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DeKalb County Government  
Sycamore, Illinois

**COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS**  
**December 18, 2013**

The County Board Met in regular session at the Legislative Center Wednesday, December 18, 2013. The Chair called the meeting to order and the Clerk called the roll. Those Members present were Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O'Barski, Mr. Oncken, Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Tyson, Mr. Whelan, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Cvek, Mrs. DeFauw, Mr. Deverell, Mr. Emerson, Ms. Fauci, Mr. Foster, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh and Chairman Metzger. All County Board Members were present.

Chairman Metzger asked Mr. Johnson to lead to the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion

Mr. Whelan moved to approve the Minutes of November 20, 2013. Ms. Fauci seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Metzger asked for a voice vote on the approval of the Minutes. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion

Mrs. Haji-Sheikh moved to approve the Agenda and Mr. Stoddard seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Metzger asked for a voice vote on the Agenda. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND REFERRALS**

Chairman Metzger and County Clerk, Mr. Doug Johnson, presented the following members with certificated inducting them into the DeKalb County Veterans Honor Roll: Mr. Kurt Keisgen from DeKalb who served in the Navy from 1982 to 1989. Mr. Paul Stromborg from Sycamore who served in the Air Force from 1965-1970 and Mrs. Marilyn Stromborg from Sycamore who also served in the Air Force from 1967-1970.

### Employee Service Awards

Employee Service Awards for the month of December 2013 were: Five Years – John C. Emerson: County Board, Karen R. Ellis: Rehab & Nursing, Kelly R. Kuschel: Circuit Clerk, Whitney L. Marsh: Sheriff's Department, Christieanne S. Turok: Circuit Clerk, Lakendra E. Beverly: Rehab & Nursing; Ten Years – Diane M. Chappell: County Clerk, Mary Ann Criscione: Sheriff's Department; Fifteen Years – Daniel M. Berres: Health Department; Twenty Years – Robert P. Carlson: Public Defender, Nancy M. Olson: Health Department.

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

There were no individuals present to address the County Board on any items that had not been subject to a properly noticed and legally held public hearing conducted by the Hearing Officer.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Chairman Metzger recommended the following appointments: **Community Mental Health Board 708**: Dr. Thomas Kirts and Mr. Merlin Wessels both reappointments for a term of 4 years beginning 1/1/2014 and expiring 12/31/2017. **Community Service Administrative Board**: Gary Chapman and Regina Harris both reappointments for terms beginning 01/01/2014 and expiring 6/30/2016. **Board of Health**: Christina Jones reappointment for a 3 year term beginning 1/1/2014 and expiring 12/31/2016. LeAnn Gruber, Celeste Latham and Mayuir Morker all appointments for 3 year terms beginning 1/1/2014 and expiring 12/31/2016 and Paul Stoddard reappointed for a 1 year term beginning 1/1/2014 and expiring 12/31/2014. **Supportive Living Facility Board**: Brenda Bannon, Veronica Casella, Russell Deverell, Ronald Klein, Rita Nielsen, Lynn Shepard and Jeff Whelan all reappointments for a 1 year term beginning 1/1/2014 and expiring 12/31/2014. **Rehab & Nursing Center Operating Board**: Brenda Bannon, Veronica Casella, Russell Deverell, Ronald Klein, Rita Nielsen, Lynn Shepard and Jeff Whelan all reappointments for a 1 year term beginning 1/1/2014 and expiring 12/31/2014. **Metropolitan Exposition, Auditorium & Office Building Authority**: Ruth Anne Tobias, Lowell Akers and Mary Simons all appointed for terms beginning 01/01/2014 and expiring 05/31/2015. William Lenschow, Beryl Smith and Alexander Nerad appointed for terms beginning 01/01/2014 and expiring 05/31/2016. Debbie Armstrong, Kay Riley and Gary Hanson appointed for terms beginning 01/01/2014 and expiring 05/31/2018. **Board of Review**: Mike Miner reappointed as an Alternate Board Member for a term beginning 1/1/2014 and expiring 04/30/2015. Robert Merriman and Daniel Cribben both appointed as Alternate Board Members for a term beginning 1/1/2014 and expiring 4/30/2015.

### Motion

Mr. O'Barski moved to approve the appointments as presented. Mr. Emerson seconded the motion.

### Voice Vote

The Chairman asked for a voice vote on the appointments. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

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## **REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES**

### **PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE**

#### **Ordinance O2013-17: Amending the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance**

##### Motion

Mrs. Turner moved The DeKalb County Board does hereby approve to amend the definitions of “agriculture” and “agribusiness” as set forth in the DeKalb County Zoning Ordinance regarding the restriction of County zoning authority with respect to land used for agriculture purposes to better reflect the modern state of agriculture in the County, the legislative intent of the State law and further concurs with the opinion of the State’s Attorney that “agriculture purpose” should be liberally construed. Mr. Jones seconded the motion.

##### Voice Vote

Chairman Metzger called for a voice vote. The motion was carried unanimously.

