

Date: August 3, 2020

**FINANCE, SALARIES, POLICY & PURCHASING,
(LAW ENFORCEMENT/SHERIFF/MERIT BOARD/
COURTS) AND (LABOR NEGOTIATIONS)
DECEMBER 2019 THRU NOVEMBER 2020
FIRST AND THIRD MONDAYS OF THE MONTH
COUNTY BOARD ROOM AT THE CAMPBELL BLDG. AT 4:30 P.M.******

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- Larry Miller - Grants
- Kevin Weston - Labor Negotiations
- Ray Minor - Labor Negotiations
- Matt Donkin - Labor Negotiations
- Neil Hargis - Labor Negotiations
- Alan Price - Labor Negotiations
- Jack Warren - Labor Negotiations
- Randal Crocker - County Board Chair – Grants

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- David Bartoni, Sheriff
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- Phillip Butler, State's Attorney
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- Judge Tom Tedeschi,
- Monica Urban, Probation
- Steve Vercellino, Treasurer
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Guests.....Terry Harger, DoIT Illinois, Don Miklos, County Highway, and other interested parties.

MINUTES: ****Due to COVID19 the Franklin County Board Committee meetings and Franklin County Board meetings were held at Tino's on the Tee Banquet Room located at Rend Lake Golf Course, 12476 Golf Course Drive, Whittington, IL. Those attending were asked to wear masks, and observe all social distancing guidelines. This will be the board's designated meeting location until further notice.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by Chairman John Gulley. See above for list of those attending.

Terry Harger, Cyber Navigator representing Illinois DoIT, explained to the Board what his department was currently doing throughout the state to increase internet security for election offices. This security is now being offered to other government departments located in the same building and sharing fiber with the election office. This program has the potential of being installed by the state with no charge, increasing the amount of internet speed, accessing the firewall, and eliminating the cost of internet to the county for those offices involved for an indefinite period of time. The board agreed to have Mr. Harger proceed to determine if the other county offices could benefit from this project.

John Gulley then submitted the County claims which were approved and signed by all members present.

Franklin County Treasurer, Steve Vercellino explained the county claims and reported on the County finances including release on tourism's funding. The treasurer's department will be ready to send real estate taxes out on Friday, August 7th. The first payment will be due September 11, 2020 and the second payment will be due on October 23, 2020. At this time, approximately 80% of mobile home taxes has been collected. The drop-box on the outside wall of the Campbell Building will be available for payment of taxes this year and a security camera has been put in place to help secure that location.

Chairman Gulley then announced that 2020-2021 Budget Hearings would be August 6th and 7th. This year, those hearings will be held at the Farm Bureau building and all county board members were asked to be at the meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 4:51 PM.

Minutes submitted 08/12/2020

John Gulley

Chair, Finance Committee

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Treasurer Steve Vercellino updated the board on the county's financial situation.

- The Sheriff's office had purchased cameras for \$25,100 which would be reimbursed thru a grant.
- The 3rd tax anticipation warrant has been activated.
- Medova (county employee's health insurance) is 1 month behind but Vercellino spoke to them at the beginning of the pandemic and has an agreement on a schedule to bring it back to current payments
- The 1% sales tax had a strong month – over \$219,000 was collected.
- Vercellino also gave a report on the real estate collection – approximately \$820,000 has already been paid.
- Vercellino had been able to put together a report on the financing for the courthouse construction based on the bids received. He explained the report to the board (see attached copy).

Gulley then have a short discussion concerning the past budget hearings and informed the board that he should have a first draft at the September meeting.

Circuit Clerk Jim Muir updated the board on a positive turn for one of his employees concerning the insurance issues

Randall Crocker explained to the board that Navigate Building Solutions would be at the following night's meeting to explain the bids on the courthouse and the progress that has taken place to date. Discussion followed.

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 PM.

Minutes submitted 09/02/2020
John Gulley
Chair, Finance Committee