

**JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 13, 2015**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson of the Jo Daviess County Board, Ron Smith, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

ROLL CALL was answered as follows: Present-Brandon Behlke, Merri Berlage, William Bingham, Richard Dittmar, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes, Randy Jobgen, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Present: 14. Absent-Gerald Bennett, Jody Covert and Don Zillig. Absent: 3.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Chairperson Smith.

THE INVOCATION and thought for the day were given by Merri Berlage.

AGENDA ITEM I – CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda was approved as attached following a motion made by Brandon Behlke and seconded by Steve Rutz.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Merri Berlage, William Bingham, Richard Dittmar, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes, Randy Jobgen, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Ayes: 14. Nays: 0. Absent-Gerald Bennett, Jody Covert and Don Zillig. Absent: 3.

AGENDA ITEM II – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizens' comments at this time.

AGENDA ITEM III – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Brad Petersburg was appointed to the vacant seat for County Board, District 14-Hanover and part Rice, for a term ending November, 2016 following approval of a motion made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Randy Jobgen.

The motion carried by voice vote.

County Clerk Jean Dimke administered the oath of office to Brad Petersburg and he was seated as County Board member representing County Board District #14.

Brad Petersburg was appointed to the Legislative Committee for the remainder of a two-year term ending November 30, 2016 following approval of a motion made by RJ Winkelhake and seconded by Steve McIntyre.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Brad Petersburg was appointed to the Public Works Committee for the remainder of a two-year term ending November 30, 2016 following approval of a motion made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Brandon Behlke.

The motion carried by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM IV – NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

EXECUTIVE:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

CVB BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The CVB was authorized to construct and send a letter to the City of Galena requesting to join forces for promoting tourism in the City of Galena and Jo Daviess County following approval of a motion made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Steve Rutz.

The motion carried by voice vote.

FINANCE, TAX AND BUDGET:

A motion to approve the following FY2014 line item transfer requests in the amount of \$1,138.77 was made by Steve Rutz and seconded by Randy Jobgen.

- a) Transfer of \$1,138.77 from 031-47197-502 Circuit Clerk/Travel to 031-47197-605 Circuit Clerk/Office Supplies.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the following FY2014 line item transfer requests and associated claims in the amount of \$14,668.20 was made by Steve Rutz and seconded by Brandon Behlke.

- a) Transfer of \$700.00 from 001-45163-621 General County Building & Zoning/Print Materials to 001-45163-702 General County Building & Zoning/Professional Services to pay a claim to GeoQuery, Inc. in the amount of \$700.00.
- b) Transfer of \$1,000.00 from 027-45161-706 CVB/Printing to 027-45161-705 CVB/Publishing to pay a claim to Meredith in the amount of \$6,664.34.
- c) Transfer of \$575.17 from 001-41122-601 General County Safety Building/Maintenance Supplies to 001-41122-702 General County Safety Building /Professional Service to pay a claim to Top Notch in the amount of \$575.17.
- d) Transfer of \$694.01 from 001-41122-501 General County Safety Building /Education/Training to 001-41122-702 General County Safety Building /Professional Service to pay a claim to Midwest Medical Center in the amount of \$694.01.
- e) Transfer of \$831.04 from 001-41121-701 General County Sheriff/Maintenance Service to 001-41121-611 General County Sheriff/Fuel/Oil to pay a claim to Purchasing Card in the amount of \$64.50 and to pay a claim to JDC Hwy. Dept in the amount of \$1,454.11.
- f) Transfer of \$1,011.79 from 001-41121-501 General County Sheriff/Education & Training to 001-41121-611 General County Sheriff/Fuel & Oil to pay a claim to Village of Warren in the amount of \$1,011.79.
- g) Transfer of \$1,063.89 from 069-41131-603 County Jail Medical Costs/Operating Supplies to County Jail Medical Costs/Professional Service to pay a claim to Heather Ward in the amount of \$490.36, to pay a claim to FHN Family in the amount of \$134.00, to pay a claim to IHS Pharmacy in the amount of \$289.93, to pay a claim to Galena EMS in the amount of \$108.02, to pay a claim to Hartig in the amount of \$6.33, and to pay a claim to Medical Associates in the amount of \$35.25.
- h) Transfer of \$2,440.39 from 038-46179-606 Sheriff's Vehicle Reserve/Minor Equipment/Small Tools to 038-46179-702 Sheriff's Vehicle Reserve/Professional Service to pay a claim to Roberts Repair Shop in the amount of \$1,218.50 and to pay a claim to Eldie's Marine, Inc. in the amount of \$1,221.89.

