

Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting
September 21, 2010

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County of Ogle) ss

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

The roll call shows members Bauer (6:40), Diehl (5:34), Messer (5:37) and Stahl (5:50) were 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 August 17, 2010 Ogle County Board Meeting minutes. Horner moves to approve, Huntley seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Approval of Reports

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

Recognition – Ogle County Historical Committee

Chairman Rice thanks Sheryl Hopkins, Bonnie Hendrickson, Kristine Daws, Peri Ann Query and Jeannie Scholl who were appointed to inventory and oversee placement of antiques at the Courthouse.

Presentation – Ogle County Pork Producers and Ogle County Beef Association

Chairman Rice introduces Ray Schmidt and Rick Nelson of the Pork Producers and the Beef Association. On the day of the Courthouse re-dedication sandwiches were sold and they are donating the proceeds of \$1,738 for the refurbishing of the Soldiers & Sailors Monument. Chairman Rice asks De Arvil how much money has been raised. De Arvil states there is about \$4,000 (check given to De Arvil).

Resignation – 911 ETSB – R-2010-0901

Chairman Rice announces he has received a resignation from the 911 ETS Board regarding the Sheriff's Designated Appointment of Tracie Sill. Saunders moves to accept R-2010-0901, Kenney seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Appointment – 911 ETSB – R-2010-0902

Chairman Rice has received a recommendation from the 911 ETSB to appoint Susan Steeves as the Sheriff's Designated Appointee. Horner moves to accept R-2010-0902, Huntley seconds. Gouker asks if this position needed to be advertised. Sheriff Beitel states this is an appointed position designated by the Sheriff. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Vacancies –

- Mental Health 708 Board – 1 unexpired term
- Ogle County Housing Authority

Application deadline for vacancies is
Friday, October 1, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk's Office
located at 105 S. 5th St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL

Zoning – #6-10 AMENDMENT – Ordinance 2010-0902

Chairman Rice and County Clerk Huntley present the petition of Bushnell Walnut Creek Farm, LLC, %Edwin Bushnell, PO Box 249, Stillman Valley, IL and Valley Evangelical Church of Stillman Valley %Edward Clift, 103 S. Maple St., 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, owned by Bushnell Walnut Creek Farm, LLC and being purchased by Valley Evangelical Church of Stillman Valley:

Part of G.L.1 of the NW1/4 Fractional Section 3 Marion Township 24N, R11E of the 4th P.M., Ogle County, 6.0 acres, more or less
Property Identification Number: Part of 10-03-300-007
Common Location: 6300 Block of E. IL Rte. 72

Hopkins moves to approve #6-10 Amendment – Ordinance 2010-0902 for the Bushnell Walnut Creek Farm LLC and the Valley Evangelical Church of Stillman Valley. Janes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Public Comments – none

Road & Bridge – 2010 – 2011 Ice Abrasives – R-2010-0903

Huntley moves to approve the 2010 – 2011 Ice Abrasives Resolution 2010-0903 as presented. Horner seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Resolution and Certificate of Vacation – R-2010-0904

Huntley moves to approve the Resolution & Certificate of Vacation for a portion of Jefferson Street, Alexander Street, and alley in Block 12 in the Town of Haldane, Lincoln Township – R-2010-0904 and Diehl seconds. Diehl clarifies the motion to say only the alley will be vacated. Diehl amends the motion to remove Jefferson St and Alexander St from the previous motion and Heuer seconds. Messer moves to approve R-2010-0904 as amended, Diehl seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Road & Bridge – Resolution & Certificate of Vacation - R-2010-0905

Huntley moves to approve the Resolution & Certificate of Vacation for portions of South Road, Franklin Street, Church Street, Walnut Street, and LaFayette Street in the Town of Carthage, Taylor Township – R-2010-0905 and De Arvil seconds. Diehl moves to amend and strike Franklin Street and Messer seconds. Diehl moves to approve R-2010-0905 as amended, Messer seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Ogle County Claims – Clerk reads the claims:

- Payments in Vacation – August 2010 - \$75,200.85
- County Board Payments - September 21, 2010 - \$101,036.09
- County Highway Fund – \$126,403.45

