

Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting
March 17, 2009

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

Call to Order

Chairman Rice calls the Ogle County Board Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m..

Roll Call

The roll call shows all County Board Members are present. The Invocation is given by Colbert and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Rice asks for a motion to approve the February 17, 2009 Ogle County Board Meeting minutes. Bauer moves to approve, Bowers seconds and the motion carries.

Approval of Reports

Chairman Rice asks for a motion to accept the reports of the Ogle County/Recorder, Treasurer and Circuit Clerk. Kenney moves to accept the reports as filed, Huntley seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Presentation – Doreen O’Brien – Health Department Emergency Preparedness Drill

Doreen O’Brien explained the Emergency Preparedness Drill which will be held at the Ogle County Health Department on Thursday, March 19, 2009. This drill will be for a Small Pox exposure in Ogle County.

Resignation –

Chairman Rice informs the board of receiving a letter of resignation from Beverly Binkley on the Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board which was effective November 11, 2008. Heuer moves to accept Resolution 2009-0301, Bowers seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Vacancies –

- Board of Health – 1 unexpired term ends 05/31/2009
- Board of Health – 1 unexpired term ends 11/30/2011 - applicant required to be a Dentist
- Board of Health – 1 unexpired term ends 11/30/2011
- Fire Protection Districts: Forreston, Leaf River, Lynn-Scott-Rock, and Oregon – 1 each
- Lost Nation/New Landing RCD – 1 vacancy
- Planning Commission – 2 vacancies
- Zoning Board of Appeals – 1 vacancy
- Mental Health “708” Board – 1 unexpired term ends 12/31/2011
- Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board – 1 unexpired term ends 05/31/2011

Application deadline for these vacancies will be
Friday, April 3, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk’s Office

- Board of Health – 2 vacancies
- Board of Review – 2 vacancies (Republican Candidates)
- Civic Center Authority Board – 3 vacancies

Application deadline for these vacancies will be
Friday, May 1, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk’s Office

Zoning – None

Public Comment –

- Darrell Friday speaks to the County Board regarding a Pre-Annexation Agreement with the City of Byron on property located in the unincorporated part of Ogle County. This property is outside of the 1.5 mile planning radius of the City of Byron and he is concerned about the zoning issues. There are concerns with the new homes and the wells, ground water, septic fields, conflicts with farmers working late, spreading of manure and etc...

- Gary of Byron has a couple of questions regarding this issue:

1 - Does the Ogle County Board have the authority to stop this type of action?

Hopkins states we have just received the information at the committee meeting this week. Hopkins states they have asked State's Attorney Ben Roe look into this matter.

- 2 - Pre-Annexation agreements have been used with other developers and other cities
- Does this Pre-annexation meet the legal criteria necessary for this situation?
 - I assume the City of Byron will not annex this property until the properties have connecting points to the City.
 - He is also worried about the impact on the school system and the loss of farm ground

State's Attorney Ben Roe states Mike Reibel and Curtis Cook have asked for a legal opinion regarding this situation.

Road & Bridge – Resolution for County Bridge Construction – 2009-0302

Diehl moves to approve Section 08-22120-00-BR, Scott Road Bridge, Award and Appropriation Resolution: \$ 27,000.00 from County Bridge Fund - Resolution – 2009-0302. Kilker seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Resolution for County Bridge Construction – 2009-0303

Diehl moves to approve Section 06-15118-01-BR, Edson Road Bridge, Award and Appropriation Resolution: \$ 5,000.00 from County Bridge Fund - Resolution – 2009-0303. Colson seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Resolution for County Bridge Construction – 2009-0304

Diehl moves to approve Section 08-07121-00-BR, Brookville Rd Culvert Extension, Award and Appropriation Resolution:\$ 13,000.00 from County Bridge Fund - Resolution – 2009-0304. Hopkins seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Resolution for County Bridge Construction – 2009-0305

Diehl moves to approve Section 08-00259-00-BR, Milledgeville Road Box Culvert, Award and Appropriation Resolution: \$ 111,000.00 from County Bridge Fund - Resolution – 2009-0305. Messer seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Resolution for County Bridge Construction – 2009-0306

Diehl moves to approve Section 08-00258-00-GR, Kishwaukee Road Guardrail, Award and Appropriation Resolution: \$ 45,000.00 from County Bridge Fund - Resolution – 2009-0306. Janes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Resolution for County Road Construction – 2009-0307

Diehl moves to approve Section 2009 Striping, Centerline & Edgeline Striping, Award and Appropriation Resolution: \$ 48,000.00 from County Highway Fund - Resolution – 2009-0307. DeArvil seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Resolution for County Road Construction – 2009-0308

