

**JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 13, 2004**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson of the Jo Daviess County Board, Merri Berlage, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 13, 2004 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

ROLL CALL was answered as follows: Present-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Jody Carroll, William Cooper, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Dane Jackson, Ron Mapes, Tim Petitgout, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Present: 16. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Chairperson Berlage.

THE INVOCATION and thought for the day were given by Joanne Bielenda.

AGENDA ITEM I – CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda was approved as attached following a motion made by Lynn Sisler, seconded by Joanne Bielenda.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Jody Carroll, William Cooper, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Dane Jackson, Ron Mapes, Tim Petitgout, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

AGENDA ITEM II – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business brought before the board.

AGENDA ITEM III – NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND LAW:

The Durrant Project #3 for the HVAC/Plumbing/Electrical/Health/Life Safety survey for the jail at a cost of \$17,300 to be paid from line item 042-46171-805.412 was approved following a committee motion made by Terry Stoffregen.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Jody Carroll, William Cooper, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Dane Jackson, Ron Mapes, Tim Petitgout, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

Margie Montelius entered the meeting at this time.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The Planning Commission's recommendation to deny an application for a Special Use permit by Karen A. Elarde McCuaig, owner, to allow for a single family home to be used for transient rental at 1102 Clark Lane, Galena was approved following a motion made by Lynn Sisler, seconded by Terry Stoffregen.

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The motion to deny carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Jody Carroll, William Cooper, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Dane Jackson, Ron Mapes, Margie Montelius, Tim Petitgout, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays-Sally Toepfer. Nays: 1.

The Planning Commission's recommendation to issue a Special Use Permit to Robert and Joanna Speaker, owners, Safe Haven Humane Society of Jo Daviess County, petitioners, to allow for an animal shelter located at 6370 US Route 20 West, Galena was approved following a motion made Tim Petitgout, seconded by Bill Cooper.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Jody Carroll, William Cooper, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Dane Jackson, Ron Mapes, Margie Montelius, Tim Petitgout, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 17. Nays: 0.

EXECUTIVE:

A committee recommendation to hire a part-time person to fill in for Assistant State's Attorney Shane Temple during his period of vacation and family leave for \$1,000 per week for 5 weeks beginning approximately August 23, 2004 to be paid half from line item 001-42134-719 and half from line item 051-42134-403 was approved following a motion made by Yerda Potter.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A committee recommendation to strike the lines regarding "Coordinating the County's long-range planning..." and "Representing the Board in the absence..." from the position description of the County Administrator was approved following a motion made Yerda Potter.

The motion carried by voice vote.

FINANCE, TAX AND BUDGET:

John Creighton updated the board on the ongoing budget proceedings.

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY:

Thompson Township polling place will be moved to Apple Canyon Lake Property Owner's Club House following approval of a committee motion made by Lynn Sisler.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Lynn Sisler asked board members to review the draft of the Disposal of Surplus Property other than Real Estate Policy that will be brought before the board next month for approval.

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

A committee recommendation to amend the Economic Development program and proceed to fill the position of Economic Development Director was approved following a motion made by Vincent Hasken.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Two claims under the Courts for \$312 and \$9,074.04 were not approved for payment and sent to the State's Attorney for further review following a motion made by Lynn Sisler, seconded by Ron Mapes.

The motion carried by voice vote.

PUBLIC WORKS:

A petition for aid from Rice Township for culvert repairs on Devil's Ladder Road at a cost of \$10,000 (50% Township; 50% County) with the County's share to be paid from line item 011-43145-701 was approved following committee motion made by Jody Carroll.

The motion carried by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM IV – 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

Joanne Bielenda reminded board members that the people of Jo Daviess County elected them, and hopes the board will listen to what these people have to say.

Jack Zillig asked that the Public Works Committee review the issue of charging registration fees for police dogs within the county.

AGENDA ITEM VI – EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board entered Executive Session at 7:38 p.m. to discuss personnel, property and litigation issues following approval of a motion made by Dane Jackson, seconded by Margie Montelius.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The board exited Executive Session at 10:08 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM VII – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Jess Farlow, Lara LeGrand, Tom Brusch, Fritz Fuchs, Sharon Fallbacher and Gerri Lamparelli all spoke in regards to the resignation of John Mazor, Executive Director of the CVB. All praised his work and asked board members not to accept his resignation because it would be very detrimental to the County.

Donna Berlage was appointed Chief County Assessment Officer at a rate of \$21.40 per hour following a committee motion made by Yerda Potter.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The resignation of John Mazor, Executive Director of the CVB, was accepted with regrets and with salary and benefits to be paid through July 31 following a motion made by Yerda Potter.

The motion carried by voice vote with nay votes recorded for Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Ron Mapes, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig.

AGENDA ITEM VIII – ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned following a motion made by Vincent Hasken, seconded by Lynn Sisler.

The motion to adjourn carried by voice vote.

Chairperson Berlage adjourned the meeting at 10:28 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday, August 10, 2004 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. Regular County Board meeting minutes of June 8, 2004
2. Public Hearing of June 15, 2004

APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Don Fouts to the CEDS Committee for 3-year term beginning July 1, 2004
2. Appointment of Richard Reusch to the CEDS Committee for a 3-year term beginning July 1, 2004
3. Appointment of Bill Wolter to the CEDS Committee for a 3-year term beginning July 1, 2004
4. Appointment of David Ylinen to the CEDS Committee for a 3-year term beginning July 1, 2004
5. Appointment of Roland Unangst to the LRA Board for a 3-year term beginning August 1, 2004
6. Appointment of Steve Keeffer to the LRA Board for a 3-year term beginning August 1, 2004
7. Appointment of Don Crawford to the LRA Board for a 3-year term beginning August 1, 2004
8. Appointment of Bill McFadden to the LRA Board for a 3-year term beginning August 1, 2004

RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

1. Galena Territory Fire Department-August 15 through October 16, 2004
2. Menominee-Dunleith Fire Department-July 21 through September 1, 2004

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Report of Sales Tax Receipts for the period 1/1/04 through 3/31/04 collected 2/1/04 through 4/30/04

CLAIMS

1. Claims approval in the amount of \$686,092.62