

# Proceedings of the Ogle County Board September 16, 2003

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

## **Call to Order**

Chairman Gocken calls the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m..

## **Adjournment of August 19, 2003, Ogle County Board Meeting**

Chairman Gocken asks for a motion to adjourn the August 19, 2003, Ogle County Board Meeting. Ed Rice moves to adjourn the August 19, 2003, Ogle County Board Meeting. Ron Colson seconds and the motion is carried on a voice vote.

## **Roll Call:**

Roll call shows all members are present. The Invocation is given by Lyle Hopkins and this is followed with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **Approval of Reports**

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

## **Policy of candidate introductions at County Board Meetings**

Chairman Gocken states the Executive Committee has discussed this and there has been an introduction of County Board candidates one time before an upcoming election. There has been a request made by a candidate that is running for a County Office in the upcoming election. The policy will remain the same for County Office Candidates. Chairman Gocken will introduce them once, tell where they live and what office they are campaigning for.

Chairman Gocken introduces Lou Finch of Mt. Morris and he is running for Ogle County Coroner in the March 2004 Primary.

Chairman Gocken states any other candidates to please contact her before the meeting in order to be introduced.

## **Vacancy Reminder**

Chairman Gocken announces that there is a vacancy on the Ogle County Housing Authority for a 5 year term that ends 10/31/2008. The application deadline for this appointment will be Friday, October 3, 2003, at 4:30 p.m. in the Ogle County Clerk's Office.

## **Resolution - Board of Review Extension of Time**

The clerk reads the resolution for an extension of time from the Board of Review to complete its work for the 2003 assessment year. Chris Remhof moves to approve this resolution, Tom Scholl seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote. (Place on file)

## **Resolution - Court Security**

The clerk reads the resolution that was included in the County Board packets. Richard Meadows moves to approve this resolution, Don Conn seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote. (Placed on file)

## **Zoning - James L. McKnight**

Chairman Gocken asks Vice-Chairman Clayton to come forward and conduct this portion of the meeting. She states under the advice of former State's Attorney Doug Floski and current State's Attorney Deborah Ellis, she will continue to abstain from discussion and all voting for this request. Chairman Gocken will leave the room and will not have a personal comment to the press after the vote.

The clerk reads the petition of James L. McKnight, Beneficiary and holder of Power of Direction Amcore Investment Group Trust 92-11474 by Attorney David A. Smith of Smith, Hanson & Hahn, P.C., 129 S. 4th St., Oregon, IL for a

Special Use Permit to permit excavation, extraction, screening, mining, crushing, washing or quarrying of raw materials from the earth on property described as follows and owned by the petitioner: *Part of the SE1/4 Section 22 Monroe Township 42N, R2E of the 3rd P.M., Ogle County, IL, 153.93 acres, more or less P.I.N.: 12-22-400-001 - Common Location: 18500 to 19000 block E. IL RT 72.* Tom Scholl moves to concur with the Zoning Board of Appeals and approve this request with the following 16 conditions (read by Mike Reibel):

