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WEBSITE: [countyclerk.sangamonil.gov](http://countyclerk.sangamonil.gov)**MINUTES****SANGAMON COUNTY BOARD****SEPTEMBER 12, 2023**

The Sangamon County Board met in Regular Statutory Session on September 12, 2023 in the Sangamon South Auditorium. Vice-Chairman Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A motion was made by Mr. Madonia, seconded by Mr. Fraase to allow Mr. McGuire to attend by phone for a reason that is permitted in their rules. A voice vote was unanimous. Mr. Krell gave the Invocation and asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of the 9/11 victims from 22 years ago. Mr. Fraase led the County Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Vice-Chairman Williams asked County Clerk Gray to call the roll. There were 24 Present - 5 Absent. Mr. O'Neill, Ms. Small, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Tjelmeland, and Chairman Van Meter were excused. Mr. McGuire was present by phone.

**VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE COMMISSION PRESENTATION-DANE SHAFFER**

Superintendent of Veteran's Assistance Dane Shaffer gave a Veteran's Assistance Quarter 2-2023 Report of Services Rendered. Mr. Shaffer went through the list of services rendered and the economic impact of the benefits for the first six months, April 1<sup>st</sup> - June 30<sup>th</sup> compared to 2022 as reflected in the following charts.

<b>Assistance Type</b>	<b>Year 2022 Q1-Q2</b>	<b>Year 2023 Q1-Q2</b>
Veterans Approved Financial Aid	36	37
Client Interactions	2,269	2,152
Unique Clients Assisted	468	574
New Clients Added	75	109
VA Forms Completed	691	785
Clients Transported to VA Appointments	24	16
Indigent Burials Paid	0	0
Claims Appealed	96	108
Comp./Pension Claims Filed	150	163
Total Services Rendered	3,809	3,944
<b>Benefit Type</b>	<b>Year 2022 Q1-Q2</b>	<b>Year 2023 Q1-Q2</b>
Financial Aid Dollars Paid	\$12,912	\$24,483
Dependent Retroactive Payments	\$29,537	\$52,226
Burial Payments (VA and VAC)	\$4,000	\$4,000
Pension Retroactive Payments	\$9,590	\$29,032
Compensation Retroactive Payments	\$1,431,737	\$1,699,356
Total Economic Impact	\$1,487,776	\$1,809,097

Mr. Shaffer stated 2022 was the first time the VAC went over \$2 million in bringing benefits to Sangamon County and the veterans. Last year was \$2.25 million, and he checked their numbers today and they are already at over \$2.4 million. He hopes they can reach \$3 million this year. Just like last year, this year will be a record number for the VAC.

### **CLA FY2022 AUDIT PRESENTATION**

Chief Deputy Auditor Erick Black addressed the County Board. He stated Auditor Goleman could not be here tonight. He introduced Faith Freeman with CliftonLarsonAllen LLP to give a presentation.

Faith Freeman, Manager, with CliftonLarsonAllen LLP addressed the County Board. Ms. Freeman presented the FY2022 Audit Report to the County Board. The audit is performed using a risk based approach. Time spent understanding each audit area is determined with a level of assessed risk. The level of the assessed risk is based on significant account balances and any significant issues or findings from the prior years. The significant audit areas they focused their attention on this year included review of internal controls including information technology, cash and investments, exchange and non-exchange revenues including grant revenues, property tax revenues, fines, fees, and license and permit revenues. Payables and accrued liabilities includes the self-insurance liability and compensated absences, pension liability, and the financial close and reporting process.

The audit deliverables include the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report, the Governance Communication Letter, which is used to communicate key information, the Government Auditing Standards Report on Internal Controls, and the Management Letter. She noted that the Federal Expenditure Audit, which they refer to as the Single Audit, is still in process at this time.

She is happy to report a clean unmodified audit opinion on the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. This is the highest level of opinion that one can receive. She gave a few quick financial highlights from the Financial Report. The first statement you will see presented is the Statement of Net Position which includes the assets, liabilities, and net position. The main thing you will notice is that net position increased by approximately \$28 million compared to the prior year. This is an increase in the net pension asset, which in the past was a net pension liability. Also, you will see a significant increase in unearned revenue related to the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, grant money that has been received and not yet used, and also a large increase in the debt related to the 2021 Bond issuance for \$41.9 million issued in December 2021.

