

THURSDAY, A.M.

STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
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COUNTY OF PIATT )

The County Board of Piatt County convened in Courtroom No. 1 in the Courthouse in the City of Monticello, County of Piatt and State of Illinois on Thursday, the 13th day of February, A.D. 2020, at the hour of 9 o'clock in the morning and was called to order by County Board Chairman Ray Spencer.

On roll call the following Board Members and County Officers responded: County Board Members, Shannon Carroll, Renee Freundt, Dale Lattz, Robert Murrell, Randy Shumard, and Ray Spencer; Sheriff David Hunt and County Clerk Jennifer Harper. On proclamation by Chairman Spencer, the Honorable County Board was declared to be in session pursuant to adjournment.

MINUTES

MOTION was made by Lattz, seconded by Murrell, that the minutes of the January 8, 2020 meeting be approved as read and recorded. On voice vote, motion carried.

COUNTY TREASURER’S REPORT

MOTION was made by Shumard, seconded by Carroll, that the report be approved and filed for audit. The report is recorded on page . On voice vote, motion carried.

ZONING ORDINANCE - SPECIAL USE PERMIT  
(Plunk Brothers Inc – Blue Ridge Township)

Keri Nusbaum, Piatt County Zoning Officer, in and for the County of Piatt, presented an application for a Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Factors for a Special Use Permit, Blue Ridge Township to construct grain storage facilities with variation exemptions to height regulations. The Ordinance and zoning factors are recorded on page

MOTION was made by Carroll, seconded by Lattz, that the ordinance be passed. Ayes, Carroll, Lattz, Shumard, and Spencer. Nays, None. Abstain, Freundt and Murrell. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 2 abstain, motion carried.

ZONING ORDINANCE – ZONING VARIATION  
(Angela Norman – Willow Branch Township)

Keri Nusbaum, Piatt County Zoning Officer, in and for the County of Piatt, presented an application of a Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Factors for a Zoning Variance, Willow Branch Township to allow construction of a new single-family dwelling. The Ordinance and zoning factors are recorded on page

MOTION was made by Shumard, seconded by Carroll, that the ordinance be passed. Ayes, Shumard, Spencer, Carroll, Lattz, and Murrell. Nays, None. Abstain, Fruendt. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstain, motion carried.

ZONING ORDINANCE - SPECIAL USE PERMIT  
(Joshua Cothren & Ronald Falk – Goose Creek Township)

Keri Nusbaum, Zoning Officer in and for the County of Piatt, presented an application for a Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Factors for a Special Use Permit, Goose Creek Township for a Cannabis Craft Grow Facility. The Ordinance and zoning factors are recorded on page

MOTION was made by Shumard, seconded by Lattz, that the ordinance be passed. Ayes, Shumard, Spencer, Carroll, and Lattz. Nays, Murrell. Abstain, Fruendt. 5 ayes, 1 nays, 1 abstain, motion carried.

COUNTY BRIDGE FUND PETITION  
(Willow Branch Township)

Eric Seibring, Engineer in and for the County of Piatt, presented a County Bridge Fund Petition for Emergency repair project of a box culvert in Willow Branch Township. The Petition is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Carroll, seconded by Fruendt that the Petition be approved. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Carroll, Fruendt, Lattz, Murrell, Shumard, and Spencer. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

HIGHWAY RESOLUTION  
(FOR IMPROVEMENT (Allerton Park Road))

Eric Seibring, Engineer in and for the County of Piatt, presented a Resolution for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code for Allerton Park Road. The Resolution is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Fruendt, seconded by Carroll, that the Resolution be adopted. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Fruendt, Lattz, Murrell, Shumard, Spencer, and Carroll. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

### RATIFY CIVILIANS CONTRACT WITH FOP

MOTION was made by Lattz, seconded by Fruendt to approve the Civilians Contract between the FOP and the County of Piatt, and authorize County Board Chairman Spencer to sign said contract. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Lattz, Murrell, Shumard, Spencer, Carroll, and Fruendt. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

### PURCHASE OF KIRBY BUILDING

Steve Tenhouse, Chief Executive Officer, in and for Kirby Medical Center, gave history of the building located at 1109 N. State Street. Shumard responded wanting further information and research done, he made comment that the maintenance department may not be able to handle the additional workload.

MOTION was made by Shumard to table the purchase, no second was made.

MOTION was made by Lattz, seconded by Carroll, to approve the purchase of the Kirby Building, located at 1109 N. State Street, Monticello. Lattz wanted clarification on the use restrictions of the building if approved for purchase. The ancillary services were in question as a current chiropractor business is located there and the need of space for the Piatt County Mental Health Department. Murrell is also concerned about the ancillary service restriction and the funding to purchase the building. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Lattz, Spencer, and Carroll. Nays, Murrell, Shumard, and Fruendt. 3 ayes, 3 nays, motion denied.