1. All of the following conditions and restrictions shall be covenants running with the land described in this Ordinance for so long as surface mining is conducted on said land. All of these conditions shall be binding upon the present and future owners, grantees, assignees, permittees, tenants, and occupants of said land, all jointly referred to herein as "the Petitioner."
2. All proposals and representations made by the applicant and/or their representative shall be conditions of the Special Use Permit. In addition, the phased mining plan, screening, landscaping, Stormwater management, and any and all other plans and proposals shall be substantially followed.
3. The Petitioner shall comply with all applicable provisions and regulations of the Illinois Surface-Mined Land Conservation and Reclamation Act. Applicability and enforcement of this Act shall be determined by the Illinois Department of Mines and Minerals.
4. The hours of operation for the quarry shall be restricted by Monday through Saturday, 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., and not take place on Sundays or legal holidays.
5. Blasting operations shall be in compliance with all existing Federal and State laws and regulations. Blasting Techniques shall prevent flying stone.
6. Blasting shall occur not more than two days each calendar week, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., with no more than two (2) blasting sequences fired during that day and no blasting occurring on legal holidays or any other hours other than the times indicated, unless in the case of an emergency, when it is necessary to clear a misfire or to clear a jam in a crusher.
7. No blasting or excavation (except for top soil and over burden) shall be conducted within 1,000 feet of any existing residences, unless owned by the quarry owner, or closer than 100 feet to any adjacent property lines.
8. Prior to the commencement of extraction operations on the subject property, earthen berms for screening of the quarry shall be installed and landscaped with evergreen trees and/or a combination of indigenous trees, shrubs, grasses and forbs. Berms and landscaping shall be installed pursuant to the submitted application and plans. Berms shall be a minimum of eight (8) feet in height with a top width of ten (10) feet, and seeded slopes with a ratio not to exceed 3:1 on each side.
9. Prior to commencement of extraction operations on the subject property, a restoration/reclamation plan shall be filed with the County of Ogle and approved by the Planning & Zoning Committee. A bond or letter of credit shall be submitted to the County of Ogle through the Planning & Zoning Administrator in an amount sufficient to cover the estimated cost of the approved plan of reclamation.
10. Prior to the commencement of extraction operations on the subject property, a soil erosion and sediment control plan and Stormwater management plan, prepared by a registered engineer, shall be submitted by the Petitioner. The plans shall be subject to review and approval by the County Engineer.

11. Well Repair/Replacement: With respect to existing wells located within 5,280' of the boundary of the Special Use Permit area, the Petitioner shall pay contractors of the Petitioner's selection the cost of:
  - a) Drilling to extend deeper to provide sufficient potable water source for a household/farm, all wells which are determined to have had the water table lowered subsequent to the passage of this Special Use Permit as a direct result of the Petitioner's operation;
  - b) Drilling a new well where an adequate supply of household/farm use water can no longer be obtained from the existing well as a consequence of the Petitioner's operation;
  - c) Repair/replacement of wells or any parts determined to be damaged by blasting in the Petitioner's quarry.

If any dispute arises out of this condition, said dispute shall be submitted to the Ogle County Health Department. The determination as to cause, effect, remedial action and cost of same shall be made by the Ogle County Health Department, and the decision of the Ogle County Health Department shall be final.

12. Any sub-contractor conducting blasting operations for the Petitioner shall file a copy with the County of Ogle, upon request, of that contractor's insurance covering blasting operations. Petitioner shall file a copy with the County of Ogle, upon request, of its liability insurance policies and shall maintain said insurance with limits adequate to protect the public and nearby residents with limits of not less than \$500,000 for one occurrence and \$500,000 for all occurrences.
13. The quarry operation shall be so conducted as to meet any criteria imposed for the issuance of permits and other conditions and regulations imposed by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency under applicable State law. The Petitioner relieves and releases from liability all surrounding landowners for surface contamination or drainage into the pit from the surrounding land surface drainage.
14. Beginning January 2004 an annual report shall be filed with the Planning & Zoning Department describing the volume of materials removed from the quarry in the preceding year.
15. The quarry operation shall be so conducted as to meet any and all the requirements of Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, a subsidiary of Kinder Morgan, Inc., which owns and operates two (2) high pressure gas pipelines running approximately SW-NE through the southeast corner of the subject property, and the Iowa, Chicago & Eastern Railroad which operates a rail line running east-west through the site.
16. The petitioner agrees that when the depth of mining activity exceeds the depth of the water table, at least one, and not more than three, wells within the unincorporated village of Monroe Center (proper) will be monitored for fluctuations in the water table if consent is given by the property owner that the well(s) is/are located on.

