

**Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting  
June 20, 2017**

State of Illinois    )  
County of Ogle    ) ss

**Call to Order**

Chairman Gouker calls the Ogle County Board Meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

**Roll Call**

The roll call shows Finrock, Griffin and Whalen are absent. The Invocation is given by Heuer and is followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Presentation – Judge Roe & States Attorney Morrow, Drug Awareness Month**

Judge Roe and States Attorney Morrow present the advantages that they have seen with the incorporation of Drug Court. Spoke of the partnerships within the county that make up the Drug Court team and how well they have been able to make the program most effective. The Drug Court Team has been able to work over the years and have been able to achieve a 75% success rate. States Attorney Morrow stressed that this is a County wide problem and that this is an example of how we are working on addressing real issues.

**Presentation – Mark Schwendau, Board Member of Rochelle Kitchen Table**

Mark Schwendau, Board Member of The Kitchen Table in Rochelle, shared a summary of how the The Kitchen Table went through renovations under the vision of Carolyn Brown and became a successful and operational community café. The hopes was that the community members that partake in the The Kitchen Table pay-it-forward. Schwendau also spoke to the amount of time and money Carolyn has put into this venture with \$60,000 of her personal money and the fundraising she has done by selling homemade salsa. The mission of The Kitchen Table is to decrease hunger by providing healthy food; all while patrons and community members help to “run” the cafe. The Kitchen Table is run by volunteers for everything from food preparation, serving, and clean-up. Schwendau encouraged volunteering if anyone was available and that there are real health benefits to volunteering. Schwendau also invited Board members to come and celebrate the 1 year anniversary of The Kitchen Table on June 30, 2017.

**Consent Agenda Items – by Roll Call Vote**

1. Approval of May 16, 2017, Ogle County Board Meeting Minutes
2. Accept Monthly Reports – Treasurer, County Clerk & Recorder and Circuit Clerk
3. Appointments -
  1. Lost Lake RCD - Anthony R O'Brien - R-2017-0601
  2. Byron Museum District - James D Eisfeller - R-2017-0602
4. Resignations - Housing Authority Board - Janet Stahlheber - R-2017-0603
5. Vacancies -
  1. Franklin Grove Fire Protection District - 1 vacancy
  2. Board of Health – 1 vacancy - Applicant must be a dentist
  3. Civic Center Authority Board - 4 vacancies
  4. Housing Authority Board - 1 vacancy (unexpired)

Application and Resumé deadline – Friday, June 30, 2017, at 4:30 p.m.  
in the County Clerk’s Office located at 105 S. 5th St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL

6. Ogle County Claims –
  - o Department Claims - May 2017 - \$18,237.49
  - o County Board Payments – June 20, 2017 – \$146,632.82
  - o County Highway Fund – \$167,124.95
7. Communications -
  - o Sales Tax for March 2016 was \$30,184.07 and \$69,851.46
  - o Sales Tax for March 2017 was \$31,851.09 and \$71,053.97

Oltmanns moves to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and Bowers seconds. Roll call vote is called:

YES: Heuer, Hopkins, Janes, Kenney, McKinney, Meyers, Nordman, Oltmanns, Reising, Saunders, Smith, Sparrow, Typer, Williams, Bolin, Bowers, Colbert, Colson, Fritz, Gronewold, and Gouker

NO: None

ABSENT: Finrock, Griffin, Whalen

Motion carries on roll call vote.

**Zoning - #3-17 Special Use - Robert DeCosta & Christie Hardt - R-2017-0604**

Janes presented #3-17 Special Use - Robert DeCosta & Christie Hardt for a Special Use Permit to allow a commercial dog kennel (including dog breeding, import & sale of puppies, grooming facility and dog obedience training) in AG-1 Agricultural District on property described as follows and owned by the petitioners: Part of the NW1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 13 White Rock Township 41N, R1E of the 3<sup>rd</sup> P.M., Ogle County, IL, 10.94 acres, more or less. P. I. N.:18-13-100-006 & -005 - Common Location: 14189 E. Dutch Rd.

Janes moves to approve R-2017-0604 as presented, Hopkins seconds then roll call was taken:

YES: Hopkins, Janes, Kenney, McKinney, Meyers, Nordman, Oltmanns, Reising, Saunders, Smith, Sparrow, Typer, Williams, Bolin, Bowers, Colbert, Colson, Fritz, Gronewold, Heuer, and Gouker

NO: None

ABSENT: Finrock, Griffin, Whalen

Motion carries on roll call vote. (Placed on file)

Board member, Ron Colson, comments that this special use permit is an example of why the County needs to set a specific ordinance for this kind of situation. The County setting a standard that must be met allows future Special Use permits to be taken care of in a clear and timely manner.

Board member, Lee Meyers asked that his concern be put on record of White Rock Township holding a meeting on the special use permit and not inviting the petitioners involved. Meyers stated that a Special Use Permit goes with the property so if it is sold or transferred the permit goes with it. Meyers asks for a Roll Call vote to be taken. Chairman Gouker stated for the record that the Board has no control over how the Township conducts their business.

