DEKALB COUNTY GOVERNMENT
COUNTY BOARD MEETING
October 19, 2022
7:00 p.m.

DeKalb County Legislative Center
Gathertorium
200 N. Main Street
Sycamore, IL 60178

AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes:
   a. September 21, 2022
5. Communications & Proclamations:
   a. Employee Service Awards
6. Public Comments
7. Appointments for this Month:
   a. Regional Planning Commission – Alternate: Debbie Lang appointed immediately until March 31, 2025.
8. Reports of Standing Committees with Ordinances & Resolutions

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

a. Ordinance O2022-17: An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for a Solar Garden for Property Located on Wolf Road in Kingston Township. The DeKalb County Board hereby approves a Special Use Permit (KI-22-11), with conditions as outlined in the Ordinance, requested by Forefront Power (FFP) for the construction and operation of a 2-megawatt solar garden on 16.8-acres of the southern portion of the 60.56-acre property located on the south side of Wolf Road in Kingston Township, to be known as Hasselmann-Kirkland Site 2 (P.I.N.: 02-22-400-013). Committee Action: Mr. Frieders moved to recommend approval, with conditions, of the Special Use Permit, seconded by Mr. Plote. The motion carried six (6) yes to one (JO) no.

b. Ordinance O2022-18: An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for an Agribusiness for Property Located at 20606 Willrett Road in Malta Township. The DeKalb County Board hereby approves a Special Use Permit, with conditions as outlined in the Ordinance, submitted by Conserv FS for an agribusiness, in the form of fertilizer sales, including the bulk storage and mixing thereof, and the Liquid Petroleum sales, including the storage and distribution thereof, on property located at 20606 Willrett Road in Malta Township. Committee Action: The Committee moved to recommend approval of the petition, with the conditions recommended by the Hearing Officer, and the motion carried six (6) yes, with one member not voting (JO).
c. **Ordinance O2022-19:** An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for a Solar Farm for Property Located on Keslinger Road in Afton Township. The DeKalb County Board hereby approves a Special Use Permit (AF-22-13), with conditions as outlined in the Ordinance, requested by Heliofidem Renewable Energy, LLC for the construction and operation of a 5-megawatt solar farm on the central 22-acre portion of the 81.46-acre property located on the southeast corner of Crego and Keslinger Roads in Afton Township, to be known as Whiskey Acres Site B (P.I.N.: 11-12-100-014). **Committee Action:** Mr. Roman moved to recommend approval, with the conditions, seconded by Mr. Frieders, motion carried five (5) yes to one no (JO).

d. **Ordinance O2022-20:** An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for a Solar Farm for Property Located on Keslinger Road in Afton Township. The DeKalb County Board hereby approves a Special Use Permit (AF-22-13), with conditions as outlined in the Ordinance, requested by ESP Solar, LLC for the construction and operation of a 5-megawatt solar farm on the central 22-acre portion of the 81.46-acre property located on the southeast corner of Crego and Keslinger Roads in Afton Township, to be known as Whiskey Acres Site C (P.I.N.: 11-12-100-014). **Committee Action:** Mr. Roman moved to recommend approval, with the conditions, seconded by Mr. Frieders, motion carried five (5) yes to one no (JO).

e. **Ordinance O2022-21:** An Ordinance Amending the Solar Energy Systems Ordinance within the DeKalb County Code. The DeKalb County Board hereby approves the amendments to Section 53-E-12.A and 32-7-A.15, as outlined in the Ordinance, of the DeKalb County Code regarding the establishment and operation of solar energy systems within the unincorporated portions of DeKalb County. **Committee Action:** A vote was had for the amended motion to recommend adoption of the proposed text amendments, and the motion carried unanimously.

f. **Ordinance O2022-22:** An Ordinance Adopting a Battery Energy Storage System Ordinance for DeKalb County. The DeKalb County Board hereby approves the amendment to add a new sub section, as outlined in the Ordinance, to Section 53-E-12 of the DeKalb County Code regarding Battery Energy Storage Systems within the unincorporated portions of DeKalb County. **Committee Action:** Mr. Frieders moved to amend the motion to recommend that the County Board postpone adoption of the proposed Battery Energy Storage System Ordinance to allow for further discussion on the matter, seconded by Mr. Osland, and the motion carried four (4) yes to two no (SF, RP).

**COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE**

a. **Resolution R2022-224:** A Resolution Approving a Supplemental Engineering Agreement for the Glidden Road and Baseline Road Intersection. The DeKalb County Board hereby approves to enter into a supplemental agreement with the Hutchison Engineering, Inc, of Jacksonville, Illinois for certain Phase I and II Engineering Services associated with the intersection design for safety improvements of CH 5 (Glidden Road) and Baseline Road in the Road District of Kingston, in an amount estimated to not exceed $110,000.00; The Board further authorizes the Chairman of the Board to execute the appropriate Supplemental Engineering Services Agreement with Hutchison Engineering, Inc. **Committee Action:** Moved by Mr. Luebke, seconded by Mr. Deutsch and approved unanimously.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

No Actionable Items

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

No Actionable Items
LAW & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

No Actionable Items

FINANCE COMMITTEE

a. **Claims to be Paid in October 2022:** Move 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 $8,827,856.79.

b. **Reports of County Officials:** Move to accept and place on file the following Reports of County Officials:
   1. Cash & Investments in County Banks – September 2022
   3. Adult & Juvenile Monthly Reports – September 2022
   4. Pretrial Report – September 2022
   5. Sheriff’s Jail Report – September 2022
   6. Building Permits & Construction Reports – September 2022

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

a. **Resolution R2022-225:** A Resolution Authorizing the County Board Chair to Execute an Asset Purchase Agreement and Operational Transfer Agreement between the DeKalb County Government and Illuminate HC regarding the Sale of the DeKalb County Rehab and Nursing Center. The DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the County Board Chair to execute the attached Asset Purchase Agreement (“Exhibit A”), the Operational Transfer Agreement (“Exhibit B”), and any related or ancillary documents as presented in final form after legal review with Illuminate HC for the Sale of the DeKalb County Rehab and Nursing Center. **Committee Action:** Moved by Mrs. Emmer, seconded by Vice-Chair Willis and approved unanimously.

b. **Resolution R2022-226:** A Resolution Authorizing the County Administrator to Establish a Temporary Seven Dollar per Hour Night Shift Differential for Registered Nurses Employed by the DeKalb County Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. The DeKalb County Board authorizes the County Administrator the authority to implement a temporary night shift differential that would pay every registered nurse that works between the hours of 10:45PM and 7:00AM an additional Seven Dollars ($7.00) per hour worked. This program will be effective from the effective date of this Resolution until December 31, 2022, or the date of sale, whichever comes first and replaces the current differential for night shift Registered Nurses. **Committee Action:** Moved by Mr. Roman, seconded by Ms. Crawford and approved unanimously.

c. **Resolution R2022-227:** A Resolution Authorizing the County Administrator to Issue ARPA Transferee Disbursements to County Municipalities for Completed Water, Sewer, and Broadband Infrastructure Projects and to Pre-Approve Project Applications. The DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the County Administrator to issue disbursements of One Hundred Thousand Dollars ($100,000) to county municipalities for completed water, sewer and broadband infrastructure projects and pre-approve project applications in accordance with the stipulations set forth by Resolution R2021-137. **Committee Action:** Moved by Ms. Leifheit, seconded by Ms. Crawford and approved unanimously.

9. Reports of Special Committees with Ordinances & Resolutions
10. Old Business
11. New Business & Referral of Matters to Committee
   a. **Appointments scheduled to be made in the month of November 2022:**
      1. Public Building Commission – 1 position
      2. Sheriff’s Merit Commission – 1 position
12. Adjournment