Lyle Hopkins seconds. Bill Spencer comments the stone from this quarry is going to be used to build the O'Hare Airport in Chicago. Spencer feels that if the rock leaves the county when it is time for Ogle County to need rock it will not be available. Spencer also says he doesn't understand how a hole with water will not endanger public safety. He states it doesn't meet the standards and he will not support the issue. Don Huntley is also opposed to this issue. His township has been thru this type of an experience before and feels that the people do not want this. Richard Meadows says this is a viable business producing a product to help solidify the economic base of the county. Rochelle has a quarry on the east side of town and Rochelle is growing with this active quarry. Meadows also expresses concerns regarding property rights and restrictions we impose on

property owners. Chris Remhof states this has been a tough issue and he researched the information thoroughly. He does not feel this is a request that the county should grant. He bases his information the Zoning Board of Appeals on standards 1,2,3 & 6, there were some disputes and the requirements have not been met. Ron Colson reads information from the Staff Report regarding the Ogle County Comprehensive Plan (included in packets). In order to comply with the Comprehensive Plan which is what the County Board is obligated to do, the mining needs to occur first. Then lakeside park and residential areas later. Pat Saunders said it also has been a tough decision and she has read the transcript. Saunders also says she lives near a quarry and tells the board of her experiences with this quarry and she has not experienced any problems except lights on when working in the evening. Lyle Hopkins has also lived near quarries most of his life in Pine Creek Township and has never had a problem. He states that during one of the hearings a gentleman mentioned a project in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. In June he went and visited this site. It is a very nice recreation area with a big lake with scuba diving, swimming boating, camping and hiking trails. There is life after quarries. Tom Scholl comments that all standards have been met and the 16 conditions will ensure that there will not be a negative impact on the citizens. A Roll Call vote is called:

**YES:** Rice, Saunders, Scholl, Zuehl, Clayton, Colson, Conn, Daws, Gouker, Hopkins and Meadows

**NO:** Nye, Remhof, Spencer, Stahl, Swanson, Bauer, Brooks, Colbert, Hoekstra, Horner, Huntley and Johnson

**ABSENT:** None

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

**Zoning - Robert P. & Mary E. Wetzel**

The clerk reads the petition of Robert P. & Mary E. Wetzel, 3612 Stonebarn Rd., Ashton, IL and Gary A. & Lori A. Wetzel, 8655 Hoosier Rd., Franklin Grove, IL for a Special Use Permit in the AG-1 Agricultural District to allow a Livestock Sales Yard on properties described as follows and owned by the petitioners: *Part of Government Lots 1 & 2 SW Fractional 1/4 Section 18, Lafayette Township 22N, R11E of 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL and Part of W 1/2 NE 1/4 Fractional Sectional Section 18, Lafayette Township 22N, R11E of 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 210.28 acres total, more or less. P.I.N.: 23-18-200-001 & 23-18-300-001 - Common Location: 3612 Stonebarn Rd. Ashton, IL and 8655 Hoosier Rd., Franklin Grove, IL.* Tom Scholl moves to concur with the Zoning Board of Appeals and approve with the following conditions:

1. All proposals and representations made by the applicant and/or their representative shall be conditions of the Special Use Permit.
2. No vehicular parking shall be allowed within or on any public roadway or right-of-way.
3. This Special Use Permit shall be valid for a period of one (1) year, after which the Planning & Zoning Committee shall review the Special Use Permit and may either: a) extend said Special Use Permit for a period of time determined by the Committee to be fair and reasonable, or b)discontinue said Special Use Permit if the use is determined to not be in the best interest of the public health, safety, morals, comfort and general welfare.

Pat Saunders seconds. Don Huntley asks why there is a one (1) year time-limit on this request? Tom Scholl comments there will be no cost for this to come back to the Planning & Zoning Committee. The motion carries on a voice vote. (Placed on file)

**Zoning - Scott & Lisa Hilliard**

The clerk reads the petition of Scott & Lisa Hilliard, 10784 E. Utility Rd., Stillman Valley, 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 SE 1/4 of Section 32 Scott Township 42N, R1E of the 3rd P.M., Ogle County, IL, 8.035 acres, more or less. P.I.N.: Part of 11-32-400-005 and Part of 11-32-400-006 - Common Location: 3000 Block of N. White Rock Rd.* Tom Scholl moves to concur with the Zoning Board of Appeals and deny this request. Doug Zuehl seconds. Ed Rice asks what the denial is based on? Tom Scholl states that the denial was based on the LESA reading was 243 in an agricultural area and #6 of the Findings of Fact states this is not in consistent with the public interest, and is solely for the interest of the applicant. Rice asks how each of the approving boards vote? Tom Scholl and Chris Remhof state the Planning Commission unanimous to approve and Zoning Board of Appeals voted 4 - 1 to deny based on standards #5 & #6 were not met. Rice also asks if any neighbor has objected to this issue? Chris Remhof states there was one objector. Jason Bauer comments on the property rights of land owners and the frustrations regarding this zoning issue. A Roll Call vote is called:

