# Pike County Board

# Meeting Minutes

January 22nd, 2024

1. Call to order

Andy Borrowman called to order the regular meeting of the Pike County Board at 7:0 p.m. in the lower courtroom of the Pike County Courthouse.

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Brent Joy from the Calvary Baptist gave the invocation and Chairman Borrowman led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Roll Call

Chairman Borrowman asked County Clerk Natalie Roseberry to take roll. The members present were Andy Borrowman, Joe Cobb, Don Foster, Reta Hoskin, Tom Lewis, Mark Mountain, Jim Sheppard, and Mark Sprague. Derek Ross was absent.

1. Approval of December 28th, 2023 Meeting Minutes.

Mark Mountain made the motion to approve Tom Lewis seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Minutes approved.

1. Approval of FY2024 Budget Amendments

Reta Hoskin made a motion to approve. Joe Cobb seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Motion approved.

1. Appointment of Rodger Brokaw to the Rural Pittsfield Fire Protection District for a term to expire the first Monday in May of 2026.

Mark Mountain made a motion to approve. Tom Lewis seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Motion approved.

1. Approval of Pike County Policy Manual

Jim Sheppard gave a summary of the changes including GIS as well as PTO regarding the new legislation.

Tom Lewis made a motion to approve. Don Foster seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Motion approved.

1. Approval of Charles “Chuck” Prater and Dennis Ruyle to the Crescent Heights Cemetery Association for terms to expire in 2029.

Mark Mountain a motion to approve. Tom Lewis seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Motion approved.

1. Review and Approval of Conditional Use Permit application, as it relates to a proposed 290 feet tall self-supported tower site located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 16, Township 5 South, Range 6 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, Pike County, Illinois on parcel #56-022-06A.

Greg Wyatt gave an update on the Nicor project and informed the board of the circumstances.

Mark Sprague made a motion to approve. Mark Mountain seconded. Roll call vote 7-0. Motion approved.

1. Approval for Chairman to sign an Engineering Servies Agreement with Cummins Engineering Corporation.

Jim Sheppard made a motion to approve. Tom Lewis seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Motion approved.

1. Committee Reports

Finance

The Finance committee of the Pike County Board met at 4:05PM on Wednesday January 17, 2024 in the conference room of the Pike County Government building. Those present were; Reta Hoskin, Don Foster, Jim Sheppard and Pike County Board Chairman Andy Borrowman. Also, present were; Scott Syrcle, Walker Filbert, and Haley Rezba.

Routine Bills in the amount of $134,255.57 were approved for payment on a motion by Don Foster and a second by Reta Hoskin.

Walker filbert updated the committee on the status of work the accounting firm Sikich. They were still waiting to receive some material from us. Scott syrcle stated that his office had submitted all requested documents.

Treasurer Scott Syrcle expressed concerns over the cash flow of the county. He stated that bills had been particularly heavy in December and that payroll had been especially heavy and asked the committees input on anticipation warrants. He stated that normally this is not a concern before March. At the date of the meeting the balance in the general fund stands at $166,176.64

Reta Hoskin made a motion to adjourn and Don Foster seconded. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:25PM

Tom Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes. Reta Hoskin seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Motion approved.

Highway

The Road and Bridge Committee met Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. at the Highway Department facility located at 39643 260th Ave, Pittsfield, il 62363. The meeting was called to order at 1:33 p.m.

Members Present: Reta Hoskin, Mark Sprague, Don Foster, Andy Borrowman

Staff: Chris Johnson, Gary Laux, and Michelle McCartney

Visitors: Evelyn & Jim Griffith, Wes Bradshaw, Mark Mountain, Harold Loyd, State’s Attorney Walker Filbert, Jim Filbert; and via conference call present were Justin Fike with Illinois Winds, LLC., as well as Counsel for Illinois Winds, LLC. Attorney David Streicker.

