

**REGULAR ADJOURNED MEETING
WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD
NOVEMBER 22, 2016**

1. Chairman Scott Christiansen called to order the Regular Adjourned Meeting of the Winnebago County Board for Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at 6:01 p.m.
2. Chairman Christiansen announced the following Agenda Changes:

Under Announcement

Please Add:
John F. Sweeney Resignation Letter

Under Presentations

Please Move to End of Meeting:
Recognition of Retiring Board Members

Under Economic Development

Please Remove Items:

- B. Resolution for Agreement to Provide \$100,000 from Host Fees to Freedom Field for 5 Years for Development of Renewable Energy Laid Over from November 10, 2016 Meeting
 - C. Resolution to Provide the Winnebago County Fair Board with \$25,000 from Host Fees for Each of the Next Five Years to Improve and Expand its Facility for Equine Events Laid Over from November 10, 2016 Meeting
3. Roll Call: 18 Present, with 2 Absent. (Salgado and Sweeney were absent.)
 4. F. Lyon gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND/OR PROCLAMATIONS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5. Awards - None
- Proclamations - None
- Presentations - None
- Public Participation - None

MINUTES

6. Chairman Christiansen entertained a motion to approve the County Board Minutes from the October 27, 2016 and to layover the Minutes from the November 10, 2016 meeting. Guevara made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Nicolosi. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado and Sweeney were absent.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATION

7. County Board Chairman Christiansen presented the resignation letter of County Board Member John F. Sweeney, effective 11/21/16, to County Clerk Mullins.
8. County Clerk Margie M. Mullins Submitted the Items Listed Below as Correspondence Which Were Placed on File by Chairman Christiansen:
 - A. County Clerk Mullins submitted the following from the United States Nuclear Energy Commission:
 1. Byron Station, Unit No. 2 – Request 14R-08, Relief form the Requirements of the ASME Code (CAC No. MF7695) (received 11/15/16)
 - B. County Clerk Mullins submitted from Charter Communications Upcoming Pricing Changes (reductions) for the following:
 1. Winnebago County
 2. Township of Harlem
 3. Township of Roscoe
 4. Township of Rockton
 - C. County Clerk Mullins submitted from Clean Harbors Pecatonica, LLC a letter regarding Notification of RCRA Class 1* Permit Modifications.
 - D. County Clerk Mullins submitted from Theresa Grennan, Winnebago County Treasurer Chief Deputy the Bank Balances Report for October, 2016.
 - E. County Clerk Mullins submitted from Xfinity a letter regarding changes in Services and Rates for Portions of Boone, Stephenson, and Winnebago Counties, effective January 1, 2017.
 - F. County Clerk Mullins submitted from Comcast a letter regarding Important Information – Price Changes.

CONSENT AGENDA

9. Chairman Christiansen entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda for November 22, 2016 (Leaves of Absence, Bills and Raffle Report). Hoffman moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Biondo. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

10. Biondo read in for the first reading of Budget Amendment 2016-048, to be Laid Over. Biondo made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Gerl. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.) Biondo moved for the approval of the Budget Amendment, seconded by Gerl. Motion was approved by a roll call vote of 17 Yes and 1 No vote, with 1 absent and 1 vacant seat. (Schultz voted No.) (Salgado was absent.)
11. Biondo read in for the first reading of Budget Amendments 2017-003 thru 2017-005, to be Laid Over. Biondo made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Jury. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.) Biondo moved for the approval of the Budget Amendments, seconded by Jury. Schultz requested that Budget Amendment 2017-003 be separated from 2017-004 and 2017-005; there were no objections. Biondo made a motion to approve Budget Amendment 2017-003, seconded by Gerl. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 14 Yes and 4 No votes, with 1 absent and 1 vacant seat. (Boomer, Kelley, Lyon and Schultz voted No.) (Salgado was absent.) Biondo made a motion to approve Budget Amendments 2017-004 and 2017-005, seconded by Gerl. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)
12. Biondo moved for the approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Insurance Renewal for Property Casualty and Workers Compensation Coverage, seconded by Hoffman. Discussion by Lyon. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)
13. Biondo made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing Continued Funding for the State's Attorney Appellate Prosecutor, seconded by Jury. Motion was approved by voice vote (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)
14. Biondo made a motion to send the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Purchase Orders for the Acquisition of Network Infrastructure Services and Radio Equipment to Implement a STARCOM21 Radio System back to Committee, seconded by Jury. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)

TAX CYCLE

15. Wilson moved for the approval of a Resolution Declaring an Emergency Situation and Authorizing the County Board Chairman to Appoint Additional Board of Review Members, seconded by Biondo. Discussion by Wilson and Lyon. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)

ZONING COMMITTEE

16. Webster Read In for the First Reading of Z-18-16 A Map Amendment to Rezone + / - 2.72 Acres from AG, Agricultural Priority District to RA, Rural Agricultural Residential District, requested

17. Webster Read In for the First Reading of Z-19-16 A Map Amendment to Rezone +/- 3.97 Acres from RA, Rural Agricultural Residential District to Agricultural Priority District requested by Ryan Drabek & Dawn Jones, owners, represented by Ann Dempsey, attorney, for property located at 11737 N. Winslow Rd., in Harrison Township, to be Laid Over.
18. Webster moved to suspend the rules to approve Items Z-18-16 and Z-19-16, seconded by Guevara. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.) Webster made a motion to approve Items Z-18-16 and Z-19-16, seconded by Guevara. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)
19. Webster Read In for the First Reading of Z-20-16 A Map Amendment to Rezone +/- .875 Acres from IL, Light Industrial District to AG, Agricultural Priority District requested by Cletus & Effie Hoppe, owners, for property located at 16558 W. 2nd Street in Seward Township, to be Laid Over.
20. Webster Read In for the First Reading of V-09-16 A Variation from Sec. 15.3.29 C. to Allow a Storage Yard to be Setback 10' from the Front Lot Line Along N. Day Ave. Rather than the Rear of Structure's Front Façade (54') in the CG, General Commercial District requested by Ronald D. Farr, applicant (owner of T C Auto Sales, Inc.) on behalf of Bertha Farr, owner, for property located at 4593 Liberty Dr., in Rockford Township, to be Laid Over.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

21. Wescott moved for the approval of a Resolution to provide \$30,000 from Host Fees to Rockford Park District Foundation for the Expansion of the West Rock Wake Park Development, seconded by Redd. Discussion by Chairman Christiansen, County Administrator Chapman and Lyon. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)

OPERATIONS & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

22. Jury moved for adoption of an Ordinance of the County of Winnebago, Amending Sec. 2-35, 2-48, 2-49, 2-83, seconded by Guevara. Guevara read into record a list of Amendments to the Ordinance, seconded by Boomer. Boomer made a motion to Lay Over the Amendments to the Ordinance, seconded by Redd. Motion was approved by a roll call vote of 10 Yes and 8 No votes, with 1 absent and 1 vacant seat. (Biondo, Gerl, Guevara, Hoffman, Jury, Nicolosi, Tassoni and Wilson voted No.) (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.) Guevara made a motion to Lay Over the entire Ordinance, seconded by Kelley. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.) Jury wished his colleagues and all those in the room a Very Happy Thanksgiving and a Happy Holiday Season.

PUBLIC WORKS

23. Kelley moved for the approval of (16-037) Resolution Authorizing the Modification of an Agreement with Bell Valley Commons, LLC Regarding Improvements on Bell School Road for Newburg Road to Mill Road, seconded by Tassoni. Discussion by Chairman Christiansen,

Assistant County Engineer Vlk, Goral, Redd and Webster. Jury made a motion to send the Resolution back to Committee, seconded by Nicolosi. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)

PUBLIC SAFETY

24. Fiduccia moved for the approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement for Police Services with the Winnebago County Forest Preserve District, seconded by Redd. Fiduccia requested a typo correction in Section VII, Item F. to change “insufficient” to “sufficient”. Fiduccia moved for the approval of the Resolution, seconded by Wescott. Discussion by Jury. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)
25. Fiduccia moved for the approval of a Resolution Authorizing the County Board Chairman to Execute Amendments to Extend the Contracts for Medical Services for Inmates at the Winnebago County Jail and Detainees at the Winnebago County Juvenile Detention Center, seconded by Wilson. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)
26. Fiduccia made a motion to approve a Resolution for Donations to Animal Services for Capital and Education Projects, seconded by Wescott. Discussion by Chairman Christiansen, Human Services Administrator Peterson, Fiduccia, Goral and Jury. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)
27. Fiduccia reported that the Jail had 1,032 Book-ins, with an average population of 806. Animal Services received 1,134 calls for service and they took in 171 dogs, 273 cats, 1 chicken and 132 assorted rabbits, skunks, beavers, etc. They adopted out 66 dogs and 74 cats and found a home for the chicken.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

