

Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting
March 16, 2010

State of Illinois)
County of Ogle) ss

Call to Order

Chairman Rice calls the Ogle County Board Meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

Roll Call

The roll call shows Messer is absent. The Invocation is given by Kilker and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Rice asks for a motion to approve the February 16, 2010 Ogle County Board Meeting minutes. Bowers moves to approve, Horner seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Approval of Reports

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

Presentation – Ogle County Economic Recovery Zone – R-2010-0301

County Administrator McKinley introduces Jim Snyder of IceMiller, LLP and they are helping counties identify how they can make use of some of the Federal money that has been made available. There will be a brief Power Point presentation and County Board members have the information on their desks. Mr. Snyder talks about the following:

Traditional Governmental Bonds (Economic Development Bonds)

1. Stimulus Act - new category of tax credit bonds called Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds - a type of Build American Bonds
2. Economic development projects and public infrastructure and facilities qualify
3. Issuers get tax credit of 45% of interest on the bonds
4. Each county or large municipality (over 100,000) gets their own allocation
5. Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds must be issued prior to January 1, 2011
6. \$10 billion nationwide allocation based on decreases of "individuals employed" in 2008
7. Suballocations to counties and large municipalities within a state made on the basis of relative "individuals employed" loss in 2008
8. Most bonds (other than private activity bonds) qualify so long as the bonds would qualify as tax-exempt but for application of these new rules
 - a. Traditional Governmental Bonds
 - b. Tax Increment Financing Bonds

Tax Exempt for Privately Used or Owned Facilities (Facility Bonds)

1. The Stimulus Act - new category of tax-exempt private activity bonds called Recovery Zone Facility Bonds, created for use in areas designated by counties and large municipalities as recovery zones
2. Most any project qualifies
3. Benefit is low tax-exempt interest
4. Recovery Zone Facility Bonds must be issued prior to January 1, 2011
5. Examples of use of Recovery Zone Facility Bonds:
 - a. Warehouses
 - b. Office Complexes
 - c. Hotels
 - d. Most commercial projects

6. Similar Pre-1986 Law
7. Most typical IRB Limitations do not apply
8. Tax-Exempt Rates lower than conventional financing
9. Need recovery zone allocation and designation from County or Large Municipality (over 100,000)
10. \$15 billion nationwide allocation. IRS issued notice with allocations to each state based on decreases of "individuals employed" in 2008
11. Suballocations to counties and large municipalities within a state also made on the basis of relative "individuals employed" loss in 2008

Mr. Snyder indicates the following have established an Illinois Recovery Zone: Cook, DuPage, Rock Island, McHenry, Kankakee, Stephenson, Lake, Will, Kane, LaSalle, Whiteside, Peoria, Chicago, JoDaviess, McLean, Winnebago, Lee DeKalb and Coles. Mr. Snyder states there is \$2,940,000 available on the public side and \$4,409,000 available on the private side.

The following are steps to issuing Recovery Zone Bonds:

1. Ogle County Board declares County as "Recovery Zone" based on unemployment rates
2. County invites project applications based on established criteria such as job creation, credit, project
4. Projects are selected for allocation
5. Bond issuer adopts Inducement Resolution (important for Bonds to be issued to reimburse costs)
5. Issuer works with Financial Advisor, Underwriter and Bond Counsel on standard bond planning questions such as satisfying state law requirements and documentation and security in connection with the Bonds
6. Closing of Recovery Zone Bonds
7. For Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds, Issuer files Form 8038-CP with consultation of Bond Counsel to enable County to receive refund from Federal Government