Diehl moves to approve Resolution for County Road Construction to appropriate \$18,356.85 from County Motor Fuel Tax fund and \$18,356.84 from Federal Aid Matching fund for Section 04-00223-00-RS, Mulford Road Microsurfacing - Resolution – 2009-0308. Colson seconds and he motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Ordinance for the Establishment of an Altered Speed Zone – 2009-0301

Chairman Rice states the Ordinance for the Establishment of an Altered Speed Zone on Mulford Rd in Monroe Center was presented last month. Bowers moves to approve Ordinance 2009-0301, Barnes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge Correction – Resolution 2009-0306

Barnes brings an error to the attention of the County Board regarding Resolution 2009-0306 – the motion and the agenda states \$45,000 to be appropriated and the Resolution has \$49,000 to be appropriated. Curtis Cook states the \$49,000 listed on the Resolution is the correct amount. Chairman Rice asks for a motion to reconsider the amount to be \$49,000 to be appropriated for the Kishwaukee Guardrail. Bauer moves to reconsider, Barnes seconds and a roll call vote is taken:

YES: Colson, DeArvil, Diehl, Gouker, Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Horner, Huntley, Janes, Kenney, Kilker, Kenney, Messer, Nye, Saunders, Stahl, White, Williams, Barnes, Bauer, Boes, Bowers, Colbert and Rice

NO: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carries on a roll call vote.

Huntley makes the motion to strike \$45,000 and insert \$49,000 to Resolution 2009-0306, Bauer seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Ogle County Claims – Clerk reads the claims:

- Payments in Vacation – February 2009 - \$190,518.42
- County Board Payments - March 2009 – \$161,825.66
- County Highway Fund – \$62,734.86

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committee minutes have been placed on exhibit: 911 ETS Board, Blackhawk Hills RC&D, Executive and State’s Attorney, Finance and Insurance, GIS Committee, HEW & Solid Waste, Ill Assoc of Co Bd Members, Juvenile & Probation/Judiciary & Circuit Clerk, LRP- Courthouse Renovations, Mental Health Board, Personnel & Salary - County Clerk, Planning & Zoning – Supervisor of Assessments, Road & Bridge, Sheriff & Coroner/Buildings & Grounds/IT Committee and Tri-County Opportunities.

The following committees had no minutes to file: Board of Health, LRP –Emergency Operations Center, Liquor Commission, Regional Planning Commission, Safety Committee and UCCI/ICRMT.

Long Range Planning

Courthouse Remodeling Minutes placed on exhibit

Update on project Stahl says the Committee has discussed:

- Geo-Thermal – no final report – preliminary report looks good
- Final office layout has been completed

Resolution 2009-0309

Stahl presents Resolution 2009-0309 authorizing \$100,633.00 to be paid out of the Long Range Planning Fund as presented and Nye seconds. Williams asks for a full accounting to be made available of all expenditures to date and be provided when the bids are presented to the County Board next month. Stahl states Gronewold had asked for this information at the LRP meeting. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Executive Committee Minutes placed on exhibit

Update on Administrator Chairman Rice states there were interviews held last Thursday and Friday and a Resolution to hire a County Administrator will be presented later in the meeting.

Resolution 2009-0310 Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0310 authorizing the Ogle County Clerk to Destroy Audio Recordings of Open Ogle County Board Meetings which date from 1985 to 1999. Bauer moves to approve Resolution 2009-0310 and Saunders seconds. State's Attorney Ben Roe informs the board the County Clerk's Office has requested permission to destroy these audio recordings. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Resolution 2009-0311 Chairman Rice asks Curtis Cook to speak to the Board regarding Resolution 2009-0311 regarding the Fiber Optic Installation from the Judicial Center to the Liberty Hill communication tower. They will order the materials from Rochelle Municipal Utilities for the installation and RMU will also provide some services on this project. The cost of the project is \$85,671.18 and is listed on the back of the resolution. The Highway Department will be providing Engineering costs and labor for the re-seeding of areas as needed. Gronewold says there will be a need for additional expenses for equipment for the Watt Building in Mt Morris. There will be a micro-wave or wireless antenna that will need to be used for communication. Gouker says we are using this fund to often and thinks we should find the money within our own budget. Saunders moves to approve Resolution 2009-0311, Nye seconds and a roll call vote is called:

YES: DeArvil, Diehl, Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Horner, Huntley, Janes, Kenney, Kilker, Messer, Nye, Saunders, Stahl, White, Williams, Barnes, Bauer, Boes, Bowers, Colbert, Colson and Rice
NO: Gouker and Williams
ABSENT: None

