

Mr. Liehr made a motion to approve the resolution of the *Appointment of Jamyce Cleggett to the Kankakee County Housing Authority (76)*. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Mr. Snipes stated what raised his eyebrows was the process of appointing an individual and would be voting nay. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 21 ayes to 3 nays (Snipes, Peters, Hudson). Motion carried.

Mr. Ekhoﬀ made a motion to approve the resolution of the *Appointment of Patrick Pahl to the Grant Park Fire Protection District (78)*. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. Mr. Ekhoﬀ spoke in favor of Mr. Pahl. Mr. Snipes asked to do diligence in the process and would vote nay. Mrs. Peters stated she would support Gene Rademacher. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 19 ayes to 5 nays (Tholen, Snipes, Peters, Miller, Hudson). Motion carried.

Community Services

Mrs. Webber made a motion to approve the resolution of *Waiving Recorder’s Fee for Unlawful Covenant Modifications (85)*. Mrs. Parker seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Planning, Zoning and Agricultural

Mrs. Webber made a motion to approve the *Kankakee County Zoning Map Amendments – 2022 (86)*. Mr. Long seconded the motion. Delbert Skimerhorn explained the amendments. Motion carried by voice vote.

Mr. Skimerhorn mentioned a Solar Farm Application was received for a 2800 Acre Solar Farm in Essex and part of Salina Township. A public hearing will be held on June 6, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the Kankakee Library in which notices would be going out regarding that hearing.

Finance

Mr. Fetherling made a motion to approve *Setting the Salary for the Kankakee County Sheriff (87)*, *Setting the Salary for the Kankakee County Clerk (88)* and *Setting the Salary for the Kankakee County Treasurer (89)*. Mr. Swanson seconded the motion. Mr. Wheeler explained the resolutions. A roll call vote was taken with the motion passing 23 ayes to 1 nay (Mr. Rayman). Motion carried.

ARPA Fund Projects -Consent Agenda

Mr. Hunter made a motion to approve ARPA Fund Projects. 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 24 ayes to 0 nays. Motion carried.

- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2022 Fund Number 095 – American Rescue Plan Fund to Wright in Kankakee (90)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from FY2022 Fund Number 095 – American Rescue Plan Fund to Kankakee Eastside Junior Football League (91)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from Fy2022 Fund Number 095 – American Rescue Plan Fund to Kankakee Regional Landbank (92)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from Fy2022 Fund Number 095 – American Rescue Plan Fund to Rincon for Community Needs Assessment Compensation (93)*
- *Authorizing Expenditure from Fy2022 Fund Number 095 – American Rescue Plan Fund to Rincon-Management of Social Services Funds (94)*
- *Amending Resolution 2021-10-12-377 – SAO Digitization of files (95)*
- *Authorization for 2020-2021 ARPA Program Funding (96)*

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 Cabery Fire Protection District

There is one opening on Pilot Township Fire Protection District

There is one opening on the St. Anne Fire Protection District

There is one opening on the Sheriff Merit Commission (Republican)

There is one opening on the University of Illinois Extension (Board Member)

There is one opening on the Kankakee County Board of Health (Board Member)

There are two openings on the Kankakee County Board of Health (Member-at-Large)

There are two openings on the Kankakee River Valley Forest Preserve District Board

There are two openings on the Canavan Drainage District

There are two openings on the Manteno No.9 Drainage District

New Business –

Mr. Snipes commented on thinking of conservative ways to help restrict the rise of gas prices.

Old Business –

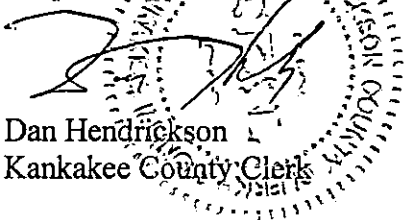
Mr. Snipes spoke about ARPA funds.

Other Business – None

Adjournment

Mr. Kerkstra made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 a.m. Mr. Ekhoﬀ seconded the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted:



Dan Hendrickson
Kankakee County Clerk

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