

CLINTON COUNTY BOARD MEETING
October 15, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

Robert Fix, Chairman

Lavern Holtgrave, Vice Chairman

1. OPENING PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER

Sheriff, Doug Maue, called the meeting of the Clinton County District Board to order at 7:00 p.m. on October 15, 2018.

3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Present: Cain, Fix, Heiligenstein, Him, Holtgrave, Johnson, Michael, Netemeyer, Nordike D, Nordike K, Rakers, Sullivan, Taylor, and Wessel. Absent: Kreke
Let the record reflect that we have a quorum.

4. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND GUESTS

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion – Him made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 17, 2018 meeting. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

6. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

7. PUBLIC MAY APPROACH THE BOARD

8. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

9. STANDING COMMITTEES

a. Zoning/Subdivision Committee – Duane Nordike

1. Zoning Report – Duane Nordike

Nordike reported that at the subdivision meeting they went through and discussed solar panels and the various definitions related to them. The next meeting for the Comprehensive Plan Update will be on Wednesday, October 24 at 9:30 a.m. in the County Board Room.

b. Economic Development/Enterprise Zone – Keith Nordike

Nordike reported that they had nine applicants last month for \$1,021,675 in construction. Nordike reported that he attended a meeting where Randy Prince from the Illinois Manufacturers' Association gave a presentation and spoke about how to bring jobs into the county.

- c. Tourism Committee – Matt Cain
 - i. Crappie Masters, Crappie USA and USA Bass

Cain reported two of the fishing tournaments, Crappie USA and USA Bass were held in the last month and the Crappie Masters tournament will be held on Saturday, October 20. The King Kat tournament has already been approved for next year. Cain stated that he has the contracts in hand for Crappie Masters, Crappie USA and USA Bass if we wish to hold these tournaments next year. The cost would be \$2,500 per tournament.

Cain made a motion for a roll call vote. Him seconded the motion.

Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Kreke (Absent); Michael (Yes); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike, D (Yes); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.
- d. Environmental Concerns/Unincorporated/Solid Waste – Lyle Michael

No Report.
- e. Assessment Committee – Bryan Wessel

No Report.
- f. Insurance/ICIT – Larry Johnson

Johnson reported that they met on October 8. The health insurance costs for the first ten months of 2018 were \$1,139,830.33 which is \$110,169.67 or 8.8% under budget. With reimbursements we spent \$713,361.44. The line item was \$536,638.56 or 42.9% under budget. The 025 Liability Fund has a balance of \$329,252.84 which is unchanged from last month. The 016 Worker’s Compensation Fund has a balance of \$321,146.23 which is unchanged from last month.
- g. Facilities Committee – Duane Nordike

Nordike reported they approved a few invoices at their meeting. The first one was by Shores Builders for entry work at the County Jail in the amount of \$12,836.22. The second invoice was from Mideastern Plumbing and Air Conditioning for the replacement of the heating and air conditioner unit at the County Jail in the amount of \$16,885.00. This bill was approved and was sent back to the Sheriff’s Office to be paid out of the Sheriff’s Commissary Fund. Nordike reported that he has not received any new information in regards to the security entrance at the courthouse. Nordike also stated that they have contacted Luebbers Welding in regards to forming a hand rail for the steps coming into the courthouse. The next meeting is November 1 at 5:00 p.m.
- h. Animal Control/County Farm Committee – Craig Taylor

Taylor stated that the new office is completed. He reported that the county has taken in twenty-nine dogs and sixteen have been reclaimed. Four were adopted out by the county and three to rescue groups. They had three new bite cases and six spay and neuters. Taylor stated they are working on making the parking area in front of the building ADA compliant.

- i. Education Committee – Rafael Him
Him reported that they had the U of I Extension meeting on October 10 at Kaskaskia College. They discussed the FY20 funding. The budget will be sent to the board for approval for \$158,000.

- j. Veterans Committee – Rafael Him
Him reported that the Clinton County Veterans will be having their meeting on November 11 at the New Baden Legion. The day will start at St. George Church with a service at 9:00 a.m. Then they will have a lunch, parade at 2:30 and a dance from 3:00-7:00 p.m. with a 50/50 drawing.

