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Junior Watkins, District 2
District 3
Chairperson-Andrew A. Rand, District 4
Brandy Bryant, District 5
Eden S. Blair, District 6
James C. Dillon, District 7
Phillip Salzer, District 8
Kathrin Pastucha, District 9



Andrew A. Rand - Chairperson
Rachael Parker - County Clerk

Robert Reneau, District 10
Linda Daley, District 11
Rachel Reliford, District 12
Vice-Chairperson-James T. Fennell, District 13
Brian Elsasser, District 14
Steven Rieker, District 15
Matthew Windish, District 16
Jennifer Groves Allison, District 17
Paul Rosenbohm, District 18

**PEORIA COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 12, 2020
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: Members Blair, Bryant, Daley, Elsasser, Fennell, Groves Allison, Pastucha, Rand, Reliford, Reneau, Rieker, Rosenbohm, Watkins, Williams, and Windish, with Members Dillon, and Salzer absent.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approval of February 13, 2020 County Board Meeting Minutes

Member Williams moved for approval of the minutes, Member Reliford seconded. The minutes were approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 15 ayes.

II. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A Presentation by Public Health Administrator Monica Hendrickson

Public Health Administrator Monica Hendrickson detailed the response efforts for COVID-19. She described that work has been done to coordinate public information and response due to the fluidity of the situation. She informed that the cases will not be stopped and that the goal is to slow down the spread. She reported that the disaster happens because the hospitals have a limited number of staffing and beds. She noted that to flatten the peak, it is expected that events and gatherings will be canceled, that healthcare facilities will restrict visitors, and that schools cancel.

Chairman Rand explained that the operation is massive and that thousands of people are being coordinated under Ms. Hendrickson. Member Williams inquired about what the public should do if they suspect that they have the virus and about the testing availability. Ms. Hendrickson instructed that to limit the exposure to others, that a citizen should call their healthcare professional, and that most cases can be treated and monitored from home. She identified that testing is limited to those that are at high risk. Member Fennell asked about other agencies that are coordinating efforts with the Health Department. Ms. Hendrickson identified that the Health Department will rely on other agencies to activate



when their services are needed, and She discussed that the joint information group will have daily briefings. Member Elsasser inquired about how decisions to close will be made. She explained that coordination with institutions will be necessary to flatten the curve of infections and that large gatherings should be limited. Chairman Rand instructed that the most up-to-date information is available at the Health Department's website. Member Pastucha thanked Ms. Hendrickson for her hard work and expressed that she knows the County is in good shape with her leading the way. Chairman Rand noted that the County is out in front of the situation and that it is in good hands with Ms. Hendrickson.

- A Proclamation recognizing Centre State International Trucks, Incorporated on their 40th anniversary
- A Proclamation recognizing April and May 2020 as "Gerald M. Brookhart Arts in Education Spring Celebration" months
- A Presentation by Refreshing Ministries

Mark Douras, Refreshing Mercies Ministries, detailed the services it provides. He expressed that it is the group's mission to provide counseling services at their home in Dunlap to those impacted by loss, transitions, and tragedies. He described that dates can be significant in loss or trauma and that the organization gives a mode to get away. He explained that the process is tailored to the individual group's needs, that they collect memories of the loved one that passed, and then delivers material intending to give hope. He described the facility and the areas for activities that can help process grief. Member Elsasser noted that the group can help military families, and Mr. Douras informed that military families can have more difficulty due to the nature of the passing.

- A Presentation by Trajectory Energy

John Carlson, Managing Partner, Trajectory Energy, addressed the Board to provide an update about solar projects on County-owned land. He reported that no community solar projects were selected in the first round, but that an opportunity exists under the Illinois Solar for All program. He noted that the program supports projects for low-income individuals and agencies providing services to those individuals. He conveyed that it supports a variety of types of projects and provides guaranteed savings to customers. He described a project awarded to Trajectory in Rockford, he detailed the savings to customers and identified the similarities for the County-owned projects. He highlighted that the projects are located in an environmental justice area and that they could be selected for the Illinois Solar for All program. He provided examples of how customers can save money using solar. Member Elsasser requested information about the meaning of environmental justice, and Mr. Carlson conveyed that the term refers to those areas that are persistently impacted by pollution.