Payment of Claims: A motion was made by Don Foster, seconded by Mark Sprague to pay claims per claxm reports dated January 17, 2024. All in favor. Motion carried.

 Six Month Report : A motion was made by Don Foster, seconded by Mark Sprague to approve the Six—Month Report containing receipts and expenditures from June 1, 2023 through November 30, 2023. All in favor. Motion carried.

HALF AID TO BRIDGE PROJECTS: None.

ILLINOIS WINDS , LLC . WIND FARM ROAD USE MEMO or UNDERSTANDING TERMINATION: A motion was made by Mark Sprague, seconded by Don Foster to approve MOU termination upon Counsel recommendation. All in favor. Motion carried.

ILLINOIS WINDS, LLC - DISCUSSION TO REQUIRE A NEW PERMIT APPLICATION THE ENTIRE PROJECT : A motion was made by Don

Foster, seconded by Mark Sprague to require a new permit, and after much discussion as well as upon the advice of counsel, the motion was withdrawn in order to allow the Wind Farm project another month to provide the County with 60 percent plans to review and provide backup information for the 7 conditions of the siting permit. The Wind Farm will submit the requested documentation to Patrick Engineering and Greg Wyatt. Greg will share the information with the Committee, State' s Attorney Walker Filbert and Chris Johnson, County Engineer. Mr. F ike and Attorney Streicker also noted they will be at the full board meeting this month to discuss this matter with the full board, In the meantime, the Highway Department and Committee are reviewing the draft Road Use Agreement prepared for the Pittsfield Township and will use that agreement as a format and guide for the County's RUÄ.

NEW BUSINESS: The County Engineer:

The Nebo bridge project is a go; a March letting is likely.

The roof on the new facility will be repaired as soon as Petty Construction can get to it.

The highway department has been busy with clearing snow from county roads .

 OLD BUSINESS: Building remodel/USDA Loan no discussion.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mark Sprague, seconded by Don Foster to adjourn the meeting at 2:55 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mark Mountain made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Tom Lewis. Voice vote 7-0. Motion approved with Tom Lewis voting no.

Building and Grounds.

The Building and Grounds committee meeting was called to order at 3:10 PM. Members present were Tom Lewis, Mark Mountain, Mark Sprague, and Andy Borrowman. Also, present were Shane Martin, Dave Greenwood, and States Attorney Filbert.

Bills in the amount of $13915.39 were approved on a motion by Mountain and seconded by Sprague.

Old Business:

Selling of property in East Hannibal Nothing to report.

Roof repair over treasures office is holding for now.

New Business:

Heat exchanger in the Assessors office is broken and parts have been ordered and will be replaced as soon as they come in.

Greenwood is to get quotes to in close the area under the Assessors’ office and bring that back to the Committee.

The Sump pump in the annex building quit working and has been replaced.

Greenwood stated the plaster in the old witness victim office is starting to come off and needs to have something done with it.

The contract for the lawn care was presented and approved by a motion from Mountain and seconded by Sprague. Cost being $1095.00.

Amotion to adjourn was made by Mountain seconded by Sprague. The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 PM.

Submitted By Tom Lewis

Mark Sprague made a motion to approve the Minutes. Don Foster seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Minutes approved.

GIS/IT

The GIS committee of the Pike County Board met at 4:00PM on Tuesday January 16, 2024 in the Emergency Operations Center of the Pike County Jail. Members present were; Reta Hoskin, Jim Sheppard, and Pike County Board Chairman Andy Borrowman. Others present were; Angie Brawdy, Dan Brennecke, and Molly Coughlin.

On a motion by Reta Hoskin, Jim Sheppard was appointed temporary chairman for the duration of this meeting. Motion carried.

Routine bills in the amount of $642.06 were approved for payment on a motion by Reta Hoskin and a second by Jim Sheppard.

