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DeKalb County Government  
Sycamore, Illinois

**COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS**  
**August 17, 2016**

The DeKalb County Board met in regular session at the Legislative Center's Gathertorium on Wednesday, August 17, 2016. Chairman Pietrowski called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and the Clerk called the roll. Those members present were Mrs. Turner, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Metzger, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias and Chairman Pietrowski. Mr. Bunge and Mr. Faivre were absent. A quorum was established with twenty-two members present and two absent.

Chairman Pietrowski asked for a moment of silence in acknowledging the recent tragedy in the community that resulted in the death of 85-year-old Patricia Wilson and her 64-year-old son Robert Wilson.

Chairman Pietrowski requested Mrs. Turner to please lead in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Pietrowski mentioned that the minutes from June 15, 2016 that were previously posted on the county's website reflected an incorrect date and have since been corrected.

Motion

Mr. Bagby moved to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2016 Board Meeting. Mr. Porterfield seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote and the motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion

It was moved by Mrs. Turner and seconded by Mr. Whelan to approve the agenda.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote and the motion carried unanimously.

## **COMMUNICATIONS AND REFERRALS**

Chairman Pietrowski read a letter he had received from a county resident, thanking the DeKalb County Board for their hard work, diligence and care in transforming Evergreen Village into a beautiful green space. Chairman Pietrowski acknowledged the hard work of Mr. Paul Miller, Planning Zoning and Building Director and Mr. Terry Hannan, Forest Preserve Superintendent and congratulated them on a job well done.

### Employee Service Awards for July

Chairman Pietrowski acknowledged the following employee service awards for July:

- 35 Years: Victoria L. Hernandez – Rehab & Nursing Center
- 25 Years: Anna D. Devivo – Rehab & Nursing Center
- 20 Years: Jeremy K. Grubbs – Sheriff’s Department
- 15 Years: Kathryn R. West – Planning & Zoning
- 10 Years: Angela M. Murray – Rehab & Nursing Center  
Kevin B. Reese – Facilities Management  
Rebecca L. Taft – Sheriff’s Department
- 5 Years: Timothy L. Boyd – Sheriff’s Department

The Chairman then introduced Mr. Gary Hanson to present a 20-year service award to Mr. Paul Miller. Mr. Hanson provided a review of Mr. Miller’s accomplishments during his tenure with the county and thanked him for his service. Chairman Pietrowski also thanked Mr. Miller for his service and mentioned that he appreciates the expertise Mr. Miller brought to the position.

Chairman Pietrowski acknowledged the following employee service awards for August:

- 15 Years: Steve Rubeck – Sheriff’s Department
- 10 Years: Debra Peifer – Health Department  
Becki Thompson – Rehab & Nursing
- 5 Years: Matt Mills – Court Services  
Nicole Gorham – State’s Attorney  
Nanette Maercker – Highway Department

## **PERSONS TO BE HEARD FROM THE FLOOR**

Mr. DeWayne Brown asked the board to approve Resolution R2016-55 to provide a fair salary to the Building Inspector. Mr. Brown suggested that board members search the Internet for “highest taxed states in the U.S.” and “highest taxed counties in the U.S.”. Mr. Brown thanked the board for acknowledging the tragic death of his co-worker and his co-worker’s mother and expressed hope that the Sheriff’s Department will bring the individual responsible to justice soon.

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## APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Pietrowski called for approval of the following appointments:

**Regional Plan Commission** – *Jo Ellen Charlton* to fulfill the term of Derek Hiland (City of DeKalb) effective immediately and expiring March 31, 2019. *Linda Swenson* reappointed (Village of Waterman) for a three-year term that began April 1, 2016 and expiring March 31, 2019.

**Stormwater Management Committee** – *Tim Holdeman* (City of DeKalb) appointed to serve as the municipal representative for Area 4 for a two-year term that began July 1, 2016 and expiring June 30, 2018. *Joe Misurelli* appointed to serve as the municipal representative for Area 2 for a two-year term that began July 1, 2016 and expiring June 30, 2018.

**Coon Creek Drainage District** – *Carl Dumoulin* appointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2016 and expiring August 31, 2019.

**Clinton-Shabbona Drainage District #1** – *Leonard Anderson* reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2016 and expiring August 31, 2019.

**Shabbona Milan Union Drainage District #1** – *Steven C. Simpson* reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2016 and expiring August 31, 2019.

**Union Drainage District #4 (Victor Township Drainage)** – *Michael Rosenwinkle* reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2016 and expiring August 31, 2019.

**Normal Drainage District #13** – *Steve Storey* reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2016 and expiring August 31, 2019.

**Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Administrative Board** – *Valarie Redmond* and *Julio Hernandez* appointed for three-year terms beginning September 1, 2016 and expiring June 30, 2019. *Joshua Hall* is appointed to fill the unexpired term ending June 30, 2017.

### Motion

It was moved by Mr. Emerson and seconded by Mrs. Tobias to approve the appointments.

### Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote and the motion carried unanimously.

## REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

### PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

Mr. Emerson thanked Mr. Miller for his service to DeKalb County and wished him good luck in his new position.

#### **Ordinance O2016-08:** *Approval of Special Use Permit – Dog Daycare*

##### Motion

Mr. Emerson moved that the DeKalb County Board approve Ordinance O2016-08 to allow a dog daycare on property located at 703 Eva Lane in Sandwich Township. Mr. Jones seconded the motion.

##### Discussion

Mr. Frieders clarified that the location of the proposed dog daycare is on “Eva” Lane vs. “Alva” Lane or “Ava” Lane, as it was incorrectly stated and listed previously.

Chairman Pietrowski clarified that the proposed dog daycare is not a breeding facility.

##### Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **Ordinance O2016-09:** *Amending a Special Use Permit - Agribusiness*

##### Motion

Mr. Emerson moved that the DeKalb County Board approve Ordinance O2016-09, amending a Special Use Permit to approve an Agribusiness on property located on the south side of State Route 34 and the east side of Gletty Road in Sandwich Township. Mrs. Tobias seconded the motion.

##### Discussion

Mrs. Haji-Sheikh asked for the name and more specifics on the business.

Mr. Miller responded that the business, Ag Tech is owned by Gene Frieders and that the business is adding a building to the property.

##### Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote and the motion carried unanimously.

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**Resolution R2016-54:** *Appointment of interim Planning Director*

Motion

Mr. Emerson moved that the DeKalb County Board appoint Kevin Hickey as the interim Planning Director, Building Officer, Plat Officer and Zoning Administrator as of September 1, 2016 at an hourly rate of \$48.00 with said hours limited to no more than 599 hours and the appointment will end with the earlier of the starting date of a new Planning Director or January 8, 2017. Mrs. Turner seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Those members that voted yea were Mrs. Turner, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Metzger, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias and Chairman Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all members present (22) voting yea.

**COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE**

**Resolution R2016-49:** *Bid Award Approval for Equipment*

Motion

Mr. Gudmunson moved that the DeKalb County Board approve an award to the lowest bid meeting specifications for: 1) A New Service Truck to Brad Manning Ford in the amount of \$73,533.00; 2) A New Tandem Steel Drum Vibratory Roller to CRS Bobcat in the amount of \$26,600.00; and 3) A New Bobcat All Wheel Steer Loader to CRS Bobcat in the amount of \$33,320.00. Mr. Jones seconded the motion.

Mr. Gudmunson moved to amend the motion by striking the Bobcat All Wheel Steer Loader in the amount of \$33,320.00. Mr. Frieders seconded the motion.

Discussion

Mr. Gudmunson stated that he has spoken with several of the board members as well as Mr. Nathan Schwartz, County Engineer and has concluded that the county can hold off on the purchase of the All Wheel Steer Loader, as the existing Bobcat is in good condition.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote and the motion carried unanimously.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a roll call vote on the amended resolution. Those members that voted yea were Mrs. Turner, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Metzger, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias and Chairman Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all members present (22) voting yea.

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**Resolution R2016-50:** *Approval of Township Bridge Program Funds for Melms Road Bridge in Genoa Road District.*

Motion

Mr. Gudmunson moved that the DeKalb County Board approve the payment from county funds, township funds, or other available funds, in the sum of \$171,867.20 thereby creating an indebtedness in the Township Bridge Fund for Genoa Road District for purposes to construct a bridge designated as Section 13-06121-00-BR, in Genoa Road District. Mr. Bagby seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Those Members that voted yea were Mrs. Turner, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Metzger, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias and Chairman Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all members present (22) voting yea.

**Ordinance O2016-07:** *Altered Speed Zone Approval*

Motion

Mr. Gudmunson moved that the DeKalb County Board approve the speed limits for all streets in unincorporated Fairdale, Franklin Township be altered to 25 mph. Ms. Willis seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote and the motion carried unanimously.

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Resolution R2016-56:** *Property Sale Approval*

Motion

Mrs. Haji-Sheikh moved that the DeKalb County Board approve the sale of property located at 226 S. Brown Street in Genoa, IL (parcel #03-30-232-007) to Wilbur E. Zekoff Trust 2003 “as is” for the sum of \$72,300.00 to be used by the DeKalb County Rehab & Nursing Center against a resident’s accounts receivable that is currently open. Ms. Little seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Those members that voted yea were Mrs. Turner, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Metzger, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias and Chairman Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all members present (22) voting yea.