Colson asks if there is any direct prospect to utilize these bonds. McKinley states she did receive a call from the City of Byron regarding a Marina enhancement project and the Wal-Mart in the City of Rochelle. Gronewold asks Mr. Snyder what his firm gets out of this. Mr. Snyder states he is here to help and if a bond is issued; maybe they could utilize their services. Kilker asks who will contact the municipalities informing them of this opportunity and making the decision if this is a viable project. McKinley states this is a process she will spearhead and bring back to the County Board. McKinley states they have standard letters available and has received a distribution list from Laura in the County Clerk's Office. Letters will be sent out this week with information to the municipalities and inform them of the Recovery Zone and have an informational meeting. There was discussion regarding allocation of money and the formula used for allocation of funds. Kilker asks they are the only company who has been assigned to this area or is there more competition. Mr. Snyder states his firm is the only firm who is actively visiting counties and presents this information; but there are other competitors. Kilker asks Mr. Snyder if she calls any of the counties on his list, that they will confirm they have approved this resolution. Mr. Snyder says yes they have and to call him if anyone says different. Kenny moves to approve R-2010-0301 as presented, Horner seconds. Kilker would recommend voting on this resolution to give people the opportunity to check this out. Kilker definitely wants to make some phone calls. Gouker states this will also allow time set-up the process of allocation. Williams agrees and suggests we have a clear process of for any projects. Horner asks if we are coming up against a clock for this allocation. Mr. Snyder states there is a Senate Bill introduced that if you do not set-up a Recovery Zone by a certain date, the allocation will go back to the IFA to be reallocated to other counties. Kilker asks for the Senate Bill number and Mr. Snyder thinks it is SB3474. Hopkins states the county doesn't have anything to lose by approving the resolution tonight and set-up a process for the allocation. Chairman Rice asks Kilker if she would feel more comfortable if there was a committee to help with the process once it has been established. Kilker states McKinley has already stated she would be facilitating this process. Chairman Rice states we could certainly give her some help and appoint one Board member from each district. Kilker states no; she is not willing to vote on this because she wants to check it out. Stahl agrees she would like to see a process set-up, but doesn't want to miss out on an opportunity.

A roll call vote is called:

YES: Hopkins, Horner, Huntley, Kenney, Nye, Saunders, Stahl, White, Williams, Boes, Bowers, Colbert, Colson, DeArvil, Diehl, Gouker, Gronewold and Rice

NO: Heuer, Janes, Kilker, Barnes and Bauer

ABSENT: Messer

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

Appointment –Forreton Fire Protection District – R-2010-0302

Chairman Rice announces the recommendation of Jack R. Daws be appointed to the Forreton Fire Protection District for an unexpired term which ends April 30, 2011. Gronewold moves to approve Resolution 2010-0302, Huntley seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Vacancies –

- Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board – 1 unexpired term
- Mental Health “708” Board – unexpired term ends 12/31/2011
- Fire Protection Districts – 1 vacancy each
 - Dixon, Forreton, Franklin Grove, Leaf River, Lynn-Scott-Rock and Oregon
- Lost Nation / New Landing River Conservancy District – 1 vacancy
- Planning Commission – 2 vacancies
- Zoning Board of Appeals – 1 vacancy

Application deadline for these vacancies will be
Friday, April 2, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk’s Office
located at 122 S. Wesley Ave, Mt Morris

- Board of Health – 2 vacancies
- Board of Review – 1 vacancy (Democrat must apply)

Application deadline for these vacancies will be
Friday, April 30, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk’s Office
located at 122 S. Wesley Ave, Mt Morris

Zoning - #1-10 TEXT AMENDMENT – Ordinance 2010-0301

Hopkins presents the petition of Michael Reibel, Planning & Zoning Administrator, Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department, 911 W. Pines, Rd., Oregon, IL under the direction of the Planning & Zoning Committee of the Ogle County Board, for an Amendment to the text of the *Ogle County Amendatory Zoning Ordinance*, involving the following:

- Division 5, Section 5.01 AG-1 Agricultural District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);
- Division 5, Section 5.01 AG-1 Agricultural District; Paragraph C. (Special Uses);
- Division 5, Section 5.02 IA Intermediate Agricultural District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);
- Division 5, Section 5.02 IA Intermediate Agricultural District; Paragraph B. (Permitted Uses);
- Division 5, Section 5.02 IA Intermediate Agricultural District; Paragraph C. (Special Uses);
- Division 5, Section 5.03 R-1 Rural Residence District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);
- Division 5, Section 5.04 R-2 Single-Family Residence District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);
- Division 5, Section 5.05 R-3 Mobile Home Subdivision District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);
- Division 5, Section 5.06 R-4 Mobile Home Park District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);
- Division 5, Section 5.07 B-1 Business District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);
- Division 5, Section 5.08 B-2 Business Recreation District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);
- Division 5, Section 5.09 B-3 Restricted Interstate Highway Area Business District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);
- Division 5, Section 5.10 I-1 Industrial District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);
- Division 5, Section 5.11 PD Planned Development District; Paragraph A. (Purpose and Intent);

Division 6, Section 6.06 Accessory Buildings, Structures and Uses; Paragraph G (Private Swimming Pools)

