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DeKalb County Government
Sycamore, Illinois

**Health & Human Services Committee Minutes
November 7, 2016**

The Health and Human Services Committee of the DeKalb County Board met on Monday, November 7, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the DeKalb County Community Outreach Building's Conference Room West. Vice Chairman Little called the meeting to order and those Committee Members present were Ms. Askins, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Whelan and Vice Chairman Little. A quorum was established with five Members present and one absent. *Chairperson Haji-Sheikh arrived at 6:38 p.m.*

Others present were Gary Hanson, Lisa Gonzalez, Greg Maurice and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Faivre.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Whelan, seconded by Ms. Askins and it was carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the October 3, 2016 meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Mr. Reid, seconded by Mr. Porterfield and it was carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments made.

ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE

DeKalb County Public Health Administrator Lisa Gonzalez along with Director of Health Protection Greg Maurice reviewed proposed amendments to the DeKalb County Code, Chapter 10 – Animals. The main purpose for the amendments were to incorporate into the County Code stronger definitions of what a Nuisance Dog means, defining “Continuous” as it pertains to barking dogs, owner duties, guidelines of what a Kennel is, and outlining how to be found in violation of the Ordinance.

It was reiterated that the Committee has had the amendments for a couple months to review and all amendments will be underlined and highlighted in the County Board Packet if the Committee so chooses to forward the Ordinance to the full County Board.

It was moved by Ms. Askins, seconded by Mr. Whelan and it was moved unanimously to forward the Amendments to the County Code, Chapter 10 – Animals to the full County Board recommending approval.

PUBLIC HEALTH TAX LEVY REFERENDUM

Mr. Hanson began by explaining that this topic has been through the Committee several times now and he noted that his suggestions is that the Committee frame this topic into three different questions. The first question being, whether or not the Committee wants to place a referendum question on the April 2017 Consolidated Election Ballot. If so, the Committee would need to choose which ballot questions they want to go with (Option A or Option B of the handouts). Lastly, if those questions are both yes and the Committee chooses Option B, the Committee would then need to choose a dollar amount to go forward with. Mr. Hanson shared that Mr. Faivre and he have worked on a spreadsheet to hopefully help in figuring out a dollar amount. Mr. Hanson reiterated though that the threshold question is whether the Committee wants to put a question on the ballot or not.

Ms. Askins moved to place Tax Referendum for Public Health Services on the April 2017 Ballot. Mr. Porterfield seconded the motion.

The Committee engaged in brief discussion regarding placing the question on the ballot. Ms. Little noted that she just hates the thought of adding more taxes but agreed to move it on so that the full County Board can vote on the matter. Chairperson Haji-Sheikh expressed that her biggest concern was that the referendum question is framed to ask for millions of dollars when they are only trying to determine to ask for \$450,000 - \$650,000.

Chairperson Haji-Sheikh called for a voice vote on the motion to place a Tax Referendum question on the April 2017 Ballot. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hanson noted that since the least meeting when the Committee talked about ballot language, there has been an addition of a second option. While the second option does not eliminate the requirement to display the full levy, it does have the advantage of being able to “lock in” a levy amount rather than ask for more than is needed and say “trust us” that we (the County) will only levy for a lesser amount. It also has the advantage of showing a much lower cost for individual home-owners.

Mr. Hanson continued that Steve Faivre has been very helpful in working through various numbers and scenarios with himself and with Lisa Gonzalez and Jane Lux at the Health Department. The option sheet that the Committee reviewed shows a couple different amounts used in both an optimistic and a conservative scenario. He lastly added that a lower amount of \$550,000 is attractive as achieving some of the immediate financing goals of the Health Department and may present a most viable option for securing voter approval.

During Committee discussion there was a clear consensus that none of the Members liked Option A, which was the original ballot question that was previously presented to the Committee.

Ms. Gonzalez was asked and reiterated that to maintain the Health Department’s current level of services and based on the current calculations moving forward, the highlighted yellow numbers on the spreadsheet they were reviewing would be when the fund balance goes bellow the targeted level and the red is when they would essentially run out of money. Ms. Gonzalez

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roughly estimated that \$450,000 would give the Health Department about another 8 years, \$550,000 another 10 and \$650,000 about another 12 years of providing services.

