

SHELBY COUNTY BOARD MEETING
CLOSED SESSION

April 18, 2023

The Shelby County Board met in Closed Session following a motion and roll call vote, for the statutory citation 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(11) - to discuss current litigation. State's Attorney Robert Hanlon informed the board he was notified late Friday, April 14, 2023, about Shelby County's participation in the National Opioid Settlement litigation. Today is the deadline to give approval for the County to accept or deny the settlement agreement. (Information regarding this lawsuit and settlement can be found at nationalopioidsettlement.com, under Illinois). Although the exact details of the settlement agreement and the amount of money the County might be able to receive is not known at this time, it is imperative a vote is taken in open session to decide on how the State's Attorney should proceed regarding this settlement agreement.

Other litigation discussed was the Galvan lawsuit regarding the Zoning issues and their subdivision that has been ongoing for several years. The Court ordered the Galvan's to submit a revised plat, which they have done. The Board denied the preliminary plat in January 2023, despite a recommendation from the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Zoning Committee to approve. The State's Attorney has advised Galvan's attorney that this process should start over so the preliminary plat approval can once again come before the county board for a future vote. The hope is the County can get out of this lawsuit and any other issues can be dealt with between the landowners.

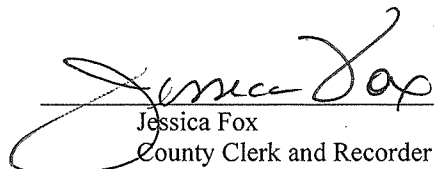
Quite a bit of discussion was held regarding the Galvan lawsuit. The board rejected the preliminary plat due to complaints of drainage issues, but the old plat from 1972 had 32 lots and the new plat only has 12 lots total (which includes the Curl and Goodwin properties). Hanlon was surprised a Judge had not honored the County's request to dismiss the County's involvement in this lawsuit but hoped with the approval by ZBA and the County Board in the future, the County will no longer be involved in this neighborly dispute.

There is also a lawsuit pending between a school district, the Regional Office of Education board, and a resident wishing to annex to another district. This is due to be heard in court on June 6, 2023.

State's Attorney Hanlon stated there was nothing new to discuss regarding the proposed settlement agreement with AFSCME.

There was no further business for the Closed Session.

There was no action taken in the Closed Session.



Jessica Fox
County Clerk and Recorder