

**JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 10, 2003**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson of the Jo Daviess County Board, Merri Berlage, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. on June 10, 2003 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

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

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

Chairperson Berlage reminded board members that any information sent to fellow board members by email must be public record and a hard copy must be supplied to the County Board Office 48 hours in advance.

Agenda item E4 under Planning Commission; the rezoning application by Foster Field LLC, was pulled from the agenda due to a legal publication error and was returned to the Planning Commission.

AGENDA ITEM II – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business brought before the board.

AGENDA ITEM III – NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY:

An Intergraph Grant valued at \$22,962 was accepted and will be used to engage eMapping Solutions, an Intergraph business partner from Milwaukee, Wisconsin to develop the GIS web application for \$15,080 and to purchase additional software and hardware costing \$16,420 following approval of a committee motion made Lynn Sisler.

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

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

Vincent Hasken told board members that the tax abatement policy would be coming to the board for approval in July.

PUBLIC WORKS:

This committee had nothing to bring before the board at this time.

HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND LAW:

A committee motion to allow the State's Attorney to cancel the vehicle storage contract with Winter's Garage at the end of its term of June 20, 2003 was made by Sally Toepfer.

An amendment to the motion to delete the word cancel and replace it with not renew was made by Sally Toepfer and seconded by William Cooper.

The amendment carried by voice vote.

The original motion including the amendment allowing the State's Attorney to not renew the vehicle storage contract with Winter's Garage at the end of its term of June 20, 2003 carried by voice vote.

An amendment to the Food and Food Establishment Ordinance regarding fees was approved following a committee motion made by Sally Toepfer.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Dick Alexander, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, William Cooper, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Dane Jackson, Ron Mapes, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Sally Toepfer. Ayes: 15. Nays-Jody Carroll. Nays: 1. Absent-Jack Zillig. Absent: 1.

An auction will be held at the Public Safety Building on Saturday, June 14 at 10 a.m. to sell vehicles and other items following approval of committee motion made by Sally Toepfer.

The motion carried by voice vote.

A committee motion to allow the General Fund to lend \$3,500 to Jo Daviess County Transit until they receive payment for the past due DHHS invoices with letters to be sent to riders advising them of the limited service area, with the exception being veterans traveling to Veterans' Hospitals with the service to be reviewed before the 2004 budget was made by Sally Toepfer.

An amendment to the motion to change Veterans' Hospitals to Veterans' facilities was made by Dick Alexander and seconded by William Cooper.

The amendment to change the wording from hospitals to facilities carried by voice vote.

An amendment to change the wording of the motion to read the General Fund will lend \$3,500 to Jo Daviess County Transit was made by William Cooper, seconded by Jody Carroll.

The second amendment carried by voice vote with a nay vote recorded for Sally Toepfer.

The original motion including the amendments stating the General Fund will lend \$3,500 to Jo Daviess County Transit carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Dick Alexander, Joanne Bielenda, Jody Carroll, William Cooper, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Ron Mapes, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Sally Toepfer. Ayes: 14. Nays-Merri Berlage and Dane Jackson. Nays: 2. Absent-Jack Zillig. Absent: 1.

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Agenda item D5, a request by the Sheriff's Department to purchase a patrol boat, was removed from the agenda at this time following approval of a motion made by Sally Toepfer, seconded by Lynn Sisler.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The Sheriff's Department is allowed to apply for grant funding through the USDOJ, COPS Homeland Security Overtime Program following approval of a motion made by Sally Toepfer and seconded by Joanne Bielenda.

The motion carried by voice vote.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The Planning Commission's recommendation to issue a Special Use Permit to Charles Dykstra to allow various public events on Memorial Day, Labor Day, the first weekend in October and the Fourth of July weekend at 8585 S. Derinda Road, Elizabeth, subject to conditions stated in the Findings of Fact and Recommendation, was approved following a motion made by Sally Toepfer, seconded by Lynn Sisler.

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

The Planning Commission's recommendation to issue a Special Use Permit to Chris Rogers to allow for the operation of a Bed and Breakfast at 9901 E. Willow Rd., Mt. Carroll, subject to conditions stated in the Finding of Fact and Recommendation, was approved following a motion made by William Cooper, seconded by Sally Toepfer.

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

The Planning Commission's recommendation to issue a Special Use Permit to Edward and Sandra Prodehl to allow for a single-family home located at 36 East Point Drive, Galena to be used for transient rental following approval of a motion made by Sally Toepfer, seconded by Margie Montelius.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Dick Alexander, Merri Berlage, Jody Carroll, William Cooper, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Dane Jackson, Ron Mapes, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Sally Toepfer. Ayes: 15. Nays-Joanne Bielenda. Nays: 1. Absent-Jack Zillig. Absent: 1.

EXECUTIVE:

Chairperson Merri Berlage will serve on the Environmental Council of States (ECOS) Local Government Connection following approval of a committee motion made by Yerda Potter.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The Prevailing Wage Act Ordinance, Wages of Employees on Public Works was adopted and the process will begin to investigate and ascertain the prevailing rate of wages as defined in the statute for the purpose of determining a Jo Daviess County-based prevailing wage schedule following a committee motion made by Yerda Potter.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Jody Carroll, William Cooper, John Creighton, Dane Jackson, Ron Mapes, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Domer Schubert, Marvin Schultz, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Sally Toepfer. Ayes: 14. Nays-Dick Alexander and Vincent Hasken. Nays: 2. Absent-Jack Zillig. Absent: 1.

FINANCE, TAX AND BUDGET:

Finance Committee Chairman John Creighton referred to committee minutes in regards to the increase in the County retirement rate and said it will have a large impact on next year's budget.

AGENDA ITEM IV – OTHER COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

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

Guidelines for payment of County Board per diem allowances will go to the Executive Committee for review and submission for full board approval following a motion made by Margie Montelius, seconded by Dick Alexander.

The motion carried by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM V – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Bill White of Apple River asked what the error was in the Foster Field application for rezoning. Chairperson Berlage informed him it was a legal publication error and the zoning process would have to be repeated.

Marvin Schultz invited the public and board members to the Village of Scales Mound 150th birthday celebration on June 20-22.

AGENDA ITEM VI – EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board entered Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss personnel, property and litigation issues following a motion made by William Cooper, seconded by Terry Stoffregen.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The board exited Executive Session at 8:37 p.m.

Chairperson Merri Berlage was allowed to sign a DNR grant extension for a one-year period following approval of a motion made by Vincent Hasken, seconded by Dick Alexander.

The motion carried by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM VII – ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned following a motion made by Dick Alexander, seconded by Vincent Hasken.

The motion to adjourn carried by voice vote.

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Chairperson Berlage adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 8, 2003 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

Jean Dimke, Jo Daviess County Clerk

**JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED
JUNE 10, 2003**

MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Regular County Board meeting minutes of May 13, 2003

APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Joanne Bielenda to the CVB Advisory Board through November 2004
2. Appointment of Leonard Ricke to the Dunleith-Menominee Fire Protection Board for a three-year term ending May 2006

RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

1. Sojourn Foundation – June 11 through September 6, 2003
2. Menominee-Dunleith Fire Department – July 1 through September 3, 2003
3. St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church – June 19 through December 15, 2003

CLAIMS

1. Claims approval in the amount of \$835,000.14