Mr. Faivre shared that the point where the Health Department runs out of money depends on the assumptions that you make about the economy. The conservative assumption here is assumes that the revenue coming into the Health Department drops at 3.0% and expenses rise 1.0% per year and the optimistic assumption is revenues will increase at 0.5% and expenses will increase at 2.0%. He continued that the decision in the amount depends on two things, how optimistic or conservative everyone is on the economy and also how much risk is the Board willing to take to where if they are wrong in choosing the amount, it may be necessary to go back to the tax payers and ask for another increase.

The group continued to talk about numbers of cases that are served by WIC and Family Case Management. It was also determined that even if these monies were put forth into a referendum and were voted to be allocated by the public, if grant funding were to go away or were to be cut drastically, programs would be eliminated from the Health Department because they would not be able to be sustained without that additional grant funding.

Mr. Porterfield moved to approve the wording of Option B and Ms. Askins seconded the motion.

Option B reads as follows (Based on \$550,000):

“Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for DeKalb County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.03158% above the limiting rate for the purpose of providing public health services for levy year 2015 and be equal to 1.23027% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2017?”

(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$21,530,492.77, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$22,080,422.37.

(2) For the 2017 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$10.53.”

Chairperson Haji-Sheikh called for a voice vote on the motion to move forward with Option B wording, as stated above. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairperson Haji-Sheikh reiterated that the last mission was to determine a dollar amount.

Mr. Faivre shared that as he is looking at the numbers and reviewing the wording in Option B, if the Committee were to choose \$500,000, it may be more marketable to voters because you can say property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 would be under \$10.00.

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Ms. Askins posed her argument for requesting the whole \$650,000 while Mr. Whelan and Ms. Little expressed their concerns with raising property taxes at all but the lesser amount may be a bit more appealing to skeptics like them.

Mr. Porterfield moved to approve placing a referendum of the ballot for the April 4, 2017 Election ballot for voter to consider a measure to increase funding for the provision of Public Health Services by \$500,000 as a one-time exemption to the current property tax limitation base, for 2017 taxes which are collected for the County's 2018 fiscal year. Mr. Reid seconded the motion.

Committee Members provided their last comments regarding the issue and some still expressed concerns they had with the wording and the idea of adding to property taxes.

Chairperson Haji-Sheikh called for a voice vote on the motion as presented. The Committee approved to forward the referendum resolution to the full County Board recommending approval with one opposition from Chairperson Haji-Sheikh.

The new ballot wording with the \$500,000 amount reads as follows:

“Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for DeKalb County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.02871% above the limiting rate for the purpose of providing public health services for levy year 2015 and be equal to 1.22740% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2017?”

(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$21,530,492.77, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$22,030,444.60.

(2) For the 2017 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$9.57.”

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS / CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Chairperson Haji-Sheikh reminded everyone to vote in tomorrow's General Election and that there will be no meeting in December.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Ms. Askins, seconded by Mr. Whelan, and it was carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Misty Haji-Sheikh, Chairperson

Tasha Sims, Recording Secretary

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Option A

**NEW RATE REFERENDUM
(HEALTH DEPARTMENT TAX)**

Ballot Question

Shall DeKalb County, Illinois, be authorized to levy a new tax for county health department purposes and have an additional tax of 0.1% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein extended for such purposes?

(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$21,530,492.77, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$23,271,878.47.

(2) For the 2017 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$33.33.

Option B

LIMITING RATE REFERENDUM

Ballot Question

Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for DeKalb County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.03158% above the limiting rate for the purpose of providing public health services for levy year 2015 and be equal to 1.23027% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy year 2017?

(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recently extended limiting rate is \$21,530,492.77, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$22,080,422.37.

(2) For the 2017 levy year the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value at the time of the referendum of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$10.53.

