

DeKalb County Government  
Jail Expansion Ground Breaking Ceremony  
Sycamore Campus

June 15, 2016



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BREAKING  
*Ceremony*



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***YOU ARE INVITED***

Please join us as we break ground on the DeKalb County Jail Expansion

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2016**  
**5:00 P.M.**

180 E. Exchange Street, Sycamore, IL

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Welcome .....	Mark Pietrowski, Jr., Chairman DeKalb County Board
Jail Team Introductions.....	Matt Swanson, Chairman Public Building Commission
Components of the Final Jail Solution .....	Tracy Jones Vice Chairman of County Board Chair, Jail Solutions Committee
Intergovernmental Cooperation.....	Ken Mundy Mayor, City of Sycamore
<i>Finally, a New Jail!</i> .....	Sheriff Roger Scott
Closing .....	Shovels and Photos

# DeKalb County Jail Expansion Team

## County Board Members

Mark Pietrowski, Jr. – Chairman  
Tracy Jones – Vice Chairman  
Marjorie Askins  
Tim Bagby  
Robert Brown  
Kevin Bunge  
Dan Cribben  
John Emerson  
Steve Faivre  
John Frieders  
John Gudmunson  
Misty Haji-Sheikh  
Dianne Leifheit  
Maureen Little  
Jim Luebke  
Jeffery Metzger  
Sandra Polanco  
Chris Porterfield  
Stephen Reid  
Paul Stoddard  
Ruth Anne Tobias  
Anita Turner  
Jeff Whelan  
Suzanne Willis

## Public Building Commission

Matt Swanson – Chairman  
Larry Lundgren – Vice Chairman  
Mike Larson – Commissioner  
Cheryl Nicholson – Commissioner  
Chuck Shepard – Commissioner  
Gary Hanson – Treasurer  
Mary Simons – Secretary



## DeKalb County Team

Tracy Jones – Jail Solutions Committee Chair  
Roger Scott – County Sheriff  
Joyce Klein – Chief of Corrections  
Jim Scheffers – Facilities Management Director  
Pete Stefan – Finance Director  
Edward Harvey – Project Administration  
Gary Hanson – County Administrator  
Information Management Office

## Special Mention – City of Sycamore

Brian Gregory, City Manager  
Mark Bushnell, City Engineer  
John Sauter, Director of Building & Engineering

## Professional Services Team

Dewberry Architects

- Daniel Atilano
- Brian Kerner
- Kevin Palmby

Gilbane – Construction Manager

- Tom Leonard
- Jeremy Roling
- Connie Fierke

Kimme & Associates – Jail Planner

- Dennis Kimme

Baxter & Woodman – Civil Engineers

- Jim Sparber

# Contractors

- Building Electrical, Lighting & Communication Work - ***Morse Electric, Inc.***
- Cast In Place Concrete Work - ***Manusos General Contracting***
- Commissioning Consultants for Mechanical, Electrical, & Plumbing – ***Ecube, Inc.***
- Detention Equipment Work - ***Valley Security Company***
- Drywall & Acoustical Ceiling Work - ***L.J. Morse Construction***
- Elevators - ***Out for Bids***
- Fire Protection Work - ***S.J. Carlson Fire Protection, Inc.***
- Flooring & Hard Tile Work - ***Vortex Commercial Flooring***
- Geotechnical Engineering Services –***Terracon Consultants, Inc.***
- General Trades Work - ***Hargrave Builders, Inc.***
- Glass & Glazing Work - ***Rock Valley Glass of Rockford, Inc.***
- Kitchen & Laundry Equipment Work - ***Great Lakes Hotel Supply Company***
- Masonry Work - ***Mastership Construction Company***
- Mass Excavation Work - ***Berger Excavation Contractors, Inc.***
- Mechanical Work - ***Dodson Plumbing, Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.***
- Metal Panels – ***Out for Bids***
- Painting Work - ***Oosterbaan & Sons Co.***
- Parking Lot, State Street - ***Elliot & Wood Inc.***
- Precast Concrete Work - ***Midwest Precast Concrete***
- Plumbing Work - ***JB Contracting Corporation***
- Roofing Work - ***MetalMaster Roofmaster, Inc.***
- Security Access Work - ***Stanley Convergent Security Solutions, Inc.***
- Site Concrete & Paving Work - ***Abbey Paving & Sealcoating Co.***
- Site Electrical Work - ***Excel Electric, Inc.***
- Site Utility Work - ***Stark & Son Trenching, Inc.***
- Spray Insulation & Fireproofing Work - ***Midwest Fireproofing, LLC***
- Stair & Misc. Metal Work - ***S.G. Krauss Co.***
- Structural Steel Work - ***Waukegan Steel LLC***
- Utility Providers - ***Comcast, ComEd Electric, Frontier Communications, NICOR Gas, City of Sycamore***



