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DeKalb County Government
Sycamore, Illinois

COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS
September 21, 2016

The DeKalb County Board met in regular session at the Legislative Center's Gathertorium on Wednesday, September 21, 2016. Chairman Pietrowski called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and the Clerk called the roll. Those Members present were Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Turner and Chairman Pietrowski. Those absent were Mr. Emerson, Mr. Metzger and Mrs. Tobias. A quorum was established with twenty-one Members present and three absent.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

Mr. Bagby moved to approve the minutes of the August 17, 2016 Board Meeting. Mrs. Turner 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. Faivre to approve the agenda.

Voice Vote

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

COMMUNICATIONS AND REFERRALS

Chairman Pietrowski addressed and updated all on the ongoing issues with the area's 911 System. He reviewed that limited 911 service was partially restored in DeKalb County after an unprecedented system outage that lasted several hours. Technicians from Frontier Communication were working to diagnose the cause but believe it to be hardware and software failure that affected equipment at its DeKalb office. If a busy signal is received, it is recommended that a caller call their local law enforcement or fire agency's 10-digit number or retry 911. Chairman Pietrowski stressed how important the 911 System and safety of all the residence is important and it is equally as important to find the cause of this outage and to ensure it doesn't happen again.

DeKalb County Veterans Honor Roll

DeKalb County Clerk & Recorder Doug Johnson rose and shared that “*Periodically at County Board Meetings we take time to honor people of our communities that have served in the U.S. Military to protect our freedom. The DeKalb County Veterans Honor Roll is a list of these Community Members. We recognize their service by maintaining a list of these Veterans in the County Clerk’s Office. We also have their names place on a plaque that is located by the DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission at the Community Outreach Building on Annie Glidden Road in DeKalb. We honor the Veterans by presenting the Members with a certificate of recognition, and by reading their names into the Minutes of the DeKalb County Board. On behalf of myself and the DeKalb County Board and Citizens of DeKalb County, I thank you for your service.*”

The following Veterans were inducted into the DeKalb County Veterans Honor Roll: Rodney Long: Air Force 1971 – 1975, Christopher Long: Army 2005 – 2014, Richard Ward: Navy 2006 – 2016, Renee Ward: 2008 – 2012, Maurice Mundy: Navy 1943 – 1946.

Employee Service Awards for September

Chairman Pietrowski also recognized the Employee Service Awards for the month of September 2016: Ten Years – Ellen Rogers: Jury Commission, Sandra Day: Rehab & Nursing Center; Thirty-Five Years – Gerald Busse: Highway Department.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD FROM THE FLOOR

No persons requested to speak on any topics that were not previously subject to a properly noticed and legally help Public Hearing conducted by a Hearing Officer.

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Pietrowski recommended approval for the following appointments:

- a. **Squaw Grove Drainage District:** Ed Cowan appointed for a three year term beginning September 1, 2016 until August 31, 2019.
- b. **DeKalb County Public Building Commission:** Charles Shepard reappointed for a five year term beginning October 1, 2016 until September 30, 2021.
- c. **Kane Kendall DeKalb Workforce Development Board:** Paul Borek, Joanne Kantner, and Mary Wright all reappointed for terms beginning October 1, 2016 until September 30, 2018.
- d. **Regional Planning Commission:** Bryan Rhodes (Village of Malta) appointed for a three year term beginning immediately and expiring March 31, 2019.
- e. **Regional Planning Commission – Alternate:** Robert Croyl (Village of Malta) appointed for a three year term beginning immediately and expiring March 31, 2019.

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Motion

It was moved by Ms. Willis and seconded by Mrs. Turner to approve all of the recommended appointments as presented.

Voice Vote

The motion was carried unanimously.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

Ordinance O2016-10: Approving a Special Use Permit for an Agribusiness in Mayfield Township

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved the DeKalb County Board hereby approves a Special Use Permit to Dibble Family, LLC, representing the property owner, Maplehurst Farms in order to allow an agribusiness in the form of a propane storage and distribution business on a 2.77-acre parcel located at 24330 Five Points Road in unincorporated Mayfield Township. Mr. Jones seconded the motion.

