

**REGULAR ADJOURNED MEETING
WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD
AUGUST 13, 2020**

1. Chairman Haney Called to Order the Regular Adjourned Meeting of the Winnebago County Board for Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 6:02 p.m.
2. Chairman Haney announced the following Agenda Changes: No Changes
3. Roll Call: 18 Present. 2 Absent. (Board Members Arena, Booker, Butitta, Crosby, Fellars, Fiduccia, Gerl, Goral, Hoffman, Kelley, McDonald, Nabors, Redd, Salgado, Schultz, Tassoni, Wescott and Zintak were present.) (Board Members Bilich and Webster were absent.)
4. County Board Member Booker gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AWARDS, PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, PUBLIC HEARINGS, and PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

5. Awards - None
- Proclamations - None
- Presentations - None

Board Member Wescott arrived at 6:08 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

6. Pastor Rebecca White Newgren from the Second First Congregational Church encouraged Board Members to vote on the four minority candidates.

Reverend James Fambro, secretary of the Rockford Minister Fellowship encouraged all to vote for the four minority candidates.

Reverend Stephen Bowie from Third Presbyterian Church spoke in favor of the four qualified minority candidates.

Melissa Champion spoke in favor of the four candidates and read a letter from the Women's March Rockford.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

7. Chairman Haney announced the new County Administrator will start on August 24, 2020.

Dr. Martel is available for questions regarding travel guidelines.

Chairman Haney asked the Board to consider taking the four appointees off the table and vote.

BOARD MEMBER CORRESPONDENCE

8. Board Member Bilich arrived at 6:25 p.m.

Board Member Tassoni spoke of travel restrictions/guidance. Discussion by Dr. Martell.

Board Member Goral thanked County Clerk Gummow for the drop off box for ballots.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATION

9. County Clerk Gummow submitted the Items Listed Below as Correspondence which were “Placed on File” by Chairman Haney:

- A. County Clerk Gummow received from the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission the following:
 - a. Federal Register / Vol. 85, No. 145 / Tuesday, July 28, 2020 / Notices
 - b. Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2; Byron Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2; Clinton Power Station, Unit No. 1; Dresden Nuclear Power Station, Units 1,2 and 3; LaSalle County Station, Units 1 and 2; and Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2 – Issuance of Amendments Revising Emergency Action Level RA3 (EPID L-2019-LLA-0183)
 - c. Byron Station – Integrated Inspection Report 05000454/2020002 and 05000455/2020002
- B. County Clerk Gummow received from the Illinois Department of Transportation a Final Report of Expenditures for Pecatonica Township.
- C. County Clerk Gummow received from Charter Communications a letter regarding a name change from Bull Dog Shopping Network HD to ShopHQ Health HD on or around September 1, 2020 for the following:
 - a. County of Winnebago
 - b. Township of Harlem
 - c. Township of Rockton
 - d. Township of Roscoe
- D. County Clerk Gummow received a letter from Mediacom regarding the removal of the NFL Network and NFL Redzone due to expiration on their contract on July 31, 2020.
- E. County Clerk Gummow received from Sue Goral, Winnebago County Treasurer the Monthly Report for June, 2020 Bank Balances.

- F. County Clerk Gummow received from Nancy L. McPherson, Winnebago County Recorder, the Monthly Report June, 2020.

CONSENT AGENDA

10. Chairman Haney entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda for August 13, 2020 (Raffle Report and County Board Minutes of July 9, 2020 and to layover the County Board Minutes of July 23, 2020.) Board Member Hoffman moved for the approval of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Board Member Fellars. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all members present.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

11. Interim County Administrator Chapman announced the Budget and other internal issues are being worked on.

Chairman Haney announced the Board will review the Fiscal year 2021 Budget at the September 3rd Board Meeting.

DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATES

12. None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

13. Chairman Haney entertained a motion to take the appointees off the table. Board Member Nabors made a motion to take the appointees off the table, seconded by Board Member Fellars. Board Member Arena called point of order. Motion failed by a roll call vote of 15 yes and 5 no votes. (Board Members Arena, Bilich, Booker, Fiduccia, Gerl, Goral, Hoffman, McDonald, Redd, Salgado, Schultz, Tassoni, Webster, Wescott, and Zintak voted no.)