The committee learned that CIC is integrated with the server now so we should experience fewer outages. JR at Tigerhawk is working on an updated phone quote for us. WE will switch from the Daido backups next month. Dan Brennecke reported an issue with the server at the jail that was caused by GFI updates that were still coming through. JR was working on that. Molly reported she had submitted a grant for court related computers on Friday the 12th. She wanted to know if she should offer the old equipment to other departments within the county. The committee determined that she should.

We also discussed updating the computers in the EOC since they are at least 15 years old and only one really works. Angie Brawdy reported that GIS expenses were $70,000 lower in 2023 than 2022.

On a motion by Reta Hoskin and a second by Jim Sheppard the meeting adjourned at 4:57PM

Tom Lewis made a motion to approve the amended minutes of payables being 7642.06. Mark Mountain seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Minutes approved.

Public Safety

The Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order at 7 PM at the Ambulance Building. The members present were Tom Lewis, Jim Sheppard, and Andy Borrowman. Absent was Derek Ross. Also, present were Kasey Kendall, Don Foster and Employees of the Ambulance Service.

Bills in the amount of $33213.24 were approved by a motion by Sheppard and seconded by Lewis.

Administrator’s Report

Kasey stated that so of period 13 bills were placed in the 2024 budget year which make his budget off already this year. He was told to talk to the County Clerk’s office about this. The run report was given. There were 2150 calls for the year which is about what is don’t every year. Kasey is to check and see if our employee who works as an EMT and a Dispatcher if his salary has been transferred back to the Ambulance service from the Sheriff’s department.

New ambulance proposal:

Type 1 F550 at a cost of $322,678.00 Type 3 E350 at a cost of $178,925.00

There is a 3 year wait list for Ambulances and we have the right to cancel at any time. A motion was made by Sheppard and seconded by Lewis to allow Kasey to go ahead and order the Ambulances. Motion carried.

Kasey stated that the EMT class will be taking their National Practical’s skill test, the Quincy Area EMS test and then their National Test.

EMS Christmas Party will be held on 01/20/2024 at Hope Well Winery from 6pm to 8pm.

Kasey will be getting a quote for a new Smart Board since the one we have now is going bad and will have that at our next meeting.

Kasey talked about having 2 Tactical Medic and a backup. These Tactical Medics would work with the Sheriffs department to go and be on standby at Search Warrants, Arrest Warrant and other situations. Kasey stated that he would be working with Sheriff Greenwood to make sure what all training would need to be taken. This would be a shared cost for training and Equipment. Application would be taken to decide who would get this position.

Jim Sheppard asked if we could have our ESDA Director Josh Martin come to our next meeting to discuss where we are at with ESDA. Lewis stated he would contact Josh about being at our next meeting.

With no more business a motion by Sheppard and seconded by Lewis to adjourn was made and the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Submitted by Tom Lewis

Mark Sprague made a motion to approve the minutes as read. Don Foster seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Minutes approved.

1. New Business

Justin Fike with Illinois Winds/Greenbacker LLC presented information on the proposed wind farm. Any lacking information for permitting will be provided by next month’s meetings.

Jim Filbert inquired about the process of decommissioning. He also asked about the 100-million-dollar expense. He asked about the cost of a turbine, and they are 60 million total and the other expenses are construction contracts plus the 2 million of interconnection. Mr. Fike stated they haven’t expensed 100 million but they are contractually obligated to those funds.

Kirby Hobbs asked about a road use map. Mr. Fike stated he would follow up.

Old Business

None

1. Chairman’s Remarks

Apologized for use of lower courtroom as upper courtroom is under construction.

1. Summary of Expenses for the Month/Mileage & Per Diem Report for December 2023

Tom Lewis made a motion to approve the amended billboard and mileage and per diem reports. Mark Sprague seconded. Voice vote 7-0. Reports approved.

1. Questions from Press and Visitors

None

1. Adjourn

Tom Lewis made a motion to adjourn. Mark Sprague seconded. Voice vote 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Natalie P. Roseberry