Hopkins moves to approve #1-10 Text Amendment – Ordinance 2010-0301 with the exception of amendments numbered 3, 4 and 7 to be stricken from the proposed amendments and Boes seconds. Huntley states in the Zoning minutes his name is mentioned and he did not bring this up. County Clerk Huntley states this Ordinance does need to pass with a ¾ vote. Saunders asks if this has to lay over for 30 days since it is an Ordinance. Mike Reibel states Zoning Ordinance’s never do and a public hearing has already been held. Gouker states according to our bylaws we should lay an Ordinance over. County Clerk Huntley states every month a Zoning Ordinance is presented and voted on in the same month, because this will go into the Zoning Ordinance book. Gouker states we need to change that and Chairman Rice states this can done for a future meeting. County Clerk Huntley states maybe the State’s Attorney Office can look into this for future issues. Saunders states for clarification when we vote on this Ordinance change we are voting on every change and if we disagree with any portion of it, we need to vote no. Saunders states there are some issues she agrees with and some she does not agree with in this change. Boes adds there was a lot of public opinion involved at the decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals. This is a prime example of this committee and the Planning & Zoning Committee listening to the public’s input and what their interests were as well as what they wanted. We are leaving out amendments 3, 4 & 7 based on that input. Gouker asks Saunders what her concerns are regarding this Ordinance change. Saunders states she has always been in favor of not violating a property owners rights. Saunders comments Division 6 - Accessory buildings structure usage - which puts on a lot of restrictions:

- Power safety cover on pools
- Extremely restrictive talking about barriers like chain-link fence

Williams states maybe we should consider laying this over for another month to allow time for Saunders time to pass on information to Reibel. Williams moves to lay over Ordinance 2010-0301 for 30 days and DeArvil seconds. A roll call vote is taken regarding the lay over motion:

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

NO: None

ABSENT: Messer

The motion carries on a roll call vote.

Commercial Wind Farm Moratorium

Hopkins informs the board he has appointed a sub-committee to look over the windmill regulations and technically this will put a moratorium on windmills. The following people have been appointed to the “Commercial Wind Energy Conversion Systems Committee”:

- Roger Hickey – At-Large representing the Ogle County Farm Bureau Board
- Randy Anderson – Zoning Board of Appeals member
- Randy Ocken – Regional Planning Commission member
- Lynne Kilker – Road & Bridge Committee member
- Jim Barnes – Planning & Zoning Committee member
- Ben Diehl – Planning & Zoning Committee member
- Bill Welty – Chairman – At-Large

This sub-committee will work with the guidance of Mike Reibel and review the Ogle County Commercial Wind Farm Ordinance. This sub-committee will report back to the Planning & Zoning Committee as soon as possible. Barnes asks what happens if someone comes in tomorrow and applies for a wind farm permit. Hopkins states it takes awhile to go through the process. Barnes asks if we can pass the moratorium and say we can’t accept any applications. Hopkins states Asst. State’s Attorney Robinson did not have sufficient time to review the information before the board meeting. Rice asks Reibel if someone comes into the office regarding a wind farm license, what would be your answer. Reibel states he would accept their application and would schedule it for the process of public hearings. In the absence of a moratorium they are entitled to go through the process. Colson asks if Hopkins has a time-frame which the committee will be working on this. Hopkins refers to Welty and Welty states he expects at least six meetings of the committee. This could take a couple of months for the process and would like for the committee to meet once a week. Colson states he thinks we have an extremely good process in place; and that was evident during the Baileyville Wind Farm hearings. It’s not like Winnebago County where it is a permitted use, public hearings are held regarding the subject. DeArvil states he doesn’t agree with Colson, the new windmills are bigger, taller and make a lot more noise. He would like to see a moratorium passed. McKinley states the State’s Attorney Office is reviewing the information and will present the Ordinance on the Moratorium at the next board meeting.