Note: Option B based on \$550,000

Health Department Fund Balance Projections

AMOUNTS ARE in THOUSANDS

11/7/2016

YEAR	STATUS	YEAR ENDING	STATUS QUO		CONSERVATIVE SCENARIO								OPTIMISTIC SCENARIO																							
					Revenue -3.0% & Expenses +1.0% per Year																Revenue +0.5% & Expenses +2.0% per Year															
					Option A		Option B		Option C		Option D		Option A		Option B		Option C		Option D																	
					No Additional Tax		Additional Tax: \$450,000		Additional Tax: \$550,000		Additional Tax: \$650,000		No Additional Tax		Additional Tax: \$450,000		Additional Tax: \$550,000		Additional Tax: \$650,000																	
		Rev-Exp	Ending Balance	Rev-Exp	Ending Balance	Rev-Exp	Ending Balance	Rev-Exp	Ending Balance	Rev-Exp	Ending Balance	Rev-Exp	Ending Balance	Rev-Exp	Ending Balance	Rev-Exp	Ending Balance	Rev-Exp	Ending Balance																	
-3	A	12/31/2014	17.8	2,386.9	17.8	2,386.9	17.8	2,386.9	17.8	2,386.9	17.8	2,386.9	17.8	2,386.9	17.8	2,386.9	17.8	2,386.9	17.8	2,386.9																
-2	A	12/31/2015	(133.7)	2,253.2	(133.7)	2,253.2	(133.7)	2,253.2	(133.7)	2,253.2	(133.7)	2,253.2	(133.7)	2,253.2	(133.7)	2,253.2	(133.7)	2,253.2	(133.7)	2,253.2																
-1	E	12/31/2016	(249.1)	2,004.1	(249.1)	2,004.1	(249.1)	2,004.1	(249.1)	2,004.1	(249.1)	2,004.1	(249.1)	2,004.1	(249.1)	2,004.1	(249.1)	2,004.1	(249.1)	2,004.1																
0	B	12/31/2017	(288.7)	1,715.4	(288.7)	1,715.4	(288.7)	1,715.4	(288.7)	1,715.4	(288.7)	1,715.4	(288.7)	1,715.4	(288.7)	1,715.4	(288.7)	1,715.4	(288.7)	1,715.4																
1	P	12/31/2018	(288.7)	1,426.7	(426.1)	1,289.3	23.9	1,739.3	123.9	1,839.3	223.9	1,939.3	(344.9)	1,370.5	105.1	1,820.5	205.1	1,920.5	305.1	2,020.5																
2	P	12/31/2019	(288.7)	1,138.1	(560.9)	728.4	(110.9)	1,628.4	(10.9)	1,828.4	89.1	2,028.4	(402.5)	968.0	47.5	1,868.0	147.5	2,068.0	247.5	2,268.0																
3	P	12/31/2020	(288.7)	849.4	(693.1)	35.3	(243.1)	1,385.3	(143.1)	1,685.3	(43.1)	1,985.3	(461.5)	506.5	(11.5)	1,856.5	88.5	2,156.5	188.5	2,456.5																
4	P	12/31/2021	(288.7)	560.7	(822.9)	(787.6)	(372.9)	1,012.4	(272.9)	1,412.4	(172.9)	1,812.4	(522.0)	(15.5)	(72.0)	1,784.5	28.0	2,184.5	128.0	2,584.5																
5	P	12/31/2022	(288.7)	272.1	(950.2)	(1,737.8)	(500.2)	512.2	(400.2)	1,012.2	(300.2)	1,512.2	(583.9)	(599.4)	(133.9)	1,650.6	(33.9)	2,150.6	66.1	2,650.6																
6	P	12/31/2023	(288.7)	(16.6)	(1,075.3)	(2,813.1)	(625.3)	(113.1)	(525.3)	486.9	(425.3)	1,086.9	(647.3)	(1,246.7)	(197.3)	1,453.3	(97.3)	2,053.3	2.7	2,653.3																
7	P	12/31/2024	(288.7)	(305.3)	(1,198.1)	(4,011.2)	(748.1)	(861.2)	(648.1)	(161.2)	(548.1)	538.8	(712.2)	(1,959.0)	(262.2)	1,191.0	(162.2)	1,891.0	(62.2)	2,591.0																
8	P	12/31/2025	(288.7)	(593.9)	(1,318.8)	(5,330.0)	(868.8)	(1,730.0)	(768.8)	(930.0)	(668.8)	(130.0)	(778.7)	(2,737.7)	(328.7)	862.3	(228.7)	1,662.3	(128.7)	2,462.3																
9	P	12/31/2026	(288.7)	(882.6)	(1,437.5)	(6,767.5)	(987.5)	(2,717.5)	(887.5)	(1,817.5)	(787.5)	(917.5)	(846.8)	(3,584.6)	(396.8)	465.4	(296.8)	1,365.4	(196.8)	2,265.4																
10	P	12/31/2027	(288.7)	(1,171.3)	(1,554.1)	(8,321.6)	(1,104.1)	(3,821.6)	(1,004.1)	(2,821.6)	(904.1)	(1,821.6)	(916.6)	(4,501.1)	(466.6)	(1.1)	(366.6)	998.9	(266.6)	1,998.9																
11	P	12/31/2028	(288.7)	(1,459.9)	(1,668.9)	(9,990.5)	(1,218.9)	(5,040.5)	(1,118.9)	(3,940.5)	(1,018.9)	(2,840.5)	(987.9)	(5,489.0)	(537.9)	(539.0)	(437.9)	561.0	(337.9)	1,661.0																
12	P	12/31/2029	(288.7)	(1,748.6)	(1,781.8)	(11,772.3)	(1,331.8)	(6,372.3)	(1,231.8)	(5,172.3)	(1,131.8)	(3,972.3)	(1,061.0)	(6,550.0)	(611.0)	(1,150.0)	(511.0)	50.0	(411.0)	1,250.0																
13	P	12/31/2030	(288.7)	(2,037.3)	(1,893.0)	(13,665.4)	(1,443.0)	(7,815.4)	(1,343.0)	(6,515.4)	(1,243.0)	(5,215.4)	(1,135.8)	(7,685.8)	(685.8)	(1,835.8)	(585.8)	(535.8)	(485.8)	764.2																
14	P	12/31/2031	(288.7)	(2,325.9)	(2,002.5)	(15,667.9)	(1,552.5)	(9,367.9)	(1,452.5)	(7,967.9)	(1,352.5)	(6,567.9)	(1,212.3)	(8,898.1)	(762.3)	(2,598.1)	(662.3)	(1,198.1)	(562.3)	201.9																
15	P	12/31/2032	(288.7)	(2,614.6)	(2,110.4)	(17,778.3)	(1,660.4)	(11,028.3)	(1,560.4)	(9,528.3)	(1,460.4)	(8,028.3)	(1,290.7)	(10,188.8)	(840.7)	(3,438.8)	(740.7)	(1,938.8)	(640.7)	(438.8)																