Bowers moves to approve the claims as read, Nye seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file) Saunders would like to see only necessary items be paid in vacation such as utilities and payroll.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committee minutes have been placed on exhibit: Executive and State’s Attorney, Finance and Insurance, HEW & Solid Waste, Juvenile & Probation/Judiciary & Circuit Clerk, LRP-Courthouse Renovations, Mental Health Board, 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: 911 ETS Board, Blackhawk Hills RC&D, Board of Health, GIS Committee, Ill Assoc of Co Bd Members, Liquor Commission, LRP – Emergency Operations Center, Safety Committee and UCCI/ICRMT.

Personnel & Salary

Minutes placed on exhibit

R-2010-0906

Kenney states the Personal & Salary Committee are presenting R-2010-0906 to Authorize IMRF Out of State Service Credit Purchase. Kenney moves to approve R-2010-0906, Horner seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Finance

Minutes placed on exhibit

Budget

Hopkins says the Finance Committee has worked on the budget for approximately 27 hours since August 23rd to September 10th reviewing budgets with department heads, understanding needs and issues, looking at funds managed by other departments and understanding impacts of further cuts. They have been identifying revenues, increasing fees and trying to collect past due fines. They encourage tax abatements to encourage new and expanding businesses in the County to improve our EAV. We have some further savings on our electricity by entering a contract with Mr. Mudge for a projection of \$30,000 to \$40,000 savings a year. We changed our IT vendor and have saved \$15,000 from May to August in support costs. We offered an early retirement package and have had 3 employees who took advantage of this. This is at a savings of \$55,600 in this coming year even with possibly hiring a replacement for the Sheriff's Executive Secretary (which we will act on later in the meeting). Hopkins states the budget gap stands at \$800,000 to \$900,000 and they are looking at options. Hopkins would like to get an opinion from the board members. Hopkins has these three options as suggestions:

- \$ Option One: Adopt a negative budget
- \$ Option Two: Cut Staff and eliminate programs and services
- \$ Option Three: Borrow money from open market or Solid Waste Fund or other fund if available

Hopkins would like to get input from members of the board who are not on the Finance Committee.

- ≈ Kilker – I will not vote for a budget that is not balanced. Suggests County Board members forego additional meetings beyond the \$150 for the first 3 meetings. We are watching the departments being cut to the bone, no raises for the employees and furlough days. This is the least as county board members we can do. I would like to cut the \$150 but doesn't believe we have that option at this time.
- ≈ Williams – Suggests all board members put together a list of things that we should look at. We started this process about four months ago and we have gone to the different department heads and made demands. I don't feel there was any spirit of cooperation and suggests we go back to the department heads and begin with zero. If you start at zero and go through a line item budget, you will find some items a department doesn't need. Hopkins states we have done that with department heads. Hopkins asks if he is going for Option 2. Williams says yes. The company I work for has done that and they don't see things getting any better. We can hunker down and work together or you can walk out the door and do nothing.
- ≈ Barnes – I have attended several of the finance meetings and for two years I have had concerns regarding the projected

revenues not being correct. Not sure how to do it but we need to balance the budget. Somewhere down the line we are going to need to make some serious cuts, but I'm not sure where to begin. The State of Illinois is in bad financial shape and if you think you are going to get your money, I think you have another thing coming.

