

Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting
May 19, 2009

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County of Ogle) ss

Call to Order

Chairman Rice calls the Ogle County Board Meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. and this meeting is held at Focus House in Rochelle.

Roll Call

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

Introduction – Ogle County Administrator – Meggon McKinley

Chairman Rice briefly introduces the new Ogle County Administrator, Meggon McKinley to the members of the Ogle County Board and the public.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Rice asks for a motion to approve the April 21, 2009 Ogle County Board Meeting minutes. Kenney moves to approve, Bauer seconds and the motion carries.

Approval of Reports

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

Presentation – Greg Martin – Probation Annual Report

Greg Martin presents the members of the County Board with the Ogle County Probation 2008 Annual Report brochure which has been distributed. Martin states the Out of County Placement has been down and that has changed the revenue for Focus House. Martin says since the revenue has changed Focus House has done the following to help control their budget:

- * Laid off Part-Time employees and Re-assigned Full-Time Staff
- * Cut \$3,000 per month on food supply

Horner asks where are the out of county kids going? Martin says Winnebago and Boone Counties have had cut-backs and their out of county placement referrals have decreased, so the kids aren't going anywhere.

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
- Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board – 1 unexpired term ends 05/31/2011
- Board of Health – 2 vacancies
- 9-1-1 ETS Board – 1 unexpired term ends 06/30/2012
- Byron Museum District – 1 vacancy

Application deadline for these vacancies will be
Friday, May 29, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk's Office

Appointment –Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board – R-2009-0501

Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0501 with the recommendation to re-appoint Chet J. Olson to the Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board for a term which ends October 31 2014. Nye moves to approve R-2009-0501, Colbert seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Appointment –Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board – R-2009-0502

Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0502 with the recommendation to re-appoint Douglas C. Kroupa to the Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board for a term which ends October 31 2014. Horner moves to approve R-2009-0502, Stahl seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Appointment –Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board – R-2009-0503

Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0503 with the recommendation to re-appoint Ronald C. Stonebraker to the Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board for a term which ends October 31 2014. Colbert moves to approve R-2009-0503, Gouker seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Appointment – Board of Review – R-2009-0504

Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0504 with the recommendation to re-appoint Douglas G. Zuehl to the Board of Review for a term which ends May 31, 2011. Colson asks for “Point of Order” regarding the recommendation of this appointment from the Executive & State’s Attorney Committee. Colson states a few years ago when Peg Fridley and Doug Zuehl were on the Zoning Committee as well as candidates for the Board of Review; the appointment selection was temporarily moved to the Executive & State’s Attorney. Colson states this appointment should go before the Planning, Assessment & Zoning Committee. Chairman Rice states the Executive & State’s Attorney Committee has been recommending this appointment for the last two terms. State’s Attorney Ben Roe says this can be determined by the Chairman which committee can bring motions to the County Board. Kenney moves to approve R-2009-0504 and Nye seconds. A Roll Call Vote is called:

YES: Huntley, Kenney, Messer, Nye, Saunders, Stahl, Bauer, Colbert, Diehl, Gronewold, Hopkins, Horner and Rice

NO: Janes, Kilker, Williams, Barnes, Boes, Bowers, Colson, DeArvil, Gouker and Heuer

ABSENT: White

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

Appointment – Board of Review – R-2009-0505

Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0505 with the recommendation to re-appoint Jerry J. Griffin to the Board of Review for a term which ends May 31, 2011. Bowers moves to approve R-2009-0505, Stahl seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Appointment – Board of Health – R-2009-0506

Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0506 with the recommendation to re-appoint Daniel R. Watson to the Board of Health for a term which ends May 31, 2012. Bowers moves to approve R-2009-0506, Janes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Zoning – #2-09 Amendment – Ordinance 2009-0501

Chairman Rice presents the request from Shirley M. Gentry, Trustee, 11380 W. Pines Rd., Polo, IL for an Amendment to the Zoning District to rezone from R-2 Single-Family Residence District to B-1 Business District on property described as follows and owned by the petitioner:

Part of the E1/2 SW1/4 Section 10 Buffalo Township 23N, R8E of the 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 13.25 acres, more or less
Property Identification Number: 14-10-300-005
Common Location: 11512 W. Pines Rd.

