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DeKalb County Government  
Sycamore, Illinois

**COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS**  
**February 21, 2018**

The DeKalb County Board met in regular session at the Legislative Center's Gathertorium on Wednesday, February 21, 2018. Chairman Pietrowski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Clerk called the roll. Those Members present were Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, and Chairman Pietrowski. Those Members absent were Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, and Mr. Jones. A quorum was established with twenty-one Members present and three absent.

Chairman Pietrowski requested Mr. Luebke to lead in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2018 County Board Meeting. Mr. Osland seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski asked for a voice vote on the approval of the minutes. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion

It was moved by Mrs. Haji-Sheikh and seconded by Mr. Whelan to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND REFERRALS**

Chairman Pietrowski shared called upon Board Member Ms. Little who wanted to speak and pay tribute to the Late Dean Awe of Kingston, Illinois. Ms. Little shared that Mr. Dean E. Awe was a Vietnam Veteran, proudly serving our country as a Sergeant in C Troop, 1st Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment (the Legendary Blackhorse Regiment) in the Vietnam War in 1965-67. He was a recipient of the Combat Infantryman Badge and the Good Conduct Medal. He was a Life Member of the 11th ACVVC. He was also a member of the Kingston American Legion Post 1010. After returning from Vietnam, he worked many years for Miller-Davis Construction Co. before starting his own electrical business. He was currently the Maintenance Director for Kingston Park and took great pride in his work.

Chairman Pietrowski additionally shared that Kishwaukee College unfortunately had to cancel their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration due to an unforeseen water main break. He noted that he would share if and when the celebration would be rescheduled.

Lastly, the Chairman spoke about the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the tragic shooting that occurred at Northern Illinois University. He additionally provided his condolences to those who were recently effected by the school shooting that occurred in South Florida on February 14, 2018 (the same date as the NIU's shooting, 10 years later).

#### Employee Services Award for February

Chairman Pietrowski additionally recognized the Employee Services Awards for the month of February 2018: Five Years: Jenna Woodbury – Rehab & Nursing Center; Ten Years: Daniel Brauner – Sheriff's Department, Glenna Johnson – E-911, Bonnie Hudson – Circuit Clerk's Office, Ashley Rockstead – Rehab & Nursing Center; Fifteen Years: Christian Kuhns – Sheriff's Department; Twenty Years: Erica Walker – Circuit Clerk's Office; Twenty-Five Years: Charles Simpson – Rehab & Nursing Center, David Jacobson – Coroner's Office.

Additionally, Sheriff Roger Scott presented Paul Delisio with this Service Award Plaque for his twenty-five years of service to the DeKalb County Sheriff's Department.

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

No individuals asked to address the Board.

*Mr. Plote arrived. The roll now reflects twenty-two Members present and two absent.*

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman Pietrowski recommended approval of the following appointments:

- a. **DeKalb County Board Highway Committee**: Roy Plote appointed as Chairman immediately until November 30, 2018.
- b. **Community Mental Health Board**: Robert Cook appointed immediately to fill a vacancy until December 31, 2021.

#### Motion

It was moved by Mr. Faivre and seconded by Mrs. Emmer to approve all of the recommended appointments as presented.

#### Voice Vote

The motion was carried unanimously.

#### **REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

##### **PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE**

#### **Ordinance O2018-01: Amending a Special Use Permit for an Airstrip and Airplane Storage Use in Clinton Township**

#### Motion

Mr. Faivre moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves to amend DeKalb County Ordinance 1991-3, condition "e", as outlined in the Ordinance, for a Special Use Permit for an airstrip and airplane storage use on property located at 8906 Waterman Road in Clinton Township. Mr. Porterfield seconded the motion as presented.

#### Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote on the motion. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

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**Ordinance O2018-02: Amending Chapter 14 of the DeKalb County Code Regarding Building Permit Fees**

**Motion**

Mr. Faivre moved the DeKalb County Board concurs with the recommendations set forth by the Planning & Zoning Committee and hereby approves the amendments to the Building Permit Fees for new telecommunication tower sites and for co-location or upgrades to existing sites as described in the Ordinance. Mr. Roman seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote on the motion. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

**COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE**

**Resolution R2018-03: Award Resolution for the 2018 General County Letting**

**Motion**

Mr. Plote moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby awards the 2018 General County Letting for aggregate, patching material, and hot-mix to the following companies who submitted the lowest bids meeting specifications: Builders Asphalt, LLC, Curran Contracting, Peter Baker, Rock Road Companies, Inc., Macklin Inc. of Rochelle, Illinois, Vulcan Materials of Sycamore/DeKalb, Illinois, and Wagner Aggregate, Inc. of DeKalb, Illinois. Mr. Stoddard seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote**

Chairman Pietrowski called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those Members voted yea were Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution R2018-04: 2018 Road District Aggregate Projects**

**Motion**

Mr. Plote moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby awards the lowest bid meeting specification to Macklin, Inc. from Rochelle, Illinois for 11,400 tons of aggregate surface course SOR to be placed on Anderland, Keslinger and Minnegan Roads in Afton Township in the amount of \$119,700.00 as well as for 5,000 tons of aggregate surface course SOR to be placed on Houghtby Road in Shabbona Road District in the amount of \$52,500.00. Ms. Willis seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote**

Chairman Pietrowski called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those Members voted yea were Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

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**Resolution R2018-05: Award for 2018 Drainage Pipe**

**Motion**

Mr. Plote moved the DeKalb County Board hereby awards the lowest bid meeting specifications to Contech Engineering Solutions, LLC of Oak Brook, Illinois for the delivery of drainage pipe culverts and bands as specified to various locations within DeKalb County, identified as section number 2018 Drainage Pipe Projects in the total amount of \$72,800.34. Mrs. Emmer seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote**

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those Members voted yea were Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution R2018-06: Award for One New Cab and Chassis**

**Motion**

Mr. Plote moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves the lowest bid meeting specifications to JX Peterbilt of Rockford, Illinois for the provision of a new Peterbilt 348 Tandem Axle Cab and Chassis with options and after trade allowance in the total amount of \$88,866.00. Mr. Osland seconded the motion as presented.

