

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
KNOX COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

August 24, 2016

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Proceedings of the Regular Meeting of the Knox County Board held at the Knox County Courthouse, Galesburg, Illinois on Wednesday, August 24, 2016, at 6:05 p.m.

The Meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Brian Friedrich and upon roll call the following Members reported present:

District 1	Lyle Johnson
District 2	Greg “Chops” Bacon
District 3	Barbara Foster
District 4	George Knapp
District 5	Brian Friedrich
District 1	Cheryl Nache
District 2	John Hunigan
District 3	Pamela Davidson
District 1	Richard Conklin
District 3	Trisha Hurst
District 4	Shawn Pitman
District 5	Jeff Jefferson

And those absent:

District 4	David Erickson
District 5	Ricardo “Rick” Sandoval
District 2	Robert “Bob” Bondi

Also present were County Treasurer Robin Davis, State’s Attorney John Pepmeyer, County Sheriff David Clague, and County Clerk Scott Erickson.

Sheriff David Clague delivered the proclamation. Chairman Friedrich led the Members in the pledge to the flag. Sememya McCord of the Allen Chapel AME Church of Galesburg delivered the invocation.

Chairman Friedrich asked for additions or deletions to the agenda. There were none.

Chairman Friedrich asked for public comments. There were none.

Motion was made by Member Foster and seconded by Member Johnson to approve the following items of the consent agenda: 1) minutes of the Regular and Closed Board Meeting on July 27, 2016, 2) claims by Members for per diem and mileage for the Meeting of August 24,

2016 and other claims for per diem from meetings, and 3) sales tax and various taxes for the month of May 2016 in the amounts of \$112,704.65 and \$18,320.33 and public safety tax in the amount of \$186,030.72. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Hunigan, Davidson, Conklin, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(12). Noes—(0). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Member Pitman and seconded by Member Jefferson to approve the appointment of Carl Swanson to the Altona Fire Protection District. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Hunigan, Davidson, Conklin, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(12). Noes—(0). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Member Pitman and seconded by Member Jefferson to approve the appointment of Gene Nelson to the Henderson Fire Protection District. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Hunigan, Davidson, Conklin, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(12). Noes—(0). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Member Pitman and seconded by Member Jefferson to approve the appointment of Jerry Fox to the Victoria-Copley Fire Protection District. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Hunigan, Davidson, Conklin, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(12). Noes—(0). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Member Jefferson and seconded by Member Bacon to approve the resolution on the deed of conveyance for Parcel number 99-03-351-012. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Hunigan, Davidson, Conklin, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(12). Noes—(0). Motion carried.

Sheriff David Clauge presented his report of the Mental Health Authority Board. Specific information is included in the packets.

6:15 p.m. Member Bondi entered the room.

The Finance, Insurance, Treasurer, Judicial, and Clerk Committee report was presented by Member Bacon. The monthly reports and committee minutes are included in the packets.

Member Knapp presented the monthly report for the Building Committee. He stated that he had no report.

The Sheriff, Jail, Courthouse, Animal Control, Mary Davis Home, and Annex Committee report was presented by Chairman Friedrich. Their monthly report is included in the packets.

The Nursing Home, Assessor, Zoning, GIS, and Recorder Committee report was presented by Member Jefferson. Their monthly report is included in the packets.

Motion was made by Member Jefferson and seconded by Member Conklin to approve Zoning Board of Appeals text amendments AM-04-16 and AM-05-16 to remove and replace the definition of a “dwelling” in the Zoning Resolution. Specific information is included in the

packets. Member Jefferson stated that this is intended to clean up some resolutions. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Davidson, Conklin, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(11). Noes—(0). Pass—Hunigan and Bondi—(2). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Member Jefferson and seconded by Member Nache to approve Zoning Board of Appeals text amendments Am-06-16 and AM-07-16 to remove and replace the definition of the “dwelling unit” in the Zoning Resolution. Specific information is included in the packets. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Davidson, Conklin, Bondi, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(12). Noes—(0). Pass—Hunigan—(1). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Member Jefferson and seconded by Member Knapp to bid and bring back for electrical work on the emergency electrical system at the Nursing Home (per IDPH K Tag 145). Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Hunigan, Davidson, Conklin, Bondi, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(13). Noes—(0). Motion carried.

