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DeKalb County Government
Sycamore, Illinois

COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS
November 17, 2021

The DeKalb County Board met in regular session at the Legislative Center's Gathertorium on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. Chairman Frieders called the meeting to order and the Clerk called the roll. Those Commissioners present were Ms. Kiara Jones, Mrs. Kathy Lampkins, Ms. Dianne Leifheit, Ms. Maureen Little, Mr. Jim Luebke, Ms. Terri Mann-Lamb, Mr. Jerry Osland, Mr. Roy Plote, Mr. Craig Roman, Ms. Linda Slabon, Mr. Ellingsworth Webb, Vice-Chair Suzanne Willis, Mr. Tim Bagby, Mr. Scott Campbell, Ms. Mary Cozad, Ms. Rukisha Crawford, Mrs. Karen Cribben, Mr. Bill Cummings, Mr. Patrick Deutsch, Mrs. Laurie Emmer, Mr. Steve Faivre, Mr. Tim Hughes, and Chairman John Frieders. Mr. Larry West was absent. A quorum was established with twenty-three Members present and one absent.

Chairman Frieders asked Ms. Jones to lead in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion

It was moved by Mr. Webb and seconded by Mrs. Lampkins to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice Vote

Chairman Frieders called for a voice vote to approve the agenda as presented. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

Ms. Cozad moved to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2021 County Board Meeting. Mr. Cummings seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

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

COMMUNICATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

PUBLIC HEARING: On Proposed Levy & Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

County Administrator Brian Gregory noted that the proposed levy would see an increase in the average EAV of 2.88% for existing tax payers and 3.94% of new EAV from construction and the TIF closure. The County's tax rate is expected to decrease by 2.80%. Since the actual EAV for 2021-22 will not be known until the final tax extension is published next spring, the actual County tax rate, determined by dividing the County levy by the EAV, will be uncertain. If the actual EAV published next spring is not as high as the projected level, the final County rate may be slightly higher than expectations discussed below.

The proposed levy would mean that, on average, existing property owners would expect to see their property values increase and their rate decrease by roughly the same percentage. Property owners should see their portion of the tax bill going to the County stay roughly the same in 2022 as it was in 2021. The estimated change in the County tax bill for a \$200,000 home in 2020 (payable in 2021) and the same home in 2021 (payable in 2022) would be valued at an estimated

\$205,761 based on the average increase in EAV (2.88%). The resulting proposed property tax levy total is \$25,116,206 for 2021-2022.

Chairman Frieders opened the Public Hearing at 7:04 p.m.

Hearing no comments, Chairman Frieders closed the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Employee Service Awards for November 2021

Chairman Frieders and the Board recognized the following County Employee who celebrated a Service Award in the month of November 2021: Five Years: Benjamin Probst – Facilities Management Office, Derek Hiland – Community Development, Deanna Donnelly – Rehab & Nursing Center, Kathryn Kovac – Health Department, Caroline Male – Finance Office; Fifteen Years: Anastacia Runge – Health Department, William Grzywa – Highway Department; Twenty Years: Benjamin Hiatt – Sheriff’s Office; Twenty-Five Years: Lisa Sanderson – Administration Office; Thirty Years: Joyce Sanford – Rehab & Nursing Center.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Andrew Tillotson, of Sunrise DeKalb, spoke in support of the three proposed Special Use Permits for solar farms within the County. He noted that Sunrise DeKalb is a local group that is fighting for environmental justice and a Green New Deal in DeKalb, IL.

Mr. Brad Belanger, South Grove Township, expressed his concerns as well as asked for the Board’s consideration and support on several items regarding the proposed industrial solar projects on the agenda. **Please see Exhibit A for detailed comments.**

Mr. John Lyon, Mayfield Township, expressed his support for extended setbacks and visual screening for non-participating landowners of the proposed industrial solar projects. **Please see Exhibit B for detailed comments.**

Mr. Larry Forsberg, South Grove Township, spoke against the proposed Owens Creek Industrial Solar Project along with recommending additional setbacks from the community of Clare.

