

COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS

May 18, 2005

The DeKalb County Board met in regular session at the Legislative Center on Wednesday, May 18, 2005. Vice Chairman Dennis Sands called the meeting to order and the Clerk called the roll. Those Members present were Mrs. Allen, Mr. Anderson, Ms. De Fauw, Mrs. Dubin, Steve Faivre, Vince Faivre, Ms. Fauci, Ms. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Ms. LaVigne, Mrs. Leifheit, Mr. Lyle, Mr. Metzger, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Rosemier, Mr. Slack, Mr. Steimel, Ms. Vary, Mr. Whelan and Vice Chairman Sands. Those Members absent were Mr. Johnson, Chairman Tobias, Mrs. Turner and Mr. Van Buer. Twenty Members were present and four Members were absent.

The Vice Chairman asked Mr. Anderson to lead the pledge to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

Mr. Whelan moved to approve the Minutes of the April 20, 2005 meeting. Ms. Fauci seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the approval of the Minutes. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion

Mr. Slack moved to approve the Agenda and Mr. Osborne seconded the motion.

Motion to Amend

Mr. Slack asked to add time for the AFSCME group to speak. Mr. Osborne seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the approval of the Agenda as amended. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REFERRALS

Two Employees were honored for years of Service to the County. Twenty-five years for Linda McDowall at the Rehab & Nursing Center and Twenty years for Jenny Willis at the Sheriff's Department.

APPOINTMENT

Vice Chairman Sands recommended the following appointment: Fairdale Street Light District - Beverly Richardson, appointment for a three year term, until May 1, 2008.

Motion

Steve Faivre moved to approve the appointment as presented. Ms. LaVigne seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Chair asked for a voice vote on the appointments as presented. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD FROM THE FLOOR

The Following individuals requested time to speak to Agenda Items at the appropriate time: Peter Smith requested time to speak about Ordinance 2005-11 of the Planning & Zoning Committee and Steve Kuhn requested time to speak under item D, R2005-45 of the Health and Human Services Committee.

Marla Craddock, an employee of the DeKalb County Rehab & Nursing Center, spoke on behalf of the AFSCME Union. She explained the work they do and the need for an increase in their pay scale.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF DEKALB AND THE DEKALB COUNTY PUBLIC BUILDING COMMISSION

Vice chair Sands opened the Public Hearing. Mr. Hanson explained the reason for the need of a Public Hearing. The Public Building Commission is selling bonds to refinance their debt at a savings of over \$500,000.00. Any one with questions or comments was encouraged to do so. No one asked to speak. The Vice Chairman, Mr. Sands then closed the Public Hearing.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

PLANNING & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

Ordinance R2005-11: Kishwaukee Community Hospital Zoning Map Amendment and Special Use Permit Request

Motion

Mr. Steimel moved to accept an Ordinance approving a Zoning Map Amendment and special Use Permit for a Hospital on property located on the West side of State Route 23 in DeKalb Township. Mr. Lyle seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Ordinance. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Resolution R2005-35: Bid Award for Construction Equipment - Loader

Motion

Ms. LaVigne moved to accept a Resolution approving a bid award to Miller-Bradford & Risbertk, Inc., of Rockford, IL. For a 2005 wheel loader in the amount of one hundred fourteen thousand nine hundred and fifty-eight dollars and no cents (\$114,958.00). Ms. Fullerton seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the Resolution. Those Members voting yea were Mrs. Allen, Mr. Anderson, Ms. De Fauw, Mrs. Dubin, Steve Faivre, Vince Faivre, Ms. Fauci, Ms. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Ms. LaVigne, Mrs. Leifheit, Mr. Lyle, Mr. Metzger, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Rosemier, Mr. Slack, Mr. Steimel, Ms. Vary, Mr. Whelan and Vice Chairman Sands. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2005-36: Professional Engineering Agreement for South Grove Road District Bridge

Motion

Ms. LaVigne moved to approve a Resolution granting DeKalb County to enter into an engineering agreement with Wendler Engineering & Surveying Inc., of Dixon, IL for the provision of preliminary engineering services incident to the replacement of a bridge located in South Grove Road District. Compensation for said services is twenty-four thousand seven hundred fifty dollars and no cents (\$24,750.00). Mr. Whelan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the Resolution. Those Members voting yea were Mrs. Allen, Mr. Anderson, Ms. De Fauw, Mrs. Dubin, Steve Faivre, Vince Faivre, Ms. Fauci, Ms. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Ms. LaVigne, Mrs. Leifheit, Mr. Lyle, Mr. Metzger, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Rosemier, Mr. Slack, Mr. Steimel, Ms. Vary, Mr. Whelan and Vice Chairman Sands. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Resolution R2005-37: Application for 5311 Transportation Grant

Motion

Mr. Rosmier moved to approve a Resolution authorizing the Deputy County Administrator to file an application under Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act to help fund transportation activities for non-urbanized areas in DeKalb County. Ms. Fauci seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Resolution. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2005-38: Acceptance of the Special Warranty

Motion

Mr. Rosemier moved to approve a Resolution to make funds available and assures that these funds will not be used to compete unfairly with other transit providers nor impair any existing bargaining agreements. Ms. Fullerton seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Resolution. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2005-39: Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant

Motion

Mr. Rosemier moved to approve a Resolution that the DeKalb County Administrator is authorized to file an application to the Illinois Department of Transportation for capital assistance. Ms. Vary seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Resolution. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2005-45: Support Legislation to Stop Physicians from Leaving the State of Illinois Because of Malpractice Insurance

Motion

Mr. Rosemier moved to approve a Resolution urging all elected representatives of DeKalb county to work for medical malpractice reform this session. The Board directs the County Clerk to provide copies of this resolution to elected State officials representing DeKalb County in Springfield. Mr. Metzger seconded the motion.

