

Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Organizational Meeting  
February 19, 2013

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County of Ogle ) ss

**Call to Order**

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

**Roll Call**

The roll call shows Simms and Welty are absent. The Pledge of Allegiance is followed by the Invocation given by Colbert.

**Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Gouker asks for a motion to approve the January 15, 2013 Ogle County Board Meeting minutes. McKinney moves to approve, Janes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

**Approval of Reports**

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

**County Mortgage “Burning” –**

Chairman Gouker invites former County Board Chairman Jerry Daws to join the County Mortgage “Shredding” of the Judicial Center Bonds. Chairman Gouker states Daws was the County Board Chairman who formed the 1998 Long Range Planning Committee and asked Gouker to be Chairman of the committee. The Long Range Planning Committee then asked the County Board in 2002 to build the Judicial Center and borrow \$15 million in Bonds for the project. During research it was found when the current Courthouse was built in 1890’s, the County was in debt \$100,000 and the farmers at that time didn’t think they would ever pay off the debt. They did pay off the debt within 12 years. The Long Range Planning Committee also wanted to be able to pay off the debt early and within 10 years, states Chairman Gouker. Chairman Gouker invites County Board members to participate in the “shredding” of the bonds.

Daws said it was quite a project to undertake at that time and states Ogle County should be proud of paying the bonds off early.

**Presentation – Blackhawk Hills RCD – Dan Payette – iFiber Update**

Dan Payette distributes a map and newsletter regarding the iFiber project and updates the board. Payette states since the county had the foresight to install the fiber optic conduit and cabling; a great multitude of county owned buildings are connected and will necessitate one connection which will be made at the Sheriff’s Department. There are many uses besides Internet; you can also use it for Voice Over IP telephone service, disaster recovery network and Radio Over IP radio communication.

Chairman Gouker asks what we can do as a governmental agency to help prepare to participate and take full advantage of this. Payette says if the GIS Consortium transfer or update files it would be more effective over the fiber connection. Payette says to reach out to the Public Safety Sector and other entities to look into setting up access.

Petrizzo would like to compliment the contractors working on the project for leaving a clean site when they are finished. Petrizzo asks how complete is the project? Payette refers to the map distributed earlier.

**Presentation – United Way – Circuit Clerk Kim Stahl & Director of Court Services Greg Martin**

Circuit Clerk Kim Stahl informs the board they are here to kick-off the Annual United Way Campaign. There will be a Department Luncheon next week on February 26, 2013 and distribute information to the employees. There were 41 participants last year and 61 participants the year before, the dollar amount remained the same, says Stahl. We are hoping to increase the amount of participation for this campaign. Director of Court Services Greg Martin explains United Way and how the money is distributed back to Ogle County Agencies. Martin introduces Jenny Beckman who is the United Way Representative for Ogle County, to say a few words. Beckman thanks the County Board for allowing her to time to talk about United Way. Martin has Solid Waste Director Steve Rypkema come forward to speak. Rypkema states last November they

started a Recycle Christmas Lights Program and worked with local Fire Departments throughout the County. Boxes were set out to collect used old or non-working Christmas lights and extension cords at various locations; for the purpose of recycling and reducing the risk of fires in the homes. Two pick-up truck loads were collected and they worked with Messenger Auto Recycling who is now Behr Metals of Rochelle. There were 707 lbs. recycled at \$.20 per pound and the proceeds will be donated to United Way. Rypkema presents Beckman with a check in the amount of \$141.40 for the United Way of Ogle County. Martin thanks the County Board for their time tonight.

#### **Presentation – HOSPICE – Executive Director Lynn Knodle**

Chairman Gouker introduces the Hospice Executive Director Lynn Knodle to give a brief presentation. Knodle explains Hospice treatment and how it is available to people who have been diagnosed with a terminal illness. Knodle states the funds received are used for Bereavement Counseling which is not funded through any reimbursement through Medicaid or Medicare reimbursements. There are 14 Hospice Agencies in the area and the individual can choose any agency. Knodle talks about the in-patient facility called Serenity Home which is located in Oregon and how it can be utilized by individuals. Knodle encourages anyone who would like to tour the facility to please stop by anytime.