### EXECUTIVE COUNTY BOARD & COMMITTEE SESSION MINUTES

MOTION was made by Carroll, seconded by Fruendt, that all Executive Board and Committee session meeting minutes remain private and closed to the public. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Carroll, Fruendt, Lattz, Murrell, Shumard, and Spencer. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

**RESOLUTION**  
**SECOND AMENDMENT SANCTUARY COUNTY**

MOTION was made by Shumard, seconded by Carroll, to approve the resolution on the Second Amendment Sanctuary County. Chairman Spencer wanted clarification on the paragraph directing the County Clerk notifying the Legislature and the funding. Clerk Harper read the paragraph directing certified copies of the Resolution be delivered to all members of the Illinois General Assembly and the Office of the Governor, with an estimated cost of \$800-\$1000. Shumard asked for Assistant States Attorney to respond. ASA Dobson said 3 copies would be sufficient notice of Piatt County intentions and the Resolution could be amended. Lattz noted he is not in favor of the resolution at this time and would like to see comments from the citizens of Piatt County and he has concerns about the language in the resolution. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Shumard. Nays, Spencer, Carroll, Freundt, Lattz, and Murrell. 1 aye, 5 nays, motion denied.

MOTION was made by Carroll, seconded by Murrell to table the resolution on the Second Amendment Sanctuary County. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Carroll, Freundt, Lattz, Murrell, Shumard, and Spencer. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

**BELLWETHER – LETTER OF AGREEMENT**

Ray Spencer, Piatt County Board Chairman, in and for the County of Piatt, presented a letter of agreement between Piatt County and Bellwether LLC for Budget Development Services. The Letter of Agreement is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Carroll, seconded by Murrell, that the Letter of Agreement be approved. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Carroll, Freundt, Lattz, Murrell, Shumard, and Spencer. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF CORONER**

Ray Spencer, County Board Chairman on behalf of Troy Dunn, presented the Annual Report of the Piatt County Coroner and is recorded on page

### COUNTY CLAIMS

The report of claims against the County of Piatt was presented by Dale Lattz, with Highway Claims totaling \$76,008.01 and County Claims totaling \$78,791.89. The report is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Lattz, seconded by Fruendt, that the report be approved, claims totaling \$154,799.90 be allowed and that the County Clerk and County Treasurer be authorized to issue county warrants in compliance therewith. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Lattz, Shumard, Spencer, Fruendt and Carroll. Nays, Murrell. 5 ayes, 1 nay, motion carried.

### PAID OUT CLAIMS

The report of claims paid out against the County of Piatt was presented by Dale Lattz and is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Lattz, seconded by Murrell, that the report be approved and claims totaling \$759,553.88 be allowed. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Lattz, Murrell, Shumard, Spencer, Fruendt and Carroll. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

### MENTAL HEALTH CLAIMS

The report of claims against the County of Piatt for operation of the Piatt County Mental Health Center was presented by Renee Fruendt and is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Fruendt, seconded by Murrell, that the report be approved, claims totaling \$165,620.72 be allowed and that the County Clerk and County Treasurer be authorized to issue county warrants in compliance therewith. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Fruendt, Lattz, Murrell, Shumard, Spencer, and Carroll. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

### MENTAL HEALTH CLAIMS (Capital Account)

The report of claims against the County of Piatt for the operation of the Piatt County Mental Health Capital Account was presented by Renee Fruendt and is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Fruendt, seconded by Murrell, that the report be approved, claims totaling \$5,972.88 be allowed and that the County Clerk and County Treasurer be authorized to issue county warrants in compliance therewith. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Fruendt, Lattz, Murrell, Shumard, Spencer, and Carroll. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

### TRANSPORTATION CLAIMS

The report of claims against the County of Piatt for operation of Piatt County Public Transportation was presented by Robert Murrell and is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Murrell, seconded by Fruendt, that the report be approved, claims totaling \$122,476.86 be allowed and that the County Clerk and County Treasurer be authorized to issue county warrants in compliance therewith. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Murrell, Shumard, Spencer, Carroll, Fruendt and Lattz. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

NURSING HOME CLAIMS

The report of claims against the County of Piatt for operation of the Piatt County Nursing Home was presented by Randy Shumard and is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Shumard, seconded by Carroll, that the report be approved, claims totaling \$235,188.65 be allowed and that the County Clerk and County Treasurer be authorized to issue county warrants in compliance therewith. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Shumard, Spencer, Carroll, Fruendt, Lattz, and Murrell. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

