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Robert Baietto, District 12
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Brian Elsasser, District 14
Carol Trumpe, District 15
Brad Harding, District 16
Thomas H. O'Neill, III, District 17
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**PEORIA COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 13, 2016
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, Mayer, Morris, O'Neill, Parker, Pearson, Phelan, Rand, Rosenbohm, Salzer, Trumpe, Watkins and Williams, with Fennell and Harding absent.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approval of September 8, 2016 County Board Minutes
- Approval of September 8, 2016 County Board Executive Session Minutes

O'Neill moved for approval of the minutes, Elsasser seconded. The minutes were approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

II. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- Proclamation recognizing Representative David Leitch for 30 years of public service in the Illinois State House of Representatives
- Presentation of the Outstanding Citizen's Award to State's Attorney Jerry Brady and Judge Jodi Hoos by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police
- Proclamation recognizing the accomplishments of the Efficiency Study Work Team in the implementation of an accounts payable improvement process
- Proclamation recognizing November 2016 as Pets for Vets month

III. CITIZENS' REMARKS

Mr. Evans asked that those requesting to speak not make any remarks about any particular person, and statements in regards to zoning cases be limited to what was discussed at the committee level and no new information be brought forward.



William Rosecrans, 16515 W. Martin Road, Brimfield, addressed the Board with regards to Items 2 and 3. He described how he and his wife approached the County prior to starting the process on splitting their parcel, and they were told that based on other splits in the area, it would be easy. He explained that the variance and special use permit paperwork was filled out in the Planning and Zoning office and was told that this split was a perfect land split for Peoria County growth. He noted that they were told there was a possibility that it would not go through, but the chances of it going through would be in the 90's. He said that weeks later they received a letter from Planning and Zoning Department stating that it was recommending denial, and he didn't understand why they were not told of this after spending a great deal of money on putting in well, conducting soil testing, surveying the land, and applying for variances. He stated that he placed a phone call to the office and was told that this was just a recommendation. He emphasized that while at the hearings with both the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Land Use Committee, although they were able to speak, the committees had already made their decision. He contended that the Planning and Zoning Department made its recommendation on there being no public water on the land, but they had been instructed to install a well on the property. He identified that splitting the property would be inconsistent with the Brimfield's open space policy and the Environmental Corridor designation, but they were never given that information from the planner. He brought up that there were concerns from the neighbors that they were splitting the land to gain a profit, but their intent was to preserve it for their family. He summarized that the amount of money invested into the property would not come close to the amount of money they would receive if sold, and both the Health Department and the Township Highway Commissioner had no objections to the split.

Bill Passie, 16623 W. Martin Road, Brimfield, addressed the Board with regards to Items 2 and 3. He stated that he strongly objects, along with 11 others, to granting any variance or special use for the subject property. He said that the plans were not shared with the neighbors ahead of time, and the Zoning Board of Appeals and Land Use Committee have recommended denial. He contended that increasing the housing density on any lot would alter the essential character of the locality. He noted that the Rosecrans will soon be moving to a new house in Kickapoo, which would mean that they would not be around to experience the travesty they created. He said that the variances are inconsistent with the comprehensive land use policy, Peoria County growth strategy, community character, environment, and the intention of land use when the community was developed. He mentioned that adding another well could create a water shortage for all of the neighbors. He identified that a variance allowing for a 2.5 acre lot would be grossly inconsistent with the current 25 acre requirement. He expressed that adding another house would add to the traffic on a road that is substantially a one lane road. He urged the Board to support the denial.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- C1.** The Treasurer report consisting of the Bank and CD's Portfolio for the month of August 2016 and Revenue & Expenditures for the month of July 2016.
- C2.** The Auditor's report of expenditures from Accounts Payable system is accessible at www.peoriacounty.org/auditor/transparency.
- C3.** A resolution (items 1 - 27, 30 - 50, 53 and 54 conveyances and items 28,



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51 and 52 reconveyances) 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 October 13, 2016 and any transaction between the parties involved not occurring within this period shall be null and void.