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The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Merri Berlage, William Bingham, Richard Dittmar, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes, Randy Jobgen, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Brad Petersburg, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Ayes: 15. Nays: 0. Absent-Gerald Bennett and Don Zillig. Absent: 2.

This brings the total claims paid in January 2015 to \$642,691.55.

An engagement letter with Clifton Larson Allen for audit services for the year ending November 30, 2014 was approved following a committee motion made by Steve Rutz.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Agenda item IV D5 was pulled from the agenda.

DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

PUBLIC WORKS:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COURTS:

An amendment to the Jo Daviess County Emergency County Office Closing Policy was approved following a committee motion made by RJ Winkelhake.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The final pay application from M&N Sproule Construction for the Jo Daviess County Courthouse Sidewalk, Drainage and Railing Project and claim of \$26,663.00 was approved following a committee motion made by RJ Winkelhake.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Merri Berlage, William Bingham, Richard Dittmar, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes, Randy Jobgen, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Brad Petersburg, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Ayes: 15. Nays: 0. Absent-Gerald Bennett and Don Zillig. Absent: 2.

This brings the total claims paid in January 2015 to \$669,354.55.

A proposal from Shive-Hattery for professional engineering services, which includes option #1, associated with improvements to the exterior of the 1900 addition of the Jo Daviess County Courthouse in the amount of \$16,320 was approved following a committee motion made by RJ Winkelhake.

The motion carried by voice vote.

SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL:

A construction contract for an addition to the Jo Daviess County Transit Facility was awarded to Sjostrom & Sons, Inc., Rockford, Illinois in the amount of \$832,600.00 was approved following a committee motion made by Brandon Behlke.

The motion carried by voice vote.

PLANNING COMMISSION/ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

The Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a request by Steve and Dixie Birkbeck, owners, and Brandon Birkbeck, petitioner, requesting a one (1) lot subdivision, a variance from the required one hundred fifty (150) feet of road frontage and a five (5) foot variance from the rear lot line setback requirement of forty (40) feet on a parcel of land located at 7960 W. Council Hill Road, Galena was approved following a motion made by Brandon Behlke and seconded by Randy Jobgen.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Merri Berlage, William Bingham, Richard Dittmar, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes, Randy Jobgen, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Brad Petersburg, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Ayes: 15. Nays: 0. Absent-Gerald Bennett and Don Zillig. Absent: 2.

LEGISLATIVE:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

OTHER COMMITTEES AND BOARDS:

Board members appointed to other special committees updated the board with actions involving those committees.

AGENDA ITEM V – BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS

RJ Winkelhake stated his concern about the 911 funding steadily decreasing with more people using cell phones and discontinuing their land lines.

AGENDA ITEM VI – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizens' comments at this time.

AGENDA ITEM VII – CLOSED SESSION

The board entered closed session at 7:53 p.m. to discuss:

Collective bargaining section 2(c)2

“Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. Topic of discussion: Update on current union negotiations, following approval of a motion made by Brandon Behlke and seconded by Terry Stoffregen.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The board reconvened to open session at 8:25 p.m. following approval of a motion made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Randy Jobgen.

The motion carried by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM VIII - POSSIBLE ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION

There was no action needed as a result of closed session.

AGENDA ITEM IX - ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned following a motion made by Steve McIntyre and seconded by Bill Bingham.

The motion to adjourn carried by voice vote.

Chairperson Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 10, 2015, at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

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CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED
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MINUTES APPROVAL

1. County Board Reorganization meeting minutes from the December 1, 2014 meeting.
2. County Board meeting minutes from the December 9, 2014 meeting.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Hal Gilpin to the Convention and Visitors Bureau Board for a three-year term ending November 30, 2017.
2. Appointment of Erin Murphy to the Convention and Visitors Bureau Board for a three-year term ending November 30, 2017.

CLAIMS

1. Claims approval in the amount of \$628,023.35.
2. Emergency Telephone Systems Board Fund claims in the amount of \$14,257.83.
3. Sheriff's Forfeiture Fund claims in the amount of \$347.61.
4. Sheriff's DUI claims in the amount of \$1,496.00.