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DeKalb County Government
Sycamore, Illinois

COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS
April 16, 2014

The County Board met in regular session at the Legislative Center Wednesday, April 16, 2014. The Chair called the meeting to order and the Clerk called the roll. Those Members present were Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, 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, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O’Barski, Mr. Oncken, and Chairman Metzger. Mrs. Tobias was absent. The roll call resulted in twenty-three Members present and one absent.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

Mr. O’Barski moved to approve the Minutes of March 19, 2014. Mrs. Haji-Sheikh 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

Chairman Metzger announced that he would like to remove items A., B., and C under the Planning & Zoning Committee which would involve removing the Executive Session regarding Land Acquisition, Action Items from Executive Session, and Resolution R2014-25: Withdrawing from the Evergreen Village Mitigation Project.

Motion

Mr. Cvek moved to approve the agenda as amended and Mr. Whelan seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion was carried unanimously by voice vote.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REFERRALS

Chairman Metzger read aloud the following statement:

“As you know, DeKalb County received a grant from FEMA in June of 2012 to purchase the Evergreen Village mobile home park. The Park and its residents are located within the floodway of the Kishwaukee River, and the property has flooded repeatedly over the years. The grant from

FEMA allowed the County to start the very complicated program, and it took most of a year-and-a-half to get to the point where the County could make an offer to buy the mobile home park.

Yesterday, April 15, Frank Santoro, the owner of Evergreen Village, accepted the County's offer to purchase his property. His voluntary participation is required by the laws that govern the project, and Mr. Santoro's willingness to take part is greatly appreciated. The closing on the sale is set for not later than May 30, 2014.

With this agreement in place, the County can now begin the long and complex process of working individually with each of the residents of Evergreen Village. The County will offer to buy their mobile homes, find them alternative, comparable housing that is decent, safe, and sanitary, and help pay moving expenses. The goal will be to have most if not all residents relocated to new housing by the end of this year. In particular, the County wants to help families with school-age children find new housing before the start of the Fall term. This is an ambitious schedule, but the County is committed to making it work on behalf of the mobile home park residents."

Chairman Metzger also took the time to thank all of the County Staff and County Board Members who have worked so many years to make the Evergreen Village Mitigation Project possible. He expressed that everyone's main concern is taking care of the residents at the park.

Employee Service Awards

Employee Service Awards for the month of April 2014 were: Five Years – Kevin Fricke: Highway Department, Justin Moede: Sheriff's Department, Margarete Carey: Court Services, Douglas Brouwer, Jr.: Sheriff's Department, and Linda Camerier: State's Attorney's Office; Fifteen Years: Toby Jennings: Sheriff's Department, Dennis Bell: Forest Preserve, and John Holiday: Sheriff's Department; Twenty Years: Colleen Kissan: Facilities Management; Twenty-Five Years: Rodney Sturm: Facilities Management and Carol Feiza: Sheriff's Department; Thirty Years: Leanne Snyder: Finance Office; Thirty-Five Years: John "Buck" Bulkley: Forest Preserve.

Chairman Metzger announced: "*Keith Anderson, Building Inspector with the Planning, Zoning and Building Department, was in Washington, IL (April 1 – 3), volunteering his services to the rebuilding effort following last year's devastating tornado. Keith expressed that one cannot really appreciate the scope of the damage to that community until one goes there and sees; it is indescribable. Yet Washington, with the help of many like Keith, is determined to recover and rebuild. It should make the County Board and citizens of DeKalb County proud to know that we can help, just as we hope others would help us were we the victims of such a tragedy, by lending our time, our expertise, and our good wishes to our neighbors to the south.*" During the Chairman's statement there were pictures displayed that Mr. Anderson had taken while in Washington, Illinois.

Chairman Metzger also made with a few announcements pertaining to County Board Members.

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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.

PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation R2014-04: Recognizing Keith Mokry as Winner of the DeKalb County Regional Spelling Bee

Mr. Frieders read and presented alongside Chairman Metzger a Proclamation to Somonauk Middle School Student, Keith Mokry, who was the winner of the DeKalb County Regional Spelling Bee.

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Metzger recommended the following appointment: **DeKalb County Sheriff's Merit Commission**: La Metra Curry for an immediate appointment to fill the unexpired term of Bennetta Stearns until November 30, 2014.

Motion

Mr. Cvek moved to approve the recommended appointment. Mr. Oncken seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

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

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Resolution R2014-19: 2014 Road Districts Hot-Mix Projects

Motion

Mr. Gudmunson moved that the DeKalb County Board does award the following bids for the 2014 Road District Hot-Mix Projects: Building Paving LLC dba Hardin Paving Services was the low bidder meeting specifications for the hot-mix resurfacing of two miles of Hinckley Road in Pierce Road District for a cost of \$85,361. Curran Contracting was the low bidder meeting specifications for five projects. They are the hot-mix resurfacing of 2.18 miles of Barber Greene Road in Cortland Road District for a cost of \$181,259.37; the hot-mix resurfacing of 1.04 miles of Shabbona Grove Road in Shabbona Road District in the amount of \$115,394.20; the hot-mix resurfacing of 1.02 miles of Council Road in Somonauk Road District for a cost of \$175,587.12; the hot-mix resurfacing of 1.54 miles of Governor Beveridge Highway and Bastian Road in Squaw Grove Road District; and the hot-mix resurfacing of 2.24 miles of various subdivision roads in Sycamore Road District for a cost of \$327,593.38. Peter Baker and Son Company was the low bidder meeting specifications for the hot-mix resurfacing of 0.78 miles of Pleasant Hill Road in Kingston Road District for a cost of \$92,601.25. Mr. O'Barski seconded the motion.

