

Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting
October 16, 2012

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County of Ogle) ss

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

The roll call shows members Bauer, Messer and Welty are absent. The Invocation is given by Stahl and followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Barnes asks for a motion to approve the September 18, 2012, County Board Meeting minutes. Bowers moves to approve, Janes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Approval of Reports

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

Presentation – Ruth Carter – Executive Director – H.O.P.E. of Ogle County

Chairman Barnes introduces Ruth Carter, Executive Director of H.O.P.E. to the board for a short presentation. H.O.P.E. offers Domestic Violence Services; Shelter, individual counseling, support groups, court advocacy and a 24 hour hotline. Ms. Carter thanks the support H.O.P.E. receives from Ogle County and the Mental Health 708 Board. Ms. Carter thanks the county board for their time.

Presentation – Kris DeSmedt – Agency Services Director - Northern Illinois Food Bank

Chairman Barnes introduces Kris DeSmedt, Agency Services Director for the Northern Illinois Food Bank. Ms. DeSmedt states the Northern Illinois Food Bank provides food for the agencies who then distribute food directly to people. The food bank services 13 counties in Northern Illinois. In Ogle County we have 13 network partners and programs; 9 food pantries, 2 senior programs, 1 soup kitchen and 1 daycare. The emergency food pantries in Ogle County have seen an increase of service by 44% over the last eight years. There were 272 gifts made last year to the food bank to support the efforts in Ogle County. Those gifts represent about ½ of what it takes to move the food into Ogle County and into the hands of people who need it. The other 12 counties have been subsidizing the efforts in Ogle County. Please spread the word among businesses, colleagues, friends and any others to contribute to a local food pantry. Ms. DeSmedt thanks everyone for their time.

Appointment – Ogle County Housing Authority – Barbara Gillette – R-2012-1001

Chairman Barnes announces the recommendation of Barbara Gillette for reappointment to the Ogle County Housing Authority for a term which ends October 31, 2017. Kilker moves to approve R-2012-1001 as presented, Janes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Appointment - Kyte River Drainage District – Brian Van Hise – R-2012-1002

Chairman Barnes announces the recommendation of Brian Van Hise to the Kyte River Drainage District for a term which ends the first Tuesday of September 2013. De Arvil moves to approve R-2012-1002 as presented, Simms seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Appointment - Kyte River Drainage District – Raymond Rainwater – R-2012-1003

Chairman Barnes announces the recommendation of Raymond Rainwater to the Kyte River Drainage District for a term which ends the first Tuesday of September 2014. De Arvil moves to approve R-2012-1003 as presented, Kilker seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Appointment - Kyte River Drainage District – Charles M. Cawley – R-2012-1004

Chairman Barnes announces the recommendation of Charles M. Cawley to the Kyte River Drainage District for a term which ends the first Tuesday of September 2015. Hopkins moves to approve R-2012-1004 as presented, Kilker seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Appointment - Board of Review - Thomas Lewandowski (Democrat Appt) – R-2012-1005

Chairman Barnes announces the recommendation of Thomas Lewandowski to the Board of Review as the Democrat Appointment for a term which ends May 31, 2014. Colbert moves to approve R-2012-1005 as presented, Hopkins seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Appointment - Civic Center Authority Board (3) – postponed

Vacancies –

- Ogle County Civic Center Authority – 5 vacancies
- Board of Health – 2 vacancies

Application and Resumé deadline – Friday, November 2, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.
in the County Clerk’s Office located at 105 S. 5th St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL

- Mental Health 708 Board – 2 vacancies

Application and Resumé deadline – Friday, November 30, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.
in the County Clerk’s Office located at 105 S. 5th St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL

Zoning – #5-12 AMENDMENT – Robert J. DeVries – O-2012-1001

Williams presents the petition of Robert J. DeVries, 6614 N. Summer Hill Rd., Forreston, IL and Robert D. DeVries, 812 S. 1st Ave., Forreston, IL for an Amendment to the Zoning District to rezone from AG-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Rural Residence District on property described as follows and owned by the petitioners: Part of the NW4 of the NE1/4 of Section 18 Lincoln Township 24N, R8E of the 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 5.92 acres, more or less – P.I.N.: Part of 07-18-200-003 - Common Location: 14451 W. Lanark Rd. Williams moves to approve O-2012-1001, White seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Zoning – Ogle County Amendatory Comprehensive Plan – R-2012-1013

Williams presents the Resolution regarding the Ogle County Amendatory Comprehensive Plan “2012 Update” which was included in the County Board packets. Williams moves to approve R-2012-1013 and Vice-Chairman Heuer seconds.

Kenney asks what changes were made to the plan. Chairman Barnes asks Zoning Administrator Mike Reibel if there are any major changes. Reibel states this is a “2012 Update” it does not change any policy or direction from previous comprehensive plans. This is a substantial update with the 2010 census data added.