# Construction Facts

\$29,000,000 Construction Cost  
\$36,000,000 Total Project Cost

83,630 square feet  
163 occupancy  
(83 old facility, 80 new)  
Future occupancy for an additional  
60 in shell space

Appropriate space for problem  
and special need inmates.

The 1980 Jail was  
46,481 square feet and  
the construction cost was  
\$3.2 million.

Infrastructure space is sized large  
enough for this expansion and for a  
future expansion for the following  
areas: kitchen, laundry, booking  
area, inmate property room,  
medical area, program rooms,  
employee locker rooms and  
breakroom.



JAIL EXPANSION GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY -- SPEAKERS



Welcome –DeKalb County Chairman, Mark Pietrowski, Jr.



Tracy Jones, DeKalb County Vice- Chairman and Jail Solutions Committee spoke on "Components of the Final Jail Solution."



Matt Swanson, Public Building Commission Chairman, introduced the Jail Expansion Team



Ken Mundy, Mayor of Sycamore's speech addressed "Intergovernmental Cooperation"



Sheriff Roger Scott delivered his passionate speech, "Finally, A New Jail!"

JAIL EXPANSION GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY -- PHOTOS AND SHOVELS



## JAIL EXPANSION GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY – PHOTOS AND SHOVELS



L-R: Daniel Atilano, -Dewberry Architect, County Board Chairman Mark Pietrowski, Jr., and Jeremy Roling, -Gilbane, Construction Manager



L-R:  
Retired County Board PBC Commissioner, Beryl Smith and Chief Joyce Klein, Chief of Corrections.

(Beryl was on the County Board for the "1980 Jail")



L-R: Pete Stefan –Finance Director, Mike Hey –Waste Management, and Gary H. Hanson, DeKalb County Administrator. (Majority of Jail Expansion Financed by Host Fee Revenues at Landfill)



L-R: Sycamore Mayor Ken Mundy, Matt Swanson – PBC Chairman, Sheriff Roger Scott Board Chairman, Mark Pietrowski, Jr., and County Board Vice-Chair, Tracy Jones

## COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS



Left: Suzanne Willis, Jim Luebke, Misty Haji-Sheikh, Anita Turner, Steve Fivre, Mark Pietrowski, Jr.

Center: Tim Bagby, Jeff Whelan

Right: John Gudmunson, Tracy Jones, Dan Cribben, John Frieders, Ruth Anne Tobias and Robert Brown

## JAIL EXPANSION GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY – PHOTOS AND SHOVELS

### JAIL EXPANSION TEAM – COUNTY STAFF, ARCHITECT TEAM, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT TEAM



L-R: Chief Joyce Klein, Jim Scheffers, Brian Kerner, Samantha Josh, Ed Harvey, Carl Rapa, Sara Chrzanowski, Daniel Atilano, Tom Leonard, Gary Hanson, Donny Adams, Jeremy Roling and Jeniffer Reyes.



### PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION – RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSTRUCTION PHASE



L-R: Gary Hanson –County Administrator, Matt Swanson –PBC Chairman, Chuck Shepard –PBC Commissioner, Larry Lundgren –PBC Commissioner, Mary Simons –PBC Secretary and Mike Larson –PBC Commissioner.

This transcript was taken 06/15/2016

From a speech entitled "Components of the Final Jail Solution" by Tracy Jones, County Board Vice – Chairman and Jail Solution Committee at the Jail Expansion Ground Breaking Ceremony

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It is a privilege for me to stand here at this jail expansion ground breaking, a project that has had a very long history. I will outline how this project has come to be over the last two years, but the majority of the work was done before Chairman Pietrowski and I were even elected to the County Board in November of 2012. I hope to give those people the credit they deserve.