**YES:** Remhof, Saunders, Scholl, Spencer, Stahl, Zuehl, Clayton, Colson, Daws, Hopkins and Nye

**NO:** Rice, Swanson, Bauer, Colbert, Conn, Gocken, Gouker, Hoekstra, Horner, Huntley, Johnson and Meadows

**ABSENT:** Brooks

The motion to deny this request is defeated.

Don Huntley moves to approve this zoning request, Jason Bauer seconds. A roll call vote is called:

**YES:** Rice, Swanson, Bauer, Colbert, Conn, Gocken, Gouker, Hoekstra, Horner, Huntley, Johnson and Meadows

**NO:** Saunders, Scholl, Spencer, Stahl, Zuehl, Clayton, Colson, Daws, Hopkins, Nye and Remhof

**ABSENT:** Brooks

The motion carries to approve this request.(Placed on file)

**Zoning - Township of Rockvale**

The clerk reads the petition of the Township of Rockvale by Merle Snodgrass, Township Supervisor, 1996 W. Snodgrass Rd., Oregon, IL for a Special Use Permit to allow a Rockvale Township building on property described as follows, owned by David Lingel and being purchased by petitioners: *Southern 40' of Lot 25 & All of Lot 26, Part of Lots 27 & 28 Block 5 Rock River Terrace, W 1/2 of SW 1/4 Section 11 Rockvale Township 24N, R10E of 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL. P.I.N.: 09-11-152-026 and part of 09-11-301-001 - Common Location: SE Corner of the intersection of N. River Rd. and Devil's Lane.* Tom Scholl moves to concur with the Zoning Board of Appeals and approve this request with the following condition:

1. Screening to a height of 4' (a fence or evergreen shrub) shall be provided along the south property line to mitigate any impact on adjoining residential uses.

Chris Remhof seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Zoning - Grace E. Bennett**

The clerk reads the petition of Grace E. Bennett, 19107 Crill Rd., Monroe Center, 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, owned by the petitioner and being purchased by Timothy & Cynthia Gunderson: *Part of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 Section 14 Monroe Township 42N, R2E of 3rd P.M., Ogle County, IL, 3.00 acres, more or less. P.I.N.: Part of 12-14-100-003 - Common Location: 19107 E. Crill Rd.* Tom Scholl moves to concur with the Zoning Board of Appeals and approve this request, Ron Colson seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote. (Placed on file)

**Final Plat - Sunny Field Estates - Herman L & Catherine Ramsey**

The clerk presents the Final Plat for Sunny Field Estates - Herman L & Catherine Ramsey - 9813 W. Flagg Rd, Rochelle, IL. "Sunny Field Estates", A subdivision located in Part of the E1/2 NW1/4 Section 16 Flag Township 40N, R1E of the 3<sup>rd</sup> P.M., Ogle County, IL. P.I.N.: 24-16-177-002 & - 003. Tom Scholl moves to approve this Final Plat. James Swanson seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Zoning - Declaration of Partial Vacation of Plat - Laubach Subdivision**

The clerk presents the Declaration of Partial Vacation of Plat for Laubach Subdivision- Lot 6 - Robert L. Bailey & Marcia R. Bailer, 6205 Brooklyn Rd, Rochelle, IL. "Laubach Subdivision", Lot 6 located in Part of the NE1/4 Section 19 & Part of the NW1/4 Section 20 Flagg Township 40N, R1E of the 3<sup>rd</sup> P.M., Ogle County, IL - P.I.N.: 24-16-226-004. Tom Scholl moves to approve this request, Doug Zuehl seconds. Chairman Gocken asks for an explanation on this request. Tom Scholl explains a drainage easement goes down the center of this property, they are removing this to allow the property owner to build a shed and to utilize this area. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Road & Bridge - Resolution for County Road Construction**