#### **Resolution R2013-93: Reimbursement for DeKalb County Hearing Officer**

##### Motion

Mrs. Turner moved The DeKalb County Board does hereby adopt the increase in compensation for the DeKalb County Hearing Officer as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Committee. Mr. O’Barski seconded the motion.

##### Voice Vote

Chairman Metzger called for a voice vote. The motion was carried unanimously.

### **COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE**

#### **Ordinance O2013-16: Altered Speed Zone for Rich Road**

##### Motion

Mr. Gudmunson moved The DeKalb County Board does hereby approve to lower the speed limit to 45 mph on Rich Road commencing 2,808 feet westerly of North First Street and continuing westerly for a distance of 2,337 feet. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after the erection of said signs giving notice of the maximum speed limits. Mr. Foster seconded the motion.

##### Voice Vote

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

#### **Resolution R2013-88: Preliminary Engineering Agreement for Keslinger Road Bridge**

##### Motion

Mr. Gudmunson moved The DeKalb County Board deems it appropriate to enter into an Engineering Agreement with Wendler Engineering Services, Inc. of Dixon, Illinois for the provision of preliminary engineering services incident to the repair or replacement of a bridge on Keslinger Road over the south branch of the Kishwaukee River located in Afton Road District in the amount not to exceed \$56,000.00. Mr. Cvek seconded the motion.

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Roll Call Vote

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on the resolution as presented. Those members voting yea were Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O’Barski, Mr. Oncken, Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Tyson, Mr. Whelan, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Cvek, Mrs. DeFauw, Mr. Deverell, Mr. Emerson, Ms. Fauci, Mr. Foster, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh and Chairman Metzger. All members voted yea so the motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Claims for December 2013**

Motion

Mr. Reid moved to approve the claims for December 2013, and the off cycle claims paid during the previous month, in the amount of \$5,333,989.33. Mrs. Fullerton seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Chairman asked for a roll call vote on the approval of the claims. Those members voting yea were Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O’Barski, Mr. Oncken, Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Tyson, Mr. Whelan, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Cvek, Mrs. DeFauw, Mr. Deverell, Mr. Emerson, Ms. Fauci, Mr. Foster, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh and Chairman Metzger. All members voted yea so the motion carried unanimously.

**Reports of County Officials**

Motion

Mr. Reid moved to accept and place on file the following Reports of County Officials: Cash & Investments in County Banks – December 2013; Public Defender’s Report – December 2013; Court Services Report – Adult & Juvenile Detention for December 2013; Jail Report – December 2013; Planning & Zoning Building Permits & Construction Report – November 2013. Mr. Oncken seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Chairman requested a voice vote to accept the Reports of County Officials. All Members presented voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Resolution R2013-89: State’s Attorney Appellate Prosecutor**

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved The DeKalb County Board hereby agrees to participate in the service program of the Office of the State’s Attorney Prosecutor for Fiscal Year 2014, commencing January 1, 2014, and ending December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$20,000.00, which was included in the FY2014 Budget. Mrs. Haji-Sheikh seconded the motion.

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Roll Call Vote

Chairman Metzger asked for a roll call vote on the resolution. . Those members voting yea were Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O’Barski, Mr. Oncken, Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Tyson, Mr. Whelan, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Cvek, Mrs. DeFauw, Mr. Deverell, Mr. Emerson, Ms. Fauci, Mr. Foster, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh and Chairman Metzger. Motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution R2013-90: Delinquent Property Tax Sale**

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved To authorize the Chairman of the DeKalb County Board to execute a deed of conveyance of the County’s interest or authorize the cancellation of the appropriate Certificate of Purchase, as the case may be (parcel #09-17-400-010) the sum of \$7,426.06 to be paid to the Treasurer of DeKalb County, Illinois, to be disbursed according to law. Mr. Cvek seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Metzger asked for a roll call vote on the resolution. . Those members voting yea were Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O’Barski, Mr. Oncken, Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Tobias, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Tyson, Mr. Whelan, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Cvek, Mrs. DeFauw, Mr. Deverell, Mr. Emerson, Ms. Fauci, Mr. Foster, Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh and Chairman Metzger. Motion carried unanimously

**Resolution R2013-91: Appointment Corrections**

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved The DeKalb County Board does hereby approve the correction of the position term dates for the appointment of various officials as outline on the attached schedule with said adjustments to be effective immediately. Mr. Pietrowski seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

**Resolution R2013-92: Deputy County Administrator**

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved The DeKalb County Board does hereby appoint Mr. Paul Miller as Deputy County Administrator for Operations. The appointment shall take effect January 6, 2014 and automatically sunset on December 31, 2016 with further County Board action needed to either appoint new or renew the recommended individual. Mrs. Turner seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

There was a voice vote taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**APPOINTMENTS SCHEDULED TO BE MADE IN THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2014**

Community Mental Health Board 708 – 1 position  
DeKalb County Nursing Home Foundation Board – 1 position

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**OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS**

There were no items for discussion under old business / new business.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion

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

Voice Vote

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

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DeKalb County Board Chairman

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DeKalb County Clerk

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