

**Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting
October 15, 2019**

State of Illinois)
County of Ogle) ss

Call to Order

Chairman John Finfrock calls the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

The roll call was taken and shows Droege (5:38 pm), Fox, Heuer (5:35 pm), Hopkins (5:35 pm), and McLester absent. The invocation is given by Kenney and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Appointment - County Board District #6 - Boes - R-2019-1001

Swearing in of County Board Member District #6

Bowers moves to approve R-2019-1001 to appoint Larry E. Boes and Asp seconds.

Associate Circuit Judge Clayton Lindsey swore Larry E. Boes in as appointed County Board Member for County Board District #6.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

Presentation - Tom Richter, Ogle County Emergency Management Coordinator

Ogle County Multi-Jurisdictional All Hazards Mitigation Plan - R-2019-1002

Youman moves to approve R-2019-1002 and Janes seconds.

Tom Richter briefly explained this Resolution is an automated renewal process. If this plan isn't passed organizations such as Solid Waste and Public Health cannot qualify to receive federal funding. Richter emphasized that this is not an Emergency Response Plan but a mitigation plan.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

Consent Agenda Items – by Roll Call Vote

1. Approval of September 17, 2019 Ogle County Board Meeting Minutes
2. Accept Monthly Reports – Treasurer, County Clerk & Recorder and Circuit Clerk
3. Appointments -
 - Byron Museum District - Jennifer Wheeler - R-2019-1003
4. Resignations -
 - Christopher Davis - Leaf River Fire Protection District - R-2019-1004
 - Kole Bennett – Byron Museum District – R-2019-1008
5. Vacancies -
 - Board of Health - 3 Vacancies
 - Leaf River Fire Protection District - 1 Vacancy
 - Byron Museum District – 1 Vacancy
 - Housing Authority Board - 1 Vacancy
 - Civic Center Authority Board - 4 Vacancies
 - Franklin Grove Fire Protection District -1 Vacancy
Application and Resumé deadline – Friday, November 1, 2019, at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk's Office located at 105 S. 5th St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL
 - Mental Health 708 Board - 4 Vacancies
Application and Resumé deadline – Wednesday, November 27, 2019, at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk's Office located at 105 S. 5th St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL

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6. Ogle County Claims –

- o Department Claims - September 2019 - \$68,043.45
- o County Board Payments – \$105,459.91
- o County Highway Fund – \$68,094.06

7. Communications –

- o Communication Vegetation Management - H787, L10763 & L10766
- o Sales Tax for July 2019 was \$30,572.76 and \$83,839.26

Smith moves to approve the Consent Agenda and Fritz seconds. Oltmanns abstains from County Board claims vote due to his business provided a service to the County:

YES: Kenney, McKinney, Nordman, Reising, Smith, Sparrow, Sulser, Typer, Whalen, Youman, Asp, Bowers, Corbitt, Droege, Fritz, Griffin, Heuer, Hopkins, Janes, Boes and Finfrock

NO: None

ABSENT: Fox and McLester

ABSTAINED: Oltmanns (County Board Payments claim 5114)

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

Zoning - #7-19 Amendment - Ehmen - O-2019-1001

Fritz presents #7-19 AMENDMENT - Wayne C. Ehmen, Trustee, 15763 E. Royster Lane, Monroe Center, IL; and Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Inc., % Chad Bruner, 10601 N. Pennsylvania Ave., Oklahoma City, OK for an Amendment to the Zoning District to rezone that part of the subject parcel currently zoned AG-1 Agricultural District to B-3 Restricted Interstate Highway Area Business District on property described as follows, owned by Wayne C. Ehmen; and being purchased by Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Inc.: Part of the East Half (E1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section 20, Township 42 North, Range 2 East of the 3rd Principal Meridian, Monroe Township, Ogle County, IL, 35.2314 acres, more or less – P.I.N.: Part of 12-20-400-006 - Common Location: South East Corner of I-39 & IL Rte. 72

Fritz moves to approve O-2019-1001 as presented and Oltmanns seconds.

Item passed 4-1 and 1 abstention in Regional Planning Commission & 5-1 in Zoning Board of Appeals. Roll call taken:

YES: McKinney, Nordman, Oltmanns Reising, Smith, Sparrow, Sulser, Typer, Whalen, Youman, Asp, Boes, Bowers, Corbitt, Droege, Fritz, Griffin, Heuer, Hopkins, Janes, Kenney and Finfrock

NO: None

ABSENT: Fox and McLester

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

Zoning - #9-19 Special Use - Ehmen - O-2019-1002

Fritz presents #9-19 SPECIAL USE - Wayne C. Ehmen Trust, Wayne C. Ehmen, Trustee , 15763 E. Royster Lane, Monroe Center, IL; and Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Inc., % Chad Bruner, 10601 N. Pennsylvania Ave., Oklahoma City, OK for a Special Use in the B-3 Restricted Interstate Highway Area Business District to allow construction of an automobile service station, including a convenience store, fast food restaurant with drive-thru, tire service shop, auto and semi fueling canopies, underground fuel tanks, and all associated parking areas, on property described as follows, owned by Wayne C. Ehmen; and being purchased by Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Inc.:Part of the East Half (E1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section 20, Township 42 North, Range 2 East of the 3rd Principal Meridian, Monroe Township, Ogle County, IL, 35.2314 acres, more or less – P.I.N.: Part of 12-20-400-006 - Common Location: South East Corner of I-39 & IL Rte. 72

Fritz moves to approve O-2019-1002 as presented and Smith seconds.