Hopkins moves to adopt and approve #2-09 Amendment – Ordinance 2009-0501 and Barnes seconds. Hopkins states this is strictly a housekeeping issue; when Zoning was approved in 1965 most of this area was zoned R-2. Hopkins states this business has been at this location since 1965. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Zoning – Amending the Fee Schedule - Resolution – 2009-0507

Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0507 Amending the Fee Schedule of the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department. Hopkins says the Finance Committee has recommended all departments keep their budgets under control. The Planning and Zoning Administrator foresees an increase in various costs to hold hearings, publications costs, mailing fees and etc... Hopkins states there has not been a fee increase since 2004. The Planning and Zoning Administrator is asking for this “user” fee increase to use the services of the Planning and Zoning Department and not be a burden to the taxpayers. Hopkins moves to adopt Resolution 2009-0507 and Messer seconds. Bauer does not feel there is a need to increase taxes during this

time and feels we are punishing people with this increase. He feels when people improve their property we are adding to the tax base and providing construction jobs. Gouker asks if this increase will cover costs or is it a money maker. Reibel states he is trying to offset some of the costs involved with the services provided by his department as well as rising costs of other services (ie: publications and postage). Gouker agrees with Bauer and does not feel a need to increase these fees. Saunders says for clarification the swimming pool fee will be presented in a separate resolution as a new fee. Boes concurs with Hopkins and agrees with the fee increase to help defer our costs and the ever rising costs to the county. Boes states this is not a tax increase the increase of fees only applies to people who apply for permits. Hopkins states the people who apply for permits will pay it and the fees will not be passed onto the people of the county. Williams says if you are going to build a swimming pool or add an addition to your house, it could cost you \$25,000 to \$40,000. If you are in a situation where you are worried about paying an additional \$25, you should rethink about the project. Williams doesn't think the Zoning Department should be burdened with the additional costs. A Roll Call Vote is called:

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

NO: Kenney, Nye, Saunders and Bauer

ABSENT: White

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

Zoning – Adding Fees to the Fee Schedule - Resolution – 2009-0515

Chairman Rice presents Resolution 2009-0515 Adding Fees for “Special Use Permit Petition for Commercial Wind Energy Conversion System Project on Multiple Parcels”, “Private Residential Swimming Pools”, and Postage Expenses to the Fee Schedule of the Ogle County Planning and Zoning Department. Hopkins moves to adopt and approve Resolution 2009-0515. Boes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Public Comment –

- Tom Lewandowski is a former County Board member and states the board will be voting on the lowest qualified bidder on the Courthouse Renovation Project. Lewandowski states he has brought several Ringland-Johnson employees and would like to have them introduce themselves. There were approximately 11 employees who live in Ogle County who stated they are either currently employed by Ringland-Johnson, unemployed or employed by someone else but would like to return to Ringland-Johnson. Lewandowski has provided seven packages for the Architect – Lewandowski states the County Board needs to select the lowest qualified bidder and Ringland-Johnson renovates old buildings. Lewandowski thanks the board for their consideration.
- Marty Typer announces Nick Sakellariou will be attending the next County Board meeting – if any County Board members have any questions – Please contact Marty
- Colson advises Lincoln Highway Visitor's Guide information has been distributed
- Heuer provides UCCI information to the Board members

Road & Bridge – Illinois Commerce Commission Stipulated Agreement 1410– R-2009-0508

- Huntley moves to approve Resolution 2009-0508 allowing Authorization of the County Engineer to act as the designated agent for Ogle County with regard to Stipulated Agreement #1410 with the Illinois Commerce Commission, installation of railroad crossing signals and gates at Illinois Railway crossing on Holcomb Road. Messer seconds.(Placed on file)

Ogle County Claims – Clerk reads the claims:

- Payments in Vacation – April 2009 - \$81,631.09
- County Board Payments - May 2009 – \$106,033.33
- County Highway Fund – \$194,957.50

Kenney moves to approve the claims as presented, Huntley 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, GIS Committee, HEW & Solid Waste, Juvenile & Probation/Judiciary & Circuit Clerk, Liquor Commission, LRP-Courthouse Renovations, Personnel & Salary - County Clerk, Planning & Zoning – Supervisor of Assessments, Regional Planning Commission, Road & Bridge, Sheriff & Coroner/Buildings & Grounds/IT Committee and Tri-County Opportunities.

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

Finance Committee Minutes placed on exhibit

Resolution 2009-0509 Hopkins presents Resolution 2009-0509 regarding the List of Depositories of Public Funds in the Custody of the Ogle County Treasurer. Treasurer Coffman states this is an updated list – Mt Morris Savings & Loan is now Sterling Federal Bank. Hopkins moves to approve Resolution 2009-0509, DeArvil seconds. Barnes asks why the county has funds in banks in Springfield and Schaumburg. Coffman states there are currently no funds in the Schaumburg institution. This institution is a Money Market Fund option for government securities which could give the county a better interest rate. The Springfield institution is the State Treasurer's Office in Springfield. Barnes moves to amend the motion and strike "Financial Investors Trust in Schaumburg, IL" and Gouker seconds. Stahl asks how long this institution has been on the list of depositories. Coffman says this list pre-dates his time in office. A roll call vote is called:

YES: Kenney, Kilker, Williams, Barnes, Bauer, Boes, Colson, DeArvil, Gouker, Gronewold, Heuer and Janes

NO: Messer, Nye, Saunders, Stahl, Bowers, Colbert, Diehl, Hopkins, Horner, Huntley and Rice

ABSENT: White

The motion to amend carries on a roll call vote.

