

**REGULAR ADJOURNED MEETING
WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD
MARCH 23, 2017**

1. Chairman Frank Haney Called to Order the Regular Adjourned Meeting of the Winnebago County Board for Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
2. Chairman Haney announced the following Agenda Change:

Under Public Participation

Please Add:

Rev. Derrick Shelby – Education –Race

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3. Roll Call: 19 Present, with 1 Absent. (Schultz was absent.)
4. County Board Member Angie Goral gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND/OR PROCLAMATIONS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5. Awards - None

Presentations - None

Proclamation - Valeri DeCastri and Larry Baur, Members of Italian Sister City Committee, accepted a Proclamation in recognition of the 10th Anniversary of the Rockford Italian Sister City Agreement. Mr. Baur spoke briefly of the origin of his organization and spoke of some goals they have for the future. Ms. DeCastri thanked Mr. Baur for his work within the group and thanked Chairman Haney and the County Board for this recognition. She also introduced the current committee members and representatives of the St. Ambrogio Club; Dena Getty, Palma and Gino Roali, and Jim Drog. Anna Reali-Drog, president of the organization, could not attend tonight. Ms. DeCastri invited everyone to attend some of their upcoming events this year.

Chairman Haney recognized County Board Member Tassoni's god parents who were in the gallery.

Public Participation - Rev. Derrick Shelby spoke of racism within Rockford and the mistreatment of black kids.

MINUTES

6. Chairman Haney entertained a motion to approve the County Board Minutes from the February 23, 2017 meeting and to layover the Minutes from the March 9, 2017 meeting. Board Member Jury made a motion to approve the Minutes from the February 23, 2017 meeting, seconded by Board Member Hoffman. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATION

7. County Clerk Margie M. Mullins submitted the Items Listed Below as Correspondence Which Were Placed on File by Chairman Haney:
 - A. County Clerk Mullins submitted from the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission the following:
 1. Summary of February 1, 2017, Meeting with Samuel Miranda Regarding November 15, 2016, Petition
 2. Public Open House to Discuss the 2016 End-of-Cycle Performance Assessment for Byron Station, units 1 and 2
 - B. County Clerk Mullins submitted from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency a Notice of Application for Permit to Manage Waste. Project: Application to allow the use of additional materials as ADCM and temporary road base material and changes to the currently permitted ADCM stockpile and usage conditions.
 - C. County Clerk Mullins submitted from Winnebago County Treasurer Sue Goral the Monthly Bank Balance Report for February, 2017.
8. County Board Member Jury spoke of upcoming unfunded mandates and presented Chairman Haney with a life preserver to hang in his office; indicating that the County Board Members are in support of the Chairman and that the County will not sink on unfunded mandates, the time is now to say no. Chairman Haney thanked "I think" Board Member Jury.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

9. Chairman Haney invited everyone to attend the "State of the County" on May 4, 2017 and explained that there would be a follow-up email offering RSVP opportunities.

Freedom Field - Chairman Haney explained that there will be an amendment for this item, which he supports. There has been good discussion between Board Members which he appreciates.

Health Care Fund – Chief Financial & Budget Officer Paschel gave a summary explanation of the current Health Care Fund indicating that it will be necessary to increase employer premiums as well as employee contributions.

Policy Review Committee – An Ad Hoc Committee for Policy Review has been added, this will include the review of old Ordinances and Resolutions, which will go to the Operations Committee. The Chairman invited Board Members to let him know if they are interested in participating on the Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA

10. Chairman Haney entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda for March 23, 2017 (Leaves of Absence, Bills, and Raffle Report). Board Member Jury moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Board Member Crosby. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

11. County Board Member Biondo moved for the approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Settlement of Pending Litigation, seconded by Board Member Boomer. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)
12. Board Member Biondo read in for the first reading of a Line Item Transfer/Budget Amendment 2017-012 – Highway Department and moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Board Member Kelley. Motion to suspend the rules was approved by a voice vote. (Board Member Schultz was absent.) Board Member Biondo moved to approve Budget Amendment 2017-012, seconded by Board Member Wilson. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)
13. Board Member Biondo read in for the first reading of Budget Amendment 2017-016 – Circuit Court, Full-Time Bailiff, \$13,700, to be Laid Over. Jury made a motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Board Member Fellars. Motion to suspend the rules was approved by a voice vote. (Board Member Schultz was absent.) Board Member Biondo made a motion to approve the Budget Amendment 2017-016, seconded by County Board Member Crosby. Motion was defeated by a roll call vote of 1 yes and 18 no votes, with 1 absent. (Board Members Biondo, Booker, Boomer, Crosby, Fellars, Fiduccia, Gerl, Goral, Hoffman, Jury, Kelley, Nicolosi, Redd, Salgado, Tassoni, Webster, Wescott and Wilson voted no.) (Board Member Schultz was absent.)
14. County Board Member Biondo moved to approve an Ordinance to Abate the Federal Aid Matching Tax and Motor Fuel Tax Alternate Bond (2017 Series B) Property Tax Levy for the Year 2016, seconded by County Board Member Boomer. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)
15. County Board Member Biondo made a motion to approve a Resolution to Include Taxable Allowances as IMRF Earnings, seconded by Board Member Fellars. Discussion by Chairman Haney, Chief Financial & Budget Officer Paschel, Board Members McDonald, Hoffman, Webster, and Fellars. Motion was defeated by a roll call vote of 7 yes and 12 no votes, with 1

absent. (Board Members Biondo, Booker, Boomer, Fiduccia, Goral, Jury, Kelley, McDonald, Nicolosi, Redd, Webster and Wescott voted no.) (Board Member Schultz was absent.)

16. Board Member Biondo moved for the approval of a Resolution Relating to Participation by Elected Officials in the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, seconded by Gerl. Discussion by Chief Financial & Budget Officer Paschel, Board Members Goral, and Tassonni. Motion was approved by a roll call vote of 14 yes and 5 no votes. (Board Members Boomer, Fiduccia, Kelley, McDonald and Webster voted no.) (Board Member Schultz was absent.)

ZONING COMMITTEE

17. County Board Member Webster read in for the first reading of SU-02-17 A Special Use Permit for a Wedding and/or Reception Facility in the AG, Agricultural Priority District, requested by Mike Polhamus, Property Manager, on behalf of Illinois Conservation Foundation, owner, for property located at 13735 Cook Road, in Pecatonica Township, to be Laid Over. County Board Member Fellars moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Board Member Jury. Motion to suspend was approved by a voice vote. Board Member Webster moved to approve Ordinance SU-02-17 (With Conditions), seconded by Board Member Fellars. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

18. County Board Member Wescott moved for the approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Chairman of the County Board to Request Partial Refund from Freedom Field for Fiscal Year 2017 Host Fee Fund, seconded by Board Member Crosby. County Board Member Jury made a motion to amend the Resolution (changing the \$60,000 to \$54,000), seconded by Fellars. Discussion by Chairman Haney and Board Members Crosby, and Hoffman. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)

OPERATIONS & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

19. No Report.

PUBLIC WORKS

20. County Board Member Kelley moved for the approval of Resolution (17-006) Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with Rockford Public Schools District #205 for Entrance/Access/Turn Lanes on Perryville Road South of Harrison (SECTION 16-00617-00-P, seconded by Board Member Webster. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)
21. Board Member Kelley (17-007) Resolution Authorizing the Award of Bid and Execution of a Construction Contract for the DeGarmo Trail Route and Parking (SECTION 12-00528-01-PK), seconded by Board Member Webster. Discussion by Board Member Webster. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)

22. Board Member Kelley (17-008) Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement with McClure Engineering Associates, Inc. to Provide Surveying Services for a Phase I Engineering Study for the Improvement of Riverside Blvd. (CH 55) between Material Avenue and Sage Drive (SECTION 16-00624-00-ES), seconded by Board Member Gerl. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)
23. County Board Member Kelley moved for the approval of (17-009) Resolution Proclaiming the Honorary Naming of Guilford Road from Mulford Road to Perryville Road as the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Corridor, seconded by Board Member Wilson. Chairman Haney and Board Members Webster and Hoffman thanked County Board Member Wescott for his work on this item and all the work he does for veterans. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)
24. County Board Member Kelley (17-010) Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Annual Professional Services Agreements with Strand Associates, Inc. to Provide Technical Services for the Maintenance of the Water District's SCADA System (SECTION 11-00495-00-MG), seconded by Board Member Boomer. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)
25. Board Member Kelley moved for the approval of (17-011) Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Engineering Services Agreement with Willett Hofmann & Associates Inc. for the Rehabilitation of the Alpine Road Bridge over Forest Hills Road (SECTION 16-000620-00-BR), seconded by Board Member Gerl. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board Member Schultz was absent.)
26. Board Member Kelley moved for the approval of (17-013) Resolution Authorizing the Appropriation of MFT Funds for the Maintenance of County Highways, seconded by Boomer. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board member Schultz was absent.)
27. County Board Member Kelley moved for the approval of (17-014) Bid for the 2017 County General Letting, seconded by Board Member Gerl. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present. (Board member Schultz was absent.)

PUBLIC SAFETY

28. County Board Member Fiduccia explained that Animal Services offered a promotion last month to provide free spay/neutering services to low income residents at their vet clinics. And \$25.00 vouchers for the service for those who did not qualify for free services. Their focus was on cats and pit bulls as those are the highest population in the shelter. They gave 52 free vouchers and 31 vouchers for \$25.00 service.

Board Member Fiduccia reported that the average jail population was 797 for the month. Animal Services received 704 calls for service and took in 146 dogs, 140 cats, 5 domestic rabbits, 4 Guinea Pigs, 1 hedgehog, 2 lizards, 1 chicken, 1 pot belly pig and 68 wild life. They returned to owner 46 dogs, and 3 cats. They rescued 10 dogs and 35 cats and adopted out 45 dogs, 58 cats, 2 Guinea Pigs, 2 domestic rabbits, 1 hedgehog, 1 lizard, and 1 pot belly pig.

Board Member Fiduccia reported a follow-up to Board Member Boomer's inquiry regarding cougars in Winnebago County. It appears that there are no cougars in Winnebago County, however, there is an alleged report of 1 sighting in Boone County a few weeks ago. It appears that they just pass through; they do not stay in the county.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

29. None

NEW BUSINESS

30. Chairman Haney reported that there will be a closed session, on negotiations updates, on April 13, 2017.
31. County Administrator Hamaker introduced the newly hired Purchasing Director Ann Johns, who has hit the ground running in this position.
32. Chief Financial & Budget Officer Paschel spoke of the new hire of the Finance Director Molly Terrinoni, who will start on April 3rd. She is coming to us after a number of years with Rock Valley College.
33. Chairman Haney explained that both of these hires are within budget and were posted both internally and externally and they were very happy with the strength of the applications received.
34. Chairman Frank Haney entertained a motion to adjourn. County Board Member Jury moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Board Member Wilson. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Board Member Schultz was absent.) The meeting was adjourned at 6:53p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Margie M. Mullins
Winnebago County Clerk

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