

Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting  
August 21, 2007

State of Illinois )  
County of Ogle ) ss  
City of Oregon )

**Call to Order**

Chairman Rice calls the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

**Roll Call**

The roll call shows all members are present. The Invocation is given by Gronewold and followed by the Pledge of the Allegiance to the Flag.

**Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Rice asks for a motion to approve the July 17, 2007, Ogle County Board meeting minutes. Kenney moves to approve the July 17, 2007, Ogle County Board Meeting minutes and Bauer seconds. The motion carries on a voice vote.

**Approval of Reports**

Swanson moves to accept and place on file the monthly reports of the County Clerk/Recorder, Treasurer and Circuit Clerk. Boes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Resolution – Imposing a Tax on the Privilege of Transferring Real Estate and Beneficial Interest in Real Estate**

Chairman Rice presents the resolution imposing a Tax on the Privilege of Transferring Real Estate and Beneficial Interest in Real Estate which was included in the County Board packets. County Clerk Huntley explains the need for this resolution – This was passed by our State Legislature 2005 and all counties need to pass this resolution in order to collect the county portion of the real estate transfer tax on this type of real estate transfer. It is called an “assignment and assumption of membership interest.” County Clerk Huntley best describes this as – when you are transferring ownership between entities of a big corporation – such as selling the real estate inside to a subsidiary of your corporation. Kenney moves to approve the resolution, White seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Vacancies -**

Chairman Rice announces the following vacancies:

- Ogle County Housing Authority

Application deadline for this vacancy will be  
Friday, September 28, 2007, at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk’s Office

**Appointments -**

Ogle County Housing Authority Board

Chairman Rice states Robert A. Falk has been recommended for appointment to the Ogle County Housing Authority Board for an unexpired term which ends October 31, 2009. Scholl moves to approve the appointment, Kilker seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Zoning Board of Appeals (Alternate)

Chairman Rice states Maynard L. Stivers has been recommended for appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an Alternate member for an unexpired term which ends April 30, 2011. Barnes moves to approve the appointment, Swanson seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Zoning – #8-07 AMENDMENT - First State Bank of Shannon-Polo Trust #190**

Chairman Rice and County Clerk Huntley present the petition of First State Bank of Shannon-Polo Trust #190, c/o Attorney Kim D. Krahenbuhl, PO Box 339, Oregon, IL for an Amendment to the Zoning District to rezone from AG-1 Agricultural District to IA Intermediate Agricultural District on property described as follows and owned by the petitioners: Part of the SW 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 02 Pine Creek Township 23N, R9E of the

4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 29.65 acres, more or less. P.I.N.: Part of 15-02-400-013 - Common Location: NE Corner intersection of S. Harmony Rd. and W. Racoon Rd. Hopkins states this issue was held over from last month – Hopkins has a letter from Attorney Kim Krahenbuhl requesting the amendment be withdrawn at this time. Hopkins moves to accept the withdrawal of #8-07 Amendment – First State Bank of Shannon-Polo Trust #190. Boes seconds and the motion carries on voice vote. Heuer abstains from the voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Zoning – #2-07 SPECIAL USE -- Kenneth L. & Theresa L. Zipse**

Chairman Rice and County Clerk Huntley present the petition of Kenneth L. & Theresa L. Zipse, 10278 N. Mt. Morris Rd., Leaf River, IL for a Special Use permit to allow a dwelling for the farm owner in AG-1 Agricultural District on property described as follows and owned by petitioners: Part of the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 15 Leaf River Township 25N, R9E of the 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 5.0 acres, more or less. P.I.N: Part of 03-15-400-006 - Common Location: 10278 N. Mt. Morris Rd. Hopkins moves to concur with the Zoning Board of Appeals and approve #2-07 Special Use for Kenneth & Theresa Zipse. Heuer seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Zoning - #4-07 SPECIAL USE – Alan S. & Vickie L. Pals**

Chairman Rice and County Clerk Huntley present the petition of Alan S. & Vickie L. Pals, 3954 West Egan Rd., Leaf River, IL for a Special Use permit to allow a truck parking area in the AG-1 Agricultural District on property described as follows and owned by petitioners: Part of the SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 29 Leaf River Township 25N, R10E of the 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 1.16 acres, more or less. P.I.N.: Part of 04-29-400-004 - Common Location: 7800 Block of N. Pecatonica Rd. Hopkins moves to concur with the Zoning Board of Appeals and approve #4-07 Special Use for Alan & Vickie Pals. White seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Zoning – #10-07 AMENDMENT – Bradley E. Aufer**

