# PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023 WEDNESDAY, A.M.

# STATE OF ILLINOIS ) ) SS COUNTY OF PIATT )

The County Board of Piatt County convened in the County Board Room in the Courthouse in the City of Monticello, County of Piatt, and State of Illinois on Wednesday, the 12th day of April, A.D. 2023, at the hour of 9 o'clock in the morning and was called to order by Chair Todd Henricks.

On roll call the following Board Members and County Officers responded: County Board Members, Michael Beem, Jerry Edwards, Paul Foran, Todd Henricks, Gail Jones, and Kathleen Piatt; State's Attorney Sarah Perry. On proclamation by Chair Henricks, the Honorable County Board was declared to be in session pursuant to adjournment. Chair Henricks nominated Vice Chair Edwards to run the meeting due to his inability at this time.

#### **MINUTES**

MOTION was made by Edwards, seconded by Beem, that the minutes of the March 8, 2023, regular meeting be approved as read and recorded. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, Jones, Piatt, and Beem. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

#### **MINUTES**

MOTION was made by Edwards, seconded by Beem, that the minutes of the March 16, 2023, special meeting be approved as read and recorded. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, Jones, Piatt, and Beem. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

#### COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT

MOTION was made by Piatt, seconded by Jones, that the report be approved and filed for audit. The report is filed on page . On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Piatt, Beem, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, and Jones. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Dustin Harmon and Jake Johnson, Bellwether LLC, Administrator in and for Piatt County, made statements regarding the ARPA reporting approaching and they have been working with the County Clerk & Recorder on the fee study for the statutes coming in the near future. In addition, they have prepared a letter of disciplinary for the file of the Transportation Director. Dustin would also like to request a rescheduling of the County Board Meeting for May as it is scheduled for the same date of the IACO Conference. The agreed date of the new meeting is May 17, 2023, at 9 am.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Brett Hermann – Goose Creek Twp – Special Use Permit – Made comment on the upcoming vote for the Special Use Permit application.

Amanda Pankau – Sangamon Twp – Introduced herself and gave reasoning to be appointed to the Mahomet Valley Water Authority.

Jonathan Williams & Mallory Wentworth – from US Representative Nikki Budzinski's Office – introduced themselves and gave contact information.

#### CONSENT MOTION FOR FOLLOWING ITEMS

MOTION was made by Beem, seconded by Henricks, that the following items be approved, filed, recorded, and Vice Chair Edwards be authorized to sign on behalf of the County if applicable. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Beem, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, Jones, and Piatt. 6 ayes, 0 nays, Motion carried.

- a. Resolution Highway To Award Motor Fuel Tax (County)- Recorded on Page
- b. Resolution Highway To Award Motor Fuel Tax (Township) Recorded on Page -
- c. Appointment Charlie Montgomery Piatt County Nursing Home Foundation Board
  Recorded on page -

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# REPLACING COUNTY BOARD TABLETS

MOTION was made by Piatt, seconded by Beem, to table the purchase of County Board Tablets, until more detailed pricing can be obtained for software and hardware to be placed on the tablets. On voice vote, motion carried.

# ZONING ORDINANCE – SPECIAL USE PERMIT (Brett Hermann – Goose Creek Township)

Keri Nusbaum, Piatt County Zoning Officer, in and for the County of Piatt, presented an application of a Zoning Ordinance for a Special Use Permit for an event venue and is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Beem, seconded by Foran, that the Special Use Permit for the event venue be adopted and Vice Chair Edwards be authorized to sign in and for the County of Piatt. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Beem, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, Jones, and Piatt. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

#### ZONING ORDINANCE – VARIANCE (Andrew Ducker – Sangamon Township)

Keri Nusbaum, Piatt County Zoning Officer, in and for the County of Piatt, presented an application of a Zoning Ordinance for a yardage variation to construct a solar array and is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Beem, seconded by Henricks, that the yardage variation for the solar array be adopted and Vice Chair Edwards be authorized to sign in and for the County of Piatt. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Beem, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, Jones, and Piatt. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

### **REVIEW OF AUDIT**

Josh Faivre, WIPFLI CPAs and Consultants, Auditor in and for County of Piatt, gave a review of the FY2022 audit, in addition notating the Circuit Clerk audit is still in progress.