Ms. Rhonda Henke, Mayfield Township, requested 500 ft. setbacks from the property line of all non-participating residential landowners to acquire screening of trees and shrubs of a size that will afford privacy and screening of the solar panels before the proposed Owens Creek Industrial Solar Project is completed. **Please see Exhibit C for detailed comments.**

Mr. John Lageman, Mayfield Township, detailed many concerns he has with the Owens Creek Industrial Solar Project. He additionally requested having adequate setbacks and screenings for non-participating landowners. **Please see Exhibit D for detailed comments.**

Ms. Katherine Andraski, Franklin Township, expressed many concerns she has with decommissioning of industrial solar farms as well as requesting 500 feet setback from property lines and screenings for non-participating landowners. **Please see Exhibit E for detailed comments.**

Ms. Louise Lanan, Mayfield Township, requested the County Board consider 500 feet setbacks from property lines and adequate visual barriers for the proposed Owens Creek Solar Project. **Please see Exhibit F for detailed comments.**

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Ms. Meryl Greer Domina, of 350Kishwaukee (DeKalb), spoke in favor of solar developments within the County. She briefly discussed how supporting Renewable Energy and Climate Justice can help fight the consequences of climate crisis.

Mr. Joe Gulotta, South Grove Township, requested the Board consider providing 500 feet setbacks from property lines for the proposed solar developments as well as adequate screening for non-participating landowners. **Please see Exhibit G for detailed comments.**

Ms. Linda Timm, Mayfield Township, expressed her concerns with the Owens Creek Solar Project as well as with Leeward Energy. She also requested the Board to consider requiring at least 500 feet setbacks from property lines and adequate screening from the solar developments. **Please see Exhibit H for detailed comments.**

Dr. Linh Nguyen, DeKalb, spoke in favor of solar developments in DeKalb County. She also talked about how the least that can be done for future generations is to provide them with a habitable earth. She noted that starts with cutting carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases emission by investing in renewable energy, solar energy in this case. She urged the Board to approve the three Special Use Permits for the solar energy projects.

Mr. Dennis Collins, DeKalb, shared that he is a participating landowner in the Owens Creek Solar Project. After hearing concerns expressed about Leeward Energy, he expressed that prior to working with Leeward he flew to Dallas, Texas to vet them himself. After what he saw there and in his workings with the company thus far, he finds them to be a fantastic company.

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Frieders recommended approval of the following appointments:

- a. **Emergency Telephone Systems Board (E-911):** David Byrd appointed immediately to fill the unexpired term of Bob Redel until December 31, 2023; Jason Leverton and Colleen McAllister reappointed for four-year terms beginning January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2025; Jenny Willis, Glenna Johnson and Van Bomar all newly appointed for four-year terms beginning January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2025.
- b. **Regional Planning Commission:** John Ecker (*Waterman*) appointed immediately to fill the unexpired term of Linda Swenson beginning September 14, 2021 until March 31, 2022.
- c. **Community Mental Health Board:** Robert Cook, Susan Plote, and Marilyn Stromborg all reappointed for four-year terms beginning January 1, 2022 and expiring December 31, 2025.

Motion

It was moved by Mrs. Emmer and seconded by Ms. Mann-Lamb to approve the recommended appointments.

Voice Vote

Chairman Frieders called for a voice vote. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

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PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

Ordinance O2021-11: An Ordinance Approving a Zoning Map Amendment and a Special Use Permit for a Gas Pipeline Facility in DeKalb Township

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves a Zoning Map Amendment and a Special Use Permit, with conditions as outlined in the Ordinance, for Natural Gas Pipeline of America, LLC (NGPL), to allow for the expansion of a pipeline facility located on property on North First Street, in DeKalb Township. Vice-Chair Willis seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Chair called for a voice vote. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

DeKalb County Community Development Director Derek Hiland read aloud the following memo to the County Board Members:

“The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended certain conditions related to the Owens Creek, Red Maple and DK Solar projects including; hours of construction, timing for planting vegetation screening and setbacks. The County's legal counsel have reviewed the recommendations and have advised against modifying the setbacks without agreement from what is established in Chapter 53-E-12 "Sustainable Energy Systems," A. "Solar Energy Systems," 5. "Design and Installation Requirements," a. "Setback Requirements," Subsection 4 as follows:

The solar array and all components of the solar collector system in a Solar Farm shall be kept at least one hundred (100) feet from a property line or right-of-way. However, this requirement may be waived, provided the solar farm's owner/lessee obtains, and records with the DeKalb County Recorder, signed and notarized affidavits, agreeing that the required minimum setback be waived, from all property owners and affected road authorities adjoining the zoning lot on which the solar farm is to be located (as determined by DeKalb County Community Development Department). However, in no instance shall any part of a solar farm be located within fifty (50) feet of any of the aforementioned items.

The setback requirements in the County Code clearly establish a minimum required setback of 100 feet from the property line or right-of-way. There is no reference to any other point of measure for setbacks in the Code as established. There is, however, a provision that allows for the waiver of this requirement with agreement from the property owner. In similar fashion, the petitioner can choose or agree to expand or extend the setbacks beyond 100 feet provided their plan is consistent with all other aspects of the Code.

In this case, both petitioners, Leeward Energy and Samsung have submitted concept plans that comply with the setback requirements in the County Code and have offered to provide a minimum setback of 300 feet from established homes.

Based upon the established setbacks in the County Code and the petitioners' willingness to extend the setback beyond what is required, staff recommends that the special use conditions reflect the expansion of the minimum setback to include "300 feet from an established residence or 100 feet from the property line, whichever is greater."

The setbacks have been among the primary topics discussed during the processes for these three projects. If the County Board is interested in making adjustments to the setback requirements for future projects, staff can initiate a text amendment process.”

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Ordinance O2021-12: An Ordinance Granting Special Use Permits to Owens Creek Solar, LLC, for a Solar Farm on Various Properties in Mayfield and South Grove Townships

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves to grant nine (9) Special Use Permits (MY-21-13, MY-21-14, MY-21-15, MY-21-16, SG-21-17, MY-21-18, MY-21-19, MY-21-20, MY-21-21), with conditions as outlined in the Ordinance, to Owens Creek Solar, LLC in order to build and operate a 500MW solar farm, which will also include a 345kV project substation and a 345kV ComEd substation, said solar farm will be spread out over forty-two (42) separate parcels, said properties being zoned A-1, Agricultural District, and covering approximately 3,557.51-acres, in Mayfield and South Grove Townships. Mr. Luebke seconded the motion.

Motion to Amend #1

Mr. Roman moved to amend Number 10 in the Ordinance to read “A distance of not less than three hundred feet (300’) shall be maintained from nearest solar panel to the nearest outer wall of occupied structure and/or one hundred feet (100’) from the property line or right of way to the fence line of the solar development, whichever is greater unless the adjacent property owner waives this distance.” Vice-Chair Willis seconded the motion.

Vote on Amendment #1

After discussion, Chairman Frieders called for a roll call vote on the amendment. Those voting yea were Ms. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Deutsch, Mr. Faivre, and Chairman Frieders. Those voting nay were Mrs. Lampkins, Mr. Osland, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Cummings, Mrs. Emmer, and Mr. Hughes. Seventeen Members voted yea and six were opposed. The Amendment carried.

Motion to Amend #2

Mr. Roman moved to amend Number 12 in the Ordinance to read as follows, “Planting of a bio screen or vegetative screening shall be installed prior to construction of the solar development. Deviations from this landscaping requirement shall only occur if the ground or season is not conducive to planting at the time of construction. If a situation like this occurs then a one thousand feet (1000’) construction buffer must be maintained between an occupied residential structure and the construction of the project until the landscaping can be installed unless the adjacent property owner waives this requirement.” Mr. Plote seconded the motion.

Vote on Amendment #2

After further discussion, Chairman Frieders called for a roll call vote on the amendment. Those voting yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. Mr. Osland was opposed. The Amendment carried with twenty-two Members in favor and one opposed.