Chairman Rice and County Clerk Huntley present the petition of Bradley E. Aufer, 4234 Countryview, Byron, IL for an Amendment to the Zoning District to rezone from AG-1 Agricultural District to IA Intermediate Agricultural District on property described as follows and owned by the petitioner: Part of NE1/4 SW1/4 and part SW1/4 NE1/4 Section 13 Byron Township 25N, R10E of the 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 10.393 acres, more or less. P.I.N.: Part of 04-13-100-010 - Common Location: 10300 Block of Hoisington Rd. Hopkins moves to concur with the Zoning Board of Appeals and approve #10-07 Amendment for Bradley Aufer. Boes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Road & Bridge – Preliminary Engineering Svcs Agmt – River Road – 07-00247-00-CG**

Huntley makes the motion to approve the Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement with Willett, Hoffman & Assoc for the design of the 2008 River Road Curb & Gutter project – Section 07-00247-00-CG – Not to exceed \$39,100. Colson seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Road & Bridge Comments –**

Huntley informs the board of an article which was included in the County Board packets regarding Illinois bridges. Huntley states Ogle County had the fewest deficient bridges at 1.3 percent (5 of 373). Huntley states 2 bridges have been replaced this year, a 3<sup>rd</sup> bridge is in the process and the other 2 bridges are scheduled for next year. Chairman Rice states the County Board commends Curtis Cook.

**Chairman Comments –**

Chairman Rice congratulates Don and Norma Huntley on celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

**Claims**

Clerk Huntley reads the claim totals:

Payments in Vacation – July 2007 \$115,802.37  
County Board Payments – August 2007 - \$143,780.28  
County Highway Fund – August 2007 - \$103,514.37

Huntley moves to approve the claims as read, Bowers seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote. (Placed on file)

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committees had no additional report other than the minutes that are placed on an exhibit: *G.I.S. Committee, Juvenile & Probation and Judiciary & Circuit Clerk, Planning Commission, Juvenile Justice Council, Liquor Commission, Mental Health Board, Planning & Zoning/ Supervisor of Assessments, Road & Bridge, and Tri-County Opportunities*. The following had no minutes to file: *911 ETS Board, Blackhawk Hills RC&D, Board of Health, Byron Dragway, Ill Assoc of Co Bd Members, Juvenile Justice Council, Land Use Task Force, Safety Committee and UCCI/ICRMT*.

### **Finance and Insurance**

Minutes placed on exhibit

#### Group Health Renewal

Swanson makes the motion to increase the Group Health Insurance rate 12% - effective October 1, 2007 for all outside agencies and effective December 1, 2007 for all Ogle County employees. Kenney seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

#### Oregon Park District

Chairman Rice states an Agreement Outline has been provided to the Board members regarding the Oregon Park District. Mielke addresses the board and states there was a Special Meeting of the Finance Committee and the Park District this afternoon and the committee is recommending approval of the Agreement Outline. Mielke states this is contingent upon the Oregon Park District approving the same agreement next week and to be reviewed by the county's legal counsel. The Finance committee would like to move ahead with this issue based on the terms in the outline. Kenny makes the motion to accept the terms as presented in the Agreement Outline, Hopkins seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

### **H.E.W.**

Minutes placed on file

#### Senior Tax Levy Funding

Bauer informs the board there will be a funding hearing for the Senior Tax Levy tomorrow August 22, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in the old County Board Room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Old Courthouse. Bauer states the committee has changed the funding procedure and is streamlining the funding process.

### **Land Use Task Force**

No minutes on file

#### Update

Hopkins states there will be a meeting held on August 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the County Board Room. They will go over the changes and try to finalize information to send to the Planning Commission. Rice commends the Task Force for their hard work. Hopkins says the public meetings went well and there was a lot of participation. Hopkins states the public really appreciate being involved with this process.

### **Long Range Planning – Courthouse Renovation**

Minutes placed on exhibit

#### Update

Stahl states the Holabird & Root revised proposal was included in the board packets. Stahl informs the board of the need to hold additional meetings and extend the bid date to May. Stahl says the beginning date for construction will be May or June of 2008. The LRP Committee is looking to approve the proposal which will allow the next phase of Holabird & Root to talk with the department heads. Rice says this contract was discussed with Holabird & Root, County Board Members Stahl, Williams and Chairman Rice. Nye makes the motion to approve the contract with

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Holabird & Root in which they will be the architect for the renovation of the Old Courthouse, Scholl seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Personnel & Salary  
&  
County Clerk**