Board Appointments: (Tabled by County Board July 9, 2020):

A. Community Action Agency Board

1. Cesar Sanchez (Replacing Tiana McCall), Rockford, Illinois, July 2020-July 2021

B. Winnebago County Housing Authority

1. Rhonda Greer Robinson (Replacing Fred Wescott), Rockford, Illinois, July 2020 – September 2024

C. Winnebago County Crime Commission

1. Rev. Dr. Peter Frank Williams (Replacing Beck Cook Kendell), Rockford,

D. Chicago Rockford International Airport Board

1. Paulina Sihakom (Replacing Tom Dal Santo), Caledonia, Illinois, July 2020 – May 2023

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE

14. Board Member Salgado made a motion to approve Agenda Item 2 (as listed below), seconded by Board Member Hoffman. Board Member Gerl made a motion to bundle Agenda Items 2, 3, 4, and 5 (as listed below) together, seconded by Board Member Zintak. Board Member Salgado read in Agenda Items 2, 3, 4, and 5 (as listed below). Discussion by Board Member Arena. Motion was approved a unanimous vote of all members present.
 2. Resolution Authorizing Settlement of a Claim Against The County of Winnebago Entitled Stephen Wright Versus Winnebago County in the amount of \$96,443.48.
 3. Resolution Authorizing Settlement of a Claim Against The County of Winnebago Entitled Pamela Thomas Versus Winnebago County in the amount of \$43,745.51.
 4. Resolution Authorizing Settlement of a Claim Against The County of Winnebago Entitled Marlean Brown Versus Winnebago County in the amount of \$80,781.43.
 5. Resolution Authorizing Settlement of Litigation Demario Thompson V. Caruana in the amount of \$11,350.00.
15. Board Member Salgado made a motion to approve a Resolution Declining To Approve Participation In The Cops Grant, seconded by Board Member McDonald. Discussion by Board Members Salgado and McDonald. Motion was approved by a voice vote. Board Members Crosby and Kelley voted no.
16. Board Member Salgado read in for the first reading of Budget Amendment Ordinance 2020-022 Mental Health Tax Fund in the amount of \$45,000 to be laid over.
17. Board Member Salgado read in for the first reading of Budget Amendment Ordinance 2020-020 Sheriff's Department Budget by \$2,723,523 to be laid over.

New County Administrator Patrick Thompson says hello and looks forward to joining the County on August 24th.

ZONING COMMITTEE

18. Board Member Webster reported the Zoning Board of Appeals had their first in person meeting since March. The first in person Zoning Committee meeting is scheduled at the end of August.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

19. Board Member Bilich made a motion to approve a Resolution Abating Property Taxes on Property Located at 2647 8th Street, Rockford, Illinois Specifically Identified as Property Code Numbers 15-02-226-005 and 15-02-226-006, seconded by Board Member Gerl. Discussion by Board Members Schultz, Bilich, and Gerl. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Board Member Schultz voted no.)

20. Board Member Bilich made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with The City of Rockford for Real Estate Tax Abatements in the Rockford Enterprise Zone #1, seconded by Board Member Gerl. Discussion by Chairman Haney, Director of Development Services Dornbush and Board Members Bilich, Arena, Goral, Fellars, Salgado, and Schultz. Board Member Arena made a motion to layover, seconded by Board Member Zintak. Board Member Arena withdrew the motion. Board Member Schultz made a motion to amend the Resolution to add language related to the commitment from the County being contingent upon the commitment from the Park District and the Rockford School District 205, seconded by Board Member Webster. Board Member Schultz made a motion to amend the Resolution to say if either parties do not approve within the next six months the County will retract authority from the City of Rockford, seconded by Board Member Webster. Additional discussion by Director of Development Services Dornbush and Board Members Arena, Fellars, Bilich, Webster, and Schultz. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Board Members Fellars and Gerl voted no.) Further discussion by Director of Development Services Dornbush and Board Member Arena, Goral, Fellars, and Bilich. Motion to approve the amended Resolution was approved by a voice vote. (Board Member Schultz voted no.)

21. Board Member Bilich made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Rockford for Real Estate Tax Abatements in the Rockford I-90 Competitive Enterprise Zone, seconded by Board Member Zintak. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Board Members Kelly, Schultz, and Webster voted no.)

22. Board Member Bilich made a motion to approve a Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Rockford for Real Estate Tax Abatements in the River Edge Redevelopment Zone Number One, seconded by Board Member Gerl. Chairman Haney noted for the record that Agenda Items 2, 3, 4, and 5 will include an all-in or all out language within six months for the Park District and School District. Board Member McDonald announced we will abstain from the vote. Motion was approved by a voice vote. (Board Members Schultz and Webster voted no.)

OPERATIONS & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

23. No Report.

PUBLIC WORKS

24. Board Member Tassoni spoke to County Engineer Molina regarding the tornados and storms that went through Winnebago and surrounding counties and announced the County Highway Department is a member of the Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network.

PUBLIC SAFETY

25. Board Member Booker spoke of the revenue for Winnebago County to the general fund and COVID-19 recovery rate.

PERSONNEL AND POLICIES COMMITTEE

26. Board Member Fiduccia announced there will be a Personnel and Policies Committee meeting next Tuesday at 2 p.m. as well as a River Bluff Advisory Board meeting.


NEW BUSINESS

27. Board Member Arena spoke of a Budget Amendment in Finance that was laid over for the Sheriff's Department. Discussion by Chairman Haney.

Board McDonald spoke of social distancing and getting more Board Members back into the Board Room.

28. Chairman Haney entertained a motion to adjourn. County Board Member Gerl moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Board Member Zintak. Motion was approved by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Lori Gummow
County Clerk
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