- ≈ Boes – One of the things that concern him are the tapping of the various funds. Our county is fortunate to have these funds, but wonders how deep you can keep tapping. If there is a dire emergency and we would need some large funds like out of the Solid Waste Fund. We would be hurting if that money was gone. I would like to go back to the department heads and look at their entire budget. Look at where they spend their money, look for the nickels and dimes and eliminate any unnecessary items. The Personnel and Salary Committee worked very hard this year to get their arms around the wages and salaries. We found out Ogle County is in the top third of what wages were paid in all of the counties in Illinois. I would like to see this used as a guideline for the future when we go into negotiations what we should be paying. When your salaries not including benefits reach 80% of your budget, you don't need to be a very smart person to know you can't keep going in that direction. This would be up to the individual department heads, but they need to start thinking about what services we don't need to carry anymore.
- ≈ White – If we take a look at the private sector in the downturn of the economy whether you are in retail or manufacturing, if your order or sales go down you can adjust your staff accordingly. Unfortunately in government even though there is a downturn in the economy there is the same amount of service you need to provide. One of the issues we need to look at is personnel – I'm not 100% sure we have cut our personnel to bone, but doesn't feel there is much more left. We may be able to cut half a dozen maximum jobs out and still give the service we are currently providing. The question is do we curtail service and lay off more people or how do we bridge this gap. There are different avenues we can use to try and bridge this gap – some are called sweeping of funds and using other funds and perhaps getting some help from other departments who are not necessarily under board control. The final bottom line for me is I cannot approve a budget where we borrow money. He looks at this like his home budget. If you have an unexpected bill, you may have to go to your savings account. You are not borrowing money you are changing your net worth. If you are going to use the funds, don't borrow the money make it a permanent transfer. Try and work within the parameters of the fund.
- ≈ Gronewold – The Finance Committee has spent hours working on this budget and there are some other cuts we can make, but he feels like they are now down to people. Before I spend sleepless nights and more hours at meetings, I would like to hear the direction of the board as to what they would like for us to do. Kilker has talked about fewer meetings and why should we have more meetings before we even know what the board wants us to do. I have calculated out roughly \$800,000 which means about 25 to 28 employees to layoff which is serious if we go that route.
- ≈ Saunders – I did some calculations as well and used the lower salary end because the lower salary people would probably suffer the layoffs. With those calculations I have estimated that

would be about 30 employees which is over 15% of our staff. This would cut a lot of services to the tax payers which we have been entrusted with giving them. I do not think an unbalanced budget is an option. I think we need a combination of fewer layoffs and a possibly a fund transfer. I would like to see a combination of both to balance the budget.

- ≈ Kenney – The Finance Committee has been working diligently on the budget. There were layoffs last year, transfer of funds and there is money available. The Personnel and Salary have worked very hard on the classifications of jobs and an appropriate level of compensation for those jobs. The County is still in negotiations with many of the Unions and we have asked them to forego any kind of increases. The department heads have cooperated. Is there money out there? Yes, there is but I can't begin to tell you. It looks like we are going to have to curtail service and layoffs. I feel if we can borrow from one of our funds and we should replace the money once things are better. Our product line is service and there are people in the county that expect us to do no less.
- ≈ Messer – One of the things you need to recognize, when the economy goes down the services increases. There is more crime, more people for Probation, more paperwork in the Circuit Clerk's Office, etc... People on the street get desperate and require some type of service from the county. I believe we should use the money we have and stop any building until the economy turns around. Use the money instead of borrowing money that we would owe interest on and keep our people in place. We also have an obligation to our employees, a lot of people have given a lot years and service to the people of the county.
- ≈ Diehl – I have spoken at the various committee meetings and it is his goal to get a direction from the full board. The department heads are sensitive and do a good job. I don't want to work with them through cuts if that is not the direction from the board. I appreciate everyone's comments and I am taking notes.
- ≈ Colson – I think of the three options we are looking at - the negative balanced budget is not acceptable to any of us and borrowing is something we want to avoid. Following the budget discussion regarding dedicated funds, some of those dedicated funds are protected by State Statute and others are designated by resolutions of a previous board; which we seem to be ignoring. We should begin with a zero based budget as Williams has discussed earlier. If you start at ground zero - see what is justified; see how the job is done and what support level is needed. We could provide the minimum services and keep the staff of people perhaps with wage freezes and possible wage concessions that have to be looked at. The middle option to work from the bottom up with the budget – this might be the preferred approach.
- ≈ Heuer – Speaking from an economic involved person from this area, I can tell you that industry within Ogle County has gone from 0 to 15% cuts on wages. This has been voluntary determined by the industry and manufacturer rather than the alternative of laying people off. They have preserved what services they could. The consensus among those who had jobs was their jobs with a decrease were more important than losing any of their fellow employees.
- ≈ Bowers - I am not for layoffs, we need all employees in Ogle County that we have. If we can pull money from the funds we

have available, I'm all for that. I totally agree with Messer to take the money out of the reserves.

