

Farm Committee Minutes

May 10th 2021

Meeting Begins -3:03

Meeting Adjourned- 4:30

Committee Members present: Jesse Durbin, John Pogue, and Mark Bennett

Also attending – Nicole Kroncke; Shelby County States Attorney

Public body attending – Gary Patterson, Larry Lenz, Jeff Slifer, Debbie Dunaway, Jeremy Williams

Action Items

- 1) Nicole: explained statute 55 ILCS 5/5-1049.2 which explains leasing of county owned property.
- 2) Previous meeting the discussion was leaving farm idle, but cost of this would reach \$17,000-\$18,000 for cover crop and chemical burndown.
- 3) John Pogue, made a motion; 2nd by Mark Bennett to accept statute 55 ILCS 5/5-1049.2 and bid out farm to lease to a responsible tenant, with approval from the county board.
- 4) Committee recommends we advertise for cash rent bids for 196.3 tillable acres starting on May 14th until 4 pm May 20th in the county clerk's office.
- 5) The new tenant will be responsible for the present year's real estate taxes.
- 6) We will ask for a special board meeting on May 20th at 7 pm to approve the tenant for a one year lease
- 7) Nicole will be presenting a new written lease with more details.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted

Jesse Durbin

Chairman of Farm Committee