

CLINTON COUNTY BOARD MEETING
January 22, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

Robert Fix, Chairman

James Rakers, 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 January 22, 2019.

3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Present: Cain, Fix, Heiligenstein, Heinzmann, Him, Johnson, Knolhoff, Kreke, Nordike, Rakers, Sullivan, Taylor, Wessel, and Wesselmann. Netemeyer was absent. 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 December 17, 2018 meeting. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

6. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

7. PUBLIC MAY APPROACH THE BOARD

Duane Nordike of Carlyle spoke to the board about a potential site for the construction of a proposed new Health Department building. He announced that he and fellow trust members (Duane and Denise Nordike of Carlyle, Don and Kim Kauling of Carlyle and Jim and Geri Masching of Breese) are offering to donate 2.7 acres of property along Old Route 50, west of Carlyle. The property includes 264 feet of frontage along Old Route 50 and is 438 feet in depth. Nordike noted that the property has easy access, is visual from the highway and is convenient to the taxpayers. Nordike said the property offers rooms for expansion and the city of Carlyle has expressed that it would assist with bringing utilities to the property along with other amenities. The current property owners have offered to donate the acreage to the county in an effort to keep the Health Department in the county seat and also to provide a location where the department can expand and grow. Nordike said he will be presenting the site to the Health Board at a future date.

8. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

9. STANDING COMMITTEES

a. Zoning/Subdivision Committee – Craig Taylor

1. Zoning Report – Jami Staser

i. Motion to Deny – Map Amendment – Agricultural (A) to Agricultural-Residential (A-R) – Roger & Charity Fuehne – Sugar creek Township.

Staser said that the property includes 32 acres, most of which is located in the FEMA floodplain maps.

Wessel made a motion for a roll call vote. Taylor seconded the motion.

Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Heinzmann (Yes); Him (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Knolhoff (Yes); Kreke (Yes); Netemeyer (Absent); Nordike (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes). Motion Carried.

b. Economic Development/Enterprise Zone – Keith Nordike

Nordike reported on 2018 activity in the Clinton County Enterprise Zone. There were 23 applications for \$15,484,000 worth of work that was done in the zone which was all tax free. The committee also discussed the enterprise zone areas and what is still available for business development. The committee talked about the types of low-interest loans available to county business owners for expansion. They also touched base on a South Central Illinois Growth Alliance (SCIGA) event set for Jan. 23 at Kaskaskia College.

c. Tourism Committee – Matt Cain

Cain reported that the committee met on Jan.7 and approved the quarterly ACORN bill. The committee heard from Cain about various upcoming events in the county and Brenda Johnson attended the meeting to provide information about activities in the city of Carlyle.

d. Environmental Concerns/Unincorporated/Solid Waste – Nelson Heinzmann

No Report.

e. Assessment Committee – Bryan Wessel

Wessel reported that the sales report for 2018 declarations for sold properties were up five percent over 2017. The Board of Review is in session reviewing complaints with all hearings complete except one. The final decisions are being typed and sent out. Renewals for disabled veterans, disabled persons, open space, fraternal organizations and veterans organizations will be sent out this month and the senior homestead exemptions will be sent out at a later date.

f. Insurance/ICIT – Larry Johnson

Johnson reported that the committee met on January 14. The health insurance costs for the first month of the new year were \$116,667 which is \$11,990.13 under budget or 10.28 percent under budget. With reimbursements the county spent \$70,547.24 which equates to \$46,119.76 under budget or 39.53 percent. The 025 Liability Fund had a decrease of \$204,907.27 which leaves a balance of \$292,925.12. The 016 Worker's Compensation Fund decreased \$220,217.23 which brings the balance to \$158,406.51. Those decreases were the result of paying premiums for the upcoming year. Johnson reported that Bill Schmaltz of Einstein Consulting held meetings for the kickoff of the Health Savings Account (HSA) program on January 9. Fifty-seven employees attended the meeting.

g. Facilities Committee – Brad Knolhoff

Knolhoff reported that the committee met on January 3. Part of the discussion included making a recommendation from the committee regarding the location of a new Health Department building. A joint meeting of the Health Board and the Facilities Committee is planned on February 11 to review the potential sites for the new facility and establish a recommendation for the board. The committee has decided to have the south windows of the courthouse tinted for security reasons. Initially, the committee was looking at tinting all of the windows but decided to go with the windows facing Old Route 50. Auto Cosmetics of Breese will do the work for a cost of \$1,388 which has been approved by the Finance Committee. Knolhoff said the committee took no action on additional security concerns in the courthouse. Knolhoff is working with the sheriff to get Johnson Controls at an upcoming committee meeting to review the proposed work for improving the security camera systems. The secured elevator in the courthouse has been out of order for the past two weeks. KONE, the county's current provider, gave a quote for \$10,105 to make repairs to the elevator and revised the quote to \$9,318. After further discussion, the quote was dropped to \$7,300. The committee contacted the State Fire Marshall and received a list of licensed contractors to do elevator work. Knolhoff met with Phoenix Modular of Mt. Vernon and they provided a quote for \$2,393, which the sheriff signed off on. Work should be proceeding shortly

- i. Motion to approve lease agreement with Southwest Illinois Worknet.