Item passed 4-1 and 1 abstention in Regional Planning Commission & 5-0 in Zoning Board of Appeals.

Youman asked for the clarification on why this property needed a Special Use Permit when they are zoned a B-3 for the Board and community members to understand the Special Use request.

Harry Adams, Zoning Administrator explained the B-3, Restricted Interstate Highway Area Business District, is designed specifically for areas surrounding Interstate interchanges, and providing services for Interstate motorists, however the reason a Special Use Permit is required for an automobile service station within a B-3 District is because as written, the Ogle County Amendatory Zoning Ordinance does not allow any permitted uses in that Zoning District. The B-3 District does have a list of uses allowed by Special Use Permit, including an automotive service station with restaurant, and a list of specifically prohibited uses.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

Public Comment –

- Brenda Mason, Director of FOCUS House, expressed her gratitude to the Board for making it a point to come out to the building and see what is going on. She gave a brief overview of the things happening at FOCUS House and thanked the Board for their continued support of their mission. Mason stated that the vision for FOCUS House a year ago is really starting to come to fruition. They wanted to see a large continuum of services and they are now able to provide alternative programming, opened up Outpatient services and continue to run the two houses for residential. Starting to see the expansion of the outpatient service with DeKalb and Lee Counties using our services.

Smith asked about the status of the Miller House. Mason stated that things are going well they are currently housing 5 boys from both Lee and Ogle County. Smith also asked about the Annex building and Mason shared she hasn't heard anything since the Board approved the appraisal of the building.

Smith questioned what the long term goals are from here on out of the FOCUS House.

Dave Tess, the Chairman of the FOCUS House Foundation Board spoke to the board members that were present at the meeting. The Foundation is now a divided mission of volunteer services or "short term" and long term service. The Foundation's long term goals involved expanding the FOCUS House campus, with a goal of moving the houses from in town to out of town. The Foundation has purchased 5 acres of surrounding land for that purpose. There was a focus of a "college campus" dormitory style space with the purchase of that land as well as a future, Regional Treatment Center for youth in this area. The Foundation has also been given the option to purchase an additional 5 acres but they would like feedback as to if they should go out and raise those funds or if there is a better idea or use that the Foundation should be focusing on.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committee minutes have been placed on exhibit: 911 ETSB, County Facilities, County IT, County Security, Executive, Finance and Insurance, HEW & Solid Waste and Veterans, Judiciary and Circuit Clerk, Long Range and Strategic Planning, Mental Health 708 Board, Personnel and Salary, Regional Planning Commission, Road & Bridge, State's Attorney – Court Services – FOCUS House, and Supervisor of Assessments and Planning & Zoning.

- **Finance & Insurance**

- Mobile Home Tax Sale - R-2019-1005

Sparrow moves to approve R-2019-1005 which is a contract with Joseph E Meyer, Ogle County Delinquent Tax Agent to sell Mobile Home Taxes and Youman seconds.

The motion carries. (Placed on file)

- Salary Increase for Non-Bargaining Unit Full-Time County Employees – R-2019-1006

Sparrow moves to approve R-2019-1006 and Corbitt seconds.

This motion is to go back and adjust the 1.5% and 2.5% raises given to non-union employees to match the percentage rates that the union worker received. The Finance Committee supports this resolution which allows retroactive .5% for this Fiscal Year 2019 for all full-time employees that were employed at the time of the beginning of this Fiscal Year. This brings the total to a little less than \$17,000 in retro pay.

The motion carries. (Placed on file)

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- **Long Range Planning:**

- Judicial Center Annex Capital Expense Bills - R-2019-1007

Griffin presents R-2019-1007 for the following bills:

<u>VENDOR NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Gilbane	Construction Management Services - September 2019	\$ 1,071,848.82
Hellmich, Obata & Kassabaum, Inc	Invoice #16 Professional Services through Sept 27, 2019 - Construction Administration & Reimbursable Expenses	\$ 23,290.50
LeJar Building Fund	Lease Payment - 313 W. Washington St., Oregon, November, 2019	\$ 1,200.00
Testing Service Corp	September 2019 Engineering Services	\$ 1,612.00

TOTAL: \$ 1,097,951.32

Griffin moves to approve R-2019-1007 for a total of \$1,097,951.32 and Smith seconds.

Motion carries. (Placed on file)

- Project Update: Ryan Rohlfs, Project Architect at HOK

Rohlfs explained the project is moving along right as it should be; with the project being about 30% complete. You will really start to see things move along in a real visual manner. HOK is continuing to make sure that the project is moving along and staying on budget. Rohlfs spoke to the mock up wall that has been completed for viewing comparison between the Judicial Center and the Jail.

