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DeKalb County Government
Sycamore, Illinois

COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS
August 16, 2017

The DeKalb County Board met in regular session at the Legislative Center's Gathertorium on Wednesday, August 16, 2017. Chairman Pietrowski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Clerk called the roll. Those Members present were Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, and Chairman Pietrowski. Mr. Hughes was absent. A quorum was established with twenty-three Members present and one absent.

Chairman Pietrowski requested Mr. Frieders to lead in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2017 Board Meeting. Mr. Whelan seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion

It was moved by Mr. Roman and seconded by Ms. Willis to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS AND REFERRALS

Employee Service Awards for July

Chairman Pietrowski recognized the Employee Service Awards for the month of July 2017: Five Years: Pamela Murphy – Rehab & Nursing Center; Ten Years: Susan Santiago – State's Attorney's Office, William Mabel – Sheriff's Department, Pamela Prebil – Sheriff's Department, Amy Overton – Rehab & Nursing Center; Fifteen Years: Russell Josh – Court Services.

Employee Services Award for August

Chairman Pietrowski additionally recognized the Employee Services Awards for the month of August 2017: Five Years: Tania Hernandez – Finance Office, Thomas McCulloch – Public Defender, Catherine Bryant – Rehab & Nursing Center, Melissa Edwards – Health Department; Ten Years: Karin Strausberger – Sheriff's Department, Dawn Lawton – Rehab & Nursing Center; Fifteen Years: James English – Highway Department.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD FROM THE FLOOR

Mike Hammett, a resident of DeKalb, addressed the County Board regarding Resolution R2017-97: Sheriff's Radio Communication System. Mr. Hammett expressed that being a local business owner of a wireless internet company, and through his knowledge he did not feel that the proposed system will work. He provided some additional examples to the Board Members and expressed that he didn't think going with only 4 new sites would be adequate to support indoor coverage throughout the entire County. Mr. Hammett requested that the County Board postpone their decision on R2017-97 until further discussion can be had as to the suitability of the proposal.

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Pietrowski recommended approval of the following appointments:

- a. **Board of Review:** Anthony Cvek appointed for a term beginning immediately until May 31, 2019; Robert Merriman reappointed for a term that began June 1, 2017 and expires May 31, 2019.
- b. **Board of Review-Alternates:** Andre Crittenden appointed for a term beginning immediately until May 31, 2018; Daniel Cribben and Mike Miner reappointed for a terms that began June 1, 2017 and expire May 31, 2018.
- c. **Housing Authority of DeKalb County:** Deanna Cada appointed immediately to fill the unexpired term of Donna Moulton until October 31, 2019; Herodote Adjegan reappointed for a five-year term beginning November 1, 2017 and expiring October 31, 2022.
- d. **Regional Planning Commission:** Steve DeVlieger (Village of Kirkland) appointed immediately until March 31, 2020.
- e. **Regional Planning Commission-Alternate:** Ryan Block (Village of Kirkland) appointed immediately until March 31, 2020.
- f. **Stormwater Management Committee:** Mike Bauling and Tom Horak appointed for two-year terms that began July 1, 2017 and expire June 30, 2019; Kevin Bunge, Mark Bushnell, Paul Stoddard, and Patricia Vary reappointed for two-year terms that began July 1, 2017 and expire June 30, 2019.
- g. **East Pierce Cemetery Association:** Roger Klein, Greg Pritchard, and Stan Schumacher all reappointed for six-year terms beginning September 1, 2017 and expiring August 31, 2023.
- h. **Somonauk Cemetery Association:** Howard Rosenwinkel appointed immediately to fill the unexpired term of Karl Lundeen until August 31, 2021 and Gerald Lundeen appointed immediately to fill the unexpired term of Jack Morsch until August 31, 2021.
- i. **Coon Creek Drainage District:** Matt Klein reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2017 and expiring August 31, 2020.
- j. **Clinton-Shabbona Drainage District:** Wayne Overby reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2017 and expiring August 31, 2020.
- k. **Normal Drainage District:** Robert Twombly reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2017 and expiring August 31, 2020.
- l. **Shabbona-Milan-Union Drainage District:** Dennis Johnson reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2017 and expiring August 31, 2020.
- m. **Somonauk-Victor Drainage District:** Charles Kessler reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2017 and expiring August 31, 2020.
- n. **Squaw Grove Drainage District:** Donald Willrett reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2017 and expiring August 31, 2020.