#### **Appointments –**

- Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board (3) – postponed

#### **Resignation –**

Chairman Gouker announces we have received a resignation from Martin Typer on the Mental Health “708” Board. Petrizzo asks if Typer can serve on the Mental Health “708” Board as a citizen. Chairman Gouker states the Illinois State Statute only allows one County Board member who can be on the board and Dorothy Bowers is the County Board representative. Saunders moves to approve R-2013-0201, Brooks seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

#### **Vacancies –**

- Ogle County Civic Center Authority – 5 vacancies
- Mental Health 708 Board – 1 vacancy
- 911 ETSB (Law Enforcement) - 1 vacancy

Application and Resumé deadline – Friday, March 1, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.  
in the County Clerk’s Office located at 105 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL

- Dixon Fire Protection District – 1 vacancy
- Forreston Fire Protection District – 1 vacancy
- Franklin Grove Fire Protection District – 1 vacancy
- Leaf River Fire Protection District – 1 vacancy
- Lost Nation/New Landing RCD – 1 vacancy
- Lynn-Scott-Rock Fire Protection District – 1 vacancy
- Oregon Fire Protection District – 1 vacancy
- Planning Commission – 2 vacancies
- Zoning Board of Appeals – 1 vacancy
- Mental Health “708” Board – 1 vacancy – unexpired term ends 12/31/2014
- Byron Museum District – 1 vacancy – unexpired term ends 6/30/2016

Application and Resumé deadline – Monday, April 1, 2013 at 4:30 p.m.  
in the County Clerk’s Office located at 105 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL

#### **Zoning – #12-12 SPECIAL USE – Joseph Vincer, by Aaron Vincer – O-2013-0201**

Colson presents the petition of Joseph Vincer, by Aaron Vincer, Agent, 2525 E. Ash Rd., Byron, IL for a Special Use permit to allow a motorcycle safety training area in the B-2 Business Recreation District on property described as follows and owned by the petitioner: Part of the SE1/4 of the SW1/4 of Section 12 Rockvale Township 24N, R10E of the 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 40.0 acres, more or less - PIN: 09-12-300-006 & -005 - Common Location: 2525 E. Ash Rd. Colson moves to approve O-2013-0201, Janes seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

#### **Public Comment –**

- ◆ County Engineer Curtis D. Cook – In light of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ogle County Highway Department; Cook presents an article from the newspaper dated January 29,

1913 discussing “Good Roads Day” on March 7, 1913. A couple of weeks after this article Ogle County adopted a Resolution forming the Ogle County Highway Department.

- ◆ Bobbie Colbert announces County Board Member Ashley Simms is not present tonight as Eva Sophia Simms was born this morning. Congratulations to the Simms Family.

**Road & Bridge – Resolution for Vacation - Oregon-Nashua Township – R-2013-0202**

Hopkins moves to approve the Resolution for Vacation in Oregon-Nashua Township R-2013-0202 and McKinney seconds. This is in the middle of the Oregon Country Club Golf Course and it has never been used. The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Road & Bridge - Local Agency Agreement - Flagg Rd (Chana Rd to Center R) Section 09-00276-00-RS – R-2013-0203**

Hopkins moves to approve the Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation in the overlay of Flagg Rd, from Chana Road to Center Road, Section 09-00276-00-RS which appropriates \$392,500 for the project. Griffin seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file).

