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James T. Fennell, District 13  
Brian Elsasser, District 14  
Carol Trumpe, District 15  
Brad Harding, District 16  
Thomas H. O'Neill, III, District 17  
Paul Rosenbohm, District 18

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**PEORIA COUNTY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, December 10, 2015  
6:00 PM**

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**CALL TO ORDER  
MOMENT OF SILENCE  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
ROLL CALL BY THE COUNTY CLERK**

Attendance was taken with the Roll Call-Pro voting system, and the following members of the Board were present: Ardapple, Baietto, Dillon, Elsasser, Fennell, Harding, Mayer, Morris, O'Neill, Parker, Pearson, Phelan, Rand, Rosenbohm, Salzer, Trumpe, Watkins and Williams.

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Approval of November 12, 2015 County Board Minutes
- Approval of November 12, 2015 County Board Executive Session Minutes
- Approval of November 19, 2015 County Board Budget Meeting Minutes

Baietto moved for approval of the minutes, Watkins seconded. The minutes were approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

**II. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS**

- A proclamation recognizing Brimfield Junior High School Girls' Softball Team as the 2015 IESA Class A State Runners-up.
- A proclamation thanking local businesses for supporting Peoria County Employees 2015 Heart of Illinois United Way Fundraising Campaign.

Chairman Rand presented 5 year service pins to Ardapple, Fennell, Parker, and Rosenbohm.

Gabe McLeod presented a 35 year service pin to County Clerk Steve Sonnemaker.

**III. CITIZENS' REMARKS**

Jeff Bogdan, Co-owner, Federal Warehouse Company, addressed the Board regarding backscanning services for the Recorder of Deeds. He thanked the Board and administrators for their action on



scanning and indexing vital documents. He asked for the Board to table their decision and allow Federal to perform a one week free trial to demonstrate their ability. He stated that the RFP response from Federal was \$341,000, and that they would perform all services outlined in the RFP at a substantial cost savings for the Peoria County taxpayers. He explained that Federal services many companies, requesting contact with Maui Jim for a testimonial regarding imaging services.

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

- C1.** The Treasurer report consisting of the Bank and CD's Portfolio for the month of October 2015 and Revenue & Expenditures for the month of September 2015.
- C2.** A resolution (items 1-20 conveyances; item 21 reconveyance) from the Ways and Means Committee recommending that the County Board Chairman be authorized and directed to execute deed of said property to the highest bidder, and be authorized to cancel the appropriate Certificates of Purchase. This resolution shall be effective ninety days from December 10, 2015 and any transaction between the parties involved not occurring within this period shall be null and void.
- C3.** A resolution from your Executive Committee recommending approval of a Second Amendment to the Growth Cell 1A Agreement.
- C4.** A resolution from your Executive Committee recommending approval of a County/State Capital Improvement Grant Loan in the amount of \$2,088,192.00 to call Growth Cell 1A Bonds.
- C5.** An Ordinance from your Executive Committee authorizing the designation of an area within Peoria County as part of the Rural Peoria Enterprise Zone.
- C6.** A resolution from your Executive Committee recommending approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement for the designation of the Rural Peoria Enterprise Zone.
- C7.** A resolution from your Health, Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of the lowest responsible bid of Environmental Control Solutions, Peoria, IL, in the amount of \$51,050.00 to upgrade the Temperature Control System at the Juvenile Detention Center.
- C8.** A resolution from your Health, Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of the FY 2015 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) Award in the amount of \$1,954.00, with the funds to be appropriated to the appropriate line items in the Sheriff's budget.
- C9.** A resolution from your Health, Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Peoria for the FY 2015 Edward Bryne Memorial Justice Assistance



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Grant (JAG), with the County's portion of the funds, \$11,000.00, to be used to purchase 20 bulletproof vests for Auxiliary officers.

- C10.** A resolution from your Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of an annual appropriation of 2016 MFT funds for County Highway maintenance activities in accordance with IDOT regulations in the amount of \$4,000,000.00.
- C11.** A resolution from your Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of quotations for County Highway Maintenance materials to be purchased during 2016 in the amount of \$4,000,000.00.
- C12.** A resolution from your Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of the lowest responsible bid of Cady Oil Company in the amount of \$800,000.00 for the purchase of bulk diesel and unleaded fuel for Peoria County in conjunction with the City of Peoria.
- C13.** A resolution from your Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Peoria and the City of West Peoria for Administration of the City of West Peoria's Floodplain Ordinance by the Department of Planning and Zoning.
- C14.** A resolution from your Rules Committee recommending approval of amendments to the 2015/2016 Rules of Order. *(Pending Committee Approval)*
- C15.** Chairman Appointments

O'Neill moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Baietto seconded. Mayer asked to pull C14 and C15; Williams asked to pull C5 and C9. The Consent Agenda, except for Items C5, C9, C14, and C15, was approved by a roll call vote of 17 ayes and 1 nay, with Harding voting nay.