**Zoning – Variance - Marc Mongan - R-2017-0605**

Janes presented application for Variance to the requirements of the Ogle County, IL Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance of Marc Mongan, 3010 N. River Rd., Oregon, IL to allow a non-residential building (storage building) to have a lowest floor elevation 680.06 feet in lieu of 682.2 feet (flood protection elevation) as required.

Janes moves to approve R-2017-0605 as presented, Fritz seconds and the motion carries. (Placed on file)

**Public Comments –**

- Nick Bolin, County Board member, expressed his gratitude to Tom Richter (Director of OCEMA), Sheriff VanVickle, Stillman Valley Fire, ComEd and family and friends who helped after his family farm was mostly destroyed the past weekend in the storms.
- Bill Motisi, Village of Davis Junction Trustee spoke of his approval of the Economic Development Service Contract and that when/if the Board approves the contract later in the meeting that Davis Junction would like to be asked to be a part of the next steps of the process.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The following committee minutes have been placed on exhibit: County Facilities, County IT/GIS, County Security, Executive, Finance and Insurance, HEW & Solid Waste and Veterans, Judiciary and Circuit Clerk, Long Range and Strategic Planning, Negotiations Committee, Personnel and Salary, Road & Bridge, State’s Attorney and Juvenile & Probation, and Supervisor of Assessments and Planning & Zoning.

- **Long Range Planning:**

- Long Range Planning Invoices – R-2017-0606

Oltmanns presents R-2017-0606 for the following bills:

<u>VENDOR NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Cable Organizer.com	Computer Supplies - EOC - IT Project	\$ 944.46
SimplexGrinnell	Security Card System - Rochelle EOC	\$ 5,746.50
Tate's Trenching, Inc.	Camera & Capping of Sewer @ 102 S. 5th St.	\$ 325.00
O'Donnell Crane	Crane used to move house from DeKalb to Oregon - 911 Tower	\$ 9,000.00
Rewerts Design Group	Construction Administration - Rochelle EOC	\$ 8,800.00
Advanced Disposal	Demo Debris - 102 S. 5th Street	\$ 6,164.17
Rochelle Waste Disposal	Demo Debris - 102 S. 5th Street	\$ 35.10
Gold Piece Enterprises, Inc.	Asbestos Abatement - 507 Jefferson St.	\$ 7,236.00
Gold Piece Enterprises, Inc.	Add'l Asbestos Abatement - 102 S. 5th Street	\$ 883.00
Martin & Company	Stone for fill @ 102 S. 5th Street	\$ 2,901.04
West Side Tractor Sales	Excavator Rental for Demo - 102 S. 5th Street	\$ 2,900.00
Schmeling Construction Co.	Application #2 - Rochelle EOC	\$ 352,695.46
Card Service Center - IT	Amazon - APC Smart UPS - Rochelle EOC	\$ 593.94
Larry Callant	Amazon - Computer Supplies - Rochelle EOC	\$ 131.55
Syndeo	On-Site Support - Labor - IT Contractors	\$ 3,072.00
Menard's	Computer Supplies - Rochelle EOC	\$ 80.44
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$ 401,508.66</b>

Oltmanns moves to approve R-2017-0606 as presented, Sparrow seconds and motion carries. (Placed on file)

- AIA - Change Order #002 - R-2017-0607

Oltmanns presents R-2017-00607 AIA Change Order #002 totaling a savings of \$1,351.95. Oltmanns moves to approve and Bolin seconds and motion carries. (Placed on file)

- Projects Update

Oltmanns stated that the Spoor House is down and the committee is in the process of collecting bids for the finishing of the parking lot, (due July 7<sup>th</sup>) that will be presented at the next committee meeting. The EOC is coming right along and Oltmanns encouraged

any to stop in and see the status of the project. Chairman Gouker stated that a tremendous job was done on that building in meeting deadlines and having an operational room already. Chairman Gouker also stated that they will be running an emergency exercise tomorrow and will be moving on to the renovations of the upstairs.

▪ **Finance and Insurance:**

- IMRF Participation for Elected Officials of Ogle County - R- 2017- 0608  
Sparrow presents R-2017-0608 which is a requirement that every two years the County to adopt the IMRF Participation for Elected Officials of Ogle County. Sparrow moves to approve and Smith seconds and motion carries. (Placed on file)
- Economic Development Services Contract – R-2017-0609  
Sparrow presents R-2017-0609 which will create the Economic Development Services Contract with Hopkins - Manheim Solutions, INC. hiring them to participate with the County and several communities. Sparrow moves to approve and Janes seconds.