- k. Finance/Health/Revolving Loan Committee/General Services/Judiciary – Jim Rakers
 - 1. Denise Trame gave the monthly report.
 - i. Motion - Approval of Monthly Budget and Financial Report
Rakers made a motion to approve the report. Him seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
Trame reported that gaming collected for the month of September was \$4,024.87. They will be sending out the letters for delinquent taxes on Wednesday, October 17.
 - ii. Fred Becker – Glass and Schuffett-2019 Preliminary Budget
Becker distributed a draft copy of the 2018-2019 budget and a draft copy of the amended budget for 2017-2018. Becker briefed the board on the 2018-2019 budget. He stated that they estimate that the general fund will have approximately \$1,800,000 by the end of November. The estimated receipts for 2019 are \$8,446,421 which is pretty comparable to 2018. The estimated total expenditures for 2019 are \$9,228,259 compared to \$8,958,255 for 2018. Becker stated that we would hope that we would end up at (\$475,000) in the hole instead of the (\$781,838) because that is the amount the finance committee has been putting aside into the building fund to help finance construction in the future. Consequently, we are over by about \$300,000. The finance committee will have to review the budgets again and see what could be cut out of them to bring us where we need to be. As estimated, we would end up at \$1,018,162 which the finance committee believes would be too low. Becker then directed the board to review the page which listed all the special revenue funds. He brought a few of them to the board’s attention. Becker had them also review page 7 which lists the tentative tax levies. He stated that it appears there will be a 2% increase in the assessed valuation. If that is the case, we will be levying approximately \$1,720,000 for the general corporate account compared to \$1,650,000 from the year before. He stated that the other ones were relatively the same and he tried to keep all of them within the 5% increase. Total levies are \$6,376,620 compared to \$6,057,802 for last year. There is approximately a \$300,000 increase in the property taxes. Becker stated that the rate went from .9706 to 1.0010 so it went up a little bit primarily to the increase in the mental health levy. Becker stated that the reason these figures are distributed tonight is to provide thirty days for the public to review the numbers and ask any questions. Rakers stated that there will be another meeting on these budgets on Monday, October 22 at 6:00 p.m. to see how they can work on the shortfall in the budget. There will also be a public budget hearing on November 19 at 6:30 p.m.

- l. Law Enforcement/EMA/Welfare/Safety/Liquor – Jim Sullivan
No Report.
- m. Road and Bridge Committee – Lavern Holtgrave
Behrens reported that the pavement is completed on the Breese Roundabout project. The contractor still has sidewalks to pour and dirt work to finish. He is still hoping to have the project finished by the end of October. Behrens stated that the stop signs will mostly likely remain up until the construction is finished. He stated that they will have an IDOT programming meeting in October but Clinton County’s ranking among the other counties in the district makes it unlikely that they will be able to program a project for FY 2022. Behrens stated that they have not received the needy township funds yet this year but it should be approximately the same amount we received last year. He said approximately six of the townships receive this money.
- m. Personnel/Labor Committee-Steve Heiligenstein
Heiligenstein reported that there will be two items that will be placed on next month’s County Board agenda. He hopes by then to have the finished contract for the PB CBA for probation employees. Heiligenstein stated that there are not very many changes in the new contract. Essentially there will be a 50 cent raise per year for those members along with an additional personal day. There are a few language changes in the contract one which reflects the Supreme Court Janus decision that deals with fair share. He stated that another change in the language deals with the prescription drug program. They removed some very descriptive language that is not reflective of our current drug program. Heiligenstein reported that the other item to be placed on next month’s agenda will be raises for the Board of Review employees. There was a modest raise that was suggested to be given to those three members. He also stated that a mediator would be coming to attend the next meeting on October 22 with the PBPA representing Body Politic, the Health Department, Maintenance & Health Departments.

10. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- a. 708 Mental Health Board/Area Agency on Aging – Rafael Him
Him reported that the 708 Mental Health has completed their annual report. The Area of Aging had their meeting on October 10. He stated that they reviewed all their programs and they appointed Him to their Advocacy Committee which meets monthly. They have also been helping veterans with in-home care. Him stated that if anyone knows someone elderly that needs assistance to contact him and he will see what he can do to get them some help.
- b. County Health – Rafael Him
 1. Motion - Health Department Monthly Report
Him made a motion to approve the report. Cain seconded the motion.
Motion Carried.
- c. GIS Committee – Craig Taylor
Taylor reported that they had their meeting on October 9. All bills are in order. The next meeting is scheduled for November 13 at 5:15 p.m.

