DeKalb County Government Sycamore, Illinois



COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS September 20, 2023

The DeKalb County Board met in regular session at the Legislative Center's Gathertorium on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. Chair Willis called the meeting to order, and the Clerk called the roll. Those present were Board Members Rhonda Henke, Savannah Ilenikhena, Kathy Lampkins, Maureen Little, Jim Luebke, Terri Mann-Lamb, Joe Marcinkowski, Stewart Ogilvie, Jerry Osland, Michelle Pickett, Roy Plote, Chris Porterfield, Amber Quitno, Ellingsworth Webb, Tim Bagby, Scott Campbell, Mary Cozad, Rukisha Crawford, Patrick Deutsch, Meryl Domina, Laurie Emmer, Vice-Chair John Frieders, Ben Haier, and Chair Suzanne Willis. A quorum was established with all twenty-four Members present.

Henke led in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion

It was moved by Mann-Lamb and seconded by Ilenikhena to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice Vote

Chair Willis called for a voice vote on the motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

Emmer moved to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2023 County Board Meeting. Cozad seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Chair asked for a voice vote on the approval of the minutes. The motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Employee Service Awards – September 2023

The Board recognized and congratulated the following County Employees for their service to DeKalb County Government: <u>Five Years:</u> Linda Besler – Coroner's Office, Danielle Bridge – Sheriff's Office, Elizabeth Haeffner – Circuit Clerk's Office, <u>Fifteen Years:</u> Alan Cook – Judiciary; <u>Twenty Years:</u> Patricia Diedrich – Circuit Clerk's Office; <u>Twenty-Five Years:</u> James Weber – Highway Department.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Anna Wilhelmi, Earlville, expressed that she was opposed to the sale of the DCRNC. She additionally asked the County Board to absolutely scrutinize this situation and how long this County Nursing Home has been under unrest due to all these extensions. There's an original contract close date of Dec. 31 of 2022 that went by, then there were further extensions. She expressed that the County Board has an obligation to its constituents, has an obligation to the residents of this County to scrutinize the situation and to decline any form of contracts/extensions associated with the pending sale.

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Madelyn Nelson, DeKalb, expressed that she believes the Board is in breach of public trust due to the financial errors and decisions that have been made surrounding the potential sale of the DCRNC. She spoke on the character of the potential buyers and acquisition schemes. She strongly asked the Board to stop the sale of the Nursing Home before they all look foolish.

Alan Bark, Squaw Grove Township, spoke against the proposed Special Use Permit for an 88-Acre, 5-Megawatt Solar Garden on Somonauk Road in Squaw Grove Township. He noted that the proposed location is part of the Divine Mutual Drainage District. He expressed concerns as to the project's impact, if approved, on the drainage system currently in place and that is maintained, repaired, and improved by the private drainage district. Mr. Bark also expressed concerns that the project's plan, if implemented, could result in damage to the district's tiles, back-up or obstruct water flow, and impact surface and subsurface drainage systems that the district has worked hard to create and maintain over the years.

Beverly Larson, echoed Alan Bark's pervious comments regarding the proposed Solar Garden on Somonauk Road in Squaw Grove Township. She spoke on protecting and preserving DeKalb County's fertile farmland. She noted that if this Special Use were to be approved it was not only affecting this parcel, but would also affect DeKalb County family farms up to three miles away. Larson strongly encouraged the Board to vote no to the proposed Special Use Permit (Ordinance O2023-013).

Jim Quinn, of Sycamore and form DeKalb County Highway Department employee, shared that he has had many farmers come to him and complain about how the County's ditches and right-of-ways are not being mowed. Weeds are growing over the guardrails and around signs and shoulders. The thistle growing and spreading is a problem as well, he expressed.

Kristen Faber additionally spoke against the approval of the proposed Special Use Permit for an 88-Acre, 5-Megawatt Solar Garden on Somonauk Road in Squaw Grove Township. She noted that renewable energy can be a great asset when used correctly. In the case of the proposed solar garden on Somonauk Road in Squaw Grove Township, the costs out-weigh the benefits, she stated. Faber provided the Board with context of the issues and concerns with the location and complexity of this proposed solar garden due to the large Drainage District under the property. She requested the Board vote no on the proposed Special Use Permit.