The Highway and Landfill Committee report was presented by Committee Chairman Shawn Pitman. The monthly report is in the packets.

Motion was made by Member Pitman and seconded by Member Johnson to approve the bid for County Engineer vehicle from Yemm Ford. The bid tab is included in the packets. The final cost is \$21,813.72 with trade in to purchase a 2017 Ford Explorer. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Hunigan, Davidson, Conklin, Bondi, Hurst, and Pitman—(11). Noes—Nache and Jefferson (2).

Motion was made by Member Pitman and seconded by Member Johnson to approve the emergency repair of the air conditioner at the Highway Department from Benbow Heating in the amount of \$13,718. A handout has been presented to the Members. Roll call vote is reported as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Hunigan, Conklin, Bondi, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(11). Noes—(0). Pass—Nache, and Davidson—(2). Motion carried.

Reports from Board Members were presented regarding their involvement with various outside boards and/or committees.

Motion was made by Member Jefferson and seconded by Member Bacon to approve opening the budget for line item changes. Roll call vote is reported as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Hunigan, Conklin, Bondi, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(11). Noes—(0). Pass—Nache, and Davidson—(2). Motion carried.

County Treasurer Robin Davis presented the proposed budget line item changes for the landfill.

Motion was made by Member Bondi and seconded by Member Bacon to approve the proposed line time changes. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster,

Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Hunigan, Davidson, Conklin, Bondi, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson—(13). Noes—(0). Motion carried.

Motion was made by Member Bondi and seconded by Member Nache to approve claims against Knox County, Illinois, for the period of July 28, 2016 through August 24, 2016 (ordering the invoices be accepted and approved and that the County Clerk and County Treasurer be authorized and directed to issue County Warrants in payment of the bills.) Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Hunigan, Conklin, Hurst, Pitman and Jefferson—(11). Noes—Davidson—(1). Pass—Bondi—(1). Motion carried.

STATEMENTS OF GENERAL CONCERN

Member Johnson reminded Members about the Prairie Hills dinner on Saturday and encouraged everyone to attend.

Members Bacon, Foster, and Knapp had no comment.

Chairman Friedrich announced that the Sheriff's office is selling cookbooks and they can be purchased at the courthouse.

Member Nache stated it was a nice event at the Nursing Home on Saturday. The food and entertainment was great.

Member Hunigan agreed with Member Nache about the Nursing Home event,

Member Davidson asked for prayers for those affected by the earthquake in Italy and wished Member Bondi a Happy Birthday.

Member Conklin had no comment.

Member Bondi thanked the Board for the birthday wishes and encouraged all to attend the Stearman Fly-In and Labor Day events.

Members Hurst and Pitman had no comment.

Member Jefferson thanked Members for attending the 50th anniversary of the Knox County Nursing Home. It was a well-organized event with great food. Also, the Nursing Home census today was at 131.

Motion by Member Bondi, seconded by Member Pitman to go into executive session for the purpose of contract negotiations. Roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Johnson, Bacon, Foster, Knapp, Friedrich, Nache, Hunigan, Davidson, Conklin, Bondi, Hurst, Pitman, and Jefferson – 13. Noes – None. Motion carried and entered executive session at 6:56PM.

Return to open session at 7:12PM.

The next regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 28, 2016, 6:00 p.m., at the Knox County Courthouse, Galesburg, Illinois.

Motion was made by Member Bondi and seconded by Member Pitman to adjourn from this Meeting. Voice vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—(13). Noes—(0). Motion carried. This Open Session adjourned at 7:15 p.m.