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- m. **Union Drainage District #4:** Dean Lundeen reappointed for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2017 and expiring August 31, 2020.

Motion

It was moved by Mr. Porterfield and seconded by Ms. Willis to approve all of the recommended appointments as presented.

Voice Vote

The motion was carried unanimously.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

Ordinance O2017-15: Granting a Variation in Kingston Township

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby grants a variation from the 180-day restriction for the replacement of a nonconforming single-family dwelling on the property located at 35495 Myelle Road, Kingston, in Kingston Township. Mr. Roman seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

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

Ordinance O2017-16: Approving a Special Use Permit for a Large-Scale Agritainment Use in Kingston Township

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved the DeKalb County Board hereby approves a Special Use Permit, with conditions as specified in the Ordinance, to Jason and Joni Watson in order to allow a large-scale agritainment use in the form of a season pumpkins stand to be located on their property at 31853 Glidden Rd., Kingston, in Kingston Township. Mr. Luebke seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

A voice vote was requested by the Chairman. All Members voted yea. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance O2017-17: Approving a Special Use Permit for a Large-Scale Agritainment Use in Afton Township

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby approves a Special Use Permit, with conditions as specified in the Ordinance, to Jamie Walter, representing Integrated Farms, LLC dba Whiskey Acres Distilling Company, for a large-scale agritainment use in the form of a large event venue designated around the Whiskey Acres Distilling Company brand. Mr. Jones seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

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R2017-111: Land Transfer to Forest Preserve District

Motion

Mr. Faivre moved the DeKalb County Board approves that the Chairman of the Board of DeKalb County, Illinois, is hereby authorized to execute the documents necessary for the conveyance of the County's interest in the 58.13 acres site at 955 E State Street in Sycamore, IL, to the DeKalb County Forest Preserve District once the Hazard Mitigation Grant is closed out by Federal and State officials and after the DeKalb County State's Attorney reviews and presents for signature to the Chairman those appropriate documents. Mrs. Haji-Sheikh seconded the motion as presented.

Voice Vote

The Chairman called for a voice vote on the motion. All Members voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Ordinance O2017-14: Providing for the Establishment of an Altered Speed Zone on Genoa Road

Motion

Mr. Frieders moved the DeKalb County Board does hereby approve establishing an altered speed zone of 45mph on Genoa Road from the end of the existing 45mph altered speed zone (beginning 400' NW of the Genoa City limits to a point proceeding in a NW direction along Genoa Road for 3,000 feet) for an additional 1,990 feet in NW direction along Genoa Road. Ms. Willis seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Resolution R2017-95: Services Concepts, Inc. Tax Abatement Request

Motion

Mr. Bagby moved that the DeKalb County Board does hereby grant the five-year property tax abatement incentive program as outlined in the resolution for Service Concepts, Inc. (parcel #03-29-154-002) within the City of Genoa, Illinois. Ms. Little seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski requested a voice vote. All Members presented voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution R2017-96: J6 Polymers LLC Tax Abatement Request

Motion

Mr. Bagby moved the DeKalb County Board does hereby grant the three-year property tax abatement incentive program as outlined in the resolution for J6 Polymers LLC (parcel #'s 03-29-300-032, 03-30-400-033) within the City of Genoa, Illinois. Mrs. Emmer seconded the motion as presented.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski requested a voice vote. All Members presented voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

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LAW & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Resolution R2017-97: Sheriff's Radio Communication System

Motion

Ms. Leifheit moved that the DeKalb County Board does hereby authorize the DeKalb County Sheriff and County Administrator to take the necessary steps to acquire and implement a new digital radio communication system, including strategically placed towers around DeKalb County, as proposed by Pyramid Consulting of Indianapolis at a cost not to exceed \$4,000,000, including authorization of the financing plan as outlined on Attachment #1 to this resolution, with the caveat that any approvals for Intergovernmental Agreements or land transactions are reserved for the County Board. Mr. Jones seconded the motion.

Terry Burnworth, President of Pyramid Consulting, and Chief Deputy Andrew Sullivan addressed previous comments made during Persons to be Heard From the Floor as well as answered any further outstanding questions from County Board Members regarding the proposed digital radio communication system.