Hamilton Carrier, Project Developer for the Shenandoah Solar Project (Ordinance O2023-013), elaborated on the steps they had taken to address the issues and concerns brought up by the Devine Mutual Drainage District.

Tom Huddleston, Huddleston McBride Land Drainage, shared how he investigated and plotted the drainage tile for the developers of the Shenandoah Solar Project, proposed on Somonauk Road in Squaw Grove Township. He explained to the Board how the revisions to the developer's plan now include a 200 ft. corridor to ensure that the private Divine Mutual Drainage District tiles would be replaced and protected from the potential solar project.

The Attorney representing the developers of the proposed Shenandoah Solar Project in Squaw Grove Township expanded on the upgrades that the developers have implemented to the proposed project in order to not disturb the Divine Mutual Drainage District's drainage tiles.

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Illuminate HC Principal Avi Zuckerman, expressed that he has been listening to public comments, the media, and what the [Illinois Health Facilities and Human Services Review Board] has had to say, and has taken into account all of that and the fact that time is of the essence with this transaction (of the DCRNC). He noted that he reached out to the County very recently and suggested, at this point, the possibility of being able to continue with the transaction of the DCRNC without the involvement of Saba Healthcare.

Carol Deemer, DeKalb, expressed that she feels the way the DCRNC has been handled is very interesting and she has done a lot of research. Deemer expressed that she is very concerned for the residents and staff at the Nursing Home and she is going to continue to stop the sale of the DCRNC, and she and others are not going to go away.

Hannah Williams, a DeKalb resident who has worked at the DCRNC, stated that if Zuckerman can propose an adjustment to the proposed contract moving forward with a transaction, then the public can definitely propose the idea of not moving forward with the sale of the DCRNC.

Charles Simpson, Cortland, expressed his feelings on the potential buyers of the DCRNC. He shared that the residents and staff of the DCRNC deserve the best treatment and he is opposed to the selling of the Nursing Home to a private entity.

Mann-Lamb left at 7:32 p.m. There were now twenty-three Board Members present and one absent.

APPOINTMENTS

<u>Motion</u>

It was moved by Webb and seconded by Deutsch to approve the following appointments:

- a. Kane, Kendall, DeKalb Workforce Development Board:
 - Jolene Willis reappointed for a two-year term beginning October 1, 2023 and expiring September 30, 2025.
 - Christine DeVlieger reappointed for a two-year term beginning October 1, 2023 and expiring September 30, 2025.
 - Rukisha Crawford reappointed for a two-year term beginning October 1, 2023 and expiring September 30, 2025.
 - LaCretia Konan appointed to fill a two-year term expiring September 30, 2024.
- b. **DeKalb County Public Building Commission:** Cheryl Nicholson reappointed for a five-year term beginning October 1, 2023 and expiring September 30, 2028.
- c. **Hinckley Community Fire Protection District:** Gary Pozzi appointed to fill a three-year term beginning May 1, 2023 and expiring April 30, 2026.
- d. Drainage Districts:
 - Normal District: Barbara Twombly reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2023 and expiring August 31, 2026.
 - Union District: Dean Lundeen reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2023 and expiring August 31, 2026.
 - Squaw Grove District: Donald Willrett reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2023 and expiring August 31, 2026.
 - Victor-Adams District: Ross Adams reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2023 and expiring August 31, 2026.

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Voice Vote

The motion was carried by voice vote.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

PLANNING, ZONING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Ordinance O2023-013: An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for an 88-Acre, 5-Megawatt Solar Garden Located on the West Side of Somonauk Road in Squaw Grove Township

Motion

Osland moved that the DeKalb County Board does hereby approve a Special Use Permit, with conditions, to Ironwood Renewables to establish and operate a 5-megawatt commercial solar garden, to be known as Shenandoah Solar, on 88-acres of a 95.73-acre property located on the west side of Somonauk Road, in Squaw Grove Township. Quitno seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

After further discussion, Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion to approve the Special Use Permit. Those Board Members voting aye were Lampkins, Luebke, Ogilvie, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Cozad, and Chair Willis. Those Board Members opposed were Henke, Ilenikhena, Little, Marcinkowski, Osland, Pickett, Bagby, Campbell, Crawford, Deutsch, Emmer, Frieders, and Haier. Domina abstained. The motion failed 9-13-1-1.