The second statement in the report is the Statement of Activities which includes the revenues, expenses, and changes in net position. There were really no major changes compared to prior years. You will see a slight increase in expenses related to the major construction projects going on and a slight increase in revenues due to the grant funding being used.

Next she is going over the Governance Communication Letter. There was a new GASB standard that impacted your financial statements. This was GASB 87 for leases. This says instead of expensing lease costs incurred you would now recognize a right to use assets and a lease liability and amortize and depreciate those over the terms of the agreements. The major estimates affecting the financial report include the net pension asset and deferred inflows and outflows, self-funded insurance liabilities, sick-leave liabilities, and depreciation. They do feel comfortable with management's estimates.

This year, there were no difficulties or disagreements encountered with management. There were several adjustments in the audit process and several past adjustments, which you can find attached to the Governance Letter.

Lastly, the County did implement the Auditor Reporting Standards SAS No. 134-141, which changed the format of the Auditor Report to align more closely with the standards, which placed an emphasis on the opinion and management's responsibility that is now presented first.

The Government Auditing Standards Report on Internal Controls did report two financial statement findings this year. The first one was related to several material adjustments required to be in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The second was the preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, which they refer to as the SEFA.

The Management Letter that was issued is to report on items that are not considered significant and therefore do not merit the attention of governance. They are just additional recommendations. Those two items were related to an IT risk assessment and unrecorded deposits.

She thanked the Auditor’s Office for helping to prepare all the audit schedules and gathering all the information for their requests. Their job would not be possible without their help.

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Krell, for approval of the Minutes of August 8, 2023. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED  
MINUTES ADOPTED

**CORRESPONDENCE**

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Krell, to place the Correspondence on file with the County Clerk. A voice vote was unanimous.

**RESOLUTION 1**

1. Resolution approving a Joint Funding Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation for a project on County Highway 37 (Cardinal Hill Road).

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mr. Mendenhall, to place Resolution 1 on the floor. Upon a roll call vote, there were 23 Yeas – 0 Nays for the adoption of Resolution 1.

MOTION CARRIED  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

**RESOLUTION 2**

2. Resolution approving a purchase order for Ozark Materials, LLC for the purchase of traffic paint in the amount of \$110,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mr. Hall, to place Resolution 2 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Preckwinkle, seconded by Ms. Fulgenzi, that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stands as the roll call vote for Resolution 2. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

**RESOLUTION 3**

3. 2023-017 – BHTH Gaming, LLC, 708 & 714 North Dirksen Parkway, Suite 716, Springfield – Granting a Conditional Permitted Use with Conditions and a Variance. County Board Member- Tom Madonia, Jr., District #9.

A motion was made by Mr. Mendenhall, seconded by Mr. Madonia, to place Resolution 3 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Stumpf to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. Mr. Hall stated he did drive by the property. He asked the professional staff how close the nearest residence is. Professional Staff Emily Prather stated there is a house on the property and the closest residence is to the north. Professional Staff Trustin Harrison stated the variance is already approved for the northern site. This is for the middle site. A voice vote carried for the adoption of Resolution 3. Mr. Hall voted no.

MOTIONS CARRIED  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

**RESOLUTION 4**

- 4. 2023-018 – Donald Thompson, Trustee Evelyn Lederbrand Trust, 13113 Cotton Hill Road, Pawnee – Granting Variances. County Board Member – Jeffrey Thomas, District #4.

A motion was made by Mr. Mendenhall, seconded by Mr. Stumpf, to place Resolution 4 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Stumpf to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 4.

MOTIONS CARRIED  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

**RESOLUTION 5**

- 5. 2023-019 – Danice A. Bollman, 2071 Geary Road, Cantrall – Granting a Rezoning and Variances. County Board Member – Tom Fraase, Jr. – District #1.

A motion was made by Mr. Mendenhall, seconded by Mr. Fraase, to place Resolution 5 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Stumpt to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 5.

MOTIONS CARRIED  
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

**RESOLUTIONS 6 – 10**

- 6. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Department of Public Health from Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County for large & bulky item pick up and drop off services in the amount of \$150,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Schackmann, seconded by Ms. Deppe, to place Resolution 6 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Hall, to consolidate Resolutions 6 – 10. Vice-Chairman Williams asked County Clerk Gray to read Resolutions 7 – 10.

7. Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement between the Sangamon Mass Transit District and Sangamon County for vehicle repair and maintenance services.
8. Resolution approving a contract between Beyond Green Partners and Sangamon County on a 3-year pilot program in Pawnee for an amount not to exceed \$180,000.
9. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the County Board Office from various vendors for the purpose of purchasing patrol vehicle equipment in the amount of \$57,272.
10. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the County Board Office from Ace Sign Company for the purpose of purchasing the Illinois State Fair, Gate 2, Route 66 Entry Sign in the amount of \$100,000.

A voice vote was unanimous on the consolidation. Mr. Cahnman asked what the equipment is that is going in the vehicles in Resolution 9. Sheriff Campbell stated it would be for things like lights, sirens, computer brackets, and wiring. Mr. Cahnman asked a question regarding Resolution 10. He asked if the sign is already at the State Fairgrounds. Ms. Williams stated it is.

A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolutions 6 – 10, as consolidated.

MOTIONS CARRIED  
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

#### **WAIVER OF TEN-DAY FILING PERIOD**

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Schackmann, to waive the ten-day filing period. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED  
TEN-DAY FILING PERIOD WAIVED

#### **RESOLUTIONS 11 – 16**

11. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for the Election Office from Election Systems and Software for new voting equipment and 10-year post warranty maintenance, support, software and firmware licenses in the amount of \$2,370,609.

A motion was made by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Krell, to place Resolution 11 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Madonia, to consolidate Resolutions 11 – 16. Vice-Chairman Williams asked County Clerk Gray to read Resolutions 12 – 16.

12. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for Information Systems from Tyler Technologies, Inc. for replacing the current in-house property tax system application in the amount of \$2,800,000.
13. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for Information Systems from Levi, Ray and Shoup for the purpose of a three-year maintenance and support agreement for the IBM iSeries hardware and software in the amount of \$52,500.
14. Resolution approving the procurement of goods and/or services for Information Systems from Broadcom/CA, Inc. for the purpose of renewing the license for the software development tool utilized on in-house developed programs in the amount of \$30,360.
15. Resolution approving various contracts for employee benefits for 2024.
16. Resolution amending the Springfield Sangamon County Enterprise Zone Boundary The Lofts on Madison Adirondack Community Development LLC.

A voice vote was unanimous on the consolidation. Mr. Cahnman asked a question regarding Resolution 15. He asked if it was the same providers and amounts as previous years. County Administrator Brian McFadden stated they are the same but there is a different amount for Blue Cross Blue Shield, which has an 8% increase.

A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolutions 11 – 16, as consolidated.

MOTIONS CARRIED  
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. Resolutions

There were no new resolutions.

B. Appointments

Appointment of Clyde Bunch to the Sangamon County Sewer Rebate Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of David Mendenhall to the Sangamon County Central Dispatch System for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of Dick Rentschler to the Emergency Telephone System Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of Ken Scarlette to the Emergency Telephone System Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of Joe Powell to the Emergency Telephone System Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of Rich Coon to the Emergency Telephone System Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of TJ Henson to the Emergency Telephone System Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of Brian Churchill to the Emergency Telephone System Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of Dick Xavier Rice to the Emergency Telephone System Board for a term expiring September, 2024.

Appointment of Sharon Brown to the Community Service Block Grant Advisory Board for a term expiring September, 2026.

Appointment of Spurgeon Johnson to the Community Service Block Grant Advisory Board for a term expiring September, 2026.

Appointment of Michele Tucker to the Community Service Block Grant Advisory Board for a term expiring September, 2026.

Appointment of George Allspach to the Lanesville-Illiopolis Drainage District Board for a term expiring September, 2026.

Vice-Chairman Williams stated the appointments are submitted at your desk.

C. 2024 County Board Meeting Schedule

A motion was made by Mr. Krell, seconded by Mr. Fraase, for approval of the 2024 County Board Meeting Schedule. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED

MEETING SCHEDULE ADOPTED



**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS, REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES,  
REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE REPORT ON CLAIMS**

Vice-Chairman Williams stated the reports would be placed on file with the County Clerk.

**REPORTS FILED**

A motion was made by Ms. Scaife, seconded by Mr. Stumpf, to change the time of the October 10, 2023 County Board Meeting to 6:00 p.m. A voice vote carried. Mr. Cahnman voted no. Mr. Stumpf clarified that the Caucus would be ½ hour before the meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED  
MEETING TIME CHANGED**

**ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Miller, to adjourn the meeting to October 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. A voice vote was unanimous.

**MOTION CARRIED  
MEETING ADJOURNED**

***Don Gray***  
***Sangamon County Clerk***