- C4.** A resolution from your Executive Committee recommending approval of an additional appropriation in the amount of \$90,000.00 into the Peoria Riverfront Museum Fund for unanticipated expenditures not included in the adopted FY 2016 budget.
- C5.** A resolution from your Health, Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$271,635.51 from the Illinois Department of Transportation to assist in funding the operation of the Peoria County DUI Court.
- C6.** A resolution from your Health, Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of the appropriation of additional funds in the amount of \$85,000.00 for FY 2016 to reflect increase in Probation Salary reimbursements.
- C7.** A resolution from your Health, Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of an additional appropriation in the amount of \$4,333.75 for FY 2016 for Death Certificate Surcharge Grant for Coroner's Department in the General Fund, to be utilized for the purchase of autopsy and medical supplies.
- C8.** A resolution from your Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of a Federal Agreement with the State of Illinois for construction of the Trivoli Road Bridge replacement in the amount of \$340,000.00.
- C9.** A resolution from your Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of a County Motor Fuel Tax appropriation in the amount of \$150,000.00 for additional resurfacing work completed on Willow Knolls Road.
- C10.** A resolution from your County Board and Elected Officials Collaborative Committee recommending the adoption and implementation of the Illinois Transportation Legislative Initiative to Benefit the Economy and the Citizens of the State of Illinois.
- C11.** Chairman Appointments.

Ardapple moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Mayer seconded. Morris asked to pull Item C10; Elsasser asked to pull Item C4. The Consent Agenda, except for Items C4 and C10, was



approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

C4. A resolution recommending approval of \$90,000.00 into the Peoria Riverfront Museum Fund for unanticipated expenditures.

Morris moved to approve Item C4 and Ardapple seconded.

Elsasser asked a question regarding the Museum's operating budget.

Mr. Sorrel explained that the appropriation is reflective of the obligation as the owner of the building and goes toward projects that were approved by either the Board or the Executive Committee over the year.

Item C4 passed by a roll call vote of 15 ayes and 1 nay, with Elsasser voting nay.

C10. A resolution recommending adoption and implementation of the Illinois Transportation Legislative Initiative.

Ardapple moved to approve Item C10 and Morris seconded.

Morris requested that Tazewell County Board Member Russ Crawford speak to the Board about the resolution.

Mr. Crawford addressed the Board with regards to the transportation legislative initiative resolution. He described that there are three current initiatives dealing with transportation. He said one is through the County trying to raise money through a sales tax for road maintenance, another is a Constitutional Amendment on the ballot that keeps money in transportation locally, and thirdly is the legislative initiative. He explained that previously, Illinois used a formula splitting money at 80% for highways and 20% for transit; with highway money split 60% for IDOT and 40% for local roads. He described that the money has gone from 40% to only 21.5%. He stated that due to the reduction, road conditions have become a problem, the County has lost \$2.5 million a year and the City of Peoria nearly \$3 million a year; the initiative addresses the issue.

Item C10 passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

V. ZONING ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS

1. Case 048-16-U, Petition of Chris Kappes (Peter Cahill, Patsy Cahill, Peter Cahill Trust and Patsy Cahill Trust, owners. A Special use as required in Section 20-6.2.1.1.b of the Unified Development Ordinance. This section allows for a special use when a proposed land split does not meet the 40-acre minimum lot size requirement in the A-1 Agricultural Preservation District. The petitioner proposes to divide 5-acres from a 160-acre tract. The parcel is located in Brimfield Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends approval. The Land Use and Infrastructure Committee concurs.

Dillon moved to approve the ordinance and Trumpe seconded. The ordinance passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.



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2. Case 050-16-U, William and Janet Rosecrans. A Special Use as required in Section 20.5.2.2.1.a.1 of the Unified Development Ordinance. This section allows for a special use when a proposed land split does not meet the 25 acre minimum lot size nor the 1 dwelling unit per 25 contiguous acres density requirement in the A-2 Agricultural District. The petitioner proposes to divide 5-acres in the "A-2" Agriculture District into 2 lots of 2.5 acres each. The parcel is located in Jubilee Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends DENIAL. The Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommends DENIAL.

Dillon moved to approve the ordinance and Ardapple seconded.

Dillon informed that the adoption of the ordinance would be affirming the denial of the Land Use Committee and the Zoning Board of Appeals. He explained that there was a lot of debate at the Land Use Committee meeting about the case; ending in a denial vote of 5-2. He said that there may have been bad advice given by the County, but that doesn't mean that environmental corridors and the land use policy should be ignored. He mentioned that he feels for the Rosecrans for going through a process that may not have been what they were expecting, and there is authority for the Administrator to remedy some of the cost incurred. He described that the Board could still approve the split, but would need to do so with a Findings of Fact vote. He said he owns the errors made by the County, but will be voting to approve the denial due to the comprehensive land use plan.

