

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD
SEPTEMBER 14, 2016**

1. Chairman Christiansen called to order the Special Meeting of the Winnebago County Board for Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.
2. Chairman Christiansen announced that there were no Agenda Changes.
3. Roll Call: 19 Present, with 1 Absent. (Wilson was absent.)
4. J. Hoffman gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
5. Chairman Christiansen introduced Mr. Mark Goode of Venture One Real Estate, who gave a presentation of the very successful progress of the Rock 39 Industrial Park. We now have one of the largest Fed Ex Ground facilities in Illinois and Con-way Freight. He also spoke of the latest trends in the need for "Large Buildings" in our area. He believes there are very favorable business opportunities in our area and his company will continue to invest here. Further discussion by Chairman Christiansen, Lyon, Gerl, Schultz, and Webster. Chairman Christiansen invited Mr. Goode to give quarterly reports of future development at Rock 39.
6. Chairman Christiansen introduced Mr. Patrick Derry of the Greater Rockford Airport Authority who gave a presentation of the MRO project and AAR progress. He spoke of the increase in terminal passenger traffic and continued increases in cargo traffic. Patrick also spoke of the excitement of the increase in the maintenance approach to bring higher lever jobs to the area. Further discussion by Chairman Christiansen, Fiduccia, Goral, Sweeney, Gerl, and Schultz. Mr. Derry will provide a spread sheet of costs and budget for the project and will set a time for County Board Members to tour the facility.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

7. Goral thanked everyone for the all the work they have done in the creation of the beautiful First Emergency Responders Memorial; as well as the work that was done for the ceremony that was held on Sunday (9/11/16). Chairman Christiansen asked everyone to remember the approximately 2,500 first responders who continue to have health issues from the work they did at the site.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

8. Chairman Christiansen asked County Administrator Chapman to present the 2017 Budget. Administrator Chapman gave a detailed explanation of projected income and expenses for the coming year. Chairman Christiansen gave a brief explanation of a number of programs/projects that have been budgeted. County Administrator Chapman asked Assistant County Engineer Wayne Vlk to explain a number of upcoming projects of the Highway Department. Discussion by Jury. County Administrator Chapman continued his explanation. Administrator Chapman encouraged all Board Members to review the entire budget in detail. Discussion by Webster.

Chairman Christiansen spoke of a very strong credit position (AA2) recently given by Moody's Investors Service for Winnebago County; saying that we should be proud of this accomplishment.

9. Biondo made a motion to Lay Over Agenda Items C. thru Q for the first reading, seconded by Nicolosi. Motion was approved by a roll call vote of 15 Yes and 4 No votes, with 1 absent. (Boomer, Guevara, Lyon and Schultz voted No.) (Wilson was absent.)
10. Chairman Christiansen entertained a motion to adjourn. Guevara moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Gerl. Motion was approved by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Margie M. Mullins
Winnebago County Clerk

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