≈ Huntley – I believe we need to cut services – Zoning and Septic services through the Health Department. The Planning Commission can go and I have said that for a long time. The second thing we need to do is find whatever funds we have and that is available. I'm in agriculture and I'm still optimistic about this. We in agriculture have had to borrow money and sometimes we didn't pay it off the first year, it would take 5 to 6 years. I am not opposed to borrowing the money. The last thing we need is to layoff people – the people we have in this building we need and I am not in favor of cutting services in this building.

≈ Colbert – I agree with Kilker and Boes and we need a balanced budget. I am not opposed to us borrowing money from another fund. I think another thing that may work and I won't be popular for saying this; but we could cut wages and eliminate some of the benefits for our employees. Other businesses have had to do this and I have had family members who have been affected by this. They are happy to have a job.

≈ Nye – I definitely do not want to eliminate employees. I think what Colbert has mentioned could be an option to think about. I also think tapping into some funds and when times get better, you can repay the money.

≈ Horner – I also think we could borrow funds from our sources. I think we need to look at the income and how do we bring money into the County; you have to spend money to make money. If you remember about 8 years ago we had an opportunity to put a jail in and another opportunity has come before us.

≈ Stahl – Thanks to the Finance Committee for all of their hard work. I think layoffs are not a good thing and if we have the funds to borrow from internally we should do this. I think most departments are running at the bare minimum, we just need to ensure that.

≈ Gouker – I have talked about this for several months and I commend the Finance Committee for the work they have done. I've also seen where some of the committee members have not done their work and this does not help the process. I've heard people were given an assignment and some people completed this assignment and some didn't. In an ideal world we should not borrow any money; this only kicks the ball further down the road. The economy is slowly getting better but it will take some time. We are at revenues which are equal to the 2006 – 2007 budget year, the expenses are at 5 to 6 % higher than that and we need to close the gap. We started at a \$1.2 million deficit, which does not include the \$1 million we transferred last year. I'm not in the favor of fee increases. We do not have an option of side stepping a recession and we shouldn't add that to the tax payers. On the other hand the fees should commiserate with the expenses that are associated with the service. We need to focus on expenses since we cannot control the revenue. I don't think we have enough time to balance the budget, but we should. We can do a couple of things:

- 1) We can try to get closer to the gap and pickup the balance next year. I don't think it will be any better next year.
- 2) We can begin with a zero base budget to look for additional savings.

Before layoffs we need to look at furloughs and salary reductions. We do not have enough time to start with a zero

base budget. We need to get as close as we can to close the almost 15% gap. I would suggest we arbitrarily take 5% off; establish a 1/3 year budget and set another budget hearing in April or March and attack this in another fashion.

- ≈ Janes – I would look at cutting expenses and look for new revenue. We need to be proactive in trying to discover revenue for the county. Maybe we need to consider outsourcing and a combination of what we need for jobs and what can be supplemented. We need to gut the overtime and everything else. We are going to need to be aggressive, unless the economy turns around; we will be dealing with issue for a long time.
- ≈ De Arvil – This is a tough decision. I cannot vote for anything unless it is a balanced budget. We may have to cut some benefits. It's all part of it, everybody has to give a little bit. I do this at my own house, if we can't afford to buy it we don't.

Hopkins states he is not in favor a negative balanced budget. I'm glad to get all of the input from the board members. As a Township Supervisor in 1980's we hit a low time; the EAV went down, farmland went down and costs went up. I would not raise the taxes and eventually the EAV did get better. There is always a light at the end of the tunnel. We needed to get everyone's opinion to see what direction we need to go in. Rice states we have cut \$2 million from the budget in the past two years. The next step is bodies and we need to measure what that cost would be to cut them. I don't feel there is anything left in the budget to cut the \$800,000 other than salaries. Hopkins says layoffs aren't free. We will take and compile all the information from tonight. Gouker would like to know what the costs savings were from the layoffs that took place last year. McKinley says on a salary of \$30,000 there is a net savings of \$22,000. Gouker asks if we have seen the numbers from the State of Illinois regarding unemployment costs. McKinley states she does not have the information with her. Gouker would like to see the costs from the unemployment program.