Morris asked for Mr. Sorrel to expound upon what errors the County may have made.

Mr. Sorrel stated that there were possible errors that were brought up through the Citizen's Remarks. He said that a claim was made that staff had given advice that made the Rosecrans incur expenses, and had they known that there may have been a denial, they may not have gone ahead with their request.

Morris remarked that an error was made by staff, not by Dillon, and asked Mr. Sorrel if that was the case. Mr. Sorrel explained that the belief at this time is that it was advice by staff.

Dillon noted that the staff member may not have known that the property was in an environmental corridor at the time that advice was given. He detailed that the ZBA and Land Use Committee did not get to hear all of the facts, and the Board cannot take it into account when it is not presented to the ZBA.

Elsasser recognized that all make mistakes and if they were told that they should pursue without approval, the Board should stand behind what they were told. He believed that the Rosecrans would not have spent one dollar if they knew it would have been denied.

Trumpe requested clarification from Elsasser on where he stands on the vote. Elsasser responded that he is against the denial, but will be supporting what the Board's employees have said in the past.

Trumpe said that she personally feels bad about the case because of the work and the plans of the family. She explained that she voted against the resolution in committee simply on the basis of following the rule. She noted that she believes in fairness to the family, that there have been plans passed in the past that are similar, and that she will be changing her vote.



Parker asked for clarification that the plans were to split the land at this time, but not build a structure.

Mr. Sorrel confirmed that the resolution would only grant the split of the property.

Dillon emphasized that the Board stands behind its employees 110% and in fairness to the Rosecrans, an agreement can be made that if receipts can be produced for the well, the County can make it right with them. He stated that a yes vote would be to concur with the denial by the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Salzer inquired if there was advice that conflicted with what should have been given, and if authority is present to allow for the Rosecrans to be compensated mostly for the cost.

Dillon reported that Chairman Rand, Mr. Sorrel, Mr. Wahl along with himself, have said they want to make it right with the Rosecrans, and it can all be done under Mr. Sorrel's authority without separate resolution.

Chairman Rand explained that there is a possibility that there was an error, but there is a resolution that is a matter of process and a yes vote would stick with Land Use Committee and ZBA's prior votes; which would be denying the permit. He noted that there is a second question as to the extent to which an error in advice can be remedied.

The ordinance, denying the special use, passed by a roll call vote of 12 ayes and 4 nays with Elsasser, Parker, Rosenbohm, and Trumpe voting nay.

3. Case W05-16, William and Janet Rosecrans. A resolution from your Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommending DENIAL of a waiver of compliance from Section 20-8.3.4.1.b.2.a of the Unified Development Ordinance. This section requires a new minor subdivision to have a public water supply. The petitioner is proposing to divide 5-acres into 2 lots of 2.5 acres each, which will both be supplied with water by wells. The nearest public water supply is approximately 3 miles to the west. The parcel is located in Jubilee Township.

Dillon moved to approve the resolution and Parker seconded.

Dillon moved to amend the resolution by substitution and Parker seconded. Dillon explained that the substitution would deny the well and stay in accordance with the previous vote.

The motion to amend by substitution passed by a roll call vote of 12 ayes and 4 nays, with Elsasser, Parker, Rosenbohm, and Trumpe voting nay.

The resolution as amended was approved by a roll call vote of 12 ayes and 4 nays with Elsasser, Parker, Rosenbohm, and Trumpe voting nay.

4. Case 053-16-U, Petition of Curtis Hawkins (James Kyle, owner). A Special Use as required in Section 20-5.2.2.3.e of the Unified Development Ordinance. This section allows for a special use for a private recreational area or facility, provided that any parking lots are landscaped in accordance with Section 7.6 (Landscaping & Bufferyards). The parcel is located in Kickapoo



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Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends DENIAL. The Land Use and Infrastructure Committee recommends APPROVAL WITH RESTRICTIONS.

Dillon moved to approve the ordinance and Williams seconded.

Chairman Rand stated that there would be two votes, one for the ordinance and a second for the findings of fact.

Dillon moved to amend the ordinance by substitution and Mayer seconded.