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Roll Call Vote

Chairman Metzger called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, 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, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O'Barski, Mr. Oncken and Chairman Metzger. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2014-20: Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation, Peace Road

Motion

Mr. Gudmunson moved the DeKalb County Board deems it appropriate to enter into an agreement with the State of Illinois for the resurfacing and other improvements on Peace Road between Pleasant Street and Bethany Road, in DeKalb and Cortland Townships with an estimated cost of \$1,480,000.00 with the local share to be estimated at \$296,000.00. Mr. Reid seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

A roll call vote was taken on the motion to approve the Resolution. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, 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, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O'Barski, Mr. Oncken and Chairman Metzger. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2014-21: 2014 Rejuvenator Project

Motion

Mr. Gudmunson moved the DeKalb County Board does award the 2014 Rejuvenator Project to the low bidder meeting specifications, Corrective Asphalt Materials, LLC of South Roxana, Illinois, in the amount of \$199,427.89 for the application of 9.98 miles of rejuvenator reclamite on DeKalb County Roads and 2.62 miles of rejuvenator-CRF on various roads in Mayfield and Sandwich Road Districts. Mr. Stoddard seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

A roll call vote was taken on the motion to approve the Resolution. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, 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, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O'Barski, Mr. Oncken and Chairman Metzger. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2014-23: Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation, Keslinger Road Bridge

Motion

Mr. Gudmunson moved that the DeKalb County Board deems it appropriate to enter into an agreement with the State of Illinois for the repair/replacement of the bridge over the South Branch of the Kishwaukee River as it crosses Keslinger Road, in Afton Township at an estimated cost of \$1,000,000.00 with the local share to be estimated at \$600,000.00. Mr. Oncken seconded.

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Roll Call Vote

A roll call vote was taken on the motion. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, 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, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O'Barski, Mr. Oncken and Chairman Metzger. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2014-24: 2014 Pavement Marking Project

Motion

Mr. Gudmunson moved the DeKalb County Board does authorize the expenditure of MFT funds to be used for the 2014 Pavement Marking Project in the amount of \$94,000.00. Mr. Cvek seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

A roll call vote was taken on the motion. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, 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, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O'Barski, Mr. Oncken and Chairman Metzger. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Resolution R2014-28: Authorizing an Increase in Authorized Hours for Case Managers in the Community Services Department

Motion

Mrs. DeFauw moved the DeKalb County Board, effective April 20, 2014, does hereby approve an increase in the authorized number of hours for Case Managers in the DeKalb County Community Services Department from a total of 75 hours per week to a total of 81.5 hours per week, and that the authorized maximum number of full-time Case Manager positions with full benefits including health insurance shall not exceed two at any time, and that any hours not filled by full-time Case Manager positions are authorized to be filled with part-time Case Manager positions provided that the total number of hours does not exceed 81.5 hours per week. This increase is completely Grant Funded and is not dependent in any way on General Fund revenues. Mrs. Haji-Sheikh seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

LAW & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Ordinance O2014-06: Neutral Site Custody Exchange Fund

Motion

Mrs. Fullerton moved the DeKalb County Board does approve that a “Neutral Site Custody Exchange Fund” is hereby established as of July 1, 2014 and the Clerk of the 23rd Judicial Circuit Court shall charge and collect a fee of \$8.00 from the plaintiff at the time of filing of the case and from the defendant at the time of filing an appearance on all civil cases from these purposes and remit all fees collected hereunder to the County Treasurer each month. Mr. Oncken seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

A roll call vote was taken on the Ordinance. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Tyson, Mr. Whelan, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cribben, Mr. Cvek, Mrs. DeFauw, Mr. Deverell, Mr. Emerson, Ms. Fauci, Mr. Foster, Mrs. Fullerton, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O’Barski, Mr. Oncken and Chairman Metzger. Mr. Frieders voted nay. The motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Resolution R2014-26: Real Estate Trustee Program Contract Amendment

Motion

Mr. Reid moved the DeKalb County Board hereby expressly consents to, ratifies and approves the assignment and delegation by Joseph E. Meyer of all of his rights and liabilities under the Agreements to Joseph E. Meyer & Associates, Inc., an Illinois corporation. The Agreements shall remain in full force and effect according to the terms thereof. Mr. Cvek seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion moved unanimously by voice vote.

Resolution R2014-27: Delinquent Property Tax Sale

Motion

Mr. Reid 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 #13-06-332-003) the sum of \$219.31 to be paid to the Treasurer of DeKalb County, Illinois, to be disbursed according to law. Mrs. Fullerton seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on the motion. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, 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, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O’Barski, Mr. Oncken and Chairman Metzger. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

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Claims for April 2014

Motion

Mr. Reid moved to approve the claims for this month, and the off cycle claims paid during the previous month, in the amount of \$5,144,489.72. Mr. Whelan seconded the motion to approve the claims.

Roll Call Vote

The Chairman asked for a roll call vote on the approval of the claims. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Pietrowski, Mr. Reid, Mr. Stoddard, 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, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. O'Barski, Mr. Oncken and Chairman Metzger. All Members voted yea. 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 – March 2014; Public Defender's Report – March 2014; Adult & Juvenile Monthly Reports – March 2014; Sheriff's Jail Report – March 2014; Planning & Zoning Building Permits & Construction Reports - March 2014. Mr. Johnson 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.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

There were no items to discuss under old business or new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion

Mr. Cvek moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Stoddard seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

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

DeKalb County Board Chairman

DeKalb County Clerk

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