H.E.W. Committee

Minutes placed on exhibit

O-2010-0901

Health Department Administrator Doreen O'Brien presents O-2010-0901 regarding Health Department Public Health and Sanitation Fees which were presented last month. This is a 25% increase and these fees have not been raised in 6 years. O'Brien says she has made cuts in her department. Boes expressed his concerns at last month's meeting regarding the not-for-profit organizations. O'Brien states she provides the same service for the not-for-profit organizations as well as other groups, sometimes more because we are dealing with inexperienced people. O'Brien says it's not good business sense to provide a service at a lesser rate. Boes thinks in these economic times, it is wrong to charge the not-for-profits groups. O'Brien disagrees it would be wrong to serve food that's not safe for the public and increase your risk of a food born illness; this risk is greater with the not-for-profit organizations. There are a lot of rules and regulations which are involved with providing safe food for the public. Colbert moves to approve O-2010-0901 as presented, Bowers seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

O-2010-1001

Chairman Rice presents O-2010-1001 to increase the fees for the Well & Septic Program through the Health Department:

Ogle County Health Department
Well & Septic Program

10-1D-2:

| | <u>Present Fee</u> | <u>Proposed Fee</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Mechanical Unit registration Fee | \$25 | \$50 |
| New Septic Permit | \$250 | \$300 |
| Repair Septic Permit | \$175 | \$225 |

This Ordinance will be voted on next month.

**Sheriff/Buildings & Grounds
Coroner & IT Committee**

Minutes place on exhibit

R-2010-0907

Horner presents R-2010-0907 regarding the Volunteer Retirement Program Replacement Exception since Ruth Shipman is retiring. Sheriff Beitel states there are four people in the Sheriff's Department who are retiring. The Sheriff's Executive Secretary is a critical position due to the nature of this position. The Executive Secretary is the keeper of confidential personnel records, Sheriff's Sales and payroll processing. Beitel states he and Harn have worked hard on the budget as has the Finance Committee. There are other positions which will not be replaced for a longer period of time than the incentive specified. This will ensure they can have an Executive Secretary replacement trained and in place before December 1, 2010. Bowers asks if this is going to be a posted position. Beitel says it will not be a posted position since it is a non-union Administrative position. Beitel states due to the confidential nature of this position, he and Harn think it is not advisable to have anyone from the agency take over that position. Gouker asks if there is a significant savings between the old salary and the new salary. Beitel states with the guidance from the committees to go through the approval process, this position was at a maximum of \$40,000 for the full-time position. There is a savings of \$6,000. Gouker asks about "...with the hire date to begin as soon as the Sheriff's budget allows."- what does that mean? Harn states he will need this position filled ASAP, over the past 50 years there have only been two women in this position. There has to be a training period for this new person and there are less than 26 days left. Harn has committed to do what is needed. Harn states he has gone line item by line item and cutout another \$200,000 from the budget and doesn't know if that is going to be enough. If you cut any substantial money from anything more, that will be a body from the Sheriff's Office. If you cut a certain amount of people any income produced by the jail will be lost. The US Marshall Service will leave since we will not have enough people to fulfill their contract. That is an additional \$800,000 to \$900,000 we could loose. Horner moves to approve R-2010-0907 as presented and Messer seconds. Colson asks if we have an obligation to offer this position to other employees of the county who may possess this capability. Beitel states with the nature and the responsibility of this position; the Sheriff needs to be comfortable and trust this person. Barnes asks if any thought had been given to advertise for the position and have we hired anyone yet. Harn states we have not hired anyone at this time but he has someone in mind. This is an appointment