### ORDINANCE (AMENDED) – ARPA (Allowing Payment of Claims from ARPA – Piatt County Nursing Home)

Dustin Harmon, Bellwether LLC, Administrator in and for Piatt County, presented an amended Ordinance for ARPA – Allowing Payment of Claims from ARPA for the Piatt County Nursing Home. The Ordinance is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Piatt, seconded by Jones, to approve the Amended Ordinance for ARPA - allowing payment of Claims from ARPA, at the Piatt County Nursing Home, and Vice Chair Edwards be authorized to sign on behalf of the County of Piatt. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Piatt, Beem, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, and Jones. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

#### RESOLUTION (Piatt County Agriculture)

A Resolution in support of Piatt County Agriculture, was presented for approval. The Resolution is recorded on page

MOTION was made by Edwards, seconded by Beem, that the Resolution be adopted, and Vice Chair Edwards be authorized to sign on behalf of the County of Piatt. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, Jones, Piatt, and Beem. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

# ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY TO PIATT COUNTY NURSING HOME (approximately 15,000 square feet of County property located on the State Street Campus)

MOTION was made by Piatt, seconded by Beem, to approve the annexation of approximately 15,000 square feet of County property located on the State Street Campus to the Piatt County Nursing Home for the purposes of an outdoor pavilion. Any additional structures, specifically, a playground area, to be added are contingent and would need additional approval through the PCNH Committee and the County Board. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Piatt, Beem, Edwards, Foran, and Henricks. Nays, Jones. 5 ayes, 1 nay, motion carried.

### ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR (EMA) – ROBERT BROSS

MOTION was made by Henricks, seconded by Jones, that the Resignation of Emergency Management Director (EMA) Director, Robert Bross be accepted, approved, and filed for audit. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Henricks, Jones, Piatt, Beem, Edwards, and Foran. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

### HIRING OF AARON LEYNES EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR (EMA)

MOTION was made by Piatt, seconded by Beem, to hire Aaron Leynes, as the Emergency Management Director (EMA), County of Piatt, State of Illinois, or until a successor is hired and qualified. On roll call the vote was as follows: Ayes, Piatt, Beem, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, and Jones. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

### APPOINTMENT OF AMANDA PANKAU TO MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY BOARD

Amanda Pankau was nominated as a member of the Mahomet Valley Water Authority Board, term to expire January 2024 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Piatt, seconded by Beem, to concur the appointment. Ayes, Piatt, Beem, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, and Jones. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

# APPOINTMENT OF CLAY DOBSON TO MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY BOARD

Clay Dobson was nominated as a member of the Mahomet Valley Water Authority Board.

MOTION was made by Henricks, seconded by Foran, to concur the appointment. Ayes, Henricks and Foran. Nays, Beem, Edwards, and Piatt. Abstain, Jones. 2 ayes, 3 nays, 1 abstain, motion fails.

# APPOINTMENT OF JIM GRABARCZYK TO MAHOMET VALLEY WATER AUTHORITY BOARD

Jim Grabarczyk was nominated as a member of the Mahomet Valley Water Authority Board, term to expire January 2026 or until a successor is appointed and qualified.

MOTION was made by Beem, seconded by Piatt, to concur the appointment. Ayes, Beem, Edwards, Foran, Henricks, and Piatt. Abstain, Jones. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstain, motion carried.

# PIATT COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS – REQUEST FOR DONATION

MOTION was made by Henricks, seconded by Beem, to approve a \$1500.00 donation from the County of Piatt. Henricks and Beem withdrew their motion. Scott Porter made comment for the Piatt County Senior Citizens program president to contact Services for Seniors and Faith in Action for assistance.

### CONSENT MOTION FOR CLAIMS

MOTION was made by Henricks, seconded by Beem that the following claims be approved, filed, recorded, 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, Henricks, Jones, Piatt, Beem, Edwards, and Foran. 6 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

- a. County Claims \$185,081.90 Highway Claims \$34,696.32 Total – \$219,778.22 – recorded on page
- b. Paid Out Claims \$668,901.19 recorded on page
- c. Mental Health Claims \$179,791.56 recorded on page
- d. Mental Health Capital Account \$5,672.00- recorded on page
- e. Transportation Claims \$115,989.89 recorded on page
- f. Nursing Home Claims \$238,896.77 recorded on page
- g. Maple Point Claims \$56,191.41 recorded on page

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 11:06 a.m., MOTION was made by Beem, seconded by Piatt, that the Honorable County Board adjourn to Wednesday the 17th day of May, A.D. 2023, at the hour of 9 o'clock of the forenoon. On voice vote, motion carried, Nay, Henricks.

Piatt County Clerk