Dillon reported that there were some additions made by the Land Use Committee. He said that the largest addition would be the inclusion of a pull-off on the gravel road for safety, and the zoning variance would only apply to the business owner and not the land.

Chairman Rand asked for clarification on the expiration of the use. Dillon confirmed that the use only applied to the business owner and would expire if the business was sold.

The motion to amend by substitution was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

The ordinance as amended was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

Dillon moved to approve the Findings of Fact and Elsasser seconded. The Findings of Fact were approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

5. A resolution from your Executive Committee recommending approval of the appropriation of \$300,000.00 in the FY 2017 budget from the County/State Capital Improvement Funds for the purposes of creating a revolving loan fund to support the Peoria Heights Neighborhood Revitalization Pilot Program.

Phelan moved to approve the resolution and Baietto seconded.

Mr. Rothert announced that there will be a presentation on a housing issue and opportunity found in Peoria Heights, along with how the County can be a catalyst to affect positive change, EAV growth, job growth, and neighborhood revitalization.

Brittany Brown, Rural Economic Development Coordinator, Greater Peoria Economic Development Council, addressed the Board with regards to the Home in the Heights program that focuses on residential development in Peoria Heights. She detailed that while Peoria Heights has seen strides in commercial development, the landscape of the residential development has remained stagnant. She said that much of the existing housing was built in the first half of the 20th century, they are about two beds and one bathroom totaling around 1,000 square feet, and they do not accommodate for today's family. She explained that population, homeownership, and percentage of families sending children to Peoria Heights school has dropped. She described her personal experience when shopping for a home in the Heights, which included having the ability to be within walking distance of getting milk and a coffee, having three bedrooms and two bathrooms, and having at least 1,500 square feet. She stated that there was only one home that fit their parameters, but two of the bedrooms were too short for them to stand. She explained that the current market is still the same today. She stated that the pilot program addresses the



problem in Peoria Heights by streamlining and incentivizing the home addition process. She asserted that Peoria Heights would be a good control as the pilot because it is landlocked and has an inability to grow with new subdivisions. She identified that there would be a better ability to measure the affects due to its specific need for housing more than in other communities, and it would be easier to roll out to other communities after learning what works best. She said that the program would attract construction, families, increase homeownership, increase equalized assessed value, stabilize and increase population in the village and the school district, and increase the quality of life. She explained that the pilot year targets 8-10 projects that are currently on the market and pave the way to achieve long-term goals.

Mr. Rothert discussed how a large component to the program includes the village of Peoria Heights easing the permitting process by waiving fees and creating zoning variances. He explained that there will be a preferred and vetted list of banks and contractors, a guide book created for prospective candidates, and a possible set of plans for homes. He reported that the County's investment is important to the program, which will be used as a revitalization loan. He said that the loan would be capped at \$20,000 per project, representing about 15% of the financing as either a down payment assistance or renovation assistance. He reported the loan would be structured as a 0% interest loan over 5 years with a 1 year deferral of payment, and the property should be included in tax abatement through the State's homestead improvement program. He presented an example of a home with a purchase price of \$65,000 where the homeowner would renovate the home with a total cost of \$140,000; receiving financing for \$113,000, including the 15% loan from the program, and personal equity of 5%. He noted that the amount requested goes beyond what is targeted as part of the pilot year, but it would allow for over performance.

Eric Heath, Superintendent, Peoria Heights Community Unit School District, addressed the Board with regards to the pilot program. He remarked that revitalizing the community is important to the school district. He said that an increase in the stability in the home market would benefit the school district. He thanked the Board for its consideration of the project.

Phelan noted that the project began in the EDC's offices in April and a lot of time and effort has gone into the project. He emphasized that a lot of credit is due to Mr. Rothert and Ms. Brown, the EDC, especially Jennifer Daly, Mr. Sorrel, the Village, the school district, building trades, and Tri-County Regional Planning Commission. He expressed that the issues have been identified and the program will incentivize and kick start the market, allowing for private money to come as well. He reported that he has not been this excited by a program for some time and wholeheartedly encouraged a vote in favor of the measure.

Ardapple observed that the program is a very refreshing economic development concept and she supports it. Ardapple asked for information on replicating the program in other areas and who will administrate the program when expanded. Mr. Rothert explained that he would be the administrator during the pilot program and applicants would be mostly directed to the Village for paperwork and information. Ardapple suggested that the organization be cautious and ensure that the amount of time that is needed for each project is available, because the amount of time that will be required is not known at this time. She believed that if the project is to be replicable, the organization needs to be cognizant of the amount of time needed.