Minutes placed on exhibit

Holiday Schedule

Kenney presents the 2008 Courthouse Holiday Schedule. Kenney states the Chief Judge of the 15<sup>th</sup> Judicial District has added 2 days to the Holiday schedule for a total of 15 days. This will not be an ongoing situation, this will only happen every 7 years. This will also bring parity to all county departments and we are complying with Chief Judge Kelley who set this schedule. Kenney moves to approve the 2008 Holiday schedule and have this posted in all county buildings and Stahl seconds. Brooks says during the committee meeting he voted no to the proposed schedule. Since this time he has received additional information and asks Mielke to explain the findings. Mielke states there is one additional day added to the 2008 Holiday schedule. The additional day added to the schedule is December 26 – the day after Christmas. Brooks was concerned with some of the county operations which are 24 hour operations. Mielke states according to the labor contracts the employee does have the option to either take comp time or receive the actual holiday pay. The motion to approve the 2008 Holiday Schedule carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Executive Committee**

Minutes placed on exhibit

EOC Committee

Chairman Rice is recommending the appointment of a special committee to meet with Sheriff Beitel and Teng & Associates and provide oversight on the project. The members will be Chairman Rice, Hopkins, Scholl, Gronewold and Mielke. Chairman Rice will be the Chairman of this special committee. Bowers moves to approve the committee, Nye seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Communication Center

Chairman Rice asks Mielke to discuss the agreement with Teng & Associates. Mielke states a memo and a cash flow graph of the Long Range fund was included in the County Board packets. Mielke states the intent behind the analysis was to determine whether the two projects could be funded through the Long Range Fund or whether Bonds would need to be issued. The analysis indicates that sufficient revenues are available to complete the projects without obtaining outside financing. Mielke says they are looking for approval of the contract to allow Sheriff Beitel and the committee to work with Teng & Associates during the building design phase. This contract with Teng & Associates only includes the design services for the proposed building and not the construction of the building. Horner states the 911 ETS Board is supporting this project. Sheriff Beitel discusses the possibility of grants available for this project. Williams asks what is the total estimated cost of the project. Mielke states the county portion is estimated at \$3.4 million. White asks what is being authorized at this time. Mielke says the authorized cost for the contract with Teng & Associates is not to exceed \$228,962. Gouker asks at what stage will the information come back to board for approval? Mielke says the EOC committee will report to the board at the

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completion of every step. This will keep the board involved in the process, the estimated costs and the direction in which the project is heading. Heuer asks how the costs compare between Holabird & Root and the Teng & Associates contract. Chairman Rice states Teng & Associates contract is higher because of the type of construction and the involvement of the high-tech hardware to be installed in the building. Bowers moves to approve the contract with Teng & Associates not to exceed \$228,962 and Horner seconds. A roll call vote is called:

**YES:** Stahl, Swanson, Williams, Barnes, Bauer, Bowers, Brooks, Colbert, Colson, Diehl, Gronewold, Hopkins, Horner, Huntley, Kenney, Messer, Nye and Rice

**NO:** White, Boes, Gouker, Heuer and Kilker

**ABSENT:** None

The motion carries on a roll call vote.

#### August 2007 bills

Scholl presents the August 2007 Long Range Planning Capital Improvement Fund bills for payment – \$17,431 for a 2500 gallon fuel tank installed at the Sheriff's Department - \$4,000 X 2 for services rendered by Chapman & Cutler – \$125 X 2 for Bond fees – for a total of \$25,681 to be paid out of the Long Range Capital Improvement Fund. Scholl makes the motion to approve the August 2007 bills as discussed, Messer seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

#### **Chairman Comments**

Chairman Rice turns the floor over to Heuer to discuss some information – Heuer states Board members received information on the Certified County Official Workshop in the mail.

Heuer also presents information regarding projected Ogle County census information received from the UCCI.

Heuer informs the board of information distributed this evening which was included in the Northwest magazine. The feature article was regarding the Fields Project and Ogle County is in the art and history scene.

#### **Administrator Comments**

Mielke says the Finance Committee met this afternoon to discuss the 2008 Budget and at this time we are \$250,000 apart between revenue and expenditures. The committee will meet again on September 12<sup>th</sup> and review the budget again. The process is coming along pretty well at this time.

Mielke also says on a personal note – last week marked the 1 year anniversary on the job in Ogle County. He has had a really good year and has really enjoyed his time here in Ogle County. He looks forward to many more years to come.

#### **Communications**

- Sales Tax for May 2006 was \$35,994.84 and \$80,540.11
- Sales Tax for May 2007 was \$29,461.81 and \$78,679.94

#### **Unfinished Business –**

#### **New Business –**

**Public Comment –**

Heuer announces the marriage of board member Ben Diehl. The board congratulates Diehl and his wife on their marriage.

**Motion to Adjourn**

At, 6:20 p.m., Nye makes the motion to adjourn the August Ogle County Board meeting until Tuesday, September 18, 2007 at 5:30 p.m., Bowers seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

W. Ed Rice  
Chairman Ogle County Board

Attest: Rebecca Huntley, Ogle County Clerk &  
Ex-officio Clerk of the Ogle County Board