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MINUTES

SANGAMON COUNTY BOARD

DECEMBER 10, 2013

The Sangamon County Board met in Reconvened Adjourned September Session on December 10, 2013 in the County Board Chambers. Chairman Van Meter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Fulgenzi gave the Invocation and Mr. Preckwinkle led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Chairman Van Meter asked the County Clerk to call the roll. There were 28 Present – 0 Absent.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW COUNTY BOARD MEMBER

Chairman Van Meter made a nomination to appoint Cathy Scaife to County Board, District 29. A voice vote was unanimous. Judge Madonia administered the oath of office to Cathy Scaife.

PRESENTATION ON THE CITIZENS' EFFICIENCY COMMISSION

Chairman Van Meter introduced Karen Hasara, who is a former county board member, former circuit clerk, former state representative, former state senator, former mayor of Springfield and the current Chairman of the Citizens' Efficiency Commission, to address the County Board. Ms. Hasara gave a brief presentation on what the Citizens' Efficiency Commission has done. They have been operating now for about 2 ½ years. One of the members, Robert Plunk, came down to see us tonight. He is one of the hardest working members on the commission. They have really tried to keep a handle on having a diverse group of people on the commission, and they have come up with a number of recommendations. Some have taken place, and most are in the works.

They also had a number of papers to explain different issues they have talked about, so you can see what they have done. They are asking for the board's permission to have referenda put on the ballot on March 18th that would give a list of names the commission is working on, plus some public members. They envision seven or nine members, and would like to present this on the March 18th ballot. It would actually have the names and ask for a continuance of the Citizens' Efficiency Commission for another three years. They feel it is very important not to just drop everything when so much time and energy has been spent. There has been wonderful research done on many issues by the Regional Planning Commission. The Regional Planning Commission and Citizens' Efficiency Commission members have spent many hours in the past 2 ½ years working on this. She looks forward to working with them all in the future and hopes they will accept their recommendation. They have a meeting next Monday, so they will work on finalizing the names they would like to submit.

Chairman Van Meter stated they had discussed in caucus that when an interim report is made and they have resolutions to place on the ballot, they are welcome to come back here and suggest them to the County Board. They would then entertain putting them on the next ballot. Ms. Hasara stated one question would be a continuation of the commission. Chairman Van Meter asked if the second one would be recommending a list of names to continue as commissioners. Ms. Hasara stated it is, but to her that is the first one. They will be glad to make a suggestion for an issue they can vote on at their meeting on Monday.

Greg Stumpf stated, as chairman of the Solid Waste Committee, he has met two or three times with the commission and they have done a great job of putting everything together. There could be two or three items they might like to address. Ms. Hasara emphasized that everyone should feel free to let them know what issues they would like to address.

Ms. Hasara also pointed out there is website information on the sheets they have. She is very pleased with what they have been able to accomplish with a number of really hard working people. They had wonderful help from the Regional Planning Commission. They probably interviewed hundreds of people during the last 2 ½ years to gain information and knowledge on how they might proceed, what they do and what professional ideas they have. They went to Indianapolis to look at how they do things over there, and that was very helpful. It has been a very diverse hard working group, and she hopes they agree it should continue in some form.

Mrs. Fulgenzi asked if the first issue on the ballot would be that yes or no they don't wish to have the commission continue. She also asked if the second issue would be if they voted yes it would be to vote yes for the advisory committee. Ms. Hasara stated she envisions it to be one issue, and it will have the names. Mrs. Fulgenzi asked if they would be advisory positions and not elected officials. Ms. Hasara stated that is correct. There would be no elected officials.

Mr. DelGiorno asked if the State's Attorney's office is able to say whether the two questions being posed as one would be acceptable under state law. Ms. Hasara stated that she sees it as two different ballot issues, and they have worked with them on this. Chairman Van Meter suggested they send them whatever they would like to put on the ballot, and they will work through what they feel comfortable doing and how they can do it.