Smith asked what percent complete is the encapsulating the building. Rohlfs stated that the entire building should be encapsulated soon here because they are starting all the trusses within the next couple of days.

- Lead Project Update: Chad Taylor, Gilbane

Taylor shared that Gilbane is pleased with the continued forward progress of the project. ComEd completed their set up today and Nicor is projected to be up and running on November 1st. All interior and exterior walls are complete. Taylor shared that within the next two weeks the building should be water tight and ready to be heated by Thanksgiving.

- **Executive**

- Establishing a County Cannabis Retailers Occupation Tax - O-2019-1003

Sparrow moves to approve O-2019-1003 and Youman seconds.

Chairman Finrock explained that this item is just to update the percentage to 3% for municipalities.

Motion carries (Placed on file)

- Committee Assignments - R-2019-1009

Sparrow moves to approve R-2019-1009 and Nordman seconds.

Motion carries (Placed on file)

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

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Chairman Comments:

Chairman Finfrock shared the number of vacancies on the various boards is seemingly high. Finfrock shared he would like to see the word get out and hopefully get some applicants like they were able to receive from the Board of Review vacancy.

Vice-Chairman Comments: None

Adjourn Meeting

At 6:15 p.m., meeting is adjourned by voice vote until Monday, October 28, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Oregon.

Chairman, John Finfrock
Ogle County Board

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

**Proceedings of the Ogle County Budget Hearing
October 28, 2019**

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Call to Order

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

Roll Call

The roll call shows Asp, Bowers, Droege, Fox, Fritz, Hopkins, McLester, Oltmanns, and Youman were absent.

Presentation – FY2020 Ogle County Budget and Appropriations

Chairman Finfrock presents the draft of the FY2020 Ogle County Budget and Appropriations and has Sparrow give a brief overview of the proposed budget.

Sparrow reviews:

- Sparrow shared that the document provided for review shows the first twenty pages discussing the largest fund, the General Fund. Sparrow stated, page 20 shows the final analysis of the County's total expenses being \$15,393,194.00 and the total revenue is the same. Sparrow drew the Board's attention to Finance portion on page 18 and noted that there was an increase in line 4490- Contingencies of about \$93,363. The County had \$93,363 more in revenue than in expenses. Sparrow expressed that the County is in the black by that amount. There may be a few other things that may also add to that amount through the rest of the year.
- Sparrow also expressed that when looking at the numbers through the Departments Budgets and compare the expenditures for both salary and non-salary, there is about a 7.1% increase. Sparrow shared the reason for this increase is due to the retro pay that is being addressed now that the Sheriffs contracts have been finalized. The retro pay for FY18/19 is being taken care of now. So this will be reflected in the Sheriff employees getting a 2.75% increase and the other non-bargaining will be at a 3% increase. Sparrow stated that The Circuit Clerk is still in the process of getting her contracts finalized.
- Sparrow expressed pages 21-50 are all of the other funds that are listed for the budget appropriations and levies. Sparrow clarified on page 28 the monies that was borrowed last year for the first phase of the jail - originally borrowing about \$10 million – the County has netted \$9,705,000. Then on page 29 it shows what will be borrowed here shortly to finish off the jail. The final decision still hasn't been made as to the amount that will be requested but \$10 million is the max.
- Sparrow clarified the subtotal of \$67,263,306 in Appropriations with a Property Tax Levy of \$12,580,880 as shown on page 53. Sparrow then stressed that just because the budget says that is what we will be appropriating doesn't mean that is what is going to be spent.
- Sparrow also broke down the payment of the Solid Waste Loan to IMRF from page 57. At this point we have paid back a half a million dollars of the \$2 million that was borrowed. He also shared that next year the County is looking to pay back another half a million dollars.
- On page 58, Sparrow stated this shows the loan to the General Fund that was needed to cover the difference in the budget last year. Due to the year not being concluded yet the General Fund owes to the Solid Waste Fund \$375,623.61. Sparrow mentioned that it hasn't begun to be paid back yet because there may need to be some monies borrowed again this year and then the County will be in the position to begin paying the Solid Waste Fund back.
- Sparrow stated that he did want to make the Board aware of a change that will be made before the November meeting. The overall Levy amount will be adjusted to be \$4.5 million. After looking at items the current draft showed the County General Fund being Levied at \$4.6 (pages: 21, 51, and 61) but that number isn't realistic. So it will be adjusted to \$4.5 million in those locations for November's County Board Meeting.

Public Comments –

- Smith acknowledged and thanked the Department Heads and Elected Officials for being willing to look at things and working hard with the Finance Committee to get the budget where it is. He also thanked the Treasurer and County Assessor for working with all parties involved and going back and reworking things several times. Smith also wanted to thank Chairman of the Finance Committee, Greg Sparrow, because it was his leadership and direction that has kept moving.

Adjourn Meeting

At 5:49 p.m., McKinney makes the motion to adjourn the meeting until Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Oregon, Smith seconds and the motion carries.

Chairman, John Finrock
Ogle County Board

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