Sparrow took the time to explain in more detail that the opportunity would consist of Hopkins-Manheim Solutions, Inc. acting as a coordinator for Ogle County and participating municipalities for a fee of \$100 per hour, not to exceed 40 hours per month. The acceptance of the contract is suggested as long as at least three municipalities also participate. In the second phase, after obtaining sufficient support by various private sector companies and groups, to split the cost with Ogle County; up to 40 % of all costs, and 30% split equally with the participating municipalities, and 30% by the private sector. The agreement also provides that the Ogle County's share would not exceed more than \$1,600 per month before securing private sector participants. Once at least three private sector participants, the municipality's collective share will be up \$1,200 per month, with all bills during this phase shared proportionately at this same proportion of \$0.75 paid collectively by municipalities, for every \$1 paid by Ogle County. The initial contract with Hopkins-Manheim Solutions, Inc. will be reviewed by the Finance and Executive Committees for effectiveness and utilization six months after the contract is initiated, and the contract will expire eighteen months after the contract is initiated, and may be renewed at the option of the Ogle County Board at that time.

County Board member Skip Kenney states that there is an extreme need for a push in economic development as that is the only way these small towns will survive. That the County of Ogle desperately needs the opportunity for growth and they need someone dedicated to it. Motion carries. (Placed on file)

**Unfinished and New Business:**

**Chairman Comments:**

Chairman Gouker updated the Board on the siting of the jail project. The property on 6<sup>th</sup> Street was approved by the City Council for the rezoning. Chairman Gouker spoke of going back next week to the Council to seek the approval of the vacation of 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Chairman Gouker wanted to make sure that he understood that the Board was all of the same opinion on the 6<sup>th</sup> Street location; that it is the most ideal, provides the most public safety, most efficient for corrections and the courts, and provides the lowest cost to the County and to its tax payers.

Board member, Lyle Hopkins, commented that as someone in the position to represent Ogle County, that the most efficient, economical job is to put the jail as close to the Judicial Center as possible. The safety factor that is involved having prisoners 5 maybe 10 blocks away, moving those prisoners to the Judicial Center, looks very hazy area for a possibility of things happening on the way to the Judicial Center. The County owns the land and the majority of Ogle County would like for the Jail to be done in the most efficient way as can be done. Hopkins states that putting the jail right beside the Judicial Center is the most efficient place.

Sparrow, spoke of his agreement with Hopkins' statement. Stating that, as the Finance Chairman he agreed that the 6<sup>th</sup> Street location is the most efficient, probably the most

productive, and the most economical place to put the jail. He further stated that it makes the most sense according to the testimonies of the Sheriff and other law enforcement agencies that a jail be as close to the Judicial Center as possible. Sparrow stated, having the jail as close to the Judicial Center connected with the sally port is as close as you can get. Sparrow concluded, for these reasons he is also in favor with going where the Board has sited it.

Bolin, spoke regarding economic development. Bolin shared his concerns for the jail being placed in other suggested locations would interrupt the economic development of the Riverfront. Moving the jail to the 6<sup>th</sup> Street location also makes the most sense to him.

Oltmanns, shared that not only was the 6<sup>th</sup> Street location the best financial decision and also the best safety decision; not only for the correctional officers but for the citizens of Oregon as well. The least amount of time the prisoners need to be transferred the safer for everyone. Having the location so close is why he supports the 6<sup>th</sup> Street location.

Chairman Gouker took the time to ensure the Board that this conversation was to make sure that the Board was in agreement with the decision and he encouraged everyone to speak whether it was positive or negative feedback.

Colson, spoke of the understanding of those who were against the jail location but also was for the majority of people who were for it. If the majority of the people in the County agree with the location and its positives of public safety and efficiency we should follow through in the direction the project is moving. Colson believes that the proposal as it exists is of the most benefit, to the majority of people in the County.

Sheriff VanVickle took the time to apologize to the Board because at the last City Council meeting they provided them paperwork about the location of the jail done by the Federal Government and that they hadn't provided it to the Board. The paperwork indicated that the location that has been proposed is exactly in accordance with what is the best recommendation from the National Institute of Corrections.

Heuer, shared her opinion that it is the recommendation of Long Range Planning committee for the 6<sup>th</sup> Street location for the jail was not taken lightly. Heuer stated that this decision has taken almost two years and several factors were looked at to come to this decision. Long Range looked in to economics, safety, ground construction and the 6<sup>th</sup> Street location is the best choice. Heuer also stated that even if the votes did not go with the Committee that it still doesn't change the fact that they feel 6<sup>th</sup> Street is the best site for the proposed jail.

Chairman Gouker asked that if there was anyone who was against the 6<sup>th</sup> Street location. Chairman Gouker wanted to make sure that when he was speaking for the County Board that he was actually speaking for the entire County Board and not leaving out any concerns if there were some by any of the Board members. There were no other comments from the board members.

**Vice-Chairman Comments:**

**Closed Session: None**

**Adjourn Meeting**

At 6:46 p.m., Bowers makes the motion to adjourn the meeting until Tuesday, July 18, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Oregon, Colbert seconds and the motion carries.

Chairman, Kim P. Gouker  
Ogle County Board

Attest: Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk &  
Ex-officio Clerk of the Ogle County Board

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