Kenney asks if any changes were made regarding Stormwater Management in Rochelle. Reibel states there is an Ogle County Stormwater Management Ordinance which is separate from this document. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Public Comment –

- Kilker announces she will pass along a thank you card from Whiteside County Board Chairman Tony Arduini for acknowledging his years of service on the Whiteside County Board.
- Kilker informs the board of Ogle County Plat Books for sale at the Soil and Water Conservation District for \$40 each. The Ogle County Plat Map from 1912 is included in the book.

Road & Bridge – None

Ogle County Claims – Clerk reads the claims:

- Payments in Vacation – September 2012 - \$155,155.31
- County Board Payments - October 16, 2012 - \$135,436.13
- County Highway Fund – \$235,565.74

Kenney moves to approve claims, Janes seconds. Saunders suggests any department heads who are paying credit cards in vacation; please contact the credit card company and change the payment due date. If you tell them you are a government agency they will change the date. The motion carries on a voice vote. (Placed on file)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committee minutes have been placed on exhibit: 911 ETS Board, Buildings & Grounds and Central Purchasing, Circuit Clerk and State's Attorney, Executive, Finance and Insurance, HEW & Solid Waste, I.T./N.I.T.T./G.I.S., Juvenile & Probation and Judiciary, Liquor Commission, Long Range and Strategic Planning, Mental Health '708 Board, Personnel & Salary and County Clerk, Planning Commission, Road & Bridge, Sheriff & Coroner and Supervisor of Assessments and Planning & Zoning and Tri-County Opportunities .

The following committees had no minutes to file: Blackhawk Hills RC&D, Board of Health, G.I.S. Partnership, LRP –Emergency Operations Center, L.O.T.S., Safety Committee and UCCI/ICRMT.

Circuit Clerk and State's Attorney Committee:

○ Ogle County Appointment Policy – R-2012-1006:

Kilker presents the resolution regarding the Ogle County Appointment Policy R-2012-1006 which was included in the packets. The Circuit Clerk and State's Attorney Committee has worked on this for months. There was one change which the committee thought was very important; which was the interview process. The committee felt the interview process was a great learning experience. Kilker moves to approve R-2012-1006, De Arvil seconds. De Arvil said the people who were interviewed agreed this was a learning experience for them as well. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Executive Committee:

○ Local Workforce Investment Board R-2012-1007:

Chairman Barnes would like to have this resolution tabled until next month to research this further. Kilker moves to table R-2012-1007, Finrock seconds. Kilker says there is no crisis at hand to act on this resolution tonight and would like to research this. The motion carries on a voice vote.

○ Concealed Carry R-2012-1008:

Chairman Barnes presents R-2012-1008 regarding Concealed Carry. Nye moves to approve R-2012-1008 and White seconds. Chairman Barnes announces he has an additional 127 names which now brings the total to 971 signatures. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Finance and Insurance Committee:

○ Ogle County as Trustee – 16-16-377-002- R2012-1009:

Gouker presents and moves to approve R-2012-1009, White seconds and a roll call vote is taken:

YES: Kilker, Nye, Saunders, Simms, Stahl, White, Williams, Baumgardner, Boes, Bowers, Colbert, De Arvil, Finrock, Gouker, Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Horner, Janes, Kenney and Barnes

NO: None

ABSENT: Messer, Welty and Bauer

The motion carries.(Placed on file)

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o Health Insurance – Federal Medicare Program R-2012-1010:

Gouker presents R-2012-1010 and states this is a substantial change to the way benefits will be paid and we are working on the legal details. We received a contract today from J.P. Farley Corporation and if we make a motion to approve this; I would ask this to be contingent upon review and approval from the State's Attorney, says Gouker.

Gouker introduces Greg Query of Query Insurance and Brett Webbe from Group Administrators, Inc. to speak about the Federal Medicare Program. Greg Query states in an effort to seek alternatives to save costs; this program is one of the latest options which have started to take hold across the country and was presented to the Finance and Insurance Committee. Brett Webbe represents the county's current Third Party Administrator (TPA), Group Administrators, and present the Medicare Plus Program. The current Ogle County Health Care platform is a standard PPO model in which the county contracts with a PPO organization called ECOH, a flat fee is paid to ECOH to allow members to access the provider network, Webbe states. The member seeks services from a PPO provider and the county pays the provider at a discounted rate. With this Medicare Plus model it will eliminate the PPO organization and the member can seek services from any provider. However, the provider is reimbursed at the rate of 130% of the current Medicare fee schedule. We ran the numbers under this model and it did result in a significant savings in some of the proposals. Currently the TPA gets a claim from ECOH and they would price it at a discounted rate. This will work in a similar fashion with another TPA called J.P. Farley. This company will re-price the claims at 130% of Medicare and Group Administrators would continue to pay the provider as they do now. One thing J.P. Farley brings to the table is they act as an advocate. If a member who receives push back from a provider and disputes the reimbursed amount; this company will step in and act as an advocate on behalf of the employee and helps resolute the dispute.