Public Comments

- Dennis Probasco is encouraged that the board has considered a moratorium on the wind farms and appointing the WCES Sub-Committee.
- Chairman Rice states one of the reasons we have not had any applications regarding Wind Farms is because of the pending case in the Appellate Court. Chairman Rice thinks this is why other Wind Farms have not applied because of that case. Until this case is settled he doesn't think we will see any applications for wind farms, because we haven't in the last 5 years.
- Horner says he has heard developers are trying to sign up landowners.
- Chairman Rice says they can sign up landowners but can't build a windmill until it approved by the County Board. That is the ruling as I understand from the pending case in the Appellate Court before anything can move forward.
- Barnes asks if this for anywhere in the county.
- Chairman Rice states they have applied in other counties around us.
- Barnes states they are working in the southern part of the county
- An unidentified woman speaks to the board regarding her concerns on the effects of the Industrial Wind Turbines can have on our county and our residents. The impact of taking farmland out of production for up to 90 years, the decrease in property values and negative impact on the natural beauty of our county.
- Mark Hays – he is a member of the White Rock Township Zoning Board. They are gathering information as to what White Rock Township would like to see in their area. They have approved a recommendation to the county for a 1750' set-back from the property line. This will be coming up for a vote next month at the White Rock Township meeting. Hays wanted this information conveyed to the members of the board since the NIMPA Project in the City of Rochelle is an active project.
- Chairman Rice suggests Hays get together with Bill Welty and share his information.
- Huntley has a comment from an agricultural view and retired farmer, he is insulted they refer to these as farms, if you can't breed it, eat it, feed it or cultivate it; it is not a farm.
- Mark Hays wants to make a personal statement – his farm has been a no-till farm for a long time – he also tries to keep his farm equipment off the fields as much as possible to help with soil compaction. He visited the wind turbines being put up in DeKalb County and it scares him – the roads and amount of truck traffic.

Road & Bridge - Section 08-11118-00-BR - West Grove Road – R-2010-0303

Chairman Rice announces this Resolution has been removed and will not be voted this evening.

Road & Bridge – Section 09-00270-00-BR - Lowell Park Rd Culvert – R-2010-0304

Diehl moves to approve Section 09-00270-00-BR, Award and Appropriation Resolution: Lowell Park Rd Culvert: \$50,000 from County Bridge Fund (R-2010-0304). Huntley seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Section 08-00262-00-BR - Flagg Rd Box Culvert – R-2010-0305

Diehl moves to approve Section 08-00262-00-BR, Award and Appropriation Resolution: Flagg Rd Box Culvert: \$496,000 from County Bridge Fund (R-2010-0305). Colson seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge - Section 09-00266-00-BR - Woosung Rd Bridge – R-2010-0306

Diehl moves to approve Section 09-00266-00-BR, Award and Appropriation Resolution: Woosung Rd Bridge: \$299,000 from County Bridge Fund (R-2010-0306). Kilker seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge - Section 09-00273-00-CG - Ridge Road Gutter – R-2010-0307

Diehl moves to approve Section 09-00273-00-CG, Award and Appropriation Resolution: Ridge Road Gutter: \$29,000 from County Bridge Fund (R-2010-0307). Barnes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge - Section 2010 Roadside Spraying – R-2010-0308

Diehl moves to approve Section 2010 Roadside Spraying Award and Appropriation Resolution: \$70,000 from County Highway Fund (R-2010-0308). DeArvil seconds and a roll call vote is called:

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

NO: Saunders, Gronewold, Heuer and Hopkins

ABSENT: Messer

The motion carries.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge - Section 2010 Striping – R-2010-0309

Diehl moves to approve Section 2010 Striping Award and Appropriation Resolution: \$31,000 from County Highway Fund (R-2010-0309). Colson seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Altered Speed Zone Ordinance – Country View Estates – O-2010-0302

Diehl moves to approve the Ordinance for an establishment of an altered speed zone of 30 mph in Country View Estates, Lindenwood (O-2010-0302). Janes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Ogle County Claims – Clerk reads the claims:

- Payments in Vacation – February 2010 - \$58,787.37
- County Board Payments - March 2010 – \$157,040.92
- County Highway Fund – \$40,805.37

Bowers moves to approve the claims as read, Horner 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, Executive and State’s Attorney, Finance and Insurance, HEW & Solid Waste, Juvenile & Probation/Judiciary & Circuit Clerk, Liquor Commission, LRP-Courthouse Renovations, Mental Health Board, Personnel & Salary - County Clerk, Regional Planning Commission, Planning & Zoning – Supervisor of Assessments, Road & Bridge and Sheriff & Coroner/Buildings & Grounds/IT Committee and Tri-County Opportunities.

The following committees had no minutes to file: Board of Health, Blackhawk Hills RC&D, Ill Assoc of Co Bd Members, GIS Committee, LRP –Emergency Operations Center, Safety Committee and UCCI/ICRMT.