Chairman Rice calls for the motion to approve the Resolution – the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Solid Waste Minutes placed on exhibit

Resolution 2009-0510 Bauer presents Resolution 2009-0510 regarding the Solid Waste Enforcement Grant Agreement with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. Bauer states this is a yearly approval. Janes makes the motion to approve Resolution 2009-0510 as presented. Huntley seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Juvenile and Probation Minutes placed on exhibit

Resolution 2009-0511 Chairman Rice asks Greg Martin to present Resolution 2009-0511 Juvenile Diversion Programs fee increase. Martin informs the board of the Juvenile Justice Council meeting this afternoon. They honored teachers and students of the GED Program which is funded by these fees. There are some students and teachers present

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tonight at the back of the room. The County Board acknowledges the accomplishments of these young adults. Bowers moves to approve Resolution 2009-0511, Nye seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Long Range Planning
Courthouse Renovation**

Minutes placed on exhibit

Update on project

Stahl says the moving of the Courthouse offices to the Watt Building went well and everyone is settling into their new offices. The bids have been received and the two low bidders are EVS of Aurora and Ringland-Johnson of Cherry Valley. Information regarding the bids were included in the County Board packets for all members to review.

Resolution 2009-0512

Stahl presents Resolution 2009-0512 authorizing \$148,233.40 to be paid out of the Long Range Planning Fund as follows:

SUPPLIER NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Holabird & Root, LLC	Professional Services & Expenses for 3/01/09 to 3/31/09	\$ 3,119.50
Holabird & Root, LLC	Add'l Prof. Services for County Clerk 3/01/09 to 3/31/09	\$ 2,142.00
Federal Express	Overnight Shipping for Check to Shelving Inc.	\$ 19.10
All Purpose Erectors, Inc.	Fiber Optic Installation	\$ 40,034.00
Dynamic Horizons Computer	Cable installation at Watt Bldg.	\$ 210.00
Global Enterprise Tech.	County Network Project	\$ 65,572.95
Global Enterprise Tech.	Fiber Optic Installation	\$ 1,150.69
Old Limestone, LLC	Watts Bldg. - May Rent	\$ 5,800.00
Old Limestone, LLC	Watts Bldg. - June Rent	\$ 5,800.00
Dynamic Horizon Computer	Labor & Materials for Watt Bldg. move	\$ 10,055.12
Dynamic Horizon Computer	Labor to setup equipment at Watt Bldg	\$ 1,765.00
Donegan's Do it Best Hardware	Keys made for Watt Bldg.	\$ 156.04
Universal Relocation Systems	Relocation of Old Courthouse to Watt Building	\$ 12,409.00
TOTAL:		\$ 148,233.40

Bowers seconds. Heuer asks for an explanation regarding the Holabird & Root bill for Additional Professional Services for County Clerk. Dennis Vovos of Holabird & Root said this was for the re-design of the office layout when the Clerk obtained more office space.

Williams asks questions regarding the Project Cost Summary information which was included with the Long Range Planning minutes. Dennis Vovos explains the spreadsheet which identifies all expenses occurred to date and allowances which have yet to be expended.

Since there is no further discussion the motion to approve Resolution 2009-0512 carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Resolution 2009-0513
and
Resolution 2009-0516

Chairman Rice says there will be discussion on both Resolutions which are presented this evening. Chairman Rice states eight bids were received and the two lowest bidders were EVS of Aurora and Ringland-Johnson of Cherry Valley. When preparing the Agenda for the meeting, Chairman Rice and Board Member Stahl wanted the board to have discussion on both resolutions. The bids from

these two companies were fairly close. Chairman Rice and Board Member Williams have been in contact trying to arrive at the best way to approach these two resolutions. Williams states first and foremost we need to make the right decision. Williams says the bid from the #2 bidder (Rockford Structures) was turned in on time but due to deficiencies on the bid form and didn't fill in the alternate page; the bid is considered late. Williams would like to see the Long Range Planning minutes amended to reflect this information as to why this firm was disqualified. The minutes will need to be amended at the next Long Range Planning Committee meeting. Williams says we have two contractors and he would suggest we continue discussion on this issue. Dennis Vovos of Holabird & Root has asked for qualification statements from each contractor, but we just received them today. The County Board and the Long Range Planning Committee have not had time to review the information. Chairman Rice states this is a big decision and suggests we not act on the Resolutions presented this evening. Chairman Rice is in favor of holding a Special Meeting in a couple of weeks. Williams would like to see the budget incorporated in the documentation for the project. Saunders moves to postpone this decision for two weeks and DeArvil seconds. There was discussion regarding setting a date and the board decides to wait until more information is available. Heuer makes a Point of Order – she suggests the “two weeks” be struck from the motion due to limitations. Saunders moves to amend the motion and strike two weeks from the motion, DeArvil seconds. The amended motion to strike the “two weeks” carries on a voice vote. The original motion carries on a voice vote.

