

**JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 11, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson of the Jo Daviess County Board, Ron Smith, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2014, at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

ROLL CALL was answered as follows: Present-Brandon Behlke, Gerald Bennett, Merri Berlage, William Bingham, Jody Covert, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes, Randy Jobgen, Steve McIntyre, Margie Montelius, John O'Boyle, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, RJ Winkelhake and Don Zillig. Present: 16. Absent-Richard Dittmar. Absent: 1.

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 Merri Berlage and seconded by RJ Winkelhake.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Gerald Bennett, Merri Berlage, William Bingham, Jody Covert, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes, Randy Jobgen, Steve McIntyre, Margie Montelius, John O'Boyle, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, RJ Winkelhake and Don Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Richard Dittmar. Absent: 1.

AGENDA ITEM II – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizens' comments at this time.

AGENDA ITEM III – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business brought before the board at this time.

AGENDA ITEM IV – NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Marvin Schultz was appointed to the Blackhawk Hills RC&D for a three-year term ending February 28, 2017 following approval of a motion made by Ron Smith and seconded by Steve Rutz.

The motion carried by voice vote with nay votes recorded for Jody Covert, Bob Heuerman, Steve McIntyre, Margie Montelius and John O'Boyle.

Steve Coates, Board Chairman and Nancy Breed, Executive Director of the Galena/Jo Daviess County Historical Society gave a presentation on their plans to build a new museum and center for community enrichment in Galena.

LEGISLATIVE:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

EXECUTIVE:

A month to month natural gas purchase agreement with Integrys Energy Services Natural Gas, LLC for the supply of natural gas to the Jo Daviess County Courthouse and Public Safety Building, in Galena, Illinois and the Highway facilities in Hanover, Illinois was renewed for a period of 12 months, beginning March 1, 2014, at a rate of NGI plus \$0.028 following approval of a committee motion made by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Merri Berlage made a motion to set the 2014 County mileage rate at the IRS rate of \$0.56 per mile. Steve Rutz seconded the motion.

An amendment to the motion making the mileage rate effective January 1, 2014 was made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Steve Rutz.

The amendment carried by voice vote.

The original motion including the amendment setting the 2014 County mileage rate at the IRS rate of \$0.56 per mile effective January 1, 2014 carried by voice vote with nay votes recorded for John O'Boyle and Brandon Behlke.

A letter indicating that the Jo Daviess County Executive Committee and the Jo Daviess County Board support the CVB ad-hoc committee to enter into discussions and consider the possible consolidation of tourism services in Jo Daviess County was approved following a motion made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Randy Jobgen.

The motion carried voice by vote with a nay vote recorded for Margie Montelius.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

CVB BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The Apple Canyon Lake 2014 Triathlon and Duathlon Agreement contingent on the approval of John Hay, Jo Daviess County State's Attorney was approved following a motion made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Steve McIntyre.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The contract with Lakeshore Athletics for the 2014 Galena Triathlon & Duathlon contingent on the approval of John Hay, Jo Daviess County State's Attorney was approved following a motion made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Randy Jobgen.

The motion carried by voice vote.

FINANCE, TAX AND BUDGET:

A motion to approve the following FY2014 line item transfer request and associated claim in the amount of \$783.89 was made by Steve Rutz and seconded by RJ Winkelhake.

- a) Transfer of \$783.89 from 009-41129-603 Sheriff's Forfeiture Fund/Operating Supplies to 009-41129-501 Sheriff's Forfeiture Fund/Education & Training to pay a claim to State Police Services Fund in the amount of \$1,283.89.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Gerald Bennett, Merri Berlage, William Bingham, Jody Covert, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes, Randy Jobgen, Steve McIntyre, Margie Montelius, John O'Boyle, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, RJ Winkelhake and Don Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Richard Dittmar. Absent: 1.

If the above claim for \$1,283.89 is approved, the Sheriff's Forfeiture Fund claims paid in February 2014 will be \$1,857.74.

