

Sharon K. Williams, District 1
Junior Watkins, District 2
Barry Robinson, District 3
Chairperson-Andrew A. Rand, District 4
Rachael Parker District 5
G. Allen Mayer, District 6
James C. Dillon, District 7
Phillip Salzer, District 8
Michael Phelan, District 9



Andrew A. Rand - Chairperson
R. Steve Sonnemaker, County Clerk

Vice-Chairperson -Stephen M. Morris, District 10
Gregory Adamson, District 11
Robert Baietto, District 12
James T. Fennell, District 13
Brian Elsasser, District 14
Steven Rieker, District 15
Brad Harding, District 16
Thomas H. O'Neill, III, District 17
Paul Rosenbohm, District 18

**PEORIA COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, April 13, 2017
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: Adamson, Baietto, Dillon, Elsasser, Fennell, Mayer, Morris, Parker, Phelan, Rand, Rieker, Robinson, Rosenbohm, Salzer, Watkins and Williams, with Harding and O'Neill absent.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approval of March 9, 2017 County Board Meeting Minutes
- Approval of March 28, 2017 County Board Special Meeting Minutes

Baietto moved for approval of the minutes, Mayer seconded. The minutes were approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

II. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- A proclamation recognizing Dunlap High School's Scholastic Bowl Team for winning 4th place in the Illinois High School Association Class 2A Scholastic Bowl
- A proclamation recognizing Pete Pasquel and the George O. Pasquel Company for over 70 years of dedication and service to the community
- A proclamation recognizing May 7-13, 2017 as "National Correctional Officers Recognition Week"
- A proclamation recognizing May 14-20, 2017 as "National Police Week"
- A proclamation recognizing April 2017 as Child Abuse Prevention Month and promoting the effort of the 10th annual Hands-Around-the-Courtyard event
- A proclamation recognizing April and May 2017 as "Gerald M. Brookhart Arts in Education Spring Celebration" months
- A proclamation recognizing April as National County Government Month
- A proclamation recognizing Michael Phelan for his service since 1998 as a County Board Member of District 9



Mayer moved to suspend rules and appoint Phelan as Board Chairman and Salzer seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Phelan assumed the role of Board Chairman.

III. CITIZENS' REMARKS

There were no citizens' remarks.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- C1.** The Treasurer report consisting of the Bank and CD's Portfolio for the month of February 2017 and Revenue & Expenditure Reports for the month of January 2017.
- C2.** The Auditor's report of expenditures from Accounts Payable system is accessible at www.peoriacounty.org/auditor/transparency.
- C3.** A resolution (items 1 -2 conveyances; item 4 reconveyance; items 5 - 14 defaulted conveyances) 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 April 13, 2017 and any transaction between the parties involved not occurring within this period shall be null and void.
- C4.** A resolution from your Budget Subcommittee recommending approval of FY 2017 Encumbrance Rollover Appropriation #2.
- C5.** A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of the 2017 Grant Agreement, in the amount of \$113,750.00, with the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority and the Peoria County Adult Probation Department. *(Poll Vote per Rules of Order, Article V, Section 18C)*
- C6.** A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of Amendment #2 to the Interagency Agreement with the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority and an appropriation for FY 2017 grant funds in the amount of \$19,038.00 for the Family Violence Coordinating Council. *(Poll Vote per Rules of Order, Article V, Section 18C)*
- C7.** A resolution from your County Health Committee recommending approval of a one year extension of the contract with Waugh Foods for the provision of food services at Heddington Oaks.
- C8.** Chairman Appointments.

Mayer moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Fennell seconded. Morris asked to pull Item



C8. The Consent Agenda, except for Item C8, was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

C8. Chairman Appointments

Morris moved to approve Item C8 and Mayer seconded. Rand asked to remove the appointments to the Greater Peoria Sanitary and Sewage District.

Fennell commented that having a 30-day advance notice on appointments running out really helped in getting the appointments covered.

Item C8 was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

V. ZONING ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS

1. A resolution from your Executive Committee recommending approval to settle Personal Injury Case 15 L 33 in the amount of \$75,000.00.

Mayer moved to approve the resolution and Elsasser seconded. The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

2. A resolution from your County Operations Committee recommending approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) between Peoria County and the FOP Lodge 157-Lieutenants. (*Poll Vote per Rules of Order, Article V, Section 18C*)

Rand moved to approve the resolution and Robinson seconded.

Rand thanked Chairman Phelan for his work on the collective bargaining agreement and the committee strongly endorsed it. He stated that the contract is consistent with the business objectives for 2017.

Mr. Sorrel explained that the agreement's term is 4 years with a wage increase at 2% each year and the bargaining unit has approved the agreement.

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

VI. MISCELLANEOUS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Morris remarked that he has truly enjoyed serving with Chairman Phelan. He stated that on his first day on the Board, Phelan gave him the best advice that has continued hold with him: the hardest metal is forged in the hottest fire. He said that with Chairman Phelan you can get some of that hot fire, but the product is better for the people of Peoria County. He noted that he has always been a good sounding board and even when there was disagreement, there would always be a civil conversation and he will miss Chairman Phelan. He thanked Chairman Phelan for everything he has done on the Board.

Rand explained that he is only serving on the Board because he was asked by Chairman Phelan to



run for office. He discussed that early on, while serving on the Management Services Committee, Chairman Phelan let him run with the animal protection business. He reported that he received a phone call just today about a barking dog complaint that reminds him of where he came from and it started with Chairman Phelan. He highlighted that the tone and tenor of professional dialogue on the Board is far better than politics in Springfield and in Washington D.C. and it has been set by Chairman Phelan. He remarked that Chairman Phelan has always been respectful and mentor-like with him and Chairman Phelan has never served for personal gain. He said that he is a better person because of Chairman Phelan.

Chairman Phelan detailed that he will leave the Board with more than he contributed. He identified that he learned about best practices, efficiency, to be tough but civil, and budgeting that he can take to his new position.

Salzer explained that in his work as a teacher he could always tell who was prepared and was not prepared. He reported that when he served on any committee with Chairman Phelan, he would be prepared and bring up things that other members were not aware of. He stated that he appreciated the way that Chairman Phelan conducted the committee meetings.

Dillon described how Peoria County owes the Phelans a huge debt of gratitude because they have done wonderful things. He emphasized that Peoria County is a better place because the Phelans lived here. He expressed that he has always served on a board with a Phelan around and their friendship will last forever.

Chairman Phelan thanked Dillon and brought up that his father towards the end of his life came home from a trip to the hospital and called Dillon to see how his election was going. He said that his father really liked Dillon.

Elsasser remarked that he has served on the Board for the same time as Chairman Phelan, and at that time the County was under financial duress, borrowing money to make payroll. He thanked Chairman Phelan for working with him across the aisle, and taking fund balance from \$8 million to \$50 million in ten years. He congratulated Chairman Phelan for his fiscal accomplishments while on the Board.

Chairman Phelan thanked Elsasser and said that he became a fiscal conservative very quickly when one of the first votes was to issue tax warrants to make payroll. He noted that they both said they would not do that again.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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