**Road & Bridge - 2012 County MFT Supplemental - 12-00000-0X-GM – R-2013-0204**

Hopkins moves to approve R-2013-0204 for the 2012 County Motor Fuel Tax Supplemental - Section 12-00000-0X-GM in the amount of \$335,033.18. O’Brien seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Road & Bridge - 2013 County Pipe Supply – R-2013-0205**

Hopkins moves to approve R-2013-0205 for the 2013 County Pipe Supply which appropriates \$17,000.00 for the County portion of the project. Kenney seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Ogle County Claims – Clerk reads the claims:**

- Payments in Vacation – January 2013 - \$102,978.29
- County Board Payments - February 19, 2013 - \$106,692.89
- County Highway Fund – \$78,330.13

McKinney moves to approve claims and Petrizzo seconds. Saunders is concerned about the Payments in Vacation presented, there are invoices dated in December on the report. If the invoice was from December, there is no reason it cannot be presented to the committee for payment. Saunders would like to encourage the Department Heads to try and get the bills in a more timely fashion. Saunders asks what the Wal-Mart Community is that is listed on the report. Janes states this is a Sheriff bill and advises Saunders to talk to the Sheriff. The motion carries on a voice vote.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The following committee minutes have been placed on exhibit: 911 ETS Board, County Infrastructure, County Security, Executive Committee, Finance & Insurance and Personnel, HEW & Solid Waste and Veterans, Judiciary and Circuit Clerk, Long Range and Strategic Planning, Mental Health ‘708 Board, Planning Commission, Road & Bridge, State’s Attorney and Juvenile & Probation 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, Liquor Commission, L.O.T.S., Safety Committee and UCCI/ICRMT.

Long Range Planning Committee:

- LRP Bills – R-2013-0206

SUPPLIER NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Stillman Bank	Bond Series 2003 Agent Fee	\$125.00
Stillman Bank	Bond Series 2004 Agent Fee	\$125.00
	TOTAL:	\$250.00

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Colson moves to approve R-2013-0206, Kirkolis seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**HEW & Solid Waste:**

- Electronic Products Recycling & Reuse Grant Agreement – IEPA – R-2013-0207

Bowers presents R-2013-0207 and states this is a new grant Solid Waste applied for and was approved. Petrizzo seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

- Joint Resolution to Incorporate Whiteside County into the Lee County & Ogle County Educational Service Region – R-2013-0208

Bowers presents R-2013-0208 and Oltmanns seconds. Chairman Gouker states Lee County presented this Resolution at their County Board meeting this morning and held it over until next month. Chairman Gouker requests we hold this resolution over until next month as well. McKinney makes the motion to postpone action on R-2012-0208 and Nordman seconds; the motion carries on a voice vote.

- Chairman Comments:

- Former Chairman Barnes is recovering from knee surgery
- Committee update: Nordman has been elected as Vice-Chairman of the State’s Attorney and Juvenile & Probation Committee
- Economic Development:
  - Contacted Mayor Chet Olson regarding Ogle County working with the City of Rochelle.
  - Sparrow will be working with Mayor Olson to communicate with other municipalities regarding Economic Development.
- Workforce Area merger update: Merger completed and effective July 1, 2013.
- Electrical Aggregation update: First Public Hearing was held tonight and another will be held on March 19, 2013.

- Vice-Chairman Comments:

- Thanks members of the board and department heads for making the single day committee meetings concept work. There were some concerns in the beginning, but he believes it is working successfully. Everyone is on time for the meetings and participating.

**Communications –**

- Sales Tax for November 2011 was \$30,622.59 and \$59,448.45
- Sales Tax for November 2012 was \$22,598.33 and \$63,700.44
- Comcast Annual Report

**Closed Session –**

At 6:37 p.m., Chairman Gouker asks for a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss the purchase or sale of property pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (5). Bowers makes the motion to enter into Closed Session, Oltmanns seconds and a roll call vote is taken:

YES: McKinney, Meyers, Nordman, O’Brien, Oltmanns, Petrizzo, Saunders, Sparrow, Typer, Bowers, Brooks, Colbert, Colson, Finfrock, Griffin, Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Janes, Kenney, Kirkolis and Gouker

NO: None

ABSENT: Simms and Welty

The motion carries on a roll call vote.

**Open Session –**

At 7:17 p.m., the County Board returns to Open Session. Chairman Gouker announces there will be no action taken from the Closed Session.

**Unfinished Business –**

**New Business –**

**Adjourn Meeting**

At 7:18 p.m., Nordman moves to adjourn the Ogle County Board until Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Oregon. Meyers seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Chairman Kim P. Gouker  
Ogle County Board

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