28. Chairman Christiansen entertained a motion to approve the Appointments as listed below. Gerl made a motion to approve the Appointments, seconded by Nicolosi. Webster made a motion to separate the two appointments, seconded by Schultz. Motion to separate failed by a roll call vote of 8 Yes and 10 No votes, with 1 absent and 1 vacant seat. (Biondo, Gerl, Guevara, Hoffman, Jury, McDonald, Nicolosi, Tassoni, Wescott and Wilson voted no.) (Salgado was absent.) Nicolosi made a motion to approve the Appointments, seconded by Jury. Webster abstained from the vote. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)

Rock River Water Reclamation District

3 year Term

November 2016 – November 2019

Elmer Jones

3013 Jean Street

Rockford, IL 61102

Rock River Water Reclamation District
3 Year Term
November 2016 – November 2019
John F. Sweeney
3811 Burrmont Road
Rockford, IL 61107

NEW BUSINESS

29. Chairman Christiansen read in for the first reading of the New Appointment listed below, to be Laid Over. Chairman Christiansen entertained a motion to suspend the rules. Webster moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Jury. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.) Webster moved for the approval of the appointment, seconded Gerl. Appointment was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) (1 Vacant Seat.)

Zoning Board of Appeals
5 Year Term
November 2016 – November 2021
Arlene Williams
7011 Blomberg Road
Cherry Valley, IL 61016

30. Chairman Christiansen presented plaques for the retirement of the following County Board Members:

Ms. Faye Lyon was presented a plaque for one year (2015 – 2016) of service, on the Winnebago County Board, to the citizens of District 1. Ms. Lyon thanked all board members for their help/advice, for welcoming her with open arms and for respecting her opinions.

Mr. John F. Sweeney was presented a plaque for twelve years (2004 – 2016) of service on the Winnebago County Board, to the citizens of District 16. Mr. Sweeney expressed his appreciation for the relationships he has made over the years and encouraged the Board to continue with the good work. He ended with the inside joke, “I may no longer be a member of this board, but I’ll always be a “North Woods Pirate”.

31. Chairman Christiansen presented a little book, “The New England Primer”, published in Boston: 1777 to all County Board Members.
32. County Board Member Biondo thanked County Administrator Steve Chapman for his decades of service to Winnebago County, for his assistance with the upcoming transition and for his instruction to Mr. Biondo as Financial Chairman for the last six years; he really appreciates everything. Mr. Chapman received a standing ovation from everyone in the room.
33. County Board Members Jury and Hoffman presented Winnebago County Chairman Scott Christiansen with a plaque for his 27 years of service to Winnebago County; as a County Board Member from 1985 to 2000 and Chairman of the County Board from 2004 to 2016. From the Republican side, Mr. Jury expressed his appreciation and wished the Chairman and his family well.

From the Democratic side, Mr. Hoffman also wished the Chairman well. Mr. Hoffman expressed his appreciation to the Chairman for all his help over the years and all his work for the County. He also thanked Administrator Chapman for all he has done and for their 40 year friendship.

County Board Member Jury acknowledged and thanked Sue Fiduccia for her devotion to the County and her many years of service to the families of Winnebago County. Ms. Fiduccia received a standing ovation by everyone in the room.

Chairman Christiansen thanked all County Board Members and introduced his parents Chris and Pat Christiansen and his brother Tim and sister-in-law JoAnne. The Chairman explained that one of his family members has been on the Winnebago County Board since 1950, beginning with his Grandfather, who was his mentor. He's hoping that one of his grandsons will pick up the torch. The Chairman enumerated a number of large projects that have been successfully completed during his tenure with the County and expressed his appreciation to all those who worked with him. He offered a special thank you to County Administrator Chapman for all the help he has been over their many years together. He thanked County Clerk Mullins and Deputy States Attorney Kurlinkus for being at every meeting and always making him look good and the County Board Members look good. He asked that everyone think about the good work that all County employees do despite the staffing shortages and suggested that a thank you would be appreciated from time to time. He also suggested that more effort should be made to increase communication among Committee Chairman, including the County Board Chairman. He spoke of some excellent prospects for the Chief Financial Officer position and the new County Administrator. He spoke briefly about several projects that he was not able to complete.

He thanked his with Kathy and family for all their patience and support over the years and expressed his love for Winnebago County, where he has spent over half of his life. Chairman Christiansen received a standing ovation from the entire room.

34. Chairman Christiansen entertained a motion to adjourn. Jury moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Wilson. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Salgado was absent.) The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Margie M. Mullins
Winnebago County Clerk

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