Ms. Brown asserted that the EDC will be taking the lead as well, when necessary.



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Morris asked if there would be reports back to the Board each month. Mr. Rothert said that there would be reports to the Board regularly.

Elsasser emphasized that the Keystone money must be used on economic development specifically and cannot be used for other purposes.

Rosenbohm asked for clarification on whether the renovations will be done by specific contractors or if they can be done by the homeowners, and once the money is given out, will it eventually be returned to the County or will additional funds be needed for other pilots.

Mr. Rothert stated that there will be a list of vetted contractors assembled with the help of the trades, and further discussion would need to occur before making a decision on homeowners doing renovation work on their own. He reported that the money would be returned to the revolving loan fund and not to the Village.

Ardapple highlighted that the funds being used are to expand homes to create three bedroom, two bath homes, not to create family rooms. Mr. Rothert said that the goal is to expand the homes to accommodate a modern family at over 1,500 square feet either vertically or back into the lot.

O'Neill asked for information on those who would do the work themselves, asking if someone would look over the work being done. Mr. Rothert expressed that the work would need to be inspected by the Village of Peoria Heights. O'Neill stated that if the work was done by the homeowner, it would not be subject to the prevailing wage. Mr. Rothert stated that the prevailing wage is a detail that needs to be discussed, but any work done by a contractor would be subject to the prevailing wage.

Dillon expressed his support and thanked Mr. Rothert and Ms. Brown for their work. He believed that \$300,000 is a lot, but to bring up the value of the homes and increase homeownership, it is a small investment, and it is an outside-the-box economic development tool. He stated that the Board is committing the money to increase homeownership and improve the housing stock. He stressed that that it is very important that there be support for development. He noted that more people need to own homes, and the more that people own homes, the more they cut grass and do everything.

Mayer thanked all including Phelan who lead the charge for the Board. He mentioned that when the Board adopted the Enterprise Zone applications, it was changed so that it would cover residential programs for the building materials exemption. He stated that the Heights does not currently match up with the Enterprise Zone, but that could be changed and be an additional benefit as part of the program.

Phelan explained that this is a unique program, but it stands up to scrutiny. He stressed that Ms. Brown and her husband wanted to live in a community like this, and the Board shouldn't want to lose folks like them to across the river. He stated that the program will help keep people in Peoria County and it can be replicated.

Baietto described how he has been associated with Peoria Heights since he came in 1957. He



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believes that it is the most exciting and enthusiastic projects he has seen. He promised that the project would work and wished the best.

Chairman Rand requested what repayment the County would see and what are the terms of repayment.

Mr. Rothert reported that the County would see payment each month in line with the homeowner's mortgage payment, and the term would be over a six year time period with the first year payment being deferred. He stated that in years two through six there would be a \$4,000 a year payment.

Chairman Rand asserted that the term that the County is involved with the property is short compared to the length of the note on the property.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

Phelan left the meeting.

6. A resolution from your Ways and Means Committee recommending adoption of a Peoria County Travel Expense Control Policy.

Mayer moved to approve the resolution and Pearson seconded.

Mayer informed that this item and the next item were placed on the general agenda because the Board wanted to draw attention that substantial change to the policy came from a change in state law where if any employee requests to be reimbursed in excess of what is in the travel policy, approval would have to come from the Board by a roll call vote. He also noted that any Board Member requesting reimbursement would need to come to the Board for approval by a roll call vote.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 15 ayes.

7. A resolution from your Ways and Means Committee recommending adoption of amendments to the Peoria County Travel Guide Policy and Procedure.

Mayer moved to approve the resolution and Salzer seconded. The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 15 ayes.

Phelan returned to the meeting.

8. A resolution from your County Operations Committee recommending approval of the most responsible low bid of Seico Security Electronics, Pekin, IL, in the amount of \$191,927.00, for the replacement of the Central Control Panel at the Juvenile Detention Center.

Phelan moved to approve the resolution and Ardapple seconded.

Phelan expressed that the money for the project comes from the public facilities sales tax, and he will not support it due to the funding source.



The resolution passed by a roll call vote of 15 ayes and 1 nay, with Phelan voting nay.