In our first two years on the County Board, Mark and I would often discuss our views and opinions on numerous issues with each other. In doing so, we adopted the phrase "we just want good government." We are both very proud today because we think this is an example of good government. After I explain how we got to this point, I think you will agree.

On December 1, 2014 Mark and I were fortunate to be elected into the leadership positions of Chairman and Vice Chairman of the County Board. Our first order of business was to meet with as many department heads and elected officials that we could. The jail expansion had been planned to be built, but the funding source was challenged in court. The court eventually gave it's ok, but after such a long period the accuracy of the cost estimates was not known. What was the long term financial outlook for the County? What other factors could adversely affect the finances of the County? Many questions with no answers and the project just sat with no action being taken. We met with Sherriff Scott and Lieutenant Klein two days after assuming our leadership roles with the jail expansion as the main topic. That is when Mark and I said it was time to take a hard look at the jail expansion again. We did not promise to build it, but said we have to pursue this, figure it out and bring this to a conclusion weather we build a jail or not. Doing nothing was not going to be acceptable.

We formed the Jail Solutions Committee early in 2015 to look at the status of everything that had been done and figure out where to go from here. I am honored to have led a group of engaged Board members and County personal to figure this jail dilemma out. Everyone on our committee had only one goal in mind and that was to figure out the best plan going forward. There were no predetermined agendas, just figure out what was right and the best thing for our County. The need was obvious as we looked at the facility and the numbers of inmates. While one of our goals has always been to reduce jail population, and I am happy to report we have been successful in doing that, the need for an

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expanded facility is about more than just number of inmates. It is also about working conditions, efficiency, and safety for all involved. We educated ourselves on what was already planned and why. We were impressed by all the work that was put into the design and the thought as to why it was designed that way. We decided that it would have been a waste to our time and taxpayer money to recreate what had already been done. We thank all of the previous County Board member and County personal that worked on this design in the early stages, you all did a fine job!

So how do we pay for it? I clearly remember the meeting where we brainstormed on all possible ways to pay for this project and the risks they carried with. It was one of the best meetings I have ever been involved in, great open discussion and thinking out loud. I put the ideas up on the white board as our committee members thought and discussed. We reached no conclusion at that meeting but everyone expressed their thoughts on what was acceptable and what was not, which was very important. A week before our next meeting I got a phone call from Gary Hanson, he wanted to meet with the Sheriff and I about a plan he and Pete Stefan had been working on to finance the project. He wanted to know our thoughts before presenting it to the Jail Solutions Committee. After our briefing on the plan, I realized that Gary and Pete did exactly what they should do, they listened to what our committee thought was good and what was bad, what was acceptable and what was not. They then developed a plan using what they heard from our committee and the knowledge that they had about County finance to make this project work. It is very enjoyable to be part of a team all working for a common goal! I commend them both for a job well done! We are utilizing the Landfill revenue for its intended purpose and are going to complete this project without a tax increase! That is an example of good government!

I am humbled to be one of the speakers at this much anticipated event, but as you can see, there have been many, many people that have had a hand in making this happen, it has been a real team effort and you all should be proud of bringing this building to this groundbreaking!

Tracy Jones, DeKalb County Board Vice-Chairman

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From a speech entitled "Intergovernmental Cooperation" by Mayor of Sycamore, at the Jail Expansion Ground Breaking Ceremony.

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Good afternoon,

June 15, 2016

Could we take a moment to honor Joe Bussone, a champion of community charity and compassion.

Thank you Roger, Gary, and Mark for including us here today.

DeKalb County and Sycamore began its common history 176 years ago when the Illinois State Legislature acted to make Sycamore the county seat thus ending local contention over county seat siting. Then on Monday March 14<sup>th</sup> 1859 the Town of Sycamore conducted its 1<sup>st</sup> election under the oversight of County Clerk CO Boynton and Timothy Peck, President Board of Trustees. Polls were open from 9 am to 5 pm. 235 voted and elected 5 town trustees, Mayo, Beckwith, Stebbins, Page, Weeden, Justice of the Peace Waite, Assessor Pierce, and Constable Joslyn. Most or all of these are buried in Elmwood Cemetery with plainly marked stones near the rotunda. So began the local government of the Town of Sycamore.