Hopkins asks if there is a time limit on the bids. Dennis Vovos states the bids are good for 60 days from the date of bid opening.

Executive Committee Minutes placed on exhibit

Ordinance 2009-0502 Chairman Rice presents Ordinance 2009-0502 regarding An Ordinance to Provide Public Transportation in Ogle County. There will be a need to suspend the rules to vote on this Ordinance. This is an annual request from Lee County. This is to support a Grant Application to the Illinois Department of Transportation for the provision of public transportation for the citizens of Lee and Ogle Counties. Heuer makes the motion to suspend rule #25 of the Ogle County Board, Rules of Order in order to address Ordinance 2009-0502. Ron Colson seconds. A roll call voted is called:

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

NO: None

ABSENT: White

The motion to suspend rule #25 of the Ogle County Board, Rules of Order carries on a roll call vote.

Nye makes the motion to approve Ordinance 2009-0502 as presented, Kenney seconds and a roll call vote is taken:

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

NO: Bauer and Gouker

ABSENT: White

The motion to approve Ordinance 2009-0502 carries on a roll call vote.(Placed on file)

Administrator Comments –

- * Administrator McKinley was impressed on how well the move to Watt Building went – offices have unpacked and the staff is happy – the telephones and computers all worked well
- * McKinley has set up several meetings with various Department Heads and has enjoyed her first two days

Resolution - Joint Resolution for the Provision of Public Transportation between Lee and Ogle Counties - 2009-0514

Chairman Rice presents the Resolution 2009-0514 regarding the Joint Resolution for the Provision of Public Transportation between Lee and Ogle Counties. Bowers moves to approve Resolution 2009-0514 as presented. Nye seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Chairman Comments -

- * The moving of the Courthouse offices to the Watt Building was an amazing move with the coordination efforts taken by all offices involved. Chairman Rice thanks the following departments:
 - o Sheriff's Department – handling of the bid process and telephone system at the Watt Building
 - o Highway Department – did a great job on the fiber optic project and Internet Service to the Watt Building
 - o Maintenance Department – for the extra hours and time to meet deadlines
 - o Moving Company – very high comments for their work during the move
 - o County Clerk's Office – they worked beyond their scope of duties and staff worked on Saturday & Sunday ensuring the office would be operational Monday morning
 - o Treasurer & Assessor's Office – for their input and efforts during the move
- * Chairman Rice asks Treasurer Coffman when the Tax Bills will go out in the mail. Coffman states the Tax Bills were printed on Friday. They are being processed now and will be in the mail Thursday morning.
- * Chairman Rice thanks the members of the board for their kind words and support regarding the passing of his mother

Unfinished Business –

Barnes – Last December Chairman Rice made a statement that Board Member Williams would be used in some capacity during the construction process. Barnes asks what role will Williams take during this process. Chairman Rice states Williams can attend the construction meetings which will be held once a week, if he has the time to attend.

Horner – Asks if there is a possibility to use the 4th floor of the Watts Building to hold Committee Meetings. Chairman Rice states we can investigate that request.

State's Attorney Roe – He was unable to attend the April County Board Meeting since he was out of town for training. He wants to clarify the vote taken last month regarding the hiring of the County Administrator. He has been in contact with Michael Luke of the Illinois Attorney General's Office regarding the verbiage of the motion. One of the Attorney General's duties by law is to provide legal opinions to the State's Attorney. Roe states after conferring to the Illinois Attorney General's Office he has determined the

wording “County Administrator Possible Action” was sufficient to inform the public that action maybe taken regarding the County Administrator position. Therefore, the motion to hire the Ogle County Administrator did not violate the Open Meetings Act.

New Business –

Communications –

- Sales Tax for February 2009 was \$29,326.22 and \$49,403.83
- Sales Tax for February 2008 was \$38,331.51 and \$65,484.72
- Thank You from the family of Marcella Duncan (Rice Family)
- Courthouse received plant from Village of Mt Morris as a Welcome

Colson comments the Sales Tax is down – Chairman Rice states probably people spending less money.

Motion to Adjourn

At 6:52 p.m., Stahl makes the motion to adjourn the May Ogle County Board meeting until Tuesday, June 16, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. at Ogle County Farm Bureau Building in Oregon. Nye 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