d. 911 Committee – Mike Kreke

Duane Nordike reported that in their meeting they discussed the funds that the state owes the county which is approximately \$80-90,000. They did receive the June payment in October. The committee was trying to determine how much money the state has been taking from the county. They have estimated that it is between 10-15% that the state pulls off from the county which they estimate is around \$130,000 a year. Nordike stated that they also discussed some problems they have had with radio connections with the fire departments. They determined that a new system would cost more than a million dollars. He stated that some of the fire departments are looking at their radio systems to determine if there is something that they could use that would be more compatible with the county's system.

e. Technology Support – Rafael Him

Him reported that the committee has decided to go to quarterly meetings. If anyone has any ideas on how to save money using technology he asks that you let him know.

f. UCCI – Lavern Holtgrave

Holtgrave reported that there is an executive board meeting on October 26 at 4:30 at the Abraham Lincoln Hotel. That evening they will hold their banquet. Saturday morning at 8:30 they will hold their regular membership meeting at the Abraham Lincoln Conference Center in Springfield.

11. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Taylor made a motion for a roll call vote. Jim Rakers seconded the motion. Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Kreke (Absent); Michael (Yes); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike, D (Yes); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.

12. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Motion – Resolution Approving Sale at Public Auction of Parcel #14-13-07-453-003 Located in Posey

States Attorney Hudspeth stated that this is a property that the county has spent considerable time maintaining. The county obtained a judicial deed to the county. Him made a motion for a roll call vote. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Kreke (Absent); Michael (Yes); Netemeyer (No); Nordike, D (Yes); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.

b. Motion – Resolution Approving Sale at Public Auction Parcels #15-14-11-451-003 and #15-14-11-451-020 Located in Woodlawn Mobile Home Park in Centralia

Hudspeth stated that this property is across the street from the Murray Center. This property operated for many years as a mobile home park. Eventually, because of non-payment of utility bills, the water was shut off and owner voluntarily deeded the

property over to the county. Hudspeth stated that the EPA came in and cleaned up the property. The EPA has a lien which is over \$100,000 to recover the cost of cleanup. Obviously we hoped for more than a \$5,000 bid for the property. Hudspeth feels that concerns over a septic/sewage lagoon prevented any one from bidding more for this property. There was an estimate prepared that stated it would cost over \$100,000 to dredge, dispose of and fill the material in the lagoon. There is a buyer that bid \$5,000 for this property. Any net proceeds from the sale will go to the EPA. Heiligenstein asked if there was any potential liability on the property that the EPA could come back on the county for the difference between the selling price and the amount of the lien. Hudspeth stated the agreement requires us to pay the EPA what we receive as proceeds from the sale. We are not required to make up any difference. Behrens stated that the Highway Department is continuing to clean up the property. Consequently, if the board would decide to wait and not approve this bid, the property will continue to cost the county money.

Heiligenstein made a motion for a roll call vote. Duane Nordike seconded the motion. Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Kreke (Absent); Michael (Yes); Netemeyer (No); Nordike, D (Yes); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.

14. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- a. Motion – Appointment – Mel Heimann – Heimann Drainage & Levee District
Him made a motion to approve the appointment. Wessel seconded the motion.
Motion Carried.

15. NEW BUSINESS

- c. Motion – Resolution Regarding Public Defender Compensation
Netemeyer made a motion for a roll call vote. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Kreke (Absent); Michael (Yes); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike, D (Yes); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried
- d. Motion – Resolution Regarding FOIA Officers
Hudspeth stated that he spoke with the personnel & finance committees this summer stating his concerns about the increasing obligations and issues associated with preparing the answers to all the FOIA requests. Hudspeth stated he drafted the document before them but he wanted to make one change in paragraph two where he wants it to state thirty days instead of sixty days. The document allows the department head to determine who they want to act as the assistant FOIA officer. Keith Nordike asked Hudspeth to explain how this resolution works. Hudspeth stated that they currently have one FOIA officer. A FOIA needs to be answered within five days. Currently the FOIA officer has six FOIA requests on her desk. He stated that there is an enormous amount of work associated with each FOIA. Many items need to be redacted. He stated that the FOIA officer has not asked this to be done but he is asking.

Heiligenstein made a motion for a roll call vote. Duane Nordike seconded the motion. Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Kreke (Absent); Michael (Yes); Netemeyer (Yes); Nordike, D (No); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried

16. ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2018

Taylor made a motion to adjourn until Monday, November 19, 2018. Him seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Rakers".

Mary Rakers
County Clerk & Recorder