Ordinance O2023-019: An Ordinance Approving an Interim Special Use Permit for the Installation of Only One Temporary Meteorological Station for Eighteen (18) Months on One of Two Possible Sites Located on Keslinger Road, in Afton Township

Motion

Osland moved that the DeKalb County Board does hereby approve an Interim Special Use Permit for the installation of only one temporary meteorological station for eighteen months on one of two possible sites located on Keslinger Road, in Afton Township. Haier seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion as presented. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. The motion carried 23-0-1.

Ordinance O2023-020: An Ordinance Approving an Interim Special Use Permit for the Installation of Only One Temporary Meteorological Station for Eighteen (18) Months on One of Two Possible Sites Located on Keslinger Road, in Afton Township

Motion

Osland moved that the DeKalb County Board does hereby approve an Interim Special Use Permit for the installation of only one temporary meteorological station for eighteen months on one of two possible sites located on Keslinger Road, in Afton Township. Haier seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion as presented. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. The motion carried 23-0-1.

Ordinance O2023-021: An Ordinance Approving a Map Amendment on the 52-acre property and Associated Special Use Permit for a 4.5-Megawatt Solar Garden on Approximately 32-acres of the Parcel Located at 6236 State Route 38, in DeKalb Township

Motion

Osland moved that the DeKalb County Board does hereby approve a Special Use Permit, with conditions, to Turning Point Energy, LLC d/b/a TPE Development (TPE) to establish and operate a 4.5-megawatt solar garden, to be known as TPE IL DE447, LLC, on approximately 32-acres of the 52-acre property located at 6236 State Route 38, in DeKalb Township. Webb seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, and Chair Willis. Haier was opposed and Quitno stepped out of the room. The motion carried 21-1-2.

Ordinance O2023-022: An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for a 5-Megawatt commercial solar facility on 33.39-acres of the 53.54-acre property located on the northeast corner of South Mayfield and Glidden Roads, in Mayfield Township

Motion

Osland moved that the DeKalb County Board does hereby approve a Special Use Permit, with conditions, to Carya Solar to establish and operate a 5-megawatt commercial solar facility on 33.39-acres of the 53.54-acre property located on the northeast corner of South Mayfield and Glidden Roads, in Mayfield Township. Webb seconded the motion as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, and Chair Willis. Haier was opposed. The motion carried 22-1-1.

Ordinance O2023-023: An Ordinance Approving a Special Use Permit for 5-Megawatt commercial solar facility on a 40-acre property located on the west side of Polk Road, approximately 2,000 feet south of Poplar Road, in Genoa Township

Motion

Osland moved that the DeKalb County Board does hereby approve a Special Use Permit, with conditions, to Trajectory Energy Partners, LLC, for the construction and operation of a 5-Megawatt, 40-acre solar farm on property located on the west side of Polk Road, approximately 2,000 feet south of Poplar Road, in Genoa Township. Webb seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, and Chair Willis. Marcinkowski and Haier were opposed. The motion carried 21-2-1.

COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Resolution R2023-080: A Resolution for a Jurisdictional Transfer of 0.41 mile of Stone Quarry Road to Franklin Road District

Motion

Deutsch moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves to enter into an agreement with Franklin Road District to permanently transfer jurisdiction of Stone Quarry Road from the north edge of pavement of Cherry Valley Road to the county line between Boone County and DeKalb County, in its entirety, a distance of 2,157 feet (0.41 miles) and be permanently removed from the county Highway System. Luebke seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

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

Resolution R2023-081: A Resolution Entering into a Supplemental Engineering Agreement with Willett Hoffmann & Associates for Somonauk Road Culvert Replacements Section Number 19-00268-00-BR

Motion

Deutsch moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves a supplemental Engineering Agreement with Willett Hoffmann & Associates to provide engineering services associated with adding to the original scope of the project proposed with Resolution R2019-63. This project was put on hold for multiple years and a cost choice of this extension project deems it necessary to update the detail. The supplemental services are not to exceed \$26,576.25.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. The motion carried 23-0-1.

