

JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 11, 2000

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman of the Jo Daviess County Board, William McFadden, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, January 11, 2000 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

ROLL CALL was answered as follows: Present-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Present: 15. Absent-Larry Lyons and Margie Montelius. Absent: 2.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Chairman McFadden. Hylene Anderson gave the invocation and thought for the day.

AGENDA ITEM I – CONSENT AGENDA

A motion to approve the consent agenda as per attached was made by Judith Gratton, seconded by Charlice Offenheiser. A correction was made to the December 14, 1999 regular board minutes on page four stating that a proposal to pursue a new economic development partnership was approved.

The motion to approve the consent agenda including the correction carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 15. Nays: 0. Absent-Larry Lyons and Margie Montelius. Absent: 2.

AGENDA ITEM II – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business to come before the board.

AGENDA ITEM III – NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

The CVB will continue to operate the Old Market House Information Center through June 30, 2001 contingent on the continued \$17,000 financial support from the state following a committee motion made by Judith Gratton.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The acceptance of the Flood Hazard Mitigation Grant and the recommendation that the County advance the necessary funding to purchase the first property was approved following a committee motion made by Judith Gratton.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

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The vacation of a plat entitled First Addition to the Galena Territory for the Galena Territory Association was approved following a committee motion made by Judith Gratton.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

An approval of a plat entitled Vincent I of Territory II for the Galena Territory Association, Inc. was approved following a committee motion made by Judith Gratton.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

A proposed ordinance change for a 2% increase from 3% to 5% for Hotel/Motel Operator's Tax amending chapter 13 of the County Code of Ordinances was sent back to the CVB staff for development, marketing plans and strategies that clearly define how the additional hotel/motel tax revenue will be used and such plans will then be presented to the County Development and Planning Committee for review and recommendation to the board on the consideration of the 2% increase following a motion made by Vincent Hasken, seconded by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by voice vote.

SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL:

A Solid Waste Reduction and Procurement Policy resolution was approved following a committee motion made by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

An intergovernmental service agreement between Jo Daviess County and the City of Galena authorizing the County to inspect bed and breakfast establishments, lodging establishments and guest suites was approved following a committee motion made by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by voice vote.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COURT:

A committee motion to purchase five new squad cars for the Sheriff's Department, with three of the existing cars to be traded and the two best kept for new deputies and a letter to be sent to Governor Ryan, Senator Sieben and Representative Lawfer supporting the Sheriff's request for Illinois First funding for the purchase of two squad cars was made by Jack Zillig.

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A motion to table the issue until after Executive Session to discuss labor relations considering the fact that the county is in the process of negotiating a contract with the Sheriff's department was made by Judith Gratton, seconded by Vincent Hasken.

Joanne Bielenda reported that the 911 Committee is scheduled to meet with the Galena Territory on February 3rd to discuss the transition for the signage of the house-numbering ordinance in that area.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

County Administrator Duane Olivier explained several proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance creating the R-2 single-family residence district and providing for the use of single-family detached and other types of dwellings for transient rental purposes.

Judith Gratton made a motion, seconded by John Rutherford to delete the references to private stables and any other references contingent upon the same under Section 4, subsection 6.3, permitted uses.

Gratton and Rutherford withdrew the motion with the consensus of the board and asked that the Planning Commission address this particular issue.

A motion to table the issue with no further discussion failed following a motion made by Larry Lyons, seconded by Yerda Potter.

The motion to table failed by voice vote.

The Planning Commission's recommendation to amend various sections of the Zoning Ordinance creating the R-2 single-family residence district and providing for the use of single-family detached and other types of dwellings for transient rental purposes was approved following a motion made by John Rutherford, seconded by Joanne Bielenda.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 14. Nays-Larry Lyons and Francis Powers. Nays: 2. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

EXECUTIVE:

The concept of the establishment of a new economic development partnership between the County and JDDI and not to exceed funding approved in the FY2000 budget was approved following a committee motion made by Hylene Anderson.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Francis Powers, Lynn Sisler and Terry Stoffregen. Ayes: 11. Nays-Merri Berlage, Yerda Potter, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert and Jack Zillig. Nays: 5. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

FINANCE, TAX AND BUDGET:

The County will renew its long distance telephone service contract with AT&T for one year following approval of a committee motion made by Vincent Hasken.

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The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

Finance, Tax and Budget Committee Chairman Vincent Hasken asked County Treasurer, Carol Soat, to review her report on Interest Income for FY1999, which shows a 78% increase from the previous fiscal year.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION:

Durant Architects' proposal for professional services including bid specifications, contract documents and related materials for the Public Safety Building re-roofing project at an estimated cost of \$2,500 was accepted following approval of a committee motion made by Lynn Sisler.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 15. Nays: 0. Absent-Judith Gratton and Margie Montelius. Absent: 2.