The clerk reads the resolution for construction on Gurler Road (02-06122-00-SC). The low bid was from Rockford Blacktop Construction Co. for \$465,100.05 and no county funds are appropriated for this said project. Richard Meadows moves to approve, Bill Spencer seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed of file)

**Recess to Refer Claims to Committee**

At 6:30 p.m., Chris Remhof moves to refer claims to committees, Ron Colson seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote. Chairman Gocken calls the meeting to order at 6:44 p.m..

**Claims**

The clerk reads the claims for the General Fund - \$86,117.20 and the County Highway Fund - \$261,558.40. Bill Spencer moves to accept claims, Richard Meadows seconds. 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 exhibit: *Buildings & Grounds, Judiciary & Circuit Clerk, Juvenile & Probation, Sheriff & Coroner, States Attorney & Legislative, Ill Assoc CO Board Members, Personnel & Salary, G.I.S. Committee and Economic Development.* The following had no minutes to file: *Blackhawk Hills RC&D, Board of Health,, U.C.C.I., Mental Health "708" Board, Byron Dragway, Illinois Risk Management, Tri-County Opportunities, 9-1-1 Emergency Board, Safety Committee, Siting Committee, Liquor Commission and Ogle Co. AG..*

**County Clerk & Insurance** Minutes placed on exhibit

Insurance Rates Ed Rice informs the board of the raising rates for the County Group Health Insurance (included in packets).

Employee meetings Ed Rice states he, Greg Query and John Coffman will be holding various employee meetings to discuss the changes. They will also explain the Cafeteria Plan 125 at this time.

Motion to approve changes Ed Rice moves to approve the changes in the County Group Health Insurance. Tom Scholl seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

**Finance & Revenue** Minutes placed on exhibit

Meetings Bill Spencer announces the following meetings:

- September 23, 2003 @ 7 p.m. at the White House
- October 15, 2003 - County Budget Hearing @ 7p.m. in the Ogle County Board Room
- October 17, 2003 @ Health Administration Bldg.

**Solid Waste** Minutes placed on exhibit

Meetings Chairman Gocken announces the following meetings:

- October 16, 2003 @ Health Administration Bldg 1:00 p.m. H.E.W. & 2:00 p.m. Solid Waste

Holiday in October Chairman Gocken announces there is a Holiday on October 13<sup>th</sup> and informs committees to reschedule their meeting if it falls on this date.

**Planning, Assessment & Zoning** Minutes placed on exhibit

Zoning Board of Appeals Tom Scholl states that the next ZBA meeting will be September 25, 2003.

**Road & Bridge** Minutes placed on exhibit

Supermix Concrete Don Huntley states in the Road & Bridge minutes there was discussion regarding the Special Use Permit granted to Supermix Concrete (Jack Pease) and the required improvements to Limestone Road. A motion was made at the meeting to have the Special Use Permit revoked if work is not diligently back underway by Tuesday, September 16, 2003. Ron Colson states he has talked to Mr. Pease regarding the permit needed from IDOT. IDOT would not accept the application from Mr. Pease and it is in the process of being issued through the county. There was discussion regarding the work that needs to be done on Limestone Road that Mr. Pease had agreed to complete. Curtis Cook will be at the meeting later and maybe he can clarify the situation.

**Blackhawk Hills RC&D** No minutes

Update Ron Colson informs the board of legislative meetings.

**IL Assoc of Co Bd Members** Report placed on exhibit

Report Shirley Clayton comments that she has filed a report in the packets.

**Planning Commission** Minutes placed on exhibit

Meeting The next meeting will be September 18th at 7 p.m. in the Ogle County Board Room.