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## **LAW & JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

**Resolution R2016-48:** *Authorizing Intergovernmental Agreement with Kane County for the Provision of Multi-Systemic Therapy to Juveniles and Their Families*

### Motion

Mr. Frieders moved that the DeKalb County Board approve authorization to re-enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the County of Kane for the provision of multi-systemic therapy services to juveniles and their families as ordered by the courts, from June 1, 2016 – May 31, 2017 and agree to reimburse Kane County for our 2/15<sup>th</sup> share (\$56,221.00) of the total cost, with said monies to come from the Probation Services Fund, as budgeted. Mrs. Tobias seconded the motion.

### Roll Call Vote

Those members that voted yea were Mrs. Turner, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Metzger, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias and Chairman Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all members present (22) voting yea.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Resolution R2016-51:** *Delinquent Property Tax Sale*

### Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved that the DeKalb County Board authorize the execution of a deed of Conveyance of the County's interest or authorize the cancellation of the appropriate Certificate(s) of Purchase, as the case may be, on the above described real estate for the sum of \$184.25 to be paid to the Treasurer of DeKalb County, Illinois, to be disbursed according to law. Mrs. Tobias seconded the motion.

### Roll Call Vote

Those members that voted yea were Mrs. Turner, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Metzger, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias and Chairman Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all members present (22) voting yea.

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**Resolution R2016-52:** *Delinquent Property Tax Sale*

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved that the DeKalb County Board authorize the cancellation of the appropriate Certificate of Purchase on the above described real estate for the sum of \$2,209.43 to be paid to the Treasurer of DeKalb County, Illinois to be disbursed according to law. Mr. Cribben seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Those Members that voted yea were Mrs. Turner, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Metzger, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias and Chairman Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all members present (22) voting yea.

**Resolution R2016-53:** *Authorize Depositories*

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved that the DeKalb County Board authorize an updated list of banks and credit unions as depositories of public funds in the custody of the DeKalb County Treasurer. Mrs. Haji-Sheikh seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote and the motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution R2016-55:** *Building Inspector Salary Range*

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved that the DeKalb County Board approve authorization of an increase to the Building Inspector starting salary range from \$22.85 - \$32.84 per hour to \$25.85 - \$35.84 per hour. Mr. Luebke seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Those members that voted yea were Mrs. Turner, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Metzger, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias and Chairman Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all members present (22) voting yea.

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### **Claims for July and August 2016**

#### Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved to approve the payment of claims for July and the off-cycle claims paid during June in the amount of \$6,274,036.78 and the payment of claims for August and the off-cycle claims paid during July in the amount of \$11,173,140.08.

Mr. Hanson stated that the claim data outlined in the *County Board Meeting Agenda* referenced incorrect months and he then outlined the correct information.

Mr. Stoddard, who had read the motion as originally written, corrected the motion by referring to the appropriate claims (as outlined in the “Motion” statement above).

Mr. Cribben seconded the motion, as corrected by Mr. Stoddard.

#### Roll Call Vote

Those members that voted yea were Mrs. Turner, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Metzger, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias and Chairman Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously with all members present (22) voting yea.

### **Reports of County Officials**

#### Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved to accept and place on file the following Reports of County Officials:

1. Cash & Investments in County Banks – June & July 2016
2. Public Defender’s Report – June & July 2016
3. Adult & Juvenile Monthly Reports – June & July 2016
4. Pretrial Report – June & July 2016
5. Sheriff’s Jail Report – June & July 2016
6. Planning & Zoning Building Permits & Construction Reports – June & July 2016
7. Circuit Clerk 6 Month Report – ending June 30, 2016
8. County Clerk 6 Month Report – ending June 30, 2016

Ms. Willis seconded the motion.

#### Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote and the motion carried unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

No items

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## **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Pietrowski asked Mr. Brown to provide an overview of the ribbon-cutting ceremony that had taken place earlier in the day for the DeKalb County Business Incubator.

Mr. Brown stated that there was a great turnout at the ribbon-cutting ceremony and he estimated that approximately 75-100 people attended, including Senator Durbin, DeKalb County staff, DeKalb County Board members, as well as other elected state officials.

Chairman Pietrowski added that the opening of the Business Incubator has been well-received and that it's a beautiful space. He also mentioned that pictures of the event will be published in the August newsletter and encouraged members to visit the location at the DeKalb Community Outreach Building on Annie Glidden Road.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

### Motion

Mrs. Turner moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Whelan seconded the motion.

### Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote and the motion carried unanimously.

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DeKalb County Board Chairman

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DeKalb County Clerk

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