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done by the Sheriff. To have someone within the department or elsewhere; we have constant investigations regarding county employees and I need the right person. This needs to be a very impartial person. Barnes asks if this has been advertised to any county employees. Harn states he has not and under other circumstances he would but under these confidential circumstances he does not. This will be a neutral person and under Sheriff's Merit Commission rules this is an appointment by the Sheriff. Messer states this is one of the most crucial positions the Sheriff has, his personal secretary. This is a person who needs to be someone who is not involved with the department, 100% loyal to the Sheriff and not involved with the Unions. A roll call vote is called:

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

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

R-2010-0909

Chairman Rice has been contacted by the AOP Committee to have the Courthouse Open from 10 am – 2 pm on Sat., October 2, 2010 for tours. The Historical Committee will provide some volunteers, Larry Callant and Kris Gilbert have volunteered and we are asking some County Board Members volunteer as well. Boes asks if there is going to be security. Chairman Rice states the County Offices will be locked. The County Board Room, Memorial Hall and hallways are all that will be open. Horner states they would like to have two County Board members on each floor. They are looking for eight volunteers – please contact Meggon. County Clerk Huntley says she will have part of the basement secured because of Absentee Voting. There was discussion as to how many volunteers there are and what is needed. De Arvil makes the motion to approve R-2010-0909 to open the Courthouse as requested, Colson seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Resolution to be drafted and Placed on file)

Immigration Facility
Proposal Request

Sheriff Beitel says he received an e-mail communication on September 13th from the Immigration & Customs Enforcement's Chicago office about a holding facility in Ogle County. They have essentially the same master plan as they proposed in 2001 – 2002 to have one location to house all of their detainees and provide the services that they are required to provide. Some of their parameters have changed since 2001 – 2002; they are requiring the facility to be within 1 ½ hrs from their downtown office in Chicago, close to major transportation routes, high speed technology for video conferencing, within 30 minutes on ground to a hospital and other infrastructure. This information was presented to the Sheriff's Committee and Executive Committee and both approved exploring this opportunity. Sheriff Beitel is currently working on a white paper which needs to be submitted by October 8th outlining what our proposal will be to them. The Chicago Office is aware of the history here with Ogle County. They do not have any funding through their agency to help with construction. They are willing to negotiate on per diem and willing to guarantee a certain number of beds for a minimum of five years. We do have the plans from the previous proposal and they are close in the design and operation. They would have to be modified to meet modern standards. Colson

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asks if this is for detainees awaiting trial. Sheriff Beitel states this will be for immigration detainees and they have two classifications; civil and criminal. They will be conducting Immigration hearings at this facility. White asks if this facility could serve as the County Jail as well. I understand you will need to have a central booking area in Oregon. Sheriff Beitel says it can serve as a jail as well as house the US Marshall's prisoners. The existing US Marshall contract expires in 2015 and they are interested in participating in the new project with additional bed space. This facility can be designed and operated to replace the existing jail which will need to be sooner than later. This facility would need to be located on the East side of the County. Kilker asks about construction funds. Sheriff Beitel says INS has no funds available, but there are some private investors out there. Gouker has concerns with the possibility of Immigration Law changing and not as many detainees as projected. Sheriff Beitel states that is a concern and they have not seen a decrease there has been an increase. They have a desire to have one facility to service INS and it has continued to exist unsatisfied for almost a decade. We have another opportunity to take advantage of this. Gouker's concerns are building the facility and not have the people to support the facility. Sheriff Beitel states we could also design this as a Regional County Jail. Beitel states Ogle, Lee and DeKalb counties are close to needing new jails. It has been suggested to go with a regional approach. Gouker asks how many beds they are looking for. Beitel says they are looking for 500 beds expandable to 700. Gouker asks what would be the cost to the county. Beitel says there are private companies interested in financing this project. Gouker says if there is no funding what could the potential cost be to the county. Beitel states it could be in the \$30 to \$35 million range; without the outside funding I know this is not a feasible thing to do. Gouker would also like to see a detailed staffing cost for this project. Harn states this project will carry into his term and he assures the board members they will make the decision before money is spent. This project could employ 150 – 175 employees. Horner asks if the facility previously proposed to the county was built somewhere else. Beitel states no, they did not build a facility. Horner asks where those prisoners go. Beitel says they are spread out throughout Indiana, Wisconsin and Illinois. McHenry County got a portion of the \$9 million that was to go to Ogle County to finish out one floor to hold about 100 immigration detainees; they generate \$10 million in revenue. Kankakee County is holding approximately 300 US Marshall prisoners and they generated about \$15 million last year. They had a master plan when they approached Ogle County in 2001 that was for one facility; and this is something they still want. White says before we have to make a decision on this project, I would like to see a business plan. Williams asks what components will be included in the proposal. Beitel will be working on a white paper proposal which will include a narrative; the location according to their criteria will need to be on the east side of the county. They will expect the facility to meet their new performance based detention standards. Until we get a commitment from them, we can't really get into the exact description and design of the facility. It will have to be a facility to be designed, built and operated to meet all of their standards. Williams asks if there is another county in consideration for this facility. Beitel says they have probably solicited McHenry and Kankakee since they have IGA with the INS and US Marshalls. De Arvil asks if there is a possibility of grant money from Homeland Security or other agencies. Beitel says there is no CAP money