Status: A=Audited, E=Estimated, B=Budgeted, P=Projected

Target Minimum Fund Balance: 959.6
 Balance goes below Target:
 Balance goes below Zero:

Health Department Fund Balance Projections

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11/16/2016

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8	P	12/31/2025	(288.7)	(593.9)	(1,318.8)	(5,330.0)	(818.8)	(1,330.0)	(768.8)	(930.0)	(668.8)	(130.0)	(778.7)	(2,737.7)	(278.7)	1,262.3	(228.7)	1,662.3	(128.7)	2,462.3																
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12	P	12/31/2029	(288.7)	(1,748.6)	(1,781.8)	(11,772.3)	(1,281.8)	(5,772.3)	(1,231.8)	(5,172.3)	(1,131.8)	(3,972.3)	(1,061.0)	(6,550.0)	(561.0)	(550.0)	(511.0)	50.0	(411.0)	1,250.0																
13	P	12/31/2030	(288.7)	(2,037.3)	(1,893.0)	(13,665.4)	(1,393.0)	(7,165.4)	(1,343.0)	(6,515.4)	(1,243.0)	(5,215.4)	(1,135.8)	(7,685.8)	(635.8)	(1,185.8)	(585.8)	(535.8)	(485.8)	764.2																
14	P	12/31/2031	(288.7)	(2,325.9)	(2,002.5)	(15,667.9)	(1,502.5)	(8,667.9)	(1,452.5)	(7,967.9)	(1,352.5)	(6,567.9)	(1,212.3)	(8,898.1)	(712.3)	(1,898.1)	(662.3)	(1,198.1)	(562.3)	201.9																
15	P	12/31/2032	(288.7)	(2,614.6)	(2,110.4)	(17,778.3)	(1,610.4)	(10,278.3)	(1,560.4)	(9,528.3)	(1,460.4)	(8,028.3)	(1,290.7)	(10,188.8)	(790.7)	(2,688.8)	(740.7)	(1,938.8)	(640.7)	(438.8)																

Status: A=Audited, E=Estimated, B=Budgeted, P=Projected



\$500,000 figure that was approved by Committee



Target Minimum Fund Balance: 959.6
 Balance goes below Target:
 Balance goes below Zero: