

**JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 29, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: Jo Daviess County Chairperson Scott Toot called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, May 29, 2020 in the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse in Galena, Illinois.

ROLL CALL was answered as follows: Present –Robert O’Connor and Scott Toot. Present: 2. Present electronically - Diane Gallagher, Don Hill, John Lang, Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, LaDon Trost, and Don Zillig. Present electronically: 7. Absent – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Lucas Bourquin, Staci Duerr, Robert Heuerman, John Korth, Ron Smith, and Andrew Townsend. Absent: 8.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Chairperson Toot.

AGENDA ITEM I – MINUTES

A motion to approve the meeting minutes of the May 20, 2020 County Board was made by Don Hill and seconded by Hendrica Regez.

The motion carried by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM II - CITIZENS’ COMMENTS

There were no citizens’ comments at this time.

AGENDA ITEM III – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business brought before the board at this time.

AGENDA ITEM IV – NEW BUSINESS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

A motion to approve a *Resolution to Amend and Extend the Jo Daviess County Emergency Disaster Declaration Due to COVID-19 in Jo Daviess County* with an amended ending date of July 15, 2020 was made by Diane Gallagher and seconded by John Schultz.

The motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes - Diane Gallagher, Don Hill, John Lang, Robert O’Connor, Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, Scott Toot, and Don Zillig. Ayes: 8. Nays – LaDon Trost. Nays: 1. Absent – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Lucas Bourquin, Staci Duerr, Robert Heuerman, John Korth, Ron Smith, and Andrew Townsend. Absent: 8.

A motion to allow standing County Board committees to begin scheduling monthly virtual ZOOM meetings, with the committee chairperson in person, with possible daytime meetings to coincide with operational hours of the Courthouse was made by Don Zillig and seconded by John Schultz.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Item 7C did not require action.

A motion to amend the Zoning Board of Appeals/Plan Commission Rules and Procedures allowing to allow virtual participation was made by John Lang and seconded by John Schultz.

The motion carried by voice vote.

AGENDA ITEM VI – BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS

John Lang believes the board needs to address the Menominee Radio Tower in the next budget.

Diane Gallagher asks that all board members reach out to their constituency regarding Census 2020, in particular, individuals who own second homes in Jo Daviess County.

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Don Hill asks that committee members make their availability known to their respective chairpersons, so they can schedule their virtual meetings.

Robert O'Connor would like the board to consider moving the Derinda precinct polling place back to the Derinda Town Hall. He also expressed his belief that home based businesses should not have been allowed to apply for the second round of SBSG funding.

Hendrica Regez noted recent General Assembly action regarding changes for the November 2020 General Election.

AGENDA ITEM VII – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizens' comments at this time.

AGENDA ITEM VIII – CLOSED SESSION

There was no reason to enter closed session at this time.

AGENDA ITEM IX – POSSIBLE ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION

No action was needed as a result of closed session.

AGENDA ITEM X - ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Diane Gallagher and seconded by Don Hill.

The motion carried by voice vote.

Chairperson Toot adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse in Galena, Illinois.