**Mental Health "708"** No minutes on exhibit

Meeting Jason Bauer states there will be a meeting this Thursday @ 7:30 a.m. at the Ogle County Farm Bureau

**Tri-County Opportunities** No minutes on exhibit

Meeting Bill Spencer says the next meeting will be on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Long Range Planning** Minutes placed on exhibit

Project Cost Report Kim Gouker comments he has removed some information that was not correct. Gouker also reports on a change order from Miller Engineering. The roof has been completed, fiber optic is in the process of being installed into the conduit.

Mold Issue Kim Gouker introduces Stephen Teeple of Safe Air Testing, Inc., he inspected the building for mold. Mr. Teeple states that he has inspected the corrections of the previous mold areas and states that the building is clean. He also discussed how mold gets into the air and buildings.

Moving Day for Annexes Kim Gouker informs the board that moving day will be Friday, September 26 and Monday, September 29th.

Parameters Ordinance The Parameter Ordinance was presented last month in order to be approved tonight. Jamie Rachlin speaks to the board regarding the Ordinance. Chairman Gocken asks the clerk to read the Ordinance. Ron Colson moves to accept the Ordinance, Don Conn seconds and a roll call vote is called:

**YES:** Saunders, Scholl, Spencer, Stahl, Swanson, Zuehl, Bauer, Brooks, Clayton, Colbert, Colson, Conn, Daws, Gocken, Gouker, Hoekstra, Hopkins, Horner, Huntley, Johnson, Meadows, Nye, Remhof and Rice

**NO:** None

**ABSENT:** None

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

Telephone & Data Curtis Cook talks to the board regarding the switches and routers needed to connect the Health Administration Building, Courthouse and Highway Department. Rochelle Municipal Utilities has agreed to sell at their cost the materials needed. RMU will also help hook-up the system and maintain as well. There was discussion regarding

where this money was coming from and is it part of the \$101,000. These are additional expenses that have occurred due to the use of the fiber optic cable. This upgrade will allow access to the Judicial Center. Kim Gouker moves to approve the purchase of the telephone system not to exceed \$16,158.28 and data system \$17,892. 00. Tom Scholl seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Moving Expenses

Jerry Guy addresses the board regarding the bids for the moving of the Health Dept, Zoning, Animal Control, Solid Waste and Child Support. He states that 2 bid proposals were received for moving expenses. The bids were as follows:

- ▶ Blackhawk Moving & Storage - \$19,907
- ▶ Shippert Moving - \$6,150

The Health Department has used Shippert Moving in the past and are looking forward to having this company move them. Doug Zuehl moves to accept the bid from Shippert Moving not to exceed \$6,150, Lyle Hopkins seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Security Fencing for  
Judicial Center

Bids were received for security fencing for the Judicial Center project. The low bid was from Dach Fencing in the amount of \$12,340. The fencing will not be put up until after the Autumn of Parade festivities. Kim Gouker moves to accept this bid, Chris Remhof seconds. There will be 3 construction gates used: East & West entrances for concrete trucks and material delivery, South entrance used for materials that need to be stored. The Lutheran Church is allowing a portion of the lot to be used for temporary construction during this time. The motion carries on a voice vote.

Hazardous Waste &  
Asbestos Removal

Kim Gouker explains that they received bids for the removal of hazardous waste & asbestos from the 4 annex buildings. Jerry Guy states that they had allowed up to \$100,000 for this portion of the demolition project. They received a low bid from Asbestos Control, Inc. for the amount of \$83,500. Kim Gouker moves to accept this bid from ACI not to exceed \$83,500, Chris Remhof seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Meetings at the new  
Health Administration  
Building

Kim Gouker comments that if committees want to hold a meeting at the new Health Administration Building to contact Linda Warner.

**Executive Committee**

Minutes placed on exhibit

Reschedule meeting

Chairman Gocken says the next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 3 P.M.