Long Range Planning

Courthouse Renovation Minutes placed on exhibit

Update Stahl updates the board on the following:

- The Furniture order has been reduced to \$229,991.81
- Lien information was included in the board packets regarding Liens
- A big Thank you goes to Larry Callant – GIS Specialist, was able to get RMU to donate cabinets for the switches for saving the county \$20,000
- Keeping an eye on the contingency line item

Chairman Rice updates the board on the names in Memorial Hall which list Ogle County Veterans from the Civil War, WWI and Spanish-American War. Our historic painter, Tony Kartsonas of Historic Surfaces has discovered many names on the North wall which will be replicated. Tony has also uncovered military patches and decorations on the ceiling which he has touched up and they look very nice. Through Tony’s travels in the county he discovered a mailbox with a printing of names which is the same style of

printing used on Memorial Hall. Tony contacted the painter who is John Barnhart who owns Stones Corner of Oregon and asked if would be interested in duplicating the names. Mr. Barnhart's employer has agreed to grant time off to him to do this for the county. Another interesting fact is the gentleman who owned John Barnhart's farm – his name is on the wall. Chairman Rice states there are two pieces of antique railing being stored at the Health Department one is about 9 feet long and the other is about 6 feet long. The 9 foot long piece will be used in the County Board Room in front of the audience seating area. Chairman Rice visited Columbia College who has a duplicate A/V system to what we are installing and he states they are please with this system. There is a pending visit to the Byron Middle School who has the same A/V system.

DeArvil says there is \$1,300 in the War Memorial Restoration Fund and would like to challenge County Board Members to make a donation. Donations can be made at Stillman Valley Bank, P.O. Box 9, Oregon, IL 61061. The estimate for the cleaning & repairing of Soldiers and Sailors Monument was \$7,500.00. Colson states he is working on the benefit for the memorials which is scheduled for May 15th at the Byron Middle School. This benefit will help with the Soldiers and Sailors and VFW memorials. He has signed with the first Corporate Sponsor, Exelon.

R-2010-0311 Chairman Rice presents Resolution R-2010-0311 for the Ringland-Johnson Change Order #36R1 – Ogle County Courthouse Storm Sewer for an amount of \$42,319. Boes makes the motion to approve R-2010-0311 as presented, Huntley seconds. Hopkins mentions Steve Benesh a local contractor will be doing this work. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

R-2010-0312 Stahl moves to approve Resolution 2010-0312 authorizing \$739,071.38 to be paid out of the Long Range Planning Fund as follows:

SUPPLIER NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Old Limestone, LLC	Watt Bldg. - April Rent	\$ 5,800.00
Holabird & Root, LLC	Professional Svcs - Dec. 2009 - Reimbursable Expenses	\$ 13,040.71
Holabird & Root, LLC	Professional Svcs - Jan. 2010 - Reimbursable Expenses	\$ 22,180.78
Ringland-Johnson Inc.	Courthouse Construction-Remodel - App #8	\$ 570,755.00
FedEx	Overnight Envelope	\$ 20.01
ADT Security Services	Watt Bldg. - Maintenance Fee - Panic Button	\$ 149.88
Historic Surfaces	Interior Finish - Restoration of Board & Conf. Rooms	\$ 26,875.00
Stillman Bank	Agent Fee 8/1/2009 to 1/31/2010 - Series 2003 Bonds	\$ 125.00
Stillman Bank	Agent Fee 8/1/2009 to 1/31/2010 - Series 2004 Bonds	\$ 125.00
Business Office Systems	Furniture Deposit	\$ 100,000.00
	TOTAL:	\$ 739,071.38

Stahl moves to approve R-2010-0312 as presented and Saunders seconds. Williams states in the past we have noted the lien amount we are holding back, are we still doing this or has this money been released since it is not listed on the Resolution. McKinley states if a new lien is filed it is subtracted out and only once. This is the current application and no liens

were noted since they were on previous payments. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Finance Committee Minutes placed on exhibit

Presentation

Hopkins states McKinley will have a short PowerPoint presentation regarding budget tools for the upcoming Fiscal Year Budget. Some of the Budget Tools are:

- Staffing Plans
- Service Levels
- Job Levels
- Market Data
- Salary Administration Policies
- Early Retirement Options

