

**JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 10, 2014**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson of the Jo Daviess County Board, Ron Smith, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 10, 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, Richard Dittmar, Robert Heuerman, Dan Hughes, Randy Jobgen, Steve McIntyre, Margie Montelius, John O'Boyle, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen and RJ Winkelhake. Present: 16. Absent-Don Zillig. 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 Brandon Behlke and seconded by Merri Berlage.

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

AGENDA ITEM II – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Galena School Board member Mike Hyland, Stockton School Board member Peter Huschitt, Superintendent of Galena School District Sharon Olds, Superintendent of East Dubuque School District Greg Herbst, Warren School Board member Jessica Story, East Dubuque School Board member Glen Foote spoke in favor of an additional .5% increase of the School Facilities Sales Tax.

Business owner Fred Bonnett, Mayor of Elizabeth Mike Dittmar, business owner Pam Wheelwright, business owner Bill Murphy, business owner Catherine Kouzmanoff and a letter written by Ron Mapes from Stockton expressed concerns with increasing the School Facilities Tax by an additional .5%.

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

EXECUTIVE:

County Board Chairperson, Ron Smith, thanked Margie Montelius and presented her a plaque in recognition for 16 years of dedicated service as Jo Daviess County Board member.

A committee motion to approve an ordinance to increase the rate of the County's school facility sales tax from 0.5% to 1.0% was made by Merri Berlage.

An amendment to the motion to return the issue of the 1% school facilities sales tax to the spring 2015 ballot for a vote by citizens of Jo Daviess County was made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Rick Dittmar.

A secondary amendment changing the primary amendment to read that the school facilities sales tax be continued at the present .5% was made by Merri Berlage and seconded by Rick Dittmar.

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The amendment failed by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Jody Covert, Richard Dittmar, Dan Hughes and Steve McIntyre. Ayes: 5. Nays-Brandon Behlke, Gerald Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heuerman, Randy Jobgen, Margie Montelius, John O'Boyle, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith, Terry Stoffregen and RJ Winkelhake. Nays: 11. Absent-Don Zillig. Absent: 1.

The original motion to approve an ordinance to increase the rate of the County's school facility sales tax from 0.5% to 1.0% carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Brandon Behlke, Gerald Bennett, William Bingham, Robert Heuerman, Randy Jobgen, Margie Montelius, John O'Boyle, Steven Rutz, Ron Smith and Terry Stoffregen. Ayes: 10 Nays-Merri Berlage, Jody Covert, Richard Dittmar, Dan Hughes, Steve McIntyre and RJ Winkelhake. Nays: 6. Absent-Don Zillig. Absent: 1.

A resolution to amend the Jo Daviess County pay grade structure schedule to include the positions of a full-time Building & Zoning Secretary and a full-time Animal Control Officer and to approve associated position descriptions and to eliminate the full-time Animal Control Secretary position and the part-time Building & Zoning Secretary position was approved following a committee motion made by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Jo Daviess County Business Associate Agreements with Preferred Health Choices, TASC and TRICOR were approved following a committee motion made by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The Jo Daviess County Investment Policy with the addition of reviewing the policy every three years by the Finance, Tax & Budgets Committee was approved following a committee motion made by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by voice vote.

An office rental agreement between the Jo Daviess County Health Department and Jo Daviess County Emergency Management for rent of office at \$150.00 per month was approved following a committee motion made by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by voice vote with a nay vote recorded for Brandon Behlke.

An addendum to the Professional Service Agreement with Carlson Dettmann Consulting LLC to update Jo Daviess County position descriptions associated with a new position or reclassification of an existing position covered under the Jo Daviess County classification and compensation study was approved following a committee motion made by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by voice vote.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

CVB BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

FINANCE, TAX AND BUDGET:

A motion to approve the following line item transfer requests in the amount of \$947.81 was made by Steve Rutz and seconded by Randy Jobgen.

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- a) Transfer of \$947.81 from 001-42131-621 Courts/Print Material to Courts/Other Service Charges.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A motion to approve the following FY2014 line item transfer requests and associated claims in the amount of \$61,724.98 was made by Steve Rutz and seconded by Margie Montelius.

- a) Transfer of \$83,663.00 from 016-49197-905 Contingency/Misc. Expense to 016-49197-805 Contingency/Buildings to pay a claim to M&N Sproule Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$57,000.00.
- b) Transfer of \$914.44 from 069-41131-603 Jail Medical Costs/Operating Supplies to 069-41131-702 Jail Medical Costs/Professional Service to pay a claim to Heather Ward in the amount of \$660.92, to pay a claim to Hartig Drug in the amount of \$22.07 and to pay a claim to IHS Pharmacy in the amount of \$252.10.
- c) Transfer of \$2,724.00 from 001-41123-704 Communications/Telephone to 001-41123-701 Communications/Maintenance Service to pay a claim to Com Elec Services, Inc. in the amount of \$2,625.00 and to pay a claim to Purchasing Card Account in the amount of \$99.00.
- d) Transfer of \$1,065.89 from 071-44163-905 Transit/Miscellaneous to 071-44163-702 Transit/Professional Service to pay a claim to Baranski Hammer Moretta & Sheehy in the amount of \$1,065.89.