PUBLIC WORKS:

An amendment to Chapter II, Animal and Rabies Control, County Code of Ordinances raising the pickup fee for the redemption of impounded dogs to \$70 for the first instance and \$100 for each subsequent instance was approved following a committee motion made by John Creighton.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 15. Nays-Vincent Hasken Nays: 1. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

An ordinance amending the budget and the appropriation ordinance regarding the implementation of the Guest Accommodation Ordinance was approved follow a committee motion made by Merri Berlage.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, William McFadden, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

With the consensus of the board, Citizens' Comments were heard before entering Executive Session.

AGENDA ITEM V – CITIZENS’ COMMENTS

Vicki Simone from the Galena Territory asked the board who would be responsible for addressing the maximum occupancy required in the Guest Accommodation Ordinance for transient rentals. County Administrator, Duane Olivier informed her that it would be addressed in the application process and also at the time of inspections.

AGENDA ITEM IV – EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board entered Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss labor relations matters following a motion made by Merri Berlage, seconded by Charlice Offenheiser.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The board exited Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.

A committee motion to purchase five new squad cars for the Sheriff’s Department, with three of the existing cars to be traded and the two best kept for new deputies and a letter to be sent to Governor Ryan, Senator Sieben and Representative Lawfer supporting the Sheriff’s request for Illinois First funding for the purchase of two squad cars was made by Jack Zillig.

A motion made by Judith Gratton, seconded by Vincent Hasken to amend the committee motion to read the approval of the purchase of five new squad cars for the Sheriff’s Department failed by a show of hands of 6 ayes and 10 nays.

The original motion to purchase five new squad cars for the Sheriff’s Department, with three of the existing cars to be traded and the two best kept for new deputies and a letter to be sent to Governor Ryan, Senator Sieben and Representative Lawfer supporting the Sheriff’s request for Illinois First funding for the purchase of two squad cars carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Hylene Anderson, Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, John Creighton, Larry Lyons, Charlice Offenheiser, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 13. Nays-Judith Gratton, Vincent Hasken and William McFadden. Nays: 3. Absent-Margie Montelius. Absent: 1.

AGENDA ITEM VI – ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned following a motion made by Hylene Anderson, seconded by Francis Powers.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Chairman McFadden adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 8, 2000 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

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CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED
JANUARY 11, 2000**

MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Regular County Board meeting minutes of December 14, 1999

APPOINTMENTS

1. CVB Advisory Board members' terms of office for those appointed at the December 14, 1999 County Board meeting are as follows:
1-year terms; Betty Boul, Mark Gallagher and Paul Connors
2-year terms; Edgar Lellbach, Pat Kelly-Goldthorpe, John Osmanski, Dan Reimer and Carrie Stier
3-year terms; Karen Allen, Gerald Bausman, Lyndi Huotari, Wes Marshall and Judy VenHuizen
Unlimited terms; County Board Representative, Judy Gratton and City of Galena Representative, Cindy Pepple

CORRESPONDENCE

1. A thank you note from Vince Hasken's family for Peace lily sent upon the death of Eldon Vanderah, Vince's father-in-law

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

1. Approval of a contract for a Law Enforcement Plan of Operations between Jo Daviess County sheriff's Department and Blanding Landing Recreation Area.
2. Approval of the following CVB grant applications:
The Eagle Nature Foundation (2000 Bald Eagle Bus Tour) for \$1,087.50
Stockton Chamber of Commerce (Stockton brochure printing) for \$137.40
Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce (Hobo Happening) for \$2,309.02
Elizabeth Chamber of Commerce (Ride the Ups and Downs) for \$115.50
Stockton Chamber of Commerce (welcome signage) for \$572.50
Galena Downtown Business Association (Music on Main) for \$4,300.50
3. Approval of stray dog contracts with the following municipalities: Galena, Scales Mound, East Dubuque, Warren, Elizabeth, Apple River and Hanover.

RESOLUTIONS AND LETTERS

1. Approval of a resolution authoring the County Engineer to post the county highways.
2. Approval of a resolution for the appropriation of the County Engineer salary for January 1, 200 to December 31, 200 from the motor Fuel Tax Allotments.
3. Approval of a resolution ratifying certain amendments to the Zoning Ordinances regarding setback lines and hearing procedures previously approved by the County Board but which ordinances were not signed by the Board Chairperson and County Clerk.

CLAIMS

1. Claims approval in the amount of \$403,248.17