Mr. Jones shared that he supported approving this Special Use Permit in Committee and had a good chance in the last few weeks to meet with many of the concerned neighbors of the proposed site. He shared that he still thinks this is a good project but as he has told the neighbors his job is to make the best decision in the interest of the County, regardless of what his personal opinion is. As this process has gone forward it is apparent that they have not checked all of the boxes. Mr. Dibble has not established a Burden of Proof in proving that this Special Use Permit will not be unreasonably detrimental to the value of other property in the neighbor in which it is to be located.

Motion to Amend

Mr. Jones moved to refer the Special Use Permit for an Agribusiness in Mayfield Township back to the Hearing Officer to re-open the Public Hearing. Mr. Stoddard seconded the motion.

Vote on the Amendment

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

Voice Vote on Motion as Amended

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote to approve the motion as amended. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Faivre made a friendly suggestion to try and have the re-opening of the Public Hearing in the evening so that it is more convenient for the public to attend.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Resolutions R2016-57 thru R2016-66: Delinquent Property Tax Sale Resolutions

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board to execute deeds of conveyance of the County's interest or authorize cancellation of the appropriate Certificate(s) of Purchase, as the case may be for the following ten (10) resolutions to be paid to the Treasurer of DeKalb County Illinois, to be disbursed according to law:

| | <u>Resolution</u> | <u>Parcel #</u> | <u>Certificate #</u> | <u>Sum</u> | <u>Township</u> |
|-----|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 1. | R2016-57 | 02-17-100-005 | 2012-00019 | \$4,514.50 | Kingston Twp |
| 2. | R2016-58 | 06-21-439-002 | 2012-00099 | \$3,083.51 | Sycamore Twp |
| 3. | R2016-59 | 06-21-440-001 | 2012-00100 | \$11,180.14 | Sycamore Twp |
| 4. | R2016-60 | 08-02-327-002 | 2012-00144 | \$565.73 | DeKalb Twp |
| 5. | R2016-61 | 08-21-276-009 | 2012-00183 | \$10,627.00 | DeKalb Twp |
| 6. | R2016-62 | 08-21-276-011 | 2012-00184 | \$10,627.00 | DeKalb Twp |
| 7. | R2016-63 | 09-17-382-016 | 2012-00306 | \$1,805.36 | Cortland Twp |
| 8. | R2016-64 | 08-02-401-004 | 2012-00147 | \$572.73 | DeKalb Twp |
| 9. | R2016-65 | 09-17-382-002 | 2012-00295 | \$216.33 | Cortland Twp |
| 10. | R2016-66 | 09-17-384-011 | 2012-00323 | \$197.56 | Cortland Twp |

Mr. Cribben seconded the motion as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Those Members that voted yea were Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Turner and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2016-67: Placing the FY 2017 Budget on File for Public Inspection

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby places on file in the DeKalb County Clerk's Office, on the County's Internet site, and at two other geographically diverse public offices (the Sandwich City Hall and the Office of the Genoa City Clerk), for public inspection the attached eighteen page Budget Narrative Summary Packet (plus Attachments A-D), as well as copies of all information utilized by the Committees in preparation of the 2017 Fiscal Year Budget. Mrs. Haji-Sheikh seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Claims Being Paid in September 2016

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved to approve the payment of claims for this month, and the off cycle claims paid during the previous month, in the amount of \$6,038,061.91. Mr. Bagby seconded the motion.

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Roll Call Vote

Chairman Pietrowski asked for a roll call vote on the approval of the February claims. Those Members that voted yea were Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Turner and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members voted yea. 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 – August 2016
2. Public Defender’s Report – August 2016
3. Adult & Juvenile Monthly Reports – August 2016
4. Pretrial Report – August 2016
5. Sheriff’s Jail Report – August 2016
6. Planning & Zoning Building Permits & Construction Reports – August 2016

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.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

No old or new business items were presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion

Mrs. Turner moved to adjourn the meeting and Mrs. Haji-Sheikh seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote on the adjournment. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

DeKalb County Board Chairman

DeKalb County Clerk

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