

JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 8, 1998

Chairperson of the Jo Daviess County Board, Judith Gratton, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8, 1998, at the County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

ROLL CALL was answered as follows: Present-Hylene Anderson, Ronald Buening, Clifford Carroll, Don Crawford, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, James Slaats and Jack Zillig. Present: 15. Absent-Merri Berlage and Richard Runde. Absent: 2.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Judith Gratton. Hylene Anderson gave the invocation and thought of the day.

THE CONSENT AGENDA was approved as per attached following a motion made Don Crawford, seconded by John Rutherford.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Ronald Buening, Clifford Carroll, Don Crawford, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, James Slaats and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 15. Nays: 0. Absent –Merri Berlage and Richard Runde. Absent: 2.

PUBLIC WORKS: Don Crawford stated he had nothing to report at this time.

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING: As recommended by the CVB, the following County Board action was approved following a motion made by James Slaats, seconded by William McFadden: 1) Dan Reimer was appointed to the CVB Board representing Apple Canyon Lake Property Owners' Association. 2) Mark Gallagher was appointed to the CVB Board representing the Village of Warren. 3) The CVB will purchase a Sharp copy machine at a cost of \$6,795 and three printers at a cost not to exceed \$1,000. 4) The CVB will purchase an Ameritech Norstar 824-phone system, previously owned by the Galena Chamber of Commerce at a cost of \$7,144.99 from Ameritech either outright or in deposit with payments, as deemed best financially for the CVB. 5) The CVB will establish a dedicated Local Promotion Grant Fund, using the existing guidelines, for the Galena Area Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$3,646.06 with the approved grant amounts being credited to the outstanding debt owed to the CVB until it is reimbursed in full. 6) A CVB grant application #98-13 will be awarded to the Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce for \$341.70.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Ronald Buening, Clifford Carroll, Don Crawford, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn

Sisler, James Slaats and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 15. Nays: 0. Absent –Merri Berlage and Richard Runde. Absent: 2.

William McFadden informed board members that a meeting has been scheduled with the farming community for Thursday, September 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Elizabeth Community Center to review the Comprehensive Plan.

A SPECIAL USE PERMIT will be issued to Stephenson Service Co. to install an anhydrous ammonia storage and transfer tank for agricultural use at 1487 US Route 20 West, Elizabeth, approximately ¼ mile west of Elizabeth-Scales Mound Road following a motion for approval made by Ronald Buening, seconded by John Rutherford.

Motion carried by voice vote.

A SPECIAL USE PERMIT for Mark and Paul Jackson to allow the operation of a contractor’s yard for an excavating and concrete business at 6437 N. High Ridge Road, Galena was not approved and will be returned to the Planning Commission for further consideration following a motion made by Domer Schubert, seconded by Hylene Anderson.

Motion carried by a show of hands: Ayes: 10. Nays: 5. Absent: 2.

A SPECIAL USE PERMIT, as recommended by the Planning Commission, for Larry and Sally Priske to allow their present Bed and Breakfast at 4700 N. Council Hill Road, Galena, situated in an agricultural zone to also be used as rental office space contingent on the fire inspection approval for the mixed use for life safety and conformance was approved following a motion made by Larry Lyons, seconded by John Creighton.

Motion carried by a show hands: Ayes: 9. Nays: 6. Absent: 2.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COURTS: Jack Zillig had nothing to report at this time and stated that no board action was needed.

SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL: Hylene Anderson reported that the Health Department presented a copy of Phase I of the Illinois Plan for Local Assessment of Needs (IPLAN). The IPLAN Committee identified three major health problems in the County and recommended solutions to improve the problems. Hylene reported that one of the solutions the IPLAN committee strongly recommended was the implementation of a County School Nurse Program. She stated there would be grants available to help fund such a program.

The County Board will send a letter to County Superintendent of Schools, John Lang, asking him to support the concept of a County School Nurse Program and urging him to consider implementing such a program following approval of a motion made by Hylene Anderson.

Motion carried by voice vote.

The Jo Daviess County Board supports the 1998 Illinois Plan for Local Assessment of Needs report along with Phase I of the IPLAN following a motion of approval made by Hylene Anderson.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Hylene Anderson also reported that State's Attorney, Chip Roddick, and Gordon Coursen are working on the Guest Accomadations Ordinance. Bed and Breakfast operators will be invited to examine it and submit ideas. It will then be returned to the Social and Environmental Committee for further approval.

EXECUTIVE: A Jo Daviess County Comprehensive Plan contract amendment #3 between the County and Notheis & Baranski, Inc. at a cost of \$12,164 was approved following a motion made by Don Crawford.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Ronald Buening, Clifford Carroll, Don Crawford, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, James Slaats and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 15. Nays: 0. Absent –Merri Berlage and Richard Runde. Absent: 2.

FINANCE, TAX AND BUDGET: The County Administrator called attention to the FY1999 Budget Preparation Timetable that was distributed to board members this evening.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION: Lynn Sisler reminded everyone of the Courthouse and Public Safety Building Open House scheduled for Sunday, September 27 between 2 and 4 p.m. She also invited board members to contact the County Administrator if they would like to help during the Open House and answer questions that might arise.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: An ad will be placed in local newspapers asking for names of individuals who would be willing to serve on County Board appointed commissions following approval of a motion made by Hylene Anderson, seconded by Domer Schubert.

Motion carried by voice vote.

ROLAND UNANGST from Hanover was appointed to the LRA Board on the recommendation by Chairperson Gratton following approval of the motion made by Don Crawford, seconded by Larry Lyons.

Motion carried by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS: A resolution supporting the efforts of Representative I. Ronald Lawfer to have the Counties of Jo Daviess, Stephenson, Ogle and Winnebago declared a disaster area as a result of damage caused by a severe storm on August 24, 1998 and thereby to make state and federal funding available to assist individuals in the recovery from damage to buildings, crops, and other property was approved following a motion made by Domer Schubert, seconded by John Rutherford.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Larry Lyons asked if on a County level we have made a concentrated effort on addressing the Y2K problem. Chairperson Gratton said the Government Administration Committee and the County Administrator has been addressing the issue for some time.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS: Theresa Riniker, property owner on North High Ridge Road, Galena, thanked the board for listening to concerns of property owners and farmers in that area.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned following a motion made by Ronald Buening, seconded by Clifford Carroll.
Motion carried by voice vote.

Chairperson Judith Gratton adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m. until 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 13, 1998 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

Jean Dimke, County Clerk