Knolhoff said the workforce development group was previously located in the Huelsmann buildings on Fairfax Street, which are in the process of being torn down. The county has offered space in the Health Department for \$450 per month with the county covering basic utilities. States Attorney Hudspeth noted that there are a few details missing from the lease agreement.

Knolhoff made a motion for a roll call vote to approve the lease agreement giving the board chairman authority to sign the final version of the document. Wessel seconded the motion.

Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Heinzmann (Yes); Him (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Knolhoff (Yes); Kreke (Yes); Netemeyer (Absent); Nordike (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes). Motion Carried.

- h. Animal Control/County Farm Committee – Craig Taylor

Taylor reported that the county took in twenty dogs this past month and twelve were reclaimed. Four were adopted out by the county and four were adopted by rescue groups. Thirty-four cats were taken in and thirty-three have been adopted out and one reclaimed. They had two new bite cases and five spay and neuters. Taylor stated that there were some questions raised about some of the conditions where the dogs and cats are held, and the committee is working to address those concerns. Questions were also raised about the county animal control warden doing the euthanasia of the animals, which, Taylor said, is legal by state requirements. A person asked about having a vet tech do the work instead of the animal control warden, and the committee is checking into the costs associated with this. Under County Farm, the committee opened bids for the rental of the county farm ground. The high bidder was Philip Diekemper who submitted a bid of \$296 per acre. The committee approved the bid with the condition that Diekemper supply liability insurance and that hot ash is applied before the county

signs the final agreement. The lease agreement will come before the full board for approval at the February meeting.

- i. Education Committee – Rafael Him
No Report.
- j. Veterans Committee – Bob Netemeyer
No Report.
- 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
Wessel made a motion to approve the report. Heiligenstein seconded the motion.
Motion Carried.
Trame reported that gaming collected for the month of December was \$4,439.90. The mobile home distribution was done on January 9 with the county receiving \$8,036.79.
Rakers reported that the committee is working with the treasurer to review the interest rates on county investments. Trame noted that the county will pay a fine or penalty on any CDs that are cashed out early.
 1. Law Enforcement/EMA/Welfare/Safety/Liquor – Jim Sullivan
Sheriff Maue reported that the newest road deputy, Jordan Hodges, graduated January 4 and has been with the county for two weeks now.
- m. Road and Bridge Committee – Bryan Wessel
 1. Monthly County Engineer Report – Dan Behrens
 - i. Motion – Resolution to Award Township Motor Fuel Tax Rock Bids
Behrens reported that bids for rock for the county and township roadways were opened on January 10. Beelman Trucking was awarded the majority of the bids for the townships. Brink Brothers was the low bidder on three townships and Timmermann Milk Service was the low bidder on two townships. For county roadways, Beelman Trucking was the low bidder for all. Comparing prices to last year, the slag is the same price at \$20.55 per ton, the rock dropped slightly. Sullivan made a motion for a roll call vote. Him seconded the motion.
Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Heinzmann (Yes); Him (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Knolhoff (Yes); Kreke (Yes); Netemeyer (Absent); Nordike (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes). Motion Carried
 - ii. Motion – Resolution to Award County Motor Fuel Tax Rock Bids
Cain made a motion for a roll call vote. Him seconded the motion.
Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Heinzmann (Yes); Him (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Knolhoff (Yes); Kreke (Yes); Netemeyer (Absent); Nordike (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes). Motion Carried

iii. Resolution to Approve Participation by Elected Officials in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF).

Behrens explained that this is a resolution approving the participation of County Board members in the IMRF system. After every election, the county has 90 days to approve the resolution to keep the IMRF option open for board members with the requirement that they put in 1,000 hours per year. Fix said he is currently the only board member participating, and it does not matter to him whether participation continues or not. Behrens said that once the county terminates IMRF for County Board members, they cannot be reinstated. The committee felt that it may be best to continue participation otherwise it closes the door for any board members who wish to participate in the future. Behrens said the IMRF option for board members will eventually end because a new rule states that board members newly elected after 2016 are not eligible.

Wesselmann made a motion for a roll call vote to deny the resolution for participation in IMRF. Knolhoff seconded the motion.

Cain (No); Heiligenstein (No); Heinzmann (No); Him (Yes); Johnson (No); Knolhoff (Yes); Kreke (No); Netemeyer (Absent); Nordike (No); Rakers (No); Sullivan (No); Taylor (No); Wessel (No); Wesselmann (Yes). Motion to Deny Failed.