**C14. Resolution for approval of amendments to the 2015/2016 Rules of Order.**

Mayer moved to approve Item C14 and Salzer seconded.

Mayer explained that there are two substantive changes, one is adding the Public Health Administrator to the Collaborative Committee and the second is reinstating the 72 hour rule for budget amendments; requiring notification of Administration and the Board Chairman by 5pm on the Monday before the meeting, but amendments could be allowed with a majority vote of the Board. He stated that there are other technical cleanups of the rules.

Trumpe said she is pleased that the committee agreed that this is a friendly amendment, and it allows for changes to be made at the final budget meeting.

Item C14 was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.



### **C15. Chairman Appointments**

Mayer moved to approve Item C15 and Salzer seconded. Chairman Rand noted that the administrative rules had been changed to include the Public Health Administrator, and now Gene Huber can be added to the Collaborative Committee through this item. Item C15 was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

### **C5. An Ordinance authorizing an area within Peoria County as part of the Rural Peoria Enterprise Zone.**

Mayer moved to approve Item C5 and Fennell seconded.

Williams stated that she will not be supporting this item due to the rate of the prevailing wage.

Item C5 was approved by a roll call vote of 15 ayes and 3 nays, with Pearson, Salzer, and Williams voting nay.

### **C9. A resolution for approval of an agreement with the City of Peoria for \$11,000.00, for bulletproof vests for Auxiliary officers.**

Baietto moved to approve Item C9 and O'Neill seconded.

Williams stated that she would be abstaining from the vote because she will be receiving one of the vests.

Item C9 was approved by a roll call vote of 17 ayes and 1 abstention, with Williams abstaining.

## **V. ZONING ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS**

- 1.** Case 044-15-U, Petition of Foster Pet Outreach (David Schielein & The David Schielien Trust, owners). A Special Use request as required in Section 20-5.8.2.1.a of the Unified Development Ordinance. This section allows for a special use to operate a commercial kennel in the "C-2" General Commercial Zoning District. The petitioner proposes to operate a foster pet operation from this location. The parcel is located in Kickapoo Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends approval with restrictions. The Land Use and Infrastructure Committee concurs.

Phelan left the meeting.

Dillon moved to approve the ordinance and Williams seconded. The ordinance passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 17 ayes.

Phelan returned to the meeting.

- 2.** A resolution from your Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of an Honorary Street name sign program.

Dillon moved to approve the resolution and Ardapple seconded.

Dillon explained that there were a couple of requests for street names to honor people in the



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community, but there was never a policy in the County. He stated that the signs would be blue with white letters. He discussed a project that is ready to use the policy for a honorary designation on Park Road for Jimmy Binkley. He said that the policy copies the City's with a form and an application fee for the sign.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

Dillon detailed Jimmy Binkley's life, through his music and his community outreach. He thanked Ms. McLaren for help in the project.

3. A resolution from your Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of a grant agreement with IEMA for the acquisition of 20 flood prone properties in the Town of Edwards in the amount of \$1,074,388.00.

Dillon moved to approve the resolution and Williams seconded.

Mr. Sorrel informed the Board that the 20 properties included were damaged from flash flooding 2 years ago. He mentioned that it is a voluntary program, but there are substantial verbal commitments of interest from the owners. He said that the local match will be covered by another state agency with zero local dollars to obligate. He explained that once the properties are acquired, they cannot be developed again, and must be permanent open space.

Harding noted the trouble the land owners encountered after the flash flooding. He observed that the Planning and Zoning department beat a 3 year self-imposed deadline. He believes it is a happy ending after a tragic start. He thanked Administration, Planning and Zoning, Sheriff, and Highway Department. He said he is proud to be a County Board member when people can be helped in this fashion.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

4. A resolution from your Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of a grant agreement with IEMA for the acquisition of 20 flood prone properties within unincorporated Peoria County in the amount of \$2,012,050.00.

Dillon moved to approve the resolution and Ardapple seconded. The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

5. A resolution from your Executive Committee recommending approval of a MACRO Loan with Huebldg, LLC, in the amount of \$590,000.00, for Trefzger's Bakery Expansion Project, for a term of ten (10) years with a payment schedule amortized over twenty (20) years.

Phelan moved to approve the resolution and Mayer seconded.