Mr. Good asked if the list of people would be people recommended from the current members of the commission. Ms. Hasara explained that they asked each member to submit three to five names of current members they would like to see continue. They gathered a list of names and will be voting. She is contacting each person to ask if they want to do this. Those that say yes, and have been mentioned by other members, will be voted on at their meeting on Monday. Chairman Van Meter asked if the list will represent the broad cross-section of the community. Ms. Hasara stated it will, and there will be two public members on the commission. Chairman Van Meter asked if there would be politicians. Ms. Hasara stated there would not. They are following the rules they adopted three years ago, and that was one of the rules. If they are planning to run then their name would be eliminated, or if they decided to run later, they would then resign from the commission.

Mr. Krell asked if the 23 volunteers they had was a workable number, and how they get that many together in one night without any conflicts. Ms. Hasara stated they divide it into four committees, which worked very well. They were divided by subject matter such as: public works and public safety. They envision seven to nine members on this group. It would be difficult to get 23 people to serve another three years.

Mr. Montalbano asked if they ran into any obstacles they didn't anticipate. Ms. Hasara said she can't say they didn't anticipate them. People came up with ideas they never thought of. The committee method worked very well. The committees had five to seven people on them. Each committee interviewed a lot of experts. They went by committee vote and then by the full commission vote. It was never a problem, and they understood that from the beginning.

Chairman Van Meter suggested they put together an ad hoc committee of the County Board to review this committee's recommendations. Ms. Hasara stated they would present to them after Monday so they can get the language and names they want. Chairman Van Meter asked that any County Board member interested in serving on the ad hoc committee to give their names to Brian or Lou in the next couple of days. They will then get with Dwayne in the State's Attorney's office to see if that's a way to formalize these resolutions.

Ms. Hasara added they also briefly discussed the idea of inviting the public to submit names for two slots which would then make nine members. Everyone they talked to thought it was a very good idea. They envisioned that they would pick, but they also want the board's input. Chairman Van Meter stated he thinks it would be a good idea to get a committee to look at their recommendations.

Mr. Motalbano and Mr. Bunch presented Christmas gifts to Lou Robisch and Brian McFadden to show appreciation for all their hard work in the County Board office.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Bunch, for approval of the minutes of November 12, 2013. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
MINUTES ADOPTED

CORRESPONDENCE

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Montalbano, to place the correspondence on file with the County Clerk. A voice vote was unanimous. There was no correspondence filed.

RESOLUTION 1

1. Resolution approving the low bids for aggregate for the annual maintenance of county highways.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, to place Resolution 1 on the floor. Chairman Van Meter asked the County Clerk to call the roll. There were 28 Yeas – 0 Nays.

MOTION CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTIONS 2 – 4

2. Resolution appropriating motor fuel tax funds for IMRF expenses.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mr. Krell, to place Resolution 2 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Smith, to consolidate Resolutions 2 – 4. Chairman Van Meter asked the County Clerk to read Resolutions 3 and 4.

3. Resolution appropriating motor fuel tax funds for the County Engineer's salary and expenses.
4. Resolution approving an agreement between Sangamon County and the Illinois Department of Transportation to transfer surface transportation program funds for state funds.

A voice vote was unanimous on the consolidation. A motion was made by Mr. Goleman, seconded by Mrs. Deppe, that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stand as the roll call vote for Resolutions 2 – 4, as consolidated. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 5

5. 2013-049 – Chris and Breanna VanHuss, 3524 Pet Cemetery Road, Springfield – Granting a Use Variance and Variance. County Board Member – Sarah Musgrave, District #9.

A motion was made by Mrs. Musgrave, seconded by Mr. Snell, to place Resolution 5 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Stumpf to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 5.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 6

6. 2013-050 – Mary Homer, 9990 Bell Fountain Road, Dawson – Granting Variances. County Board Member – David Mendenhall, District #3.

A motion was made by Mr. Mendenhall, seconded by Mrs. Small, to place Resolution 6 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Stumpf to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 6.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 7

7. 2013-051 – Text amendment to the Sangamon County Zoning Ordinance regarding the fee schedule.

A motion was made by Mr. Stumpf, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, to place Resolution 7 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Fulgenzi, seconded by Mr. Preckwinkle and Mr. Montalbano, to amend Resolution 7.