## **Road & Bridge**

Minutes placed on exhibit

### Supermix Concrete

Curtis Cook explains the situation to the board about the conditions of the Special Use Permit issued to Mr. Pease. It states that improvements be made to Limestone Road and as of this meeting the improvements have not been made. He has spoken to IDOT regarding the permit needed and Mr. Pease has written to Mr. Cook. Once the permit is approved, he will complete his work in 10 days. Tom Scholl moves to postpone revoking the Special Use Permit until next month and see if the improvements are made by Mr. Pease. The motion dies for lack of a second. The board will revisit this situation at the next county board meeting.

## **Chairman Comments**

Chairman Gocken reads a prepared statement regarding the concern from board members regarding dissension on the board. Chairman Gocken and Vice-Chairman Clayton have reviewed minutes to determine how board members can be informed better. The county has several years of building projects ahead of us. The board needs to work together calmly to understand each others concerns. In some cases compromise with each other to reach the best decisions for the entire county's benefit. Chairman Gocken and Vice-Chairman Clayton will use the next month to determine a better process for all of us to make better decisions. It is important for each of the board members to be involved with the building process.

## **Public Comments**

Merle Snodgrass would like to thank Mike Reibel for his help working with Rockvale Township regarding turning the building to be in compliance with the setbacks needed. Mr. Snodgrass also comments about industry in Ogle County and the assessment needed to the Byron Nuclear Plant. Mr. Snodgrass also comments on the work of the Long Range Planning Committee and the building of the Judiciary Center. Mr. Snodgrass closes his comments with Words of Wisdom.

## **Communications**

Sales Tax for June 2003, is \$26,761.02 and \$65,246.67  
Sales Tax for June 2002 was \$29,833.86 and \$62,242.74  
Com Ed letter regarding tree trimming in Ogle County  
Notice of Class 2 Permit - Davis Junction Landfill - Phase I  
US Army Corps of Engineers - Public Notice  
Thank you note from Carol Hoekstra

Chris Remhof discusses a letter he received from Rep. Jim Saica and he will pass this letter to Deb Ellis and Mike Reibel.

## **Old Business**

## **New Business**

Chairman Gocken comments that she has received a letter from the Village of Mt. Morris regarding Tax Increment Re-Development Plan and Project for the proposed Industrial Park Conservation Area. They are asking for a representative from our taxing district be sent to a joint review board meeting set for September 30, 2003 at 7 p.m. at the Village Hall. Chairman Gocken states that the Executive Committee has recommended that Jim Harrison be appointed as the Ogle County Representative. Ron Colson moves to accept this appointment, Bobbie Colbert seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Fred Horner makes the motion that all monetary expenditures or commitments that would require monetary expenditures of the County of Ogle, by the Long Range Planning Committee, be voted on only by elected members of the County Board that serve on the committee and further, that emergency decisions of less than \$5,000.00 in spending can be approved by the committee chairman. All other changes or change orders between \$5,001.00 and \$25,000.00 must have approval of the majority of the County Board members serving on the Long Range Planning Committee. All other changes or change orders that exceed \$25,000.00 must be brought before the full County Board for their approval. Mr. Horner asks that if this motion is seconded, that it be laid over for discussion and voted on at the October 21<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Ogle County Board. Richard Meadows seconds. Ron Colson makes the motion under Robert's Rule of Order to postpone this indefinitely. Lyle Hopkins seconds and a roll call vote is called:

**YES:** Spencer, Stahl, Swanson, Colson, Daws, Gocken, Gouker, Hoekstra, Hopkins and Remhof

**NO:** Scholl, Zuehl, Bauer, Clayton, Colbert, Conn, Horner, Huntley, Johnson, Meadows, Nye, Rice and Saunders

**ABSENT:** Brooks

The motion to postpone indefinitely is defeated and Mr. Horner's motion will be put on the agenda for next month.

Chairman Gocken reminds the committees who will be relocating to a new meeting place to notify the media and the County Clerk's Office.

**Motion to Recess**

At 8:20 p.m., Ed Rice moves to recess the September County Board Meeting until Tuesday, November 18, 2003, at 5:30 p.m. at the Ogle County Courthouse. Chris Remhof seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

The next County Board meeting will be on Tuesday, October 21, 2003 at 5:30 p.m.

Betty K. Gocken  
Chairman Ogle County Board

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