Resolution R2023-082: A Resolution Pledging Financial Commitment and Support for the Illinois Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School Program for Plank Road Intersection Improvement

Motion

Deutsch moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby pledges financial commitment and support for the Illinois Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School Program, and further authorizes and directs the County Engineer to prepare the necessary documentation, relating to the location identified herein, to submit to the Illinois Department of Transportation. Marcinkowski seconded the motion as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. The motion carried 23-0-1.

Resolution R2023-083: A Resolution Entering into a Joint Funding Agreement for Construction Work with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), State of Illinois

Motion

Deutsch moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves to enter into an agreement with the State of Illinois for the use of LBFP-Off System & TBP funds for the improvements to structure #019-5417 on Pritchard Road, Squaw Grove Road District, 0.8 miles northeast of Hinckley, DeKalb County. Webb seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion as presented. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. The motion carried 23-0-1.

FACILITIES & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Resolution R2023-084: A Resolution Approving a Ground Lease Agreement with USCOC of Central Illinois LLC of Chicago, Illinois for a Telecommunications Tower on 2,500 Square Feet on the DeKalb County Highway Department Campus, DeKalb, Illinois

Motion

Webb moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby supports and approves the Ground Lease Agreement between DeKalb County Government and USCOC of Central Illinois LLC of Chicago, Illinois, for approximately Two Thousand Five Hundred (2,500) Square Feet of County-Owned land located at 1826 Barber Greene Road, DeKalb Illinois. Domina seconded.

Roll Call Vote

The Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion as presented. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. The motion carried 23-0-1.

<u>Resolution R2023-085: A Resolution Placing the FY2024 Budget on File for Public Inspection</u> Motion

Campbell moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves to place on file in the DeKalb County Clerk's Office, on the County's Website, and at two other geographically diverse public offices (the Sandwich City Hall and the office of the Genoa City Clerk), for public inspection the FY2024 Budget Preliminary Assumptions & Recommendation. Emmer seconded.

Voice Vote

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

Resolution R2023-086: A Resolution Approving an Updated Capital Asset Policy

Motion

Campbell moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves and adopts the updates to the County's Capital Asset Policy as outlined in the Policy attached to this Resolution. Porterfield seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion carried by voice vote.

Resolution R2023-087: A Resolution Approving Amendments to the FY2023 Budget

Motion

Campbell moved the DeKalb County Board hereby approves to amend the FY2023 Budget to add an additional six months onto the DeKalb County Rehab & Nursing Center's Budget to reflect twelve-month Budget. Porterfield seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. The motion carried 23-0-1.

Resolution R2023-088: A Resolution Authorizing the County Board Chair to Surrender the Tax Sale Certificate for Parcel Number 08-01-401-0005 2558J, Located in Sycamore, Illinois, to James & Michaelene Holub in the Amount of Six Hundred Fifty-One Dollars and Sixty Cents Motion

Campbell moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the County Board Chair to surrender the Tax Sale Certificate for parcel number 08-01-401-0005 2558J, located in Sycamore, Illinois, to James and Michaelene Holub in the amount of \$651.60. Domina seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion carried by voice vote.

Resolution R2023-089: A Resolution Authorizing the County Board Chair to Execute a Deed of Conveyance for Parcel Number 11-03-176-005, Located in DeKalb, Illinois, to Josh Holbrook, for Destan Aliu, in the Amount of Five Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars and Forty Cents

Motion

Campbell moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the County Board Chair to execute a Deed of Conveyance for parcel number 11-03-176-005, located in DeKalb, Illinois, to Josh Holbrook, for Destan Aliu, in the amount of \$568.40. Domina seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion carried by voice vote.