Mr. Fulgenzi stated Section 17.70.010C should be amended to read: Applications for a temporary use permit for a fireworks stand shall be accompanied by a fee of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00). Applications for a temporary use permit for a novelty fireworks stand shall be accompanied by a fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Applications for all other temporary use permits shall be accompanied by a fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Mr. Fulgenzi explained that they do not give out permits anymore for Class C fireworks. The state requires \$1,000,000 in liability insurance, a site inspection by the fire department in the district and a pyrotechnic operator must be on duty to perform the show. Nobody wants to take on that responsibility. They left the \$750.00 like it was and added the temporary use permit for a novelty fireworks stand at \$100.00 to make it a lot easier for the people applying. A voice vote was unanimous on the amendment of Resolution 7.

A motion was made by Mr. Goleman that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stand as the roll call vote for Resolution 7. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 8

8. Resolution approving the tax levies for Fiscal Year from December 1, 2013 through November 30, 2014.

A motion was made by Mr. Goleman, seconded by Mr. Montalbano and Mr. Bunch, to place Resolution 8 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Goleman that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stand as the roll call vote for Resolution 8. A voice vote carried. Mr. DelGiorno abstained.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 9

9. Resolution approving a variance to Section 16.14.140(c), Watercourses, of the 2001 Land Subdivision Regulations of Sangamon County for Gabriel's Landing Subdivision.

A motion was made by Mr. Stumpf, seconded by Mr. Ratts, to place Resolution 9 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Goleman that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stand as the roll call vote for Resolution 9. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

WAIVER OF TEN-DAY FILING PERIOD

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Montalbano, to waive the ten-day filing period. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
TEN-DAY FILING PERIOD WAIVED

RESOLUTIONS 10 - 14

10. Resolution approving an intergovernmental cooperation agreement between Sangamon County and the Illinois State Police.

A motion was made by Mr. Preckwinkle, seconded by Mrs. Scaife, to place Resolution 10 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Smith, to consolidate Resolutions 10 – 14. Chairman Van Meter asked the County Clerk to read Resolutions 11 – 14.

11. Resolution approving an intergovernmental cooperation agreement to create, administer and fund a Minority Participation Plan as part of the Springfield Rail Improvement Project.
12. Resolution authorizing a contract with Hanson Professionals, Inc. to administer and manage the Minority Participation Plan.
13. Resolution authorizing a contract with JANO Justice System and the Circuit Clerk's office.
14. Resolution authorizing a contract with CDW Government and the Circuit Clerk's office.

A voice vote was unanimous on the consolidation. A motion was made by Mr. Goleman that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stand as the roll call vote for Resolutions 10 – 14, as consolidated. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolutions

There were no new resolutions.

B. Appointments

Appointment of Cathy Scaife to the Sangamon County Board, District #29 for an unexpired term to expire November 30, 2014.

Appointment of Andy Goleman to the Sangamon County Board of Health for a term to expire December, 2014.

Appointment of Angela Marr to the Woodwreath Cemetery Association Board for a term to expire November, 2019.

Appointment of Susan Davsko to the Springfield Mass Transit District Board for a term to expire February, 2019.

Appointment of Sandra Douglas to the Springfield Mass Transit District Board for an unexpired term to expire February, 2015.

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Bunch, for approval of the appointments. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
APPOINTMENTS ADOPTED

**REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS, REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES,
REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES, COMMITTEE REPORT ON CLAIMS**

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Bunch, to place the Committee Report on Claims on file with the County Clerk. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
REPORTS FILED

Mr. Stumpf thanked Recorder Josh Langfelder for the collector's edition pins he had given all of them. Mr. Mendenhall thanked the board for their thoughts, prayers and concerns, and for the gift basket during his recent surgery.

RECESS

A motion was made by Mr. Bunch, seconded by Mr. Montalbano, to recess the meeting until a specially scheduled meeting on December 23, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
MEETING RECESSED

Joe Aiello
Sangamon County Clerk