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**SPECIAL JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 25, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson of the Jo Daviess County Board, Ron Smith, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

ROLL CALL was answered as follows: Present-Brandon Behlke, Merri Berlage, Richard Dittmar, Randy Jobgen, John Lang, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Brad Petersburg, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Present: 12. Absent-Maryanne Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heurman, Dan Hughes and Don Zillig. Absent: 5.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Chairperson Ron Smith.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Terry McGovern representing businesses in Stockton urged the board to put together a DMO contract that will work for all and move it forward. She asked the board to view it as a business situation and not a government entity.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

The board entered closed session at 7:05 p.m. to discuss:

Personnel section 2(c)1

"The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity." Topic of discussion: Appointment of Planning & Development Administrator, following approval of a motion made by Merri Berlage and seconded by RJ Winkelhake.

The motion carried by voice vote with a nay vote recorded for Randy Jobgen.

The board reconvened to open session at 7:19 p.m. following approval of a motion made by Steve McIntyre and seconded by John Lang.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Roll call was answered as follows: Present-Brandon Behlke, Merri Berlage, Richard Dittmar, Randy Jobgen, John Lang, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Brad Petersburg, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Present: 12. Absent-Maryanne Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heurman, Dan Hughes and Don Zillig. Absent: 5.

Eric Tison was appointed Planning & Development Administrator following approval of a motion made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Randy Jobgen.

The motion carried by voice vote.

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Beth Baranski gave a presentation on the recently completed *Jo Daviess County Water Resource Management Plan*. She asked the board for their approval or acceptance of the plan.

A motion was made by Brandon Behlke and seconded by Terry Stoffregen to approve the *Jo Daviess County Water Resource Management Plan* as presented.

An amendment to the motion to not approve the plan until board members had more time to review it with pending approval to be made at the November 7, 2016 County Board meeting was made by Rick Dittmar and seconded by Merri Berlage.

The amendment carried by voice vote.

The agenda item addressing possible action to approve a request(s) for reimbursement of expenses incurred by a Destination Marketing Agency (DMO) Board Member(s) on behalf of the new DMO was pulled from the agenda at this time.

A motion to approve the Destination Marketing Agency (DMO) contract as presented was made by John O'Boyle and seconded by Randy Jobgen.

An amendment to the motion was made by Brad Petersburg and seconded by Brandon Behlke to include language to paragraph 4 on page two to read "To this end, the County and City shall take the necessary steps to transfer to the Corporation relevant financial assets from the Tourism Promotion Fund (027). The County shall transfer to the Corporation funds from the Tourism Promotion Fund in excess of the minimum year-end fund balance an approximate amount of \$442,000. The County may delay transfer of a portion of such funds until all CVB related accounts are settled."

The amendment carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Richard Dittmar, Randy Jobgen, John Lang, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Brad Petersburg, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Ayes: 10. Nays- Merri Berlage and Ron Smith. Nays: 2. Absent-Maryanne Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes and Don Zillig. Absent: 5.

An amendment to the motion to delete paragraph 5d. and 5e. on page 4 was made by Brad Petersburg and seconded by Brandon Behlke.

The motion failed by a tie roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Richard Dittmar, John O'Boyle, Brad Petersburg, Terry Stoffregen and Martin Werner. Ayes: 6. Nays-Merri Berlage, Randy Jobgen, John Lang, Steve McIntyre, Ron Smith and RJ Winkelhake. Nays: 6. Absent-Maryanne Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes and Don Zillig. Absent: 5.

An amendment to the motion to delete paragraph 5d. on page 4 was made by Steve McIntyre and seconded by Brandon Behlke.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Richard Dittmar, Randy Jobgen, John Lang, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Brad Petersburg, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Ayes:10. Nays-Merri Berlage and Ron Smith. Nays: 2. Absent-Maryanne Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes and Don Zillig. Absent: 5.

An amendment to the motion to delete paragraph 6f. on page 5 was made by Brad Petersburg and seconded by Brandon Behlke.

The motion failed by roll call vote: Ayes: 0. Nays-Brandon Behlke, Merri Berlage, Richard Dittmar, Randy Jobgen, John Lang, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Brad Petersburg, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Nays: 12. Absent-Maryanne Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes and Don Zillig. Absent: 5.

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An amendment to the motion to delete the heading of 7m. that reads "Termination without cause" and also the second sentence of 7m. was made by Brad Petersburg and seconded by Steve McIntyre.

The motion failed by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Richard Dittmar, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle and Brad Petersburg. Ayes: 5. Nays-Merri Berlage, Randy Jobgen, John Lang, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Nays: 7. Absent-Maryanne Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes and Don Zillig. Absent: 5.

An amendment to the motion changing the wording in 7m. to read "advance notice of intent to terminate this agreement one year prior to the termination" instead of 6 months prior.

The motion failed by a tie roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Richard Dittmar, Randy Jobgen, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle and Brad Petersburg. Ayes: 6. Nays-Merri Berlage, John Lang, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen, Martin Werner and RJ Winkelhake. Nays: 6. Absent-Maryanne Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes and Don Zillig. Absent: 5.

The original motion including the approved amendments carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, John Lang, Steve McIntyre, John O'Boyle, Brad Petersburg, Terry Stoffregen and Martin Werner. Ayes: 7. Nays-Merri Berlage, Richard Dittmar, Randy Jobgen, Ron Smith and RJ Winkelhake. Nays: 5. Absent-Maryanne Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes and Don Zillig. Absent: 5.

BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS

John Lang stated that if this DMO agreement is not accepted he feels the County and the City should pursue an intergovernmental agreement and form the new entity.

Merri Berlage thanked the search committee for their work and time spent on finding a new Planning and Development Administrator.

John O'Boyle thanked Brad Petersburg and Merri Berlage for the great amount of time working on the new DMO contract.

Ron Smith thanked all involved in getting the new DMO contract completed and moved forward.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizens' comments at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned following a motion made by Steve McIntyre and seconded by Merri Berlage.

The motion to adjourn carried by voice vote.

Chairperson Smith adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Monday, November 7, 2016 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.