Resolution R2023-090: A Resolution Authorizing the County Board Chair to Execute a Deed of Conveyance for Parcel Number 07-23-326-004, Located in Malta, Illinois, to AJEX INVESTMENTS LLC, S & C Renovations LLC, in the Amount of Twenty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars and Ninety-Seven Cents

Motion

Campbell moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the County Board Chair to execute a Deed of Conveyance for parcel number 07-23-326-004, located in Malta, Illinois, to AJEX INVESTMENTS LLC, S & C Renovations LLC, in the amount of \$23,252.97. Emmer seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. The motion carried 23-0-1.

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Resolution R2023-091: A Resolution Authorizing the County Board Chair to Execute a Deed of Conveyance for Parcel Number 08-23-180-015, Located in DeKalb, Illinois, to Legend Restoration LLC, in the Amount of Fourteen Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Three Dollars and Ninety-Two Cents

Motion

Campbell moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the County Board Chair to execute a Deed of Conveyance for parcel number 08-23-180-015, located in DeKalb, Illinois, to Legend Restoration LLC, in the amount of \$14,943.92. Porterfield seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Chair called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. The motion carried 23-0-1.

Resolution R2023-092: A Resolution Approving the Payment of County Claims for September 2023, and Off-Cycle Claims Paid During the Previous Month, Including All Claims for Travel, Meals, and Lodging, in the Amount of \$10,374,013.20

Motion

Campbell moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves 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 \$10,374,013.20. Ilenikhena seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis asked for a roll call vote on the motion to approve the September 2023 Claims. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. None were opposed. The motion carried 23-0-1.

Reports of County Officials

Motion

Campbell moved to accept and place on file the following Reports of County Officials:

- 1. Cash & Investments in County Banks August 2023
- 2. Public Defender's Report August 2023
- 3. Adult & Juvenile Monthly Reports August 2023
- 4. Pretrial Report August 2023
- 5. Sheriff's Jail Report August 2023
- 6. Building Permits & Construction Reports August 2023

Ilenikhena seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Chair requested a voice vote to accept the Reports of County Officials as presented. The motion carried.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Resolution R2023-093: A Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Special Use Permits Granted to DK Solar, LLC, for Solar Projects MI-21-22 & MI-21-23 in Milan Township

Motion

Vice-Chair Frieders moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the extension of the Special Use Permits Granted to DK Solar, LLC, for Solar Projects MI-21-22 & MI-21-23 in Milan Township. Plote seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Plote, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, and Chair Willis. Haier was opposed. The motion carried 22-1-1.

Resolution R2023-094: A Resolution Authorizing the Extension of the Special Use Permits Granted to FFP Community Solar, LLC for the Fitzgerald-Shabbona Projects SH-21-28 & SH-21-29, in Shabbona Township

Motion

Vice Chair Frieders moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the extension of the Special Use Permits granted to FFP Community Solar, LLC for the Fitzgerald-Shabbona Projects SH-21-28 & SH-21-29, in Shabbona Township. Deutsch seconded.

Roll Call Vote

Chair Willis called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those voting aye were Board Members Henke, Ilenikhena, Lampkins, Little, Luebke, Marcinkowski, Ogilvie, Osland, Pickett, Porterfield, Quitno, Webb, Bagby, Campbell, Cozad, Crawford, Deutsch, Domina, Emmer, Vice-Chair Frieders, Haier, and Chair Willis. Plote abstained. The motion carried 22-0-1-1.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

County Administrator Brian Gregory shared that following Illuminate HC principal Avi Zuckerman's comments earlier in the meeting, the Board could have a Special Meeting to consider a new contract for the sale of the DeKalb County Rehab and Nursing Center (DCRNC) without Saba Healthcare's involvement.

The Board decided to schedule a Special County Board Meeting on Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Legislative Center's Gathertorium.

Ogilvie expressed that he was not in favor of the sale of the DCRNC, nor was he in favor of extending or changing the current contract in any way. He additionally pleaded with the other Board Members to bring back for consideration a tax referendum to keep the DCRNC a County-owned facility. Crawford echoed Ogilvie's comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion

Crawford moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m. Luebke seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion to adjourn the meeting carried.

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DeKalb County Board Chair