- 9.** A resolution from your County Operations Committee recommending approval to increase the FY 2016 Authorized Staffing Count in the Adult Probation Department by 1 (one) FTE.

Phelan moved to approve the resolution and Baietto seconded.

Mr. Hunt specified that there was a grant accepted in the Consent Agenda to expand the DUI courts, and the position is funded through the Illinois Department of Transportation; both the salary and benefits.

Ardapple described her hesitation to add an FTE under a grant and asked for Mr. Hunt to share his answer given to her to the Board.

Mr. Hunt informed that when the Adult Probation Department took the program to the Chief Judge, he stated that there would not be current funding and challenged them to find funding. He said that the funding came through the grant, and if the funds do not come through in successive years, the department will either discontinue the program or other programs to fund it.

Chairman Rand contended that the Board policy maintains that if a position that is funded through a grant becomes unfunded, the position is eliminated. Mr. Sorrel concurred.

Mr. Hunt asserted that the FTE would be reduced, but the Chief Judge may elect to keep the program.

Chairman Rand summarized that the Board policy is that if there are no grant dollars the position vaporizes. He said that the grant allows for wonderful things to be done.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

- 10.** A resolution from your County Operations Committee recommending approval of the renovation and expansion of Courtroom 123 in the amount of \$397,952.00 and authorization for the County Administrator to issue the necessary documents to complete the work.

Phelan moved to approve the resolution and Salzer seconded.

Phelan asked for clarification on the money for the project coming from the Capital Budget.

Mr. Sorrel confirmed that a portion of the amount is covered by the insurance policy due to the flood last year and the remainder is coming from the capital dollars.

Chairman Rand asked if the money is tied to a rollover. Mr. Sorrel stated that the dollars were already appropriated in this year's budget.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

- 11.** A resolution from your County Operations Committee recommending approval of the low bid of



William Aupperle & Sons, Inc., Morton, IL, in the amount of \$243,112.50, for the construction of the Peoria County Veterans Memorial Project, and that a 10% retention of \$24,311.00 be appropriated for expenses related to possible construction overages and other expenses related to the memorial.

Salzer moved to approve the resolution and Baietto seconded.

Salzer thanked the Veteran's Memorial Committee for its work and said the Board should be proud. He stated that the construction company being awarded the project built the World War I and II Memorial. He noted that there is a cost of a concrete sandbag wall that is included in the bid, but if there is a maintenance issue found, it will be removed and funds will be used for building of the statues.

Baietto thanked County Clerk Steve Sonnemaker and those who put forward money for the project. He said that the project will take care of now through infinity.

Chairman Rand thanked County Clerk Steve Sonnemaker for his work and leadership.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

- 12.** A resolution from your County Operations Committee recommending approval of the bid of Preston Jackson, Dunlap, IL, in the amount of \$65,000.00, for the sculpture of a Korean War Era statue.

Watkins moved to approve the resolution and Baietto seconded.

Salzer explained that there is a loaned statue from Wildlife Prairie Park of a Vietnam soldier and his dog, and the approval will allow for the creation of a Korean War statue. He emphasized that there is a need for \$50,000 more for a third statue.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Pending Litigation

Chairman Rand announced he would take Miscellaneous and Announcements before the Board went into Executive Session. For those items, see below.

O'Neill moved to enter executive session to discuss pending litigation and Morris seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Rand announced that there will be County Board pictures taken November 10th at 5:30pm.

Morris brought up that the Board has received the budget books, and asked all to take a look at page BH-32 which shows the spend downs on the various fund balances.



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Phelan asked if there is a balanced budget versus using fund balance.

Mr. Sorrel explained that the Board's financial policy allows for the use of fund balance to balance the budget. He presented the example in the current budget where the overlay on Willow Knolls Road used fund balance in the MFT fund to pay for the project.

Baietto asked for members of the Health, Public Safety and Justice Committee to review the budget and get questions answered prior to the meeting because it will be taking place in conjunction with the regular meeting.

Salzer reported that Auditor Carol VanWinkle is taking donations for bricks for the Veterans War Memorial, and they plan to start work as soon as the contract is completed.

Chairman Rand recognized Coroner Johnna Ingersoll for securing grant funding for the much needed work in the office.

Mr. Sorrel reminded the Board of the budget books, and informed the Board that Mr. Dubrowski will be returning to a municipal government in the Chicagoland area; his last day is November 4th.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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