MAPLE POINT CLAIMS

The report of claims against the County of Piatt for operation of Maple Point was presented by Randy Shumard and is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Shumard, seconded by Carroll, that the report be approved, claims totaling \$24,481.67 be allowed and that the County Clerk and County Treasurer be authorized to issue county warrants in compliance therewith. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Shumard, Spencer, Carroll, Fruendt, Lattz, and Murrell. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

MAPLE POINT CLAIMS  
(Funded Depreciation)

The report of Funded Depreciation Claims against the County of Piatt for operation of Maple Point was presented by Randy Shumard and is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Shumard, seconded by Carroll, that the report be approved, claims totaling \$5,869.98 be allowed and that the County Clerk and County Treasurer be authorized to issue county warrants in compliance therewith. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Shumard, Spencer, Carroll, Fruendt, Lattz, and Murrell. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT TO PIATT COUNTY NURSING HOME  
FOUNDATION BOARD  
(Diane Williams)

Chairman Spencer appointed Diane Williams as a member of the Piatt County Nursing Home Foundation Board, terms to expire January 2023 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Spencer, seconded by Murrell, to concur the appointment. On voice vote, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT TO PIATT COUNTY NURSING HOME  
FOUNDATION BOARD  
(Ron Weishaar)

Chairman Spencer appointed Ron Weishaar as a member of the Piatt County Nursing Home Foundation Board, terms to expire January 2023 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Spencer, seconded by Carroll, to concur the appointment. On voice vote, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF WILLIAM KIDD TO  
FARMLAND ASSESSMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Chairman Spencer appointed William Kidd, as a member of the Farmland Assessment Review Committee term, to expire December 1, 2025 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Spencer, seconded by Fruendt, to concur the appointment. On voice vote, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF BROOKS MARSH TO  
MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY

Chairman Spencer appointed Brooks Marsh as a member of the Mahomet Valley Water Authority Board, term to expire January 2023 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Spencer, seconded by Carroll, to concur the appointment. On voice vote, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF DAN ADOMITIS TO  
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

Chairman Spencer appointed Dan Adomitis as a member of the Emergency Telephone System Board terms to expire January 2023 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Spencer, seconded by Lattz, to concur the appointments. On voice vote, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF CRYSTAL ALEXANDER TO  
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

Chairman Spencer appointed Crystal Alexander as a member of the Emergency Telephone System Board terms to expire January 2023 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Spencer, seconded by Murrell, to concur the appointments. On voice vote, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF DAVID LANSFORD TO  
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

Chairman Spencer appointed David Lansford as a member of the Emergency Telephone System Board terms to expire January 2023 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Spencer, seconded by Shumard, to concur the appointments. On voice vote, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF JOHN CARTER TO  
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

Chairman Spencer appointed John Carter as a member of the Emergency Telephone System Board terms to expire January 2022 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Spencer, seconded by Freundt, to concur the appointments. On voice vote, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF DOUG WINDER TO  
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

Chairman Spencer appointed Doug Winder as a member of the Emergency Telephone System Board terms to expire January 2022 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Spencer, seconded by Carroll, to concur the appointments. On voice vote, motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF MIKE HOLMES TO  
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

Chairman Spencer appointed Mike Holmes as a member of the Emergency Telephone System Board terms to expire January 2021 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Spencer, seconded by Shumard, to concur the appointments. On voice vote, motion carried.



### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Elizabeth Dobson- Asst States Attorney – commented on the State’s Attorney’s role, the Grand Jury proceedings, the law for removal of the chair status, and FOIA requests.

Jake Lieb – Monticello Township – asked if the Professional Building purchase is going to be revisited.

Jeff Hanley – Monticello Township- commented he is the owner of Audibel and is interested in leasing space in the Professional Building if the County would approve the purchase of the building. He also offered help with the purchase in exchange for space.

Mike Westjohn – Willow Branch Township – asked Mr. Tenhouse if a citizen could purchase the Professional Building then the County payback when financially in a better position.

Sandy Smith – Willow Branch Township – made comment on the County making sweeping statements on behalf of the citizens and should not be making political statements. She would also like to see the Second Amendment Sanctuary Resolution on the November ballot.

Mike Nolan – Sangamon Township – Would like the County to address the Nuisance Ordinance.

Amanda Pankau – Sangamon Township – Thanked the County Board for tabling the Second Amendment Sanctuary Resolution. She has concerns on the resolution.

Kyle Gerlach – Sangamon Township – made comment on gun laws and the Second Amendment Sanctuary Resolution.

Steve Shreffler – Monticello Township – made comment on the Second Amendment Sanctuary Resolution.

### ADJOURNMENT

At 10:12 a.m., MOTION was made by Carroll, seconded by Murrell, that the Honorable County Board adjourn to Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, A.D. 2020, at the hour of 9 o’clock of the forenoon. On voice vote, motion carried.

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Piatt County Clerk