By another act of the state legislature Sycamore became incorporated as a city in 1869 and in 1875 agreed with the county to both appropriate \$700 for an iron or wood or iron and wood fence around the "public square" where sat the county court house. Also during these times and continued today was the practice of the county jail housing clients who could not pay fines or otherwise fulfil sentences for violation of city ordinances.

As early as the 1920's Sycamore paid a "night man" to be at the county radio dispatch room and his pay was based on the sheriff's recommended wage. As Sycamore grew and developed its police force city and county law enforcement worked well together to cover and support the needs of each other.

City and county engineers, public works, streets, and roads people work together especially during winter, storm, and emergency conditions in areas where city and county jurisdictions meet each other such as Peace Road, Plank Road, Route 23, and areas both within and outside the city.

Over time county and city agreed on contracts for dispatch services woven into the 911 emergency response system that serves us well today. Other examples of city county cooperation are zoning and building code issues to align with community needs, a youth home to house at risk youth on short time basis, a recovery house for men who are clean and sober, working, and willing to continue their recovery in a group home setting. Sycamore Fire Department always responded to Evergreen Village flooding.

Every elected and appointed local official, entrusted with public expectations, knows that public safety is the primary concern for the people being served. To work together, contain duplication of service costs, and coordinate functions similar to both city and county result in savings to the folks who pay the bills, the taxpayers. So it is with great pride and resolution that once again city and county come together to build an expanded county jail facility to further serve the public safety needs of us all.

Thanks again for this opportunity to share some city county commonalities.

Mayor Ken Mundy

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From a speech entitled "Finally a Jail!" by Roger Scott – DeKalb County Sheriff at the Jail Expansion Ground Breaking Ceremony

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Sheriff Scott Comments – Ground Breaking

DeKalb County Jail – June 5, 2016

Finally a Jail

Responsibility Fulfilled

In June of 1990, this Blue Book was the first study of many regarding our jail built in 1980. Those of you who have been in my office may be surprised that I was able to find anything much less a report from 1990. This report by the National Institute of Corrections stated, "that the jail built in 1980 was crowded in 1990." It was the beginning of the discussion, debates, more studies, and votes that have brought us to where we are today 26 years later. Thanks to all the County Boards and administrators past and present, the City of Sycamore, and County citizens who brought us to this day.

As we look over my shoulder to the east at the current Public Safety Building and jail we know that building, thanks to those who developed and brought it into being, we know that building will continue to serve as the Public Safety Building for the Sheriff, Coroner, and E.S.D.A. well into the future, a testament to quality planning, which I believe carried on with the construction of this Jail Expansion.

Today we celebrate not a building, but a fulfilled responsibility. This jail expansion does not qualify as a passion of mine, but is a mandated responsibility that we in DeKalb County have to provide a safe and secure county jail. It is a shared responsibility involving the Office of Sheriff, County Board, and the entire county community. It should also be noted that there is only one county jail in DeKalb County, some towns have holding facilities, but those who do not get bonded out, almost always end up in our county jail for as long as determined by the Courts.

This expansion project will meet many needs and responsibilities. First, let there be no mistake the purpose of this jail is to preserve the safety of the vast majority of citizens, from those individuals who impose their desires over the rights of others. The title on the building will be the DeKalb County Jail, there will be no fancy words to cover the stark reality of its purpose. As sad and unfortunate as it is there will always be a need for jails in this imperfect world made up of imperfect people like us and it will remain that way until the return of the perfect king and his world.

An equally important responsibility fulfilled is the need for a modern facility that provides for the medical and mental health of inmates not because it is required but because it is the right thing to do. Space is allocated to provide expanded emotional, spiritual counseling and much more. Not all who are incarcerated will take advantage of the opportunities presented, but some will and their lives will change for the good. The DeKalb County community will be better because opportunities were given to those who spent time in the DeKalb County Jail.

Another fulfilled responsibility with this jail expansion that the Citizens of DeKalb County can be proud of is that it is a safer facility for the "heartbeat" of any jail or corrections facility, the men and women of the Sheriff's Office who work there 24/7, 365 days a year.

Thank-you to all of you here today and many others who encouraged and/or helped us fulfill our responsibility now and into the future.

Thank-you.

Roger Scott, DeKalb County Sheriff

