

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022 5:00 PM
Jackson County Sheriff's Office Conference Room

Call to Order (5:00 PM)

Members Present: Basden II, Calandro, Comparato, Mueller, Peterson and Scott
Members Absent: Snyder

Also present: John Rendleman, Bart Hagston, Jennifer Lindsey, Brian Chapman, Josh Barringer, Robert Burns
Ms. Mueller led the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

- I. [22-6949](#) Approval of March 3, 2022 Minutes
A motion was made by Calandro, seconded by Basden II, to approve the March 3, 2022 minutes as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
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Communications

Internal Office Matters

- II. [22-6950](#) Picture Prior to April Board Meeting
It was discussed and agreed to have a photographer available prior to the April Board meeting for elected official photographs.
A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Scott, to approve to have Board photo taken up to \$150 prior to the County Board Meeting. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- III. [22-6951](#) Broadband Update
Ms. Mueller asked Chapman to update the committee on the Broadband topic thus far. He spoke about the survey that was created to help map internet access in the County and the Accelerate Grant meetings that the office staff has been attending. Chapman commented that one thing the Board could do to build the County's economy would be to invest in Broadband. Rendleman questioned what was involved in the plan going forward. Chapman discussed the plan and what the next steps would be for the County's involvement.
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Computing Services

Barringer commented for everyone to be watchful when opening email attachments, due to the Russian cyber threat.

Appointments

- IV. [22-6952](#) Open Appointments in April 2022{17}*
1. 708 Mental Health Board (1)*
2. Blairsville Water District (2)
3. Buncombe Water District (1)*
4. ETSB 911 (2)
5. Jackson County Community Partnership (1)
6. Jackson/Union Regional Port District (2)
7. Liquor Advisory Board (1)
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- 8. Murphysboro/Pomona/Somerset Fire Protection District (1)*
- 9. Murdale Water District (3)*
- 10. Noxious Weed Commissioner (1)
- 11. South Highway Water District (1)*
- 12. Southern Most Illinois Tourism Bureau (1)

Mueller asked that she would like to see the applicants appear at the meetings in case the Board had any questions of them. Rendleman recommended that all applicant resumes be included in the full Board packet, whether they were approved or not in Executive.

A motion was made by Calandro, seconded by Basden II, to approve recommendation to the full Board the appointment of Brooke Lam to the 708 Mental Health Board. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Basden II, seconded by Scott, to approve recommendation to the full Board the re-appointment of Grace Brewer to the Buncombe Water District. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Calandro, seconded by Scott, to approve recommendation to the full Board the re-appointment of Charles McCann to the Murphysboro-Pomona-Somerset Fire Protection District. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Scott, seconded by Basden II, to approve recommendation to the full Board the re-appointment of Molly McDaniel, Michael Rothe, and Robert Varner to the Murdale Water District. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Basden II, to approve recommendation to the full board the re-appointment of Karla Blair to the South Highway Water District. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Old Business

New Business

- V. [22-6953](#) First Responder Certificate of Appreciation
Mueller spoke of the first responders that she felt should be awarded a certificate for their efforts during Covid. The committee discussed the criteria involved on who should receive a certificate of appreciation. It was discussed to give each Department Head a certificate for their departments. The County Administrator was tasked with finding out pricing for frames and paper.
- VI. [22-6954](#) Alstat Award
The County Administrator updated the committee on the Alstat award. She asked if there were any questions regarding the information before it was opened up to the public and the County for nominations. The consensus of the committee was to leave the criteria as is.
- VII. [22-6956](#) Southern Illinoisan Digital Subscription
After a brief discussion it was decided by consensus of the committee to not continue with the digital newspaper subscription.
- VIII. [22-6955](#) Board 1, 3, and 5 Year Goals
Mueller spoke of the Board needing to have a vision moving forward and began a discussion of 1, 3, and 5 year goals for the Board. She asked each Board member to give their thoughts, which included Board retreats, informal meetings, paying back solid waste, courthouse repairs, the Willis building issue, and the Building Taskforce committee being put back in effect. Mueller ended the discussion by stating that these were great starting topics.

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Executive Session

Adjourn

Basden moved and Comparato seconded to adjourn, motion carried.