Roll Call Vote

Following deliberations, Chairman Pietrowski called for a roll call vote on the motion as presented. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Delinquent Property Sales

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved that the DeKalb County Board hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board to execute deeds of conveyance of the County's interest or authorize cancellation of the appropriate Certificate(s) of Purchase, as the case may be for the following thirteen (13) resolutions to be paid to the Treasurer of DeKalb County Illinois, to be disbursed according to law. Mr. Reid seconded the motion:

	<u>Resolution</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>Parcel #</u>	<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Paid by Purchaser</u>
1.	R2017-98	Sycamore	06-22-331-001	Silverthorne Dev	\$4,127.14
2.	R2017-99	Sycamore	06-22-328-005	Silverthorne Dev	\$4,127.14
3.	R2017-100	Cortland	09-22-400-004	Town of Cortland	\$665.00
4.	R2017-101	Cortland	09-23-300-002	Town of Cortland	\$665.00
5.	R2017-102	Cortland	09-26-100-001	Town of Cortland	\$665.00
6.	R2017-103	Cortland	09-27-100-005	Town of Cortland	\$665.00
7.	R2017-104	Cortland	09-27-100-006	Town of Cortland	\$665.00
8.	R2017-105	Cortland	09-27-226-006	Town of Cortland	\$665.00
9.	R2017-106	Cortland	09-27-226-007	Town of Cortland	\$665.00
10.	R2017-107	Cortland	09-28-200-005	Town of Cortland	\$665.00
11.	R2017-108	Cortland	09-17-100-018	Town of Cortland	\$665.00

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12.	R2017-109	Cortland	09-17-300-009	Town of Cortland	\$665.00
13.	R2017-110	Cortland	09-17-329-004	Town of Cortland	\$665.00

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Stoddard requested a roll call vote to approve resolutions R2017-98 through R2017-110. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members present voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

Claims

Motion

Mr. Stoddard moved to approve the payment of claims for the month of July, and the off cycle claims paid during the previous month, including all claims for travel, meals, and lodging, in the amount of \$9,143,376.04. Mr. Faivre seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Pietrowski asked for a roll call vote on the approval of the July Claims. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

Claims

Motion

Mr. Stoddard 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 \$58,265,191.97. Mr. Whelan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Chairman Pietrowski asked for a roll call vote on the approval of the August Claims. Those Members voting yea were Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, and Chairman Pietrowski. All Members voted yea. The motion carried unanimously.

Reports of County Officials

Motion

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

1. Cash & Investments in County Banks – June & July 2017
2. Public Defender's Report – June & July 2017
3. Adult & Juvenile Monthly Reports – June & July 2017
4. Pretrial Report – June & July 2017
5. Sheriff's Jail Report – June & July 2017
6. Planning & Zoning Building Permits & Construction Reports – June & July 2017

Mrs. Haji-Sheikh seconded the motion.

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Voice Vote

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

OLD BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion

Mr. Porterfield moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. under **#11 of the State of Illinois (5 ILCS 120/) Open Meetings Act: Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.** Mr. Plote seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Those Members voting yea to enter into Executive Session were Mr. Frieders, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Ms. Leifheit, Ms. Little, Mr. Luebke, Mr. Osland, Mr. Plote, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Porterfield, Mr. Reid, Mr. Roman, Mr. Stoddard, Mr. Whelan, Ms. Willis, Ms. Askins, Mr. Bagby, Mr. Brown, Mr. Bunge, Mr. Cribben, Mrs. Emmer, Mr. Faivre, and Chairman Pietrowski. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session...

NEW BUSINESS

Appointments Scheduled to be made in the Month of September 2017

1. Public Building Commission – 1 position
2. Kane, Kendall, DeKalb Workforce Development Board – 3 positions


ADJOURNMENT

Motion

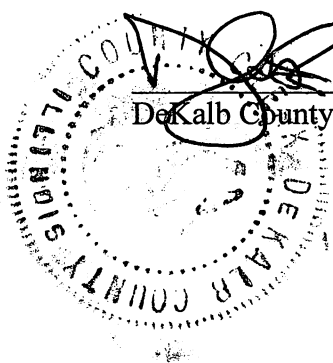
Mr. Bagby moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Luebke seconded the motion.

Voice Vote

Chairman Pietrowski called for a voice vote on the adjournment. Motion carried unanimously.



DeKalb County Clerk



DeKalb County Board Chairman

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