available, but there may be some stimulus money. Chairman Rice asks Sheriff Beitel to come back and update the board in October.

**Long Range Planning
Courthouse Renovation**

Minutes placed on exhibit

Update

Stahl updates the board on the following:

- No other updates – they are in the minutes
- There is a new sheet regarding bills on your desks – we are not paying Ringland-Johnson’s final payment – County Administrator McKinley will be working on final numbers

R-2010-0908

Stahl presents Resolution 2010-0908 authorizing \$13,851.96 to be paid out of the Long Range Planning Fund as follows:

| SUPPLIER NAME | DESCRIPTION | AMOUNT |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Ringland-Johnson Inc. | Courthouse Remodel – App 14 | \$0.00 |
| Fischer's, Inc. | Courthouse Signage & Plaque | \$ 3,480.60 |
| Bonnie Hendrickson | Historic Society - Framing & Supplies | \$ 199.67 |
| Tricia Ditto Photography | Historic Framing | \$ 90.00 |
| Doty Studio Image Design | Historic Society Framing | \$ 131.68 |
| Verizon Select Services Inc. | Moving Phone Lines back to Courthouse | \$ 5,400.00 |
| John Donaldson Concrete | New "S" curve sidewalk-Courthouse | \$ 2,975.00 |
| Midwest Cement Products Inc. | (3) Security Barriers-Old Courthouse | \$ 1,575.00 |
| | TOTAL: | \$ 13,851.96 |

Bowers moves to approve R-2010-0908 presented and Horner seconds. Gouker asks about the Fischer’s Inc bill? McKinley says the bill was for a flag which was returned. Williams comments on the need to perform a “complete reconciliation” before the final payment is disbursed. If a sub-contractor had change orders, there is a schedule of values showing what the original and final contract stated. You need to go back and add all the change orders. What this does is protect us from any future liens. Once the check is cashed and we sign off, we could potentially have sub-contractors come back to us filing liens. Williams also questions a bill in the LRP minutes regarding \$42,598.65 on software. McKinley says this is a typo for the GUI Interface which Laura is using to monitor the meeting; the actual bill is \$4,200. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Chairman Rice comments on the work done by Hess Construction in regards to the sandstone columns on the courthouse. They did the rehab of the columns, need to keep sealing it to maintain.

Chairman Comments

- Heuer will have Laura Cook e-mail the Fall Conference at the Lincoln Library to all the board members. She encourages all board members to attend.
- Chairman Rice has information regarding Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University– the information will be e-mailed and please visit the website.

Administrator Comments - none

Unfinished Business

- Horner asks about the echo in the County Board room and would like someone to see if something can be done to help with this problem.

New Business –

Communications –

- Sales Tax for May 2009 was \$19,928.67 and \$60,457.90
- Sales Tax for May 2010 was \$20,133.03 and \$62,351.29
- Influenza & Pneumonia Schedule from Health Dept

Motion to Adjourn

At 7:25 p.m., Nye makes the motion to adjourn the Ogle County Board meeting until Tuesday, October 19, 2010. Horner 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