Gouker says the savings on this is substantial of about \$1 million per year which will significantly lower the premium costs for the employees. Gouker also states we want to make sure we have the proper backup for our employees in place; in case they get a notification that the health plan did not pay the full amount. I don't want to say this is a trial basis but it could be; this is a different type of approach and we can go back to the networks.

White asks if anyone has reviewed the contract. Gouker states no, he just received the contract today. Gouker says we would like to have this in place by January 1, 2013 and will ask if this is approved tonight that it be contingent upon the full review and approval from the State's Attorney Office.

Kenney asks if there is any negative impact for our employees with this change. Query states not for the employees; there is a little of the unknown factor since this is new. Worst case scenario would be to go back to the PPO Network which could be done within 30 days, Query states. The only responsibility for the member would be to notify us if there is a dispute, comments Webb.

Horner asks if this a pilot program? Webb states this has been around for about 3 -4 years and operates mostly in Texas and Florida; there some clients in Illinois but it is new to this area.

Gouker says if we take just the premium savings through this program we could save at least 15%. There may be some negotiation of benefits involved with this, so the committee has decided to keep the premiums at a 0% increase. If we get through a full year; we hope to pass the savings along to the employees.

Saunders asks if they have seen a risk of employees losing their provider because they are not happy with the amount they received. Webbe states that is a potential but under the model J.P. Farley uses, they have not had that happen. Saunders asks if they could see a change after the affordable healthcare act goes into effect. Webbe doesn't see how that would impact the platform we are discussing.

Gouker states the resolution we have before us is to enter into a contract with the J.P. Farley Company to work jointly with Group Administrators, Inc. and to roll back the increase the board approved in July to 0% increase. Gouker makes the motion to amend the resolution and approve R-2012-1010 contingent upon the review and approval from the State's Attorney. White seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Personnel and Salary and County Clerk and Recorder Committee:

- Ogle County Holiday Schedule 2013 – R-2012-1011:

Chairman Barnes states at the last meeting there were several board members who voted no to the Holiday Schedule. The intention was not to hurt or take away anything from a department; we just wanted to convey to the State of Illinois we were not happy. Boes moves to approve R-2012-1011, Finfrock seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

- Ogle County Motor Vehicle Driving Policy – R-2012-1012:

Boes states after many months of discussion and with the help of Greg Query of the Query Insurance Agency, Curtis Cook and Steve Rypkema have drafted the Ogle County Motor Vehicle Driving Policy. The committee has voted to recommend this policy. Boes moves to adopt R-2012-1012 and Kenney seconds.

White asks Boes to explain why we need to have this policy in place. Boes states this is at the request of the insurance carrier and they wanted the county to have a policy in place.

Vice-Chairman Heuer asks for clarification; this drivers policy not only applies to the employees it will also apply to County Board Members. Boes states yes it does.

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

- County Clerk Huntley states the Clerk's Office is open for In Person Absentee and Early Voting. There have been 352 people take advantage of this and encourages anyone who would like to Early Vote; please do.

Long Range & Strategic Planning Committee:

- Sheriff's Administration Building RFP –

Williams informs the board they received 5 proposals from 4 companies located in Rockford and 1 in Freeport. The committee has decided to interview Gary Anderson and Associates, Richard L. Johnson and Associates and Saavedra Gelhausen Architects; all of Rockford. The interviews will be held on October 24, 2012 beginning at 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.

- Williams states there are no bills for Long Range Planning this month.

Chairman Comments –

Chairman Barnes announces the Veterans' Open House to be held at the Rock River Center on Monday, November 5, 2012 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. This information was included in the board packets.

Vice-Chairman Comments –

Heuer asks State's Attorney Ben Roe to bring the board up to speed on an item. State's Attorney Roe says a lawsuit has been filed in Federal Court in Rockford regarding the Special Use Permit the board voted on in August. This will be followed up at the next Circuit Clerk and State's Attorney meeting in a closed session. This information has been forwarded to our insurance carrier for consideration of appointment of counsel.

The UCCI Fall Conference is this weekend in Springfield and you are welcome to attend. The topics will be: Going forward with your County Board....Skills and Tactics!, Programs – Grants – Financial Tools Available to Counties and Update on Pending Topics.

At the November County Board Meeting there will be a reception for retiring County Board members and this will begin at 4:00 p.m.

Unfinished Business –

Horner asks why Sheriff Harn has not been in attendance at the County Board meetings. Vice-Chairman Heuer states he is at a speaking engagement at the Polo Lions Club tonight. Sheriff Harn has been coaching his daughter's softball team, replies Chairman Barnes.

New Business –

Communications –

- Sales Tax for July 2011 was \$24,235.64 and \$66,648.74
- Sales Tax for July 2012 was \$24,016.15 and \$67,259.49

Adjourn Meeting

At 6:23 p.m., Nye moves to adjourn the Ogle County Board until Tuesday, November 20, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Oregon. Bowers seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Chairman James L. Barnes
Ogle County Board

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