Rakers made a motion for a roll call vote to approve the resolution for participation in IMRF. Heiligenstein seconded the motion.

Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Heinzmann (Yes); Him (No); Johnson (Yes); Knolhoff (No); Kreke (Yes); Netemeyer (Absent); Nordike (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (No). Motion Carried.

iv. Motion – Allow the County Engineer to Seek Bids to Replace Two Trucks.

Behrens said the vehicles are ten years old and older and will be traded in.

Wessel made a motion to allow the County Engineer to seek bids. Sullivan seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

v. Motion – Approve a Waterline Permit for Hoffman Rural Water Co. This involves boring a line under Shattuc Road and is necessary due to the rerouting of traffic for the Crooked Creek Bridge replacement on Route 161.

Nordike made a motion to approve the permit. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Behrens reported on the impact that the Crooked Creek Bridge closure will have on some of the township roads in the coming months. The plan is to put traffic counters up when the weather improves. Road commissioners are doing what they can and putting up barricades to keep truck traffic off the roads. He noted that weight is

going to destroy the roads and the shoulders are suffering. The state has made a commitment to repair any damages on Shattuc Road caused by the bridge closure; however, township roads are taking the brunt of the traffic. Attempts will be made to attain some state funds to repair these roads after the project is completed.

- n. Personnel/Labor Committee-Mike Kreke
 - i. Motion – Approval of Health Department Administrator Contract - Tabled
 - ii. Motion – Approval of Revised Animal Control Contract

Kreke explained that the contract was originally approved in December; however, the document listed the term as two years and it should have been for three years. This motion approves the revision from two years to three years.

Kreke made a motion for a roll call vote. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Heinzmann (Yes); Him (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Knolhoff (Yes); Kreke (Yes); Netemeyer (Absent); Nordike (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes). Motion Carried.

Kreke also reported that the Personnel/Labor Committee discussed grievances that are pending with the county. There was an offer presented to the FOP in regard to the Becherer grievance; however, the FOP did not accept it. There was a decision by the committee not to make a counter offer.

10. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- a. 708 Mental Health Board/Area Agency on Aging – Rafael Him
No Report.
- 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.

Him reported that his committee continues to work with other committees to decide on the best location for the new Health Department in hopes that construction can begin this spring.
- c. GIS Committee – Craig Taylor

Taylor reported that their meeting was held on January 8 and expenses were reviewed and approved by the committee. The GIS Committee and the GIS Coordinator will be working with the 911 Board to develop a new address layer for Next Generation 911.
- d. 911 Committee – Mike Kreke

Kreke reported that NG 911 Addressing Grant deadline is February 4, 2019. GIS will have the responsibility of inputting/maintaining the new addressing layer with the Supervisor of Assessments Office serving as backup. He also noted that the AT&T T1 line for the county is still in dispute.
- e. Technology Support – Rafael Him

Him reported that the committee is working to get county-issued email addresses for all of the board members and a shared drop box for communicating county business and distributing monthly county packets. Drop box is a free account and will be used on a trial basis at first to see how it works. Hopefully this will save man hours and expense on mail. The committee is also considering a digital display for the board meetings.

f. UCCI – Jim Sullivan

Sullivan reported that their next regular meeting is January 28. There is a regional training seminar on that date in Springfield. This same seminar will be held on February 15 in Dixon and on March 15 in Mt. Vernon. These seminars are open to all Illinois county board members but registration is required for the events. Chairman Fix added that UCCI is going to pay for the county's dues for membership to the National Association of Counties (NACo).

11. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Rakers made a motion for a roll call vote. Taylor seconded the motion.

Cain (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Heinzmann (Yes); Him (Yes); Johnson (Yes); Knolhoff (Yes); Kreke (Yes); Netemeyer (Absent); Nordike (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Sullivan(Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes); Wesselmann (Yes).

12. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

a. Motion – Appointment - Chad Vonder Haar - St. Rose Water District.

Nordike made a motion to approve the appointment. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

15. NEW BUSINESS

a. Resignation of County Board District #2 board member Steve Heiligenstein

Chairman Fix thanked Heiligenstein for his twelve years of dedicated service and presented him with a plaque.

Chairman Fix made a motion to accept Heiligenstein's letter of resignation. Rakers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

b. Appointment of Dennis Middendorff to County Board District #2.

Chairman Fix made a motion to appoint Middendorff. Rakers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Middendorff was sworn into office by the County Clerk. Fix noted that Middendorff will fill the committee spots vacated by Heiligenstein.

16. ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019 DUE TO THE PRESIDENT'S DAY

Taylor made a motion to adjourn until Tuesday, February 19, 2019. Him seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

ATTEST:



Vicky Albers
County Clerk & Recorder