Roll Call on Motion as Amended

Chairman Frieders call for a roll call vote on the original motion as amended. Those voting yea were Ms. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, and Chairman Frieders. Those voting nay were Mrs. Lampkins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Hughes. The motion carried with twenty Members voting yea, three opposed, and one absent.

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Ordinance O2021-13: An Ordinance Granting Special Use Permits to Red Maple Solar, LLC, for a Solar Farm on Various Properties in Afton and Pierce Townships

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves to grant seven (7) Special Use Permits (AF-21-06, AF-21-07, AF-21-08, AF-21-09, AF-21-10, AF-21-11, AF-21-12), with conditions as outlined in the Ordinance, to Red Maple Solar, LLC in order to build and operate a 300MW solar farm, which will also include a 138kV project substation, a 30MV battery energy storage system, and potentially a ComEd substation, said solar farm will be spread out over twenty-two (22) separate parcels, said properties being zoned A-1, Agricultural District, and covering approximately 1,839.49-acres, in Afton and Pierce Townships. Vice-Chair Willis seconded the motion.

Motion to Amend

Mr. Roman moved to amend the following conditions in the Ordinance:

Number 11 to read “A distance of not less than three hundred feet (300’) shall be maintained from nearest solar panel to the nearest outer wall of occupied structure and/or one hundred feet (100’) from the property line or right of way to the fence line of the solar development, whichever is greater unless the adjacent property owner waives this distance.”

Number 13 to read as follows, “Planting of a bio screen or vegetative screening shall be installed prior to construction of the solar development. Deviations from this landscaping requirement shall only occur if the ground or season is not conducive to planting at the time of construction. If a situation like this occurs then a one thousand feet (1000’) construction buffer must be maintained between an occupied residential structure and the construction of the project until the landscaping can be installed unless the adjacent property owner waives this requirement.” Mr. Bagby seconded the motion.

Vote on Amendment

Following discussion, the Chair called for a roll call vote on the amendments. Those voting yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. Mr. Osland voted nay. The amendment carried with twenty-two Members voting nay and one opposed.

Roll Call on Motion as Amended

Chairman Frieders called for a roll call vote on the original motion as amended. Those voting yea were Ms. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, and Chairman Frieders. Those voting nay were Mrs. Lampkins, Mr. Osland, and Mr. Hughes. The motion carried with twenty Members voting yea, three opposed, and one absent.

Ordinance O2021-14: An Ordinance Granting Special Use Permits to DK Solar, LLC, for a Solar Farm on Various Properties in Milan Township

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves to grant two (2) Special Use Permits (MI-21-22 and MI-21-23), with conditions as outlined in the Ordinance, to DK Solar, LCC in order to build and operate a 90MW solar farm, which will also include a project substation, said solar farm will be spread out over seven (7) separate parcels, said properties being zoned A-1, Agricultural District, and covering approximately 643.59-acres, in Milan Township. Mr. Plote seconded the motion.

Motion to Amend

Mr. Roman moved to strike the setback requirements within the Ordinance. Vice-Chair Willis attempted to second the motion but Chairman Frieders did not recognize the second, at which point Mr. Roman withdrew his amendment.

Motion to Amend

Mr. Roman moved to amend the following conditions in the Ordinance:

Number 10 to read “A distance of not less than three hundred feet (300’) shall be maintained from nearest solar panel to the nearest outer wall of occupied structure and/or one hundred feet (100’) from the property line or right of way to the fence line of the solar development, whichever is greater unless the adjacent property owner waives this distance.”

Number 13 to read as follows, “Planting of a bio screen or vegetative screening shall be installed prior to construction of the solar development. Deviations from this landscaping requirement shall only occur if the ground or season is not conducive to planting at the time of construction. If a situation like this occurs then a one thousand feet (1000’) construction buffer must be maintained between an occupied residential structure and the construction of the project until the landscaping can be installed unless the adjacent property owner waives this requirement.” Ms. Slabon seconded the motion.

Vote on Amendment

Chairman Frieders called for a roll call vote on the amendments. Those voting yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. Those voting nay were Mr. Osland and Mr. Bagby. The motion to amend carried with twenty-one Members voting yea and two opposed.