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

This brings the total claims paid in November 2014 to \$1,195,884.66.

A resolution to approve a journal entry to correct an activity code in the Capital Equipment Fund 048 was approved following a committee motion made by Steve Rutz.

The motion carried by voice vote.

DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Comments will be sent to the USEPA regarding proposed changes to the definition of 'Waters of the United States' as it relates to the Clean Water Act following approval of a committee motion made by Randy Jobgen.

The motion carried by voice vote.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COURTS:

Agenda item I.H.1 was pulled from the agenda at this time and no action was taken.

Contracts to Palmer Automotive Specialties, Inc. of Elizabeth and Leibold's Auto Center of Galena for maintenance service on squad vehicles for the Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Department for

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fiscal year 2015 starting December 1, 2014 was approved following a committee motion made by RJ Winkelhake.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A contract to Cindy's Classic Catering for inmate food service at the Jo Daviess County jail for FY2015 starting December 1, 2014 at a cost of \$5.25 for lunch meal without beverage and \$5.50 for lunch meal with beverage was approved following a committee motion made by RJ Winkelhake.

The motion carried by voice vote.

An agreement for FY2015 for Enhanced 9-1-1 Emergency Dispatch Services between the County of Jo Daviess, Illinois, the Sheriff of Jo Daviess County and the Jo Daviess County Emergency Telephone System Board was approved following a committee motion made by RJ Winkelhake.

The motion carried by voice vote.

An agreement between the Jo Daviess County Sheriff's Office and Heather M. Ward R.N. FY2015 for jail nurse services was approved following a motion made by RJ Winkelhake and seconded by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by voice vote with nay votes recorded for Brandon Behlke and Jody Covert.

SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL:

A recommendation to the Illinois Department of Transportation that the following five non-responsive bidders: M&N Sproule Construction, Tricon, Nicam, Montgomery/Timmerman and Ringland Johnson for the Jo Daviess County Transit Facility Addition Project be rejected was approved following a committee motion made by Margie Montelius.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A request for pre-award concurrence from the Illinois Department of Transportation for Sjostrom & Sons as the lowest responsive bidder for the Jo Daviess County Transit Facility Addition Project at a cost of \$832,600.00 was approved following a committee motion made by Margie Montelius.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A recommendation to the Illinois Department of Transportation that Jo Daviess County will fund up to \$52,600.00 from the Jo Daviess County Transit Fund if a contract is awarded to Sjostrom & Sons in an amount of \$832,600.00, to be paid from the Jo Daviess County Transit Fund to complete the Jo Daviess County Transit Facility Addition Project. This \$52,600 will be used to cover costs and contingency expenses that are in excess of the Illinois Department of Transportation grant awarded for this project of \$825,000.00. The recommendation was approved following a committee motion made by Margie Montelius.

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

PLANNING COMMISSION/ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

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

Jody Covert informed the board that she will be resigning from the board due to family obligations and a possible move from the County.

Margie Montelius told board members that she enjoyed serving as member of the Jo Daviess County Board. She said she learned a lot over the 16 years on the board and will miss it.

Merri Berlage thanked Margie Montelius and Jody Covert for their time serving as Jo Daviess County Board members.

Ron Smith informed the board that he attended a County Board Chairmen's meeting where health insurance and benefits were the topic of discussion. He reported that he would share more information with board members when it is compiled.

AGENDA ITEM VI – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

County Treasurer Carol Soat informed the board her term as County Treasure will end in November and she will retire with 21 years of service to the County. She said she enjoyed her time working with board members and the many other County employees.

AGENDA ITEM VII – CLOSED SESSION

There was no need to enter closed session at this time.

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

There was no action needed since the board did not enter into closed session.

AGENDA ITEM IX - ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned following a motion made by Margie Montelius and seconded by Jody Covert.

The motion to adjourn carried by voice vote.

Chairperson Smith adjourned the meeting at 9:23 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 18, 2014, 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 meeting minutes from the October 14, 2014 meeting and the October 16, 2014 budget workshop.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Niki Raaz to the 708 Mental Health Board for a four-year term ending June 30, 2018.
2. Appointment of Fran Peterson to the 708 Mental Health Board for a four-year term ending June 30, 2018.
3. Appointment of Bob Conley to the Emergency Telephone Systems Board for the remainder of a three-year term ending April 30, 2016.
4. Appointment of Patrick Keleher to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee for a three-year term ending November 30, 2017.
5. Appointment of James Nadig to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee for a three-year term ending November 30, 2017.
6. Appointment of Jody Carroll to the Board of Appeals/Planning Commission as an alternate for a five-year term ending November 30, 2019.

CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, & PETITIONS

1. Stray Dog Pick-up Contract for Jo Daviess County with the municipality of Elizabeth.
2. Stray Dog Pick-up Contract for Jo Daviess County with the municipality of Galena.
3. Stray Dog Pick-up Contract for Jo Daviess County with the municipality of Warren.

REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE

1. Thank you from Sharon Wand.

CLAIMS

1. Claims approval in the amount of \$1,134,159.60.
2. Emergency Telephone Systems Board Fund claims in the amount of \$26,527.96.
3. Sheriff's Forfeiture Fund claims in the amount of \$1,181.49.