

JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 13, 2001

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson of the Jo Daviess County Board, Merri Berlage, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2001 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

ROLL CALL was answered as follows: Present-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Dorte Breckenridge, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, Matt Rosenthal, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Present: 15. Absent: Jody Carroll and Larry Lyons. Absent: 2.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Chairperson Berlage. Joanne Bielenda gave the invocation.

AGENDA ITEM I – CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was approved as attached following a motion made by Dorte Breckenridge, seconded by John Rutherford.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Dorte Breckenridge, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, Matt Rosenthal, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 15. Nays: 0. Absent: Jody Carroll and Larry Lyons. Absent: 2.

Carrie Stier, Paul Connor and Board member Joanne Bielenda praised the 2001 Illinois Governor's Conference on Tourism they attended in Springfield. They thanked the board for the opportunity to attend such an important and useful conference.

A raffle Application for the Galena Area Chamber of Commerce from March 13, 2001 through April 8, 2001 was approved following a motion made by John Rutherford, seconded by Margie Montelius.

The motion carried by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM II – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business brought before the board.

AGENDA ITEM III – NEW BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS:

Board Chairperson Merri Berlage was authorized to apply for and execute a Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant for the purpose of offsetting certain Elderly and Disabled Transportation Program capital costs of Jo Daviess County following a motion of approval made by Vincent Hasken, seconded by Joanne Bielenda.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Larry Lyons entered the meeting at this time.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

The Planning Commission's recommendation to deny a Special Use Permit for Earl Moot to allow a single family home to be used for transient rental at 9-A-233 Cherry Lane, Apple River was approved following a motion to deny made by Lynn Sisler, seconded by Yerda Potter.

The motion for denial carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Dorte Breckenridge, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, Matt Rosenthal, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 14. Nays-John Rutherford. Nays: 1. Sally Toepfer disqualified herself from voting. Disqualified: 1. Absent: Jody Carroll. Absent: 1.

The Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a 1-lot subdivision and rezoning of a 1-acre parcel of land with a setback variance located 1300 feet north of 8982 Illinois Route 84 North from AG-1 Agricultural to R-2 Rural Residential for Stewart and Jenny Stoffregen was approved following a motion made by Sally Toepfer, seconded by Matt Rosenthal.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Dorte Breckenridge, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, Matt Rosenthal, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 14. Nays: 0. Abstain-Larry Lyons and Terry Stoffregen. Abstain: 2. Absent: Jody Carroll. Absent: 1.

EXECUTIVE:

Executive Committee Chairman Vincent Hasken asked board members to review the draft of the employee handbook that will be considered for adoption at the April meeting.

A proposal from Honkamp Krueger to complete a review of the County's position classification and salary plan for all non-union employees at a cost of \$3,600 was approved following a committee motion made by Vincent Hasken.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Dorte Breckenridge, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, Margie Montelius, Francis Powers, Matt Rosenthal, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 15. Nays-Yerda Potter. Nays: 1. Absent: Jody Carroll. Absent: 1.

Merri Berlage was authorized to write a letter to the Governor with copies going to Representative Lawfer and Senator Sieben requesting prompt approval of the County's appointments to the Workforce Investment Board following a committee motion made by Vincent Hasken.

The motion carried by voice vote.

FINANCE, TAX AND BUDGET:

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

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS:

The board adopted a Computer, E-mail and Internet Usage Policy following a committee motion made by Lynn Sisler.

The motion carried by voice vote.

PUBLIC WORKS:

The Public Works Committee had nothing to bring before the board.

COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING:

Chairman Vincent Hasken informed board members that the Jo Daviess County Code of Country Living pamphlet would be presented for approval at the April meeting.

SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL:

Margie Montelius reported that the process of filling the position of Environmental Health Director was in progress.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COURTS:

A proposal by the Durrant Group, Inc. in the amount of \$17,900 that includes developing a construction/bid document, bidding and negotiation responses and construction administration services for the boiler removal and replacement for the Courthouse was approved following a committee motion made by Jack Zillig

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes- Joanne Bielenda, Dorte Breckenridge, John Creighton, Larry Lyons, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, Matt Rosenthal, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 14. Nays-Merri Berlage. Nays: 1. Abstain-Vincent Hasken. Abstain: 1. Absent: Jody Carroll. Absent: 1.

The professional services proposal by Sterling Codification, Inc. to complete a re-codification of the County's Code of Ordinances at a base price of \$14,800 was approved following a committee motion made by Jack Zillig.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Dorte Breckenridge, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, Matt Rosenthal, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent: Jody Carroll. Absent: 1.

AGENDA ITEM IV – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizens' comments.

Chairperson Merri Berlage reminded board members to complete the priority form for County Board Workshops that will be held on the first Monday nights in April and May.

Yerda Potter reported Recycling Guides provided by the Solid Waste Agency would be provided to all board members at next month's meeting.

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Potter also congratulated the CVB and Pat and Jim Goldthorpe for their accomplishments and awards they received at the 2001 Illinois Governor's Conference on Tourism.

AGENDA ITEM V – EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board entered Executive Session at 7:45 p.m. to discuss personnel issues following a motion made by Margie Montelius, seconded by Lynn Sisler.

The motion carried by voice vote.

The board exited Executive Session at 8:25 p.m.

The collective bargaining agreement between the County, the Sheriff and the Policemen's Benevolent and Labor Committee was approved following a motion made by Jack Zillig, seconded by Vincent Hasken.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Dorte Breckenridge, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, Matt Rosenthal, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent: Jody Carroll. Absent: 1.

The Health Insurance benefit in which the County will contribute \$100 per month toward the family coverage premium and any increase in the family premium as of December 1, 2001 being split evenly between the County and the employee, as approved for the Deputy Sheriff's Union Contract, will be extended to all full-time county employees covered by the family insurance plan following a motion made by John Rutherford, seconded by Joanne Bielenda.

The motion carried by roll call vote: Ayes-Merri Berlage, Joanne Bielenda, Dorte Breckenridge, John Creighton, Vincent Hasken, Larry Lyons, Margie Montelius, Yerda Potter, Francis Powers, Matt Rosenthal, John Rutherford, Domer Schubert, Lynn Sisler, Terry Stoffregen, Sally Toepfer and Jack Zillig. Ayes: 16. Nays: 0. Absent: Jody Carroll. Absent: 1.

AGENDA ITEM VI – ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned following a motion made by Jack Zillig, seconded by Lynn Sisler.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Chairperson Berlage adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m. until 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, 2001 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse, Galena, Illinois.

**JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED
MARCH 13, 2001**

MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Regular County Board meeting minutes of February 13, 2001

APPOINTMENTS

1. Reappointment of Malcolm J. Townsend to a three-year term as trustee of the Stockton Fire and Ambulance Protection District

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

1. Approval to retain the services of Midwest Ecological Services for the 2001 season for noxious weed control at a cost not to exceed \$5,000
2. Approval of contract with Patricia Amill for cleaning services at the Highway Department at a cost of \$360 per month
3. Approval of a maintenance agreement with Carroll County for snow removal on Shinske Road in the Savanna Army Depot subject to State's Attorney's review
4. Approval of Marathon Sportswear as the 2001 Galena Triathlon T-shirt print vendor at a cost of \$4,669
5. Approval of Welu Printing as the Spring/Summer Calendar of Events print vendor at a cost of \$2,664.45

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

1. Approval of a supplemental MFT resolution for \$1,200.42 for the County Engineer's salary

RAFFLE APPLICATIONS

1. Village of Scales Mound – April 1, 2001 through June 16, 2001

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Report from Carrie Stier on 2001 Illinois Governor's Conference on Tourism
2. Illinois State Water Survey Annual Report 1999-2000
3. 2000 Annual Report of the Jo Daviess County Housing Authority

CLAIMS

1. Claims approval in the amount of \$641,614.02