Hopkins asks for questions and states we are trying to get a jump on the budget for next year. The finances do not look like it will be getting stronger from the State any time soon. He says the real estate tax revenue for the county is alright, but the support from State is not coming through. Saunders states the county gets 10% of the Income Tax and Governor Quinn wants to lower it to 7%. She suggests the board members contact the Legislature and tell them that we cannot do it on the back of the county. Gouker says he asked last month what discussions have been taking place regarding this year's budget as well as next year's budget. Have we been preparing in the event of a serious shortfall? Hopkins states he has talked to County Treasurer Coffman and states one shortfall is receiving money from the State. The end of the Fiscal Year for the State is June and they have in the past come through with most of the money. Coffman confirms in the past the State has met their obligations. Coffman states right now we are 4 months behind in receiving the State Income Tax which is over \$560,000 this month. Gouker wants to be prepared if something should happen. It seems like every month the economy is getting better, but what do we do if some of the revenues do not come in. We need to be discussing a process in the event we need to utilize it. Chairman Rice states that is part of the plan which was presented tonight with the PowerPoint presentation from McKinley. Gouker thought the presentation was geared towards next year's budget and not the current budget. McKinley clarifies the intent of the presentation was to equip the county board with the data now. If you understand clearly how any decisions being made this year impact staffing levels and for instance early retirement. It absolutely is designed to help equip your decisions this year as well. We did also take about this at the committee level and discussed timing too. Gouker states we do not have a process in place to reduce the budget. We do not need to utilize the plan, but we need to be prepared. Bauer states what you want is a contingency budget for the budget. Gouker states not necessarily a contingency budget, but it may be part of the plan. White says one of the things which were discussed was an estimated amount the county maybe short. We did talk about different processes how the budgets were presented in the past and that discussion is still on the table. It has been discussed we may have to amend the budget if funds are not forthcoming.

Personnel & Salary Minutes placed on exhibit

Update

Kenney states a scatter graph was presented to the Personnel & Salary Committee from Heuer, Boes and Bowers. It became apparent that we really need to look at pay levels. Kilker suggested Kenney update the County Board. Kenney states the committee is gathering information and has talked to the Finance Committee regarding direction. The committee is currently gathering information from other counties.

Liquor Commission Minutes placed on exhibit

O-2010-0401 Chairman Rice presents Ordinance 2010-0401 to extend Sunday business hours from 10 p.m. to 11 p.m. for all County Liquor Licenses. We received a request last year and it has been requested again this year. They would like to have the hours extended on Sunday nights to accommodate Sunday night sports events. Chairman Rice says he has talked to Sheriff and they have not had any problems with any establishments in the county. There have not been any issues reported to the Liquor Committee. This Ordinance is presented tonight and will be voted on at the April Ogle County Board Meeting.

Executive Committee Minutes placed on exhibit

O-2010-0303 Chairman Rice states this Ordinance will lay over for 30 days.

R-2010-0310 Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2010-0310 regarding the Opening of Closed Meeting Minutes. White moves to approve R-2010-0310 as presented, Kenney seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

R-2010-0313 Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2010-0313 regarding Blackhawk Hills RC&D Broadband Grant Application Letter of Support. Colson moves to approve R-2010-0313 as presented and White seconds. Bauer asks where the grant comes from. Colson states it is Federal Stimulus money. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Chairman Comments – none

Administrator Comments –

McKinley thanks the department heads for holding down on expenses they are ahead of what was budgeted. They have been doing some juggling of holding positions open when there is turnover and the Sheriff's Office has been managing with their staff being down.

Unfinished Business –

Williams comments on reviewing the minutes for the Sheriff's Committee meeting regarding an RFP sent out for IT Proposals. He says tonight we have discussed budget and revenue shortfalls; and we are talking about spending money for a computer upgrade. We as a County Board need to step back and decide whether we need to do this or not. McKinley clarifies we are not looking to spend any new money that we wouldn't have spent. We are looking to replace some servers that are dying and have to be replaced. The cost estimate for that early in the year came in around \$40,000 or above; based on what we do. The RFP is an initiative to say if we have to replace dying equipment anyway, are we:

- Using the right systems
- Using the right approaches
- Is there a cheaper more effective, more secure and less costly way

McKinley states this is not a project to spend more it is a project to spend less. Hopkins and McKinley say we have the right to reject any or all bids if it does not turn out that way. We do not know until the vendors propose their solutions. Indications show there will be an opportunity to spend less on technology by changing the way we do things vs. doing nothing. Our way of doing nothing is getting very expensive trying to maintain the old equipment running by replacing and servicing it. Bauer asks are we going to have the costs estimates over the past ten years as well as the projected costs will be. McKinley states yes, there will be costs analysis's past and present.

New Business – none

Communications –

- Ogle County Jail Inspection Report on file with County Clerk's Office

Motion to Adjourn

At 7:21 p.m., Nye makes the motion to adjourn the Ogle County Board meeting until Tuesday, April 20, 2010. Stahl 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