III. CITIZENS' REMARKS

There were no citizens' remarks.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA (including reports to be filed)

- C1.** The Treasurer report consisting of the Bank and CD's Portfolio for the month of January 2020 and Revenue & Expenditure Reports for the month of December 2019.



- C2.** The Auditor's report of expenditures from Accounts Payable system is accessible at www.peoriacounty.org/auditor/transparency.
- C3.** A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of the most responsive bid of Integrated Solutions Consulting, Chicago, IL, in the amount of \$181,962.00, to provide services as the Peoria Complex Coordinated Terrorism Attack (CCTA) Exercise Coordinator
- C4.** A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval to renew an agreement with Ragan Communications for the maintenance of radio equipment for the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022.
- C5.** A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of an additional FY 2020 appropriation for the Sheriff's Office Drug Forfeiture Fund in the amount of \$18,000.00 for the purchase of a K-9 dog and accessories, and a rifle-rated ballistic shield for the CIERT team.
- C6.** A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of an additional FY 2020 appropriation for the Sheriff's Office Restricted Donations Fund in the amount of \$25,000.00 for the purchase of a replacement vehicle for the Victim Services Coordinator and a drone for the Search and Rescue Team.
- C7.** A resolution from your County Health Committee recommending approval of an appropriation in the amount of \$47,342.00 to the FY 2020 Solid Waste Fund to cover anticipated expenses for Sustainability Grants.
- C8.** A resolution from your County Health Committee recommending that \$1,367,173.37 of Heddington Oaks Accounts Receivable be written off as bad debt.
- C9.** A resolution from your Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of a Preliminary Engineering Agreement with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for rehabilitation of a bridge structure on Grange Hall Road at a cost not to exceed \$51,620.00.
- C10.** Chairman Appointments.

Member Pastucha moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Member Blair seconded. The Consent Agenda was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 15 ayes.

V. ZONING ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS

- 1.** Case #002-20-V, Petition of Insite RE Inc. as agent for Lendlease Towers III, LLC. A Variance request from Section 20-7.1.1.2 of the Unified Development Ordinance, which requires that the height of a telecommunication facility shall not exceed 200 feet if located in a non-residential zoning district. The petition proposes to construct a telecommunications tower at a height of 255 feet in the "A-2" Agriculture Zoning District, resulting in a variance request of 55 feet. The parcel is located in Hallock Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends approval. The Land Use Committee concurs.



Member Elsasser moved to approve the ordinance and Member Pastucha seconded. The ordinance passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 15 ayes.

2. Case #008-20-U, Petition of the Estate of Doneita M. Werry, deceased and the Estate of Glenn A. Werry, Sr., deceased. A Special Use request from 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 in the "A-1" Agricultural Preservation Zoning District. The petitioner proposes to divide an existing 11.44 acre parcel into two parcels of 5.28 acres and 6.16 acres to separate the resident from the agricultural use. The parcel is located in Trivoli Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends approval. The Land Use Committee concurs.

Member Rosenbohm moved to approve the ordinance and Member Williams seconded. The ordinance passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 15 ayes.

3. Case W03-20, Paige Ziegler. A resolution from your Land Use Committee recommending approval 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 public water supply. The petitioner is proposing to serve a 1 lot subdivision with private well. The parcel is located in Hallock Township.

Member Elsasser moved to approve the resolution and Member Pastucha seconded. The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 15 ayes.

4. A resolution from your Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of a Cooperative Research Agreement between the County of Peoria and Bradley University for the purpose of maintaining the Pavement Management Program.

Member Watkins moved to approve the resolution and Member Rosenbohm seconded. Member Blair stated that she will abstain due to her employer's involvement. The resolution passed by a roll call vote of 14 ayes and 1 abstention, with Member Blair abstaining.

5. A resolution from your Executive Committee recommending approval of County Administrator Compensation. (*Pending Committee Approval*)

Member Rosenbohm moved to approve the resolution and Member Reneau seconded. Chairman Rand thanked Member Rieker and Member Pastucha for their work. The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 15 ayes.

6. 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.

Member Elsasser moved to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation and Member Rosenbohm seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 15 ayes.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Member Reneau asked for all to submit their Census and described the process. He informed that citizens can complete it online and explained the importance of completing it for funding and representation.

Chairman Rand reminded all that the best methods to avoid getting sick are washing hands, social distancing, stay at home, avoid contact with your face, and cover your cough.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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