Steve Kuhn, President of the Board of Health, spoke in favor of supporting legislation to stop Physicians from leaving the state.

Motion to Amend

Ms. Vary moved to amend the Resolution to say Medical Malpractice Insurance reform. Mr. Slack seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the amendment. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Resolution as amended. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Resolution R2005-40: Support the Bid by the DeKalb Area Convention and Visitors Bureau

Motion

Mr. Metzger moved to approve a Resolution to support the DeKalb Area Convention and Visitors Bureau's bid for the 2006 through 2010 Illinois State High School football championship games to be held at NIU in the City of DeKalb, IL. Ms. Vary seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Resolution. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2005-12: Refinancing of 1997 Bond Issue

Motion

Mrs. Leifheit moved to accept an Ordinance approving the opportunity to refinance the 1997 bonds held by the Public Building Commission for the Health Facility Building. Mr. Steimel seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the Resolution. Those Members voting yea

were Mrs. Allen, Mr. Anderson, Ms. De Fauw, Mrs. Dubin, Steve Faivre, Vince Faivre, Ms. Fauci, Ms. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Ms. LaVigne, Mrs. Leifheit, Mr. Lyle, Mr. Metzger, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Rosemier, Mr. Slack, Mr. Steimel, Ms. Vary, Mr. Whelan and Vice Chairman Sands. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2005-41: Establishment of Transfer for Ground Leases

Motion

Mrs. Leifheit moved to approve a Resolution to allow the County of DeKalb to collect taxes on ground leases. Ms. LaVigne seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the Resolution. Those members voting yea were Mrs. Allen, Ms. De Fauw, Mrs. Dubin, Steve Faivre, Ms. Fauci, Ms. Fullerton, Mrs. Leifheit, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Rosemier, Mr. Slack, Mr. Steimel, Ms. Vary and Mr. Whelan. Those members voting nay were Mr. Anderson, Vince Faivre, Mr. Gudmunson, Ms. LaVigne, Mr. Lyle, Mr. Metzger and Vice Chairman Sands. Thirteen Members voted yea and seven members voted nay. Motion carried.

Claims

Mrs. Leifheit moved to approve the Claims presented for the current month in the amount of \$1,506,836.40 and Payroll & Emergency Claims from prior month in the amount of \$2,380,858.28. Mr. Lyle seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the Claims. Those Members voting yea were Mrs. Allen, Mr. Anderson, Ms. De Fauw, Mrs. Dubin, Steve Faivre, Vince Faivre, Ms. Fauci, Ms. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Ms. LaVigne, Mrs. Leifheit, Mr. Lyle, Mr. Metzger, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Rosemier, Mr. Slack, Mr. Steimel, Ms. Vary, Mr. Whelan and Vice Chairman Sands. All Members present voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports of County Officials

Mrs. Leifheit moved to place on file the following reports of County Officials; Cash and Investments in County Banks - April, 2005; Planning and Regulations Building Report - April, 2005; Public Defender's Report - April 2005; Court Services Adult & Juvenile Report - March, 2005 and Sheriff's Department Jail Report - for the month of April, 2005. Ms. Fullerton seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Reports. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Resolution R2005-42: Declaration of a Vacancy in District 7

Motion

Mr. Rosemier moved to approve a Resolution allowing the County of DeKalb to declare a vacancy in County Board District 7 because of the resignation of County Board Member Frank Van Buer, and does direct the Chairman of the Board to notify all political parties. Mr. Osborne seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Resolution. All Members voted yea. Motion

carried unanimously.

Resolution R2005-43: Release of Executive Session Minutes

Motion

Mr. Rosemier moved to approve a Resolution that the DeKalb County Board does concur in the recommendation of the DeKalb County Executive Committee and does agree to continue to maintain the confidentiality of those minutes and tapes of closed sessions listed in the attachment to this Resolution and to review them periodically. Ms. Fauci seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Resolution. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2005-13: First Time Homebuyers Program Bonds

Motion

Mr. Rosemier moved to approve an ordinance authorizing the execution and delivery of an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement and certain documents with regards to the First Time Homebuyers Mortgage Revenue Bonds. Mr. Osborne seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Resolution. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2005-44: Pay Plan Amendment for Non-Union Employees

Motion

Mr. Rosemier moved to approve a Resolution to make adjustments to the 2005 pay plans for non-union, non-nursing home employees. Mrs. Leifheit seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Vice Chair called for a roll call vote on the Resolution. Those Members voting yea were Mrs. Allen, Ms. De Fauw, Mrs. Dubin, Steve Faivre, Vince Faivre, Ms. Fauci, Ms. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Leifheit, Mr. Lyle, Mr. Metzger, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Rosemier, Mr. Slack, Mr. Steimel, Ms. Vary, Mr. Whelan and Vice Chairman Sands. Those Member voting nay were Mr. Anderson and Ms. LaVigne. Eighteen Members voted yea and two Members voted nay. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

There were no items for new or old business for this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion

Mr. Lyle moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Metzger seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The Vice Chair asked for a voice vote on the Adjournment. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

DeKalb County Board Chairman

DeKalb County Clerk