**Roll Call Vote**

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those Members voted yea were Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution R2018-07: Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation for Barber Greene Road Repaving Project**

**Motion**

Mr. Plote moved the DeKalb County Board hereby deems it appropriate to enter into an agreement with the State of Illinois for certain improvements to .75 miles of Barber Greene Road, from Illinois Route 23 east to Peace Road in the total amount of \$1,207,500.00 with the local share to be estimated at \$241,500.00. Mr. Luebke seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote**

Chairman Pietrowski called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those Members voted yea were Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Resolution R2018-08: Authorizing the Execution and Amendment of a Downstate Operating Assistance Grant Agreement**

Motion

Ms. Little moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes and directs the Chairman of the DeKalb County Board to execute and file on behalf of DeKalb County a Downstate Operating Assistance Grant Agreement for fiscal year 2018 for the assistance in the development and operation of public transportation systems. Mrs. Haji-Sheikh seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Chairman called for a voice vote on the motion as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Resolution R2018-09: Delinquent Property Sale Resolution**

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the execution of a deed of conveyance of the County's interest or authorize the cancellation of appropriate Certificate(s) of Purchase, as the case may be, on parcel 06-21-440-012 in the sum of \$665.00 to be paid to the Treasurer of DeKalb County, Illinois to be disbursed according to law. Mr. Reid seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a roll call vote. Those Members voted yea were Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, and Chairman Pietrowski. Mr. Bagby abstained. The motion carried.

**Resolution R2018-10: Abating the Entire Property Tax Levy for the 2017 Tax Year for the 2010 Courthouse Expansion and Jail Expansion Bond Issue**

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved that the DeKalb County board hereby approves that the \$1,259,514 property tax levy for the 2017 Tax Year (payable in 2018), which was levied for the retirement of the debt of (a) \$949,406 for the Build America Bond Issue and (b) \$310,108 for the Recovery Zone Bond Issue, is hereby abated in its entirety in the amount of \$1,259,514, and that a certified copy of this resolution should be filed with the DeKalb County Clerk within fifteen days. Mr. Plote seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those Members voted yea were Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

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**Resolution R2018-11: Abating the Entire Property Tax Levy for the 2017 Tax Year for the 2017 Jail Expansion Bond Issue**

**Motion**

Mr. Stoddard moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves that the \$1,198,106.26 property tax levy for the 2017 Tax Year (payable in 2018), which was levied for the retirement of the debt of the County of DeKalb, Illinois General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2017 (i.e. The Jail Expansion Bonds), is hereby abated in its entirety in the amount of \$1,198,106.26, and that a certified copy of this resolution should be filed with the DeKalb County Clerk within fifteen days. Mr. Bagby seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote**

Chairman Pietrowski called for a roll call vote on the motion as presented. Those Members voted yea were Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

**Claims**

**Motion**

Mr. Stoddard moved to approve the payment of claims for the month of February 2018, and the off cycle claims paid during the previous month, including all claims for travel, meals, and lodging, in the amount of \$9,029,456.93. Mr. Luebke seconded the motion

**Roll Call Vote**

Chairman Pietrowski asked for a roll call vote on the approval of the February Claims. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Hughes, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

**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 – January 2018
2. Public Defender's Report – January 2018
3. Adult & Juvenile Monthly Reports – January 2018
4. Pretrial Report – January 2018
5. Sheriff's Jail Report – January 2018
6. Building Permits & Construction Reports – January 2018
7. Circuit Clerk's Six Month Report – Ending December 31, 2017
8. County Clerk & Recorder's Six Month Report – Ending December 31, 2017

Mr. Whelan seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

The Chairman requested a voice vote to accept the Reports of County Officials as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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**AD HOC RULES COMMITTEE**

**Ordinance O2018-03: Amendments to the DeKalb County Code**

**Motion**

Vice Chairman Frieders moved that the DeKalb County Board concurs with the recommendations set forth by the Ad Hoc Rules Committee and hereby approves the changes to the DeKalb County Code, as outlined in Exhibit A to this Ordinance. Mr. Faivre seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

The Chairman called for a voice vote on the motion as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS**

- a. DeKalb County Engineer Nathan F. Schwartz, P.E. presented the Annual County Highway Committee Report to the full County Board. Mr. Schwartz provided a PowerPoint presentation that depicted all of the projects that the County Highway Department were involved with in 2017.
  
- b. Appointments Scheduled to be made in the Month of March 2018:
  1. Cortland Community Fire Protection District – 2 positions
  2. DeKalb Community Fire Protection District – 1 position
  3. Genoa-Kingston Fire Protection District – 1 position
  4. Hinckley Community Fire Protection District – 1 position
  5. Kirkland Community Fire District – 1 position
  6. Malta Community Fire Protection District – 1 position
  7. Maple Park and Countryside Fire Protection District – 1 position
  8. Shabbona Community Fire Protection District – 1 position
  9. Sycamore Community Fire Protection District – 1 position
  10. Waterman Fire Protection District
  11. Fairdale Light District – 1 position


**ADJOURNMENT**


**Motion**


Mr. Faivre moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Roman seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote**

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote on the adjournment. Motion carried unanimously.



  
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Douglas J. Johnson  
DeKalb County Clerk

  
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Mark Pietrowski, Jr.  
DeKalb County Board Chairman

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