

**JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 9, 2006**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson of the Jo Daviess County Board, Merri Berlage, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 9, 2006 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

ROLL CALL was answered as follows: Present-Beth Baranski, Merri Berlage, Jody Carroll, William Cooper, Vincent Hasken, Dane Jackson, Mat Kluesner, Ron Mapes, Margie Montelius, Tim Petitgout, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Present: 16. Absent-Alan Kent. Absent: 1.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Chairperson Berlage.

THE INVOCATION and thought for the day were given by Tim Petitgout.

AGENDA ITEM I – CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda was approved as attached following a motion made by Bill Cooper and seconded by Dane Jackson.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Beth Baranski, Merri Berlage, Jody Carroll, William Cooper, Vincent Hasken, Dane Jackson, Mat Kluesner, Ron Mapes, Margie Montelius, Tim Petitgout, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Alan Kent. Absent: 1.

AGENDA ITEM II – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Tom Nack, attorney, representing Eagle Ridge Resort, spoke in opposition of the application for the supplemental special use permit to allow for the expansion of Eagle Ridge Realty.

AGENDA ITEM III – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business brought before the board.

AGENDA ITEM IV – NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

LEGISLATIVE:

Members of this committee updated board members on pending legislation.

EXECUTIVE:

This committee had no business to bring before the board.

FINANCE, TAX AND BUDGET:

The Treasurer's Office was given a blanket approval to over-spend the budget line item 001-40110-703 for postage related purchases for the Pitney Bowes machine in the courthouse following approval of a committee motion made by Yerda Potter.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The Jo Daviess County IMRF Authorized Agent will send a letter to IMRF accepting option 1, 25-year amortization for the ratemaking policy for 2007 following a committee motion made by Yerda Potter.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A resolution transferring \$9,974.22 from the contingency fund (016-47196-901) to Courthouse Other Improvements fund (001-40101-890) for the installation of parking lot lighting was approved following a motion made by Yerda Potter and seconded by Dane Jackson.

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

Claims for over budget line items in the amount of \$22,436.77 were approved following a motion made by Yerda Potter and seconded by Tim Petitgout.

The motion carried by voice vote with an abstain vote recorded for Margie Montelius.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY:

A general county server needs replacing. The Sheriff's Office has a new server, which is not currently being used. It will be used to replace the server that is running out of space and the finances will be worked out between the Finance Committee and the Information and Communications Technology Committee following approval of a committee motion made by Vince Hasken.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A resolution to amend the GIS Automation Fund budget to fund a part-time summer position was approved following a committee motion made by Vince Hasken and seconded by Margie Montelius.

The motion carried by voice vote.

DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

A Foreign Trade Zone Operator Agreement was approved following a committee motion made by Ron Mapes.

The motion carried by voice vote.

An application for funding from the Jo Daviess County Revolving Loan Fund in the amount of \$35,000 for the Elizabeth Nursing Home building addition was approved following a motion made by Ron Mapes.

The motion carried by voice vote with an abstain vote recorded for Yerda Potter.

PUBLIC WORKS:

An Agreement from the Illinois Department of Transportation committing local funds of \$197,000 for the Derinda Road resurfacing project, to be paid from line item 008-43143-830 was approved following a committee motion made by Jody Carroll.

The motion carried by voice vote.

An Agreement from the Illinois Department of Transportation committing local funds of \$268,000 for the Elizabeth-Scales Mound Road resurfacing project, to be paid from line item 008-43143-830 was approved following a committee motion made by Jody Carroll.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A petition for aid from Rawlins Township for culvert replacement on Red Gates Road at an estimated cost of \$120,000 (50% Township; 50% County) with the County portion to be paid from line item 011-43145-890 was approved following a committee motion made by Jody Carroll.

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The motion carried by voice vote.

A petition for aid from Woodbine Township for culvert replacement on Apple River Road at an estimated cost of \$70,000 (50% Township; 50% County) with the County portion to be paid from line item 011-43145-890 was approved following a committee motion made by Jody Carroll.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A petition for aid from Elizabeth Township for bridge replacement on Rodden Road near the intersection of Rodden Road and Irish Hollow Road at an estimated cost of \$300,000 with 80% of the construction cost to be paid with TBP funds and the County and Township each sharing half of the remaining costs with the County portion to be paid from line item 011-43145-890 was approved following a committee motion made by Jody Carroll.

The motion carried by voice vote.

An ordinance altering the speed zone on Walnut Street in Dunleith Township from 55 miles per hour to 35 miles per hour was approved following a committee motion made by Jody Carroll.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A County vegetation control services agreement with William Boehm at a cost of \$1,500 to be paid from line item 002-43141-701 was approved following a motion made by Jody Carroll and seconded by Dane Jackson

The motion carried by voice vote with an abstain vote recorded for Tim Petitgout.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COURTS:

An amendment to the Emergency Management Agency Ordinance was approved following a committee motion made by Dane Jackson.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A resolution increasing the Court Automation fee from \$5.00 to \$10.00 was approved following a committee motion made by Dane Jackson.

The motion carried by voice vote.

An agreement with SC Services and Associates Inc. to recover debts owed for court fines and fees was approved following a committee motion made by Dane Jackson.

The motion carried by voice vote.

SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL:

There was no business brought before the board by this committee.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The Planning Commission's recommendation to issue a supplemental Special Use Permit to Galena State Bank and Trust Company as trustee under Trust 586, to allow for the substantial expansion of Eagle Ridge Realty at 5148 US Highway 20 West, Galena was denied following a motion for approval made by Beth Baranski, seconded by Jack Zillig.

The motion for approval was denied by a show of hands. Ayes: 7. Nays: 8. Abstain: 1. Absent: 1.

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The Planning Commission's recommendation for a vacation and replat of lot 56, Coursen's Landing 2nd North Subdivision at 56 Cruiser Dr., Galena for Gregory Lincoln, owner, was approved following a motion made by Tim Petitgout, seconded by Domer Schubert

The motion carried by voice vote with an abstain vote recorded for Dane Jackson.

The Planning Commission's recommendation to rezone from AG-Agricultural District to R-1 Rural Residential District on North Council Hill, Galena for Barron Petraitis, owner, was approved following a motion made by Vince Hasken, seconded by Terry Stoffregen.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The Planning Commission's recommendation to rezone from AG-Agricultural District to R-1 Rural Residential District on Longhollow Road, Galena for Bill and Sue Hubbard, owners, was approved following a motion made by Bill Cooper, seconded by Tim Petitgout.

The motion carried by voice vote with a nay vote recorded for Marvin Schultz.

The Planning Commission's recommendation to issue a Special Use Permit to Jon and Molly Kreiss, owners, to allow for a single-family home to be used for transient rental at 1 Oakmont, Galena Territory was approved following a motion made by Sally Toepfer, seconded by Margie Montelius.

The motion carried by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM V - OTHER COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

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

AGENDA ITEM VI – BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS

Bill Cooper thanked the County Departments and the American Legion for a successful County Government Day.

Beth Baranski said she liked Sheriff Melton's note on his report asking for feedback. She also inquired about a progress report on the ongoing issue of redrafting the Zoning Ordinance. Chairperson Berlage stated that a meeting was scheduled for May 18 and there should be information after that.

Jack Zillig asked if Sheriff Melton could look into the possibility of establishing a speed limit for trains within certain areas of the County.

Marvin Schultz asked about the requests for proposals on the courthouse roof repair project and when they would be addressed. Chairperson Berlage stated that the board would be having a special board meeting before next month and that the roof repair could be discussed at that time.

AGENDA ITEM VII – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Treasurer Carol Soat told board members that she hoped to have the tax bills mailed before the end of the month.

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AGENDA ITEM VIII – EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board entered Executive Session at 8:12 p.m. to discuss personnel section 2(c)1, collective bargaining section 2(c)2, appointment section 2(c)3, property section 2(c)5 and litigation section 2(c)11 following approval of a motion made by Bill Cooper and seconded by Tim Petitgout.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The board exited Executive Session at 9:45 p.m.

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

The State's Attorney was directed to send a letter to Troy Brown stating the board's intentions as a result of closed session discussion following approval of a motion made by Tim Petitgout and seconded by Domer Schubert.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A tentative agreement with the Highway Department Local 150 as a result of contract negotiations was approved following a motion made by Vince Hasken and seconded by Yerda Potter.

The motion carried by voice vote with nay votes recorded for Jody Carroll and Ron Mapes.

Terry Stoffregen was appointed County Board liaison to the CVB Advisory Board following approval of a motion made by Sally Toepfer and seconded by Jack Zillig.

The motion carried by voice vote with abstain votes recorded for Jody Carroll, Mat Kluesner, Ron Mapes, Marvin Schultz and Terry Stoffregen.

County Board Chairperson Merri Berlage was authorized to sign the closing documents and the Treasurer was authorized to submit payment for an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for the purchase of property in Elizabeth, Illinois following a motion made by Bill Cooper and seconded by Tim Petitgout.

The motion carried by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM X - ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned following a motion made by Jack Zillig and seconded by Bill Cooper.

The motion to adjourn carried by voice vote.

Chairperson Berlage adjourned the meeting at 9:55 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 23, 2006 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

Jean Dimke, Jo Daviess County Clerk

MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Regular County Board meeting minutes of April 10, 2006

APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Elaine Klippert to the CEDS (Comprehensive Development Strategy) Committee for a two-year term ending May 1, 2008
2. Re-appointment of John Cox, Jr. and Vickie Gratton to the Sheriff's Merit Commission for 3-year terms through June 1, 2009
3. Re-appointment of Ernest Lieb as trustee for the Stockton Fire Protection District for a 3-year term through April 30, 2009
4. Re-appointment of Marty Johnson and Dan Weeks to the Building Code of Appeals for 3-year terms through March 1, 2009
5. Appointment of Peg Dittmar to the Board of Health for a 3-year term through May 30, 2009
6. Appointment of Patty Kurth to the Hanover Fire Protection District for a 2-year term through May 1, 2008
7. Appointment of Max Purchis to the Hanover Fire Protection District for a 2-year term through May 1, 2008
8. Appointment of Bill Reddy to the Board of Review for a 2-year term through June 1, 2008
9. Approval of certified list of candidates for Election Judges for two-year terms as provided by the Chairmen of the County Central Committees for the Republican and Democratic parties

RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

1. St. John's Lutheran Church - July 16, 2006 through July 15, 2007
2. CHOICES for Family Peace and Justice, Inc. – April 26 through May 13, 2006

CLAIMS

1. Claims in the amount of \$500,663.09