The motion carries on a roll call vote.(Placed on file)

Resolution 2009-0312 Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0312 to appoint a Public Aid Commission of the following people:

W. Ed Rice – Chairman of the Ogle County Board
Lyle Hopkins – Pine Creek Township Supervisor
Donald Huntley – Pine Rock Township Supervisor
Phillip Fossler – Buffalo Township Supervisor
Sharon Bowers – Oregon-Nashua Township Supervisor

Nye moves to approve Resolution 2009-0312 as presented, Bauer seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Resolution 2009-0313 Chairman Rice presents and reads Resolution 2009-0313 to recommend the hiring of Meggon McKinley as the Ogle County Administrator. Bauer moves to approve Resolution 2009-0313, Kenney seconds and a roll call vote is called:

YES: Diehl, Hopkins, Horner, Huntley, Kenney, Messer, Nye, Saunders, Stahl, Bauer, Colbert and Rice
NO: Gouker, Gronewold, Heuer, Janes, Kilker, White, Williams, Barnes, Boes, Bowers, Colson and DeArvil
ABSENT: None

The motion is defeated on a roll call vote.(Placed on file)

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Resolution 2009-0314

Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0314 to recommend and approve Time Line #1 and authorize the Sheriff to Execute a Lease Agreement for the Watt Building. Chairman Rice states there is a need to move forward and sign the lease before bids are approved at the May 19th Ogle County Board Meeting. They will need 30 days before the timeline to abate any asbestos in the building. Gronewold moves to approve Resolution 2009-0314 and Stahl seconds. Gouker states the board was told the lease would not be signed until bids were approved, what has changed? Chairman Rice states the timeline to keep the project moving. Gouker asks what are we going to do with the lease if the bids come in 20 to 30 percent higher than anticipated. Hopkins states we have to do something with the courthouse – there are heating, cooling, electrical and communication issues to deal with. We need to get the basics working again and to be more efficient, they will need to vacate the building. Chairman Rice states if the bids are higher, we can renegotiate. Gronewold says he has questioned this project from the beginning with putting this kind of money into an old building; but as Hopkins has said, we are beyond that at this point. Gronewold says according to the figures he has received we have committed about \$300,000 into this project. Gronewold will be voting yes, we need to move forward – department heads are on a schedule that will work for them and if we lose the Watt Building there could be additional costs for temporary housing of the departments in the courthouse. Barnes is worried about not being able to get out of the Watt Building Lease. Messer states the courthouse will not make it through another winter; something needs to be done now. A roll call vote is called:

YES: Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Horner, Huntley, Janes, Kenney, Messer, Nye, Saunders, Stahl, White, Bauer, Boes, Bowers, Colbert, DeArvil, Diehl and Rice

NO: Gouker, Kilker, Williams, Barnes and Colson

ABSENT: None

The motion carries on a roll call vote.(Placed on file)

Resolution 2009-0315

Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0315 to move the offices from the Courthouse to the Watt Building in Mt Morris. Nye moves to approve Resolution 2009-0315, Messer seconds and a roll call vote is called:

YES: Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Horner, Huntley, Janes, Kenney, Kilker, Messer, Nye, Saunders, Stahl, White, Williams, Barnes, Bauer, Boes, Bowers, Colbert, Colson, DeArvil, Diehl and Rice

NO: Gouker

ABSENT: None

The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Chairman Comments –

- ◆ Chairman Rice informs the board of a Public Meeting to review the 2008 End of Cycle Performance for Byron I and II Stations – April 2, 2009 at 6 p.m. – location is at the Byron Nuclear Station Training Center
- ◆ New Destinations for Rockford Airport – Newark, New Jersey and Baltimore- Washington Airport
- ◆ Chairman Rice thanks the board members for their participation and hard work during the past week

Unfinished Business –

New Business –

- ◆ Gronewold informs the board of an announcement made on WGN Radio today regarding a soldier from Mt. Morris who died in Afghanistan - Chairman Rice asks for a moment of silence
- ◆ Heuer has distributed information on how to handle media relations from UCCI
- ◆ Horner asks where do we go and what do we do with Springsted? Horner and Stahl express their disappointment with the situation.

Communications –

- Sales Tax for December 2008 was \$59,786.04 and \$68,388.94
- Sales Tax for December 2007 was \$48,029.84 and \$78,898.37

Motion to Adjourn

At 6:28 p.m., Nye makes the motion to adjourn the March Ogle County Board meeting until Tuesday, April 21, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. at the Ogle County Farm Bureau Building. Colson 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