

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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County of Boone)

Boone County Board  
8th day December Session  
June 15, 2016

The County Board of Boone County in the State of Illinois convened in session at the County Board Room at the Boone County Administration Campus in the City of Belvidere in Boone County on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at 6:30 pm pursuant to adjournment of the Special County Board Meeting, May 18, 2016.

The Board was called to order by the Chairman and he proceeded to the dispatch of business. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and an invocation was given by Cory Lind.

Members Present:

Bob Walberg, Chairman  
Karl Johnson, Vice Chairman  
Sherry Branson  
Jeffrey Carlisle  
Denny Ellingson  
Kenneth Freeman  
Sherry Giesecke  
Karl Johnson  
Raymond Larson  
Cory Lind  
Brad Stark  
Cathy Ward

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AGENDA

Motion by Brad Stark and second by Jeff Carlisle to approve the agenda. Mr. Freeman said under agenda item 11.1 the vote was incorrect and asked that it be changed to 3-1. Mr. Larson requested the RMAP letter to the STB be discussed before item 13.1. Motion as amended carried.

MINUTES

Motion by Karl Johnson and second by Jeff Carlisle to approve the minutes of the County Board meetings of May 12, 2016 and May 18, 2016. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS AND RECOGNITION

RESOLUTION 16-13

Motion by Cathy Ward and second by Sherry Giesecke to approve Resolution 16-13 Declaring a Vacancy for County Board District 3. Motion carried.

Mrs. Ward asked when that vacancy can be filled. Chairman Walberg said it was advertised for June 24th and it can be done at the Special County Board meeting on June 29<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman Walberg made the following appointment recommendations and asked for a motion of consent:

Connie Scott to Fire Protection District #3 Board of Trustees to complete a term which expires May 2018.

Sharon Beu to the Belvidere Cemetery Association for a 6 year term to expire May 3, 2022.

Kathryn Rudy to the Boone County Conservation District for a 5 year term to expire June 30, 2021.

Meredith Williams to the Boone County Board of Health for a 3 year term to expire July 1, 2019.

Patrick Murphy to the Boone County Museum District for a 5 year term to expire June 30, 2021.

Cathy Ward asked to vote on the Boone County Board of Health and the Boone County Museum Districts separately.

Motion by Denny Ellingson and second by Sherry Giesecke to consent to all of the appointments excluding the Board of Health and the Museum District. Motion carried.

Motion by Denny Ellingson and second by Brad Stark to consent to the appointment of Meredith Williams to the Boone County Board of Health. Motion carried.

Motion by Karl Johnson and second by Denny Ellingson to consent to the appointment of Patrick Murphy to the Boone County Museum District. Roll Call: 7 ayes; 4-nays (Branson, Freeman, Stark, Ward). Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

John Gedney, 1028 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., Belvidere commented on the appointment of the vacant County Board seat in District 3. He told the Board that the candidate the Democratic Party chose be put in immediately. Mr. Gedney was told that it was advertised that applications will be accepted through June 24. He feels the only one choosing the candidate should be the Democratic Party. Mr. Johnson explained this position was open to all Democrats in Boone County, not just those associated with and do work with the Democratic Party. Cathy Ward asked if legally the seat could be appointed tonight and State's Attorney Courier said yes. Chairman Walberg asked a show of hands in favor. A majority raised their hands.

Motion by Cathy Ward and second by Sherry Branson to consent to approve Jessica Muellner to the County Board. There was much discussion about appointing before the

notice in the paper expired and about the process and policy for appointments. Chairman Walberg explained the County's policy is the State Statute. Cathy Ward called for question. Roll Call: 8-nays; 3-ayes (Branson, Freeman, Ward). Motion failed.

Mr. Tim Watkins, Executive Director of Project First Rate, 111 S. Madison St., Rockford, spoke on two misconceptions of prevailing wage: 1) Prevailing wage policies increase costs to local governments and 2) are antithetical to free market economics.

## COMMUNITY AGENCIES REPORTS

### GROWTH DIMENSIONS

Jarid Funderburg was not present so Sherry Giesecke said Growth Dimension assisted Poplar Grove Village in obtaining a grant that will do some infrastructure developments, retain a pallet company as well as build a light industrial park.

### COUNCIL ON AGING

Denny Ellingson said there is nothing new. They will meet next Monday.

### CASA

Charlotte Meier gave the monthly report. They have been busy with fundraisers. Two new advocates were sworn in last Thursday. There will be a Culver's Night on July 11 from 5pm to 8pm. They will receive 10% of sales during that time. They are also selling 50/50 raffle tickets. Winner will be chosen at the celebrity roast August 18<sup>th</sup>. They will be participating in the Heritage Days Parade.

### BOARD OF HEALTH

Sherry Branson gave the report in the absence of Cindy Frank. She said there will be a Farmer's Market and Wellness Fair July 19<sup>th</sup>. One rabid bat was reported in Boone County. Free lunches for children are being offered. Dr. Hess will be retiring at the end of his term.