Roll Call on Motion as Amended

Chairman Frieders call for a roll call vote on the original motion as amended. Those voting yea were Ms. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, and Chairman Frieders. Those voting nay were Mrs. Lampkins, Mr. Osland, and Mr. Hughes. The motion carried with twenty Members voting yea, three opposed, and one absent.

COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Resolution R2021-131: Fund Balance Resolution

Motion

Mr. Plote moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby notes that the Federal Highway Matching Tax Fund fund balance on December 31, 2021 is estimated to be approximately \$3,100,000 and is encumbered for the projects, as outlined in the Resolution, anticipated to be completed in the next three fiscal years, and further recognizes that many necessary additional projects are already in the planning stages for years 2021 through 2026 that will take additional money from what is available in the existing fund balance and those are delineated on the attached schedule with notice made to the public that the County Board, will, as reasonably practical, seek to begin saving money in order to address those future needs. Mr. Osland seconded the motion as presented.

Roll Call Vote

All roll call vote was taken. Those Members voting yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2021-132: MFT General Maintenance Resolution for 2022 Expenditures

Motion

Mr. Plote moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the expenditure of MFT funds in the total amount of \$1,862,700.00 for the purpose of maintaining streets and highways under the applicable provision of the Illinois Highway Code from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022. Ms. Mann-Lamb seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Frieders called for a roll call vote. Those Members voting yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2021-133: Amendment to Resolution R2021-24: Appropriation of MFT Funds for Chicago Road, South First Street, Perry Road, and Waterman Road Paving Projects

Motion

Mr. Plote moved the DeKalb County Board hereby approves to amend Resolution R2021-24 to reduce the approved total project amount of \$2,303,622.00 to \$1,607,177.00, with \$696,445.00 appropriated from Rebuild Illinois Bond funds and \$87,258.00 appropriated from MFT funds for Chicago Road from Shabbona Road 6.78 miles to Illinois Hwy 23. Mr. Deutsch seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Frieders called for a roll call vote. Those Members voting yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. Motion carried unanimously.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Resolution R2021-134: Delinquent Property Tax Sale Resolution

Motion

Mr. Bagby moved the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board to execute a deed of conveyance of the County's interest or authorizes the cancellation of the appropriate Certificate(s) of Purchase, as the case may be, on parcel # 18-32-477-010, for the sum of \$815.00 to be paid to the Treasurer of DeKalb County Illinois, to be disbursed according to law. Mrs. Emmer seconded the motion as presented.

Roll Call Vote

The Chair called for a roll call vote. Those Members voting yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims – October 2021

Motion

Mr. Bagby moved to approve the payment of claims for last month, and the off-cycle claims paid during the previous month, including all claims for travel, meals, and lodging, in the amount of \$7,826,041.90. Mr. Hughes seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Frieders asked for a roll call vote on the approval of the October 2021 Claims. Those Members voted yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

Claims – November 2021

Motion

Mr. Bagby moved to approve the payment of claims for this month, and the off-cycle claims paid during the previous month, including all claims for travel, meals, and lodging, in the amount of \$17,335,063.98. Mr. Roman seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Frieders asked for a roll call vote on the approval of the November 2021 Claims. Those Members voted yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

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Reports of County Officials

Motion

Mr. Bagby moved to accept and place on file the following Reports of County Officials:

1. Cash & Investments in County Banks – October 2021
2. Public Defender’s Report – October 2021
3. Adult & Juvenile Monthly Reports – October 2021
4. Pretrial Report – October 2021
5. Sheriff’s Jail Report – October 2021
6. Building Permits & Construction Reports – October 2021

Ms. Cozad seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

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

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Resolution R2021-135: A Resolution Authorizing the Submittal of a Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant

Motion

Vice-Chair Willis moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes and directs the County Administrator to sign and submit a Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant with the Illinois Department of Transportation to offset eligible capital costs required for providing and improving public transportation facilities, rolling stock, equipment, and services on behalf of the County of DeKalb, Illinois, in cooperation with the Voluntary Action Center of Northern Illinois. Mr. Faivre seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Frieders called for a voice vote on the motion as presented. All Members voted yea.
Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2021-136: A Resolution Authorizing the Execution & Amendment of a Downstate Operating Assistance Grant Agreement for FY2022

Motion

Vice-Chair Willis moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes and directs the County Administrator of DeKalb County to execute and file a Downstate Public Transportation Operating Assistance Agreement with the State of Illinois and amend such Agreement, if necessary, for Fiscal Year 2022 in order to obtain grant assistance under the provisions of the Downstate Public Transportation Act. Ms. Little seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Frieders called for a voice vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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Resolution R2021-137: Resolution for Appropriation of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) Funds to Local DeKalb County Municipal Bodies for Water, Sewer, and Broadband Infrastructure Projects

Motion

Vice-Chair Willis moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby supports and approves the plan to reserve and distribute a total of One-Million Four-Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,400,000) in increments of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) to each of the fourteen municipalities within the County, including Cortland, DeKalb, Genoa, Hinckley, Kingston, Kirkland, Lee, Malta, Maple Park, Sandwich, Shabbona, Somonauk, Sycamore and Waterman to be utilized for qualified ARPA water, sewer and broadband infrastructure projects.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Frieders requested a roll call vote on the motion as presented. Those Members voting yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2021-138: Approval of County Board 2022 Regular Meeting Schedule

Motion

Vice-Chair Willis moved that the DeKalb County Board has reviewed the recommendation from the Executive Committee and hereby approves the DeKalb County Board Regular Meetings Schedule for the 2022 calendar year, as attached to this Resolution. Mrs. Lampkins seconded the motion as presented.

Voice Vote

A voice vote was taken on the motion. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY BOARD REDISTRICTING

Resolution R2021-139: Approval and Filing of County Board Reapportionment Map

Motion

Vice-Chair Willis moved that DeKalb County Board does hereby adopt Reapportionment Plan #1, as stated on the attached Exhibit A, and does direct its filing in the office of the DeKalb County Clerk & Recorder prior to December 31, 2021 and does further direct the County Clerk to forward copies of said plan to the Chairman of the County Board and to make copies of said plan available to any citizen of the County of DeKalb as so requesting. Mr. Bagby seconded the motion as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Frieders requested a roll call vote on the motion as presented. Those Members voting yea were Ms. Jones, Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

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OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Motion

Vice-Chair Willis moved to Take from the Table Resolution R2021-129: A Resolution Approving a Letter of Support for the Shab-eh-nay Reservation Act Settlement Legislation. Mr. Faivre seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Chairman called for a roll call vote. Those voting yea were Ms. Jones, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Mann-Lamb, Mr. Roman, Ms. Slabon, Mr. Webb, Vice-Chair Willis, Mr. Campbell, Ms. Cozad, Ms. Crawford, and Mr. Faivre. Those opposed were Mrs. Lampkins, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Mr. Bagby, Mrs. Cribben, Mr. Cummings, Mr. Deutsch, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Hughes, and Chairman Frieders. The motion failed with eleven Members voting yea and twelve opposed.


ADJOURNMENT

Motion

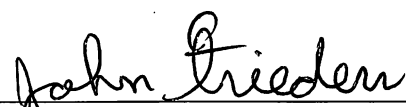
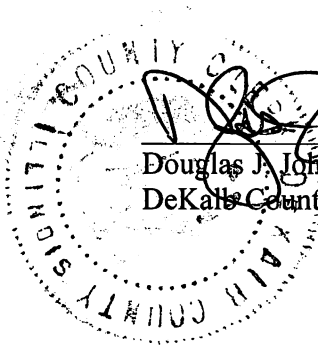
Mr. Bagby moved to adjourn the meeting In Memory of former County Board Member Ms. Joyce Nelson at 9:10 p.m. Mr. Osland seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion to adjourn the meeting carried unanimously.



Douglas J. Johnson
DeKalb County Clerk



John Frieders
DeKalb County Board Chairman