Mr. Sorrel reported that it is a MACRO loan that has the endorsement of the Loan Review Committee and himself. He believes, along with Mr. Rothert, that this is a good, strong project.

Chairman Rand granted the floor to Jeff Huebner, Owner of Trefzger's Bakery, who thanked the Board for support of his business. He highlighted the history of the bakery, with the passing of the business through family and finally to him and his wife. He stated that the current location is landlocked, lacking



in space and parking and could not be expanded anymore. He explained that they found the perfect building in a TIF district created by the Village of Peoria Heights.

Phelan emphasized how this loan encompasses the County Board's goals and objectives of supporting local business, helping a local business grow, and supporting neighborhoods. He highlighted the history of the Rock Island Trail and how it was predicted by Bill Rutherford that the creation of a trail would enhance the community and economic development. He noted the location of the business adjacent to the trail and that it will contribute to growth. He said that most of the time when a business relocates, it does so by moving from one strip mall to another strip mall, but this business is moving to an even older building. He predicted that the owners will care for the building because they have an appreciation for its history. He said that this project will generate sales tax, generate additional jobs, increase property value, and above all help the folks walking along the trail have a place to stop.

Katie Kim, Director, The Kim Group, thanked Mr. Rothert, Mr. Sorrel, the Loan Committee, The Executive Board, and the Board. She believed that as a developer it has been one of the more challenging projects to put together, but the Village of Peoria Heights and the County are working together to keep businesses in the community and growing.

Chairman Rand emphasized that the owners have substantial equity in the project, the County has a loan in the project, the Small Business Administration is going to make a loan, and the Heights is putting together a TIF district with incentives for investment in improvements. He believes that this is the type of project the Board likes to see. He recognized the willingness on the part of the owners to put this together and congratulated them.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

6. A resolution from your Ways and Means Committee recommending approval of the lowest qualified bid of US Imaging, Saginaw, MI, in an amount not to exceed \$746,025.00, for the provision of Backscanning services for the Recorder of Deeds Office.

Mayer moved to approve the resolution and Rosenbohm seconded.

Trumpe acknowledged the accomplishment of the long desired program. She said the staff has very carefully looked at everything and has made a wise decision.

Mayer mentioned that in the agenda packet there is a letter from the President of the Bar Association, Tim Howard, who was on the Board the last time any backscanning was done, and includes his congratulations on finishing what he started.

Chairman Rand recognized that the voters ordained that the office of the recorder of deeds as an elected function should be sunset and merged within the office of the Peoria County Clerk. He stated that this is a way to make a 21st century delivery of the ultimate expectation of citizen taxpayers by scanning and indexing completely. He thanked Recorder of Deeds Jason Hauer for his leadership.

Elsasser requested clarification on the lowest responsible bid in relation to the citizen's remarks. Mr. Sorrel stated that it is the responsible low bid. He explained that the vendor has extensive experience in exactly this work in county governments, it has the ability to tie into software used by the Recorder, and is the best fit for the scope of work. He maintained that it was not the lowest bid but the most qualified.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.





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7. A resolution from your County Operations Committee recommending approval of a contract with HM Life at an estimated annual cost of \$834,629.28, for the provision of Stop Loss Excess Insurance coverage for January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016. *(Pending Committee Approval)*

Phelan moved to approve the resolution and Salzer seconded. The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

8. A resolution from your County Operations Committee recommending approval to renew contracts with Arthur J. Gallagher for Excess Insurance/Broker services and Gallagher Bassett for Third Party Administrator services, from January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016, for an estimated premium of \$903,965.00. *(Pending Committee Approval)*

Phelan moved to approve the resolution and Salzer seconded. The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

9. A resolution from your County Operations Committee recommending approval of Change Orders #003 and #005 for the abatement, demolition and site restoration of Bel-Wood Nursing Home. *(Pending Committee Approval)*

Phelan moved to approve the resolution and Salzer seconded. The resolution passed by a roll call vote of 17 ayes and 1 nay, with Harding voting nay.

10. Review of Executive Session Minutes.

Mr. Giebelhausen explained that the State's Attorney's Office recommends that the closed session minutes currently being held continue to be held because the need for confidentiality still exists.

Mayer moved to approve the recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office and Fennel seconded. The motion was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

## **VI. MISCELLANEOUS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Rand announced a gathering on December 21st at 4pm, for the Board and County Elected Officials at the Creve Coeur Club.

Fennell thanked all for the delicious food prior to the meeting.

O'Neill wished everyone a very blessed and merry Christmas

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board, the Chairman announced the meeting was adjourned.