### GENERAL CONSENT ITEMS

Motion by Karl Johnson and second by Sherry Branson to approve the General Consent Agenda. Roll Call: 11-ayes; Motion carried.

### PLANNING, ZONING AND BUILDING

No motions.

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### FINANCE, TAXATION & SALARIES

Motion by Karl Johnson and second by Jeff Carlisle to approve claims with the understanding that Kenny Freeman abstains from voting on all claims presented by William Charles and Associates, Karl Johnson abstains from voting on all claims presented by HD Supply and Denny Ellingson abstains from voting on all claims presented by Conserv FS. (Approved 3-0). Roll Call: 11-ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Karl Johnson and second by Jeff Carlisle to approve letter to the Boone County Council on Ageing for fixed route transportation service. (Approved 3-0). Ken Terrinoni stressed this is the larger bus on fixed routes not to be confused with the

smaller demand and response program. A request was made of Boone County by RMTD for \$5,000 that would help continue to fund this program. Motion by Jeff Carlisle and second by Sherry Branson to refer back to committee. Motion carried.

#### ROADS & CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE

Motion by Brad Stark and second by Sherry Giesecke to approve letter to the Surface Transportation Board, discussing alternate routes. (Approved 3-1). Cathy Ward said she objects to having Boone County's name on the letter that the board has not yet addressed. Ken Freeman said he sees nothing wrong with it. Discussion continued. Motion carried.

Motion by Brad Stark and second by Sherry Giesecke to approve quote from Suburban Surgical for Tub/Sink equipment for the Animal Services Building in the amount of \$1,965.23. (Budgeted) (Approved 4-0). Roll Call: 11-ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brad Stark and second by Cory Lind to approve quote from Snyder for interior kennel run partitions, Animal Services Building in the amount of \$16,055.00. (Budgeted) (Approved 4-0). There was discussion. Roll Call: 11-ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brad Stark and second by Jeff Carlisle to approve quote from Shor-line for exterior kennel run partitions in the amount of \$17,054.00. (Committee did not vote). Roll Call: 11-ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brad Stark and second by Cory Lind to approve low bid from Bloyer Well and Pump for a new well at the Animal Services Building in the amount of \$19,565.00. (Budgeted) (Approved 4-0). Roll Call: 11-ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brad Stark and second by Cory Lind to approve low bid from American Seal in the amount of \$10,665.00 for seal coat at 1212 Logan Avenue. (Budgeted) (Approved). Roll Call: 11-ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Brad Stark and second by Sherry Giesecke to approve low bid from Country Well & Pump for Septic Connection, Animal Services Building in the amount of \$7,685.00. (Budgeted) (Approved 4-0). Roll Call: 11-ayes. Motion carried

#### HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Motion by Jeff Carlisle and second by Karl Johnson to approve cost-share for sewer lift station repair at Heritage Woods (Amount to be determined) (Committee did not vote).

Motion by Jeff Carlisle and second by Karl Johnson to return to committee. Motion carried.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE & LEGISLATIVE

Sherry Giesecke asked for discussion on the RMAP (Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning) letter concerning the railroad. Ray Larson said Boone County was referenced as a partner in an intergovernmental agreement but nothing was said about the issues we were having. Cathy Ward asked why Chairman Walberg abstained from the vote. Chairman Walberg explained he did this on the advice of his attorney since the proposed train would go through some of his property and it could be a conflict of interest.

Scott Fowler, 9100 Rte. 76, Belvidere spoke under Public Comment at this time. He said Wisconsin had a meeting and they feel this is just a hazardous waste material bypass. He was questioning how RMAP could vote on the railroad and then turn around and say they don't have all of the facts. Chairman Walberg explained that RMAP basically endorsed the concept of the railroad. He said all of the entities have been trying to get rail into our region and would like to address the rail between Rochelle and the airport so it seemed contrary to say they'd be opposed to the railway. Chairman Walberg continued with his explanation.

#### RESOLUTION 16-12

Motion by Sherry Giesecke and second by Cathy Ward to approve Resolution 16-12 in Opposition to the Proposed Great Lakes Basin Railway route through Boone County. (Approved 4-0). Mrs. Giesecke turned it over to Cathy Ward and Sherry Branson who spearheaded the Resolution being done by the State's Attorney. Sherry Branson thanked State's Attorney Courier for taking the time to compose the resolution. She feels this shows a united front with the City and the County. Mrs. Ward referred to a letter from the State's Attorney with a legal explanation on how a resolution differs from a letter. She said resolutions tend to be more formal methods of expressing the County Board's opinion. Ken Freeman wanted it on record that he thanked Chairman Walberg for disclosing the fact that the proposed train will go through his farm. Denny Ellingson said he cannot support this Resolution as written because he feels there are too many wrong statements. State's Attorney Courier said that when she forwarded the resolution she said if any recommendations or amendments were to be made they could be made now. Discussion followed. Karl Johnson asked if changing words such as would to could would work. Cory Lind felt the resolution should mirror what was said in the letter. Discussion continued.

Angela Daniels, Garden Prairie, spoke saying every time they come to a meeting they think something will get done and it doesn't. She said the people of Boone County are asking for a resolution. This prompted more discussion.