A motion to approve FY2014 line item transfer request in the amount of \$12,017.66 was made by Steve Rutz and seconded by Randy Jobgen.

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- a) Transfer of \$12,017.66 from 002-43141-901 Highway Fund/Contingency to 002-43141-405 Highway Fund/Salaries-Overtime in the amount of \$12,017.66.
The motion carried by voice vote.

A quit claim deed to Dennis P. Hagerty for parcel number 21-001-480-00, common address of 204 W. Water Street, Warren was approved following a committee motion made by Steve Rutz.
The motion carried by voice vote.

DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

A letter of support approving a request by the City of East Dubuque for an expansion of the Freeport/Stephenson County Enterprise Zone to include RT&T Logistics property was approved following a committee motion made by Merri Berlage.
The motion carried by voice vote.

Development and Planning Committee Chairperson Merri Berlage noted that an amendment to the Village of Scales Mound Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District eligibility study, redevelopment plan and project was received and reviewed by the committee.

PUBLIC WORKS:

A resolution authorizing the Jo Daviess County Engineer to post the county roads at his discretion for not more than 90 days between the dates of February 12 to May 12, 2014 was approved following a motion made by Randy Jobgen and seconded by Bob Heuerman.
The motion carried by voice vote with a nay vote recorded for Randy Jobgen.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COURTS:

An equitable sharing agreement and certification between Jo Daviess County and the Federal Government Department of Justice for any equitable shared cash, property or proceeds was approved following a committee motion made by RJ Winkelhake.
The motion carried by voice vote with a nay vote recorded for Merri Berlage.

SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL:

A resolution authorizing submittal of an application for a Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant under the Illinois Department of Transportation's general authority to make such Grants was approved following a committee motion made by Margie Montelius.
The motion carried by voice vote.

A Public Hearing for a Capital Assistance Grant Application, and for the purpose of considering a project, Improvements to the JDC Transit Building, for which financial assistance is being sought from the Illinois Department of Transportation, pursuant to its Capital Grants Program will be held on March 6, 2014 at 1 p.m. at the Jo Daviess County Transit building, Galena following approval of a committee motion made by Margie Montelius.
The motion carried by voice vote.

PLANNING COMMISSION/ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

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.

Chairperson Smith reported that the County recently received a check for \$100,000 from the State of Illinois for a miscellaneous state grant to be used to cover a portion of the costs associated with upgrading the public safety radio communication system. He said the County has been working on this grant for several years and through the efforts of former County Chairperson Marvin Schultz, former State Representative Jim Sacia and others it has been awarded.

AGENDA ITEM V – BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS

There were no board member concerns.

AGENDA ITEM VI – CITIZENS’ COMMENTS

There were no citizens’ comments at this time.

AGENDA ITEM VII – CLOSED SESSION

The board entered closed session at 8:18 p.m. to discuss:

- a) personnel section 2(c)1,
- b) collective bargaining section 2(c)2, Topics of discussion: Update on current union negotiations
- c) property section 2(c)5
- d) litigation section 2(c)11

following approval of a motion made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Steve McIntyre.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The board reconvened to open session at 8:27 p.m. following approval of a motion made by Steve McIntyre and seconded by Merri Berlage.

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 Terry Stoffregen.

The motion to adjourn carried by voice vote.

Chairperson Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 11, 2014, at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

Jean Dimke, Jo Daviess County Clerk

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CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED
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MINUTES APPROVAL

1. County Board meeting minutes from the January 14, 2014 meeting.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Bruce Marcure to the Building Code Board of Appeal for a three-year term ending February 28, 2017.
2. Appointment of Keith Gerlich to the Building Code Board of Appeal for a three-year term ending February 28, 2017.

CLAIMS

1. Claims approval in the amount of \$408,073.04.
2. Emergency Telephone Systems Board Fund claims in the amount of \$23,251.63.
3. Sheriff's Forfeiture Fund claims in the amount of \$573.85.