Motion by Karl Johnson and second by Cathy Ward to ask the State's Attorney to amend the resolution per her recommendations involving the statements of the letter the County previously adopted and sent to the STB and present it to the County Board at the Special Board meeting on June 29<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried.

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Attorney Courier said she will get the resolution out there and if it doesn't meet the board's needs to let her know and she will amend it prior to the County Board meeting.

#### ORDINANCE 16-13

Motion by Sherry Giesecke and second by Jeff Carlisle to approve Ordinance 16-13 Prevailing Wages as mandated by the State of Illinois. (Approved 4-0). Motion carried.

Motion by Sherry Giesecke and second by Jeff Carlisle to approve Memorandum of Understanding with the Winnebago County IT Services. (Approved 4-0). Motion carried.

Motion by Sherry Giesecke and second by Jeff Carlisle to approve Section 5311 Rural Transportation services purchase of service agreement. (Approved 4-0). Motion carried

CITY-COUNTY COORDINATING.

Motion by Cory Lind and second by Cathy Ward to approve quote from TIG in the amount of \$13,000.00 for emergency phone system repair. Cost divided with City of Belvidere based on number of phone lines. (Approved 8-0). (Not Budgeted). Roll Call: 11-ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Cory Lind and second by Sherry Giesecke to approve quote from Baxter & Woodman for research to determine if leachate from Landfill #2 could be deposited in the Belvidere WWTP. This also will be split 50/50 with the city. Roll Call: 11-ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Motion by Ray Larson and second by Karl Johnson to approve Air-One Intergovernmental Agreement for air support mutual aid. (Approved 3-0). Sheriff Ernest explained Air-One as being air support that we've had since 2005. He also said there are no dues at this time. If dues arise in the future we will have a voting position on that. It has been run by donations and state grants. Roll Call: 11-ayes. Motion carried.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Ken Freeman said they met June 2<sup>nd</sup> and discussed by-laws, proper voting procedures and other informational items.

UCCI

Ken Terrinoni said July 26 & 27 will be the next educational event in Galena.

CAA (Community Action Agency)

Sherry Branson gave the monthly report and said Mayor Chamberlain is the new Chairman.

911 BOARD

Karl Johnson reported the board voted to sign onto the new 911 system.

SCHEDULING OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

June	29, 2016	Special County Board	6:00 PM
June	29, 2016	Special Road & Capital Improvements	6:30 PM
July	05, 2016	Roads & Capital Improvements	6:00 PM
July	06, 2016	Planning, Zoning & Building	6:00 PM
July	07, 2016	Health & Human Services	6:00 PM

July	11, 2016	Public Safety	6:00 PM
July	11, 2016	Administrative & Legislative	6:45 PM
July	12, 2016	Finance	6:00 PM
July	13, 2016	City-County Coordinating	6:30 PM
July	20, 2016	County Board	6:30 PM

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

None

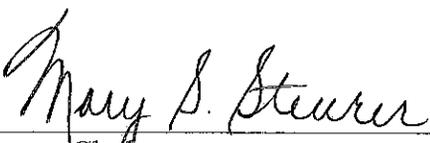
EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

Motion by Brad Stark and second by Ken Freeman to adjourn until June 29, 2016.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

  
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County Board Chairman

Attest:

  
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County Clerk

**CONSENT AGENDA SUMMARY  
June 15, 2016 County Board Meeting**

**Fund Transfers**

There are no fund transfers

**Road Projects**

1. The committee recommends awarding Section 16-05000-00-GM to the low bidder Steffens 3-D Construction, Toluca, Illinois in the amount of \$68,379.20 which will be paid for using Flora Township MFT and local funds. This is a budgeted project.
2. The committee recommends awarding Section 16-08000-00-GM to the low bidder Steffens 3-D Construction, Toluca, Illinois in the amount of \$27,069.70 which will be paid for using Poplar Grove Township MFT and local funds. This is a budgeted project.
3. The committee recommends awarding Section 16-09000-02-GM to the low bidder Peter Baker & Son Co., Lake Bluff, Illinois in the amount of \$93,207.00 which will be paid for using Spring Township MFT funds. This is a budgeted project.

**Raffle Permits**

The following Applications for License to Conduct a Raffle have been approved by the Raffle Administrators:

1. Raffle: Northern Illinois Vintage Tractor and Engine Association (Class A License)
2. Raffle: American Cancer Society/Pulling for a Cure (Class D License)
3. Raffle: City of Belvidere (Class A License)
4. Raffle: Garden Prairie Improvement Association (Class D License)
5. Raffle: Mary Lee School of Dance (Class A License)
6. Raffle: Boone County Conservation Council, Inc. (Class D License)

**Donations**

The following donations have been approved by standing committees:

1. Marjorie Carlson: Cash Donation to Animal Services in the amount of \$100.00
2. Jose Alcantara: Cash Donation to Animal Services in the amount of \$50.00
3. Bob Christianson: Television and wall mount Donation for the new Animal Services Building