

Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting  
December 17, 2013

State of Illinois    )  
County of Ogle    ) ss

**Call to Order**

Chairman Gouker calls the Ogle County Board Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m..

**Roll Call**

The roll call shows Simms (5:40 p.m.) is absent. The Invocation is given by McKinney and is followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Gouker asks for a motion to approve the November 19, 2013 Ogle County Board meeting minutes. Bowers makes the motion to approve, Nordman seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

**Approval of Reports**

Chairman Gouker asks for a motion to accept the monthly report of the Ogle County Clerk & Recorder, Treasurer, and Circuit Clerk. Petrizzo moves to accept the reports as filed, Griffin seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Vacancies –**

- Mental Health 708 Board – 2 vacancies
- Franklin Grove Fire Protection District – 1 vacancy
- Ogle County Civic Center Authority – 5 vacancies
- Leaf River Fire Protection District – 1 vacancy

Application and Resumé deadline – Friday, January 3, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.  
in the County Clerk’s Office located at 105 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL

**Coach Mike Lalor and Stillman Valley Cardinal Football Day –R-2013-1207**

Chairman Gouker introduces R-2013-1207 and asks County Clerk Huntley to read the resolution in full. Janes moves to approve R-2013-1207, Typer seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Chairman Gouker also congratulates Class 8A Championship Winners of Naperville Central High School whose coach is Mike Stein who is a graduate from Byron.

**Zoning - #8-13 AMENDMENT – Mark and Mary Beth Overmyer – O-2013-1202**

Colson presents the petition of Mark and Mary Beth Overmyer, 4318 N. River Rd., Oregon, IL and Darrell Hagemann, 4224 N. River Rd., Oregon, IL for an Amendment to the Zoning District to rezone from AG-1 Agricultural District to R-1 Rural Residential District on property described as follows and owned by the petitioners: Part of the W1/2 of the SE1/4 and part of E1/2 of the SW1/4 of Section 15 Rockvale Township 24N, R10E of the 4<sup>th</sup> P.M., Ogle County, IL, 11.79 acres, more or less. P.I.N.: Part of 09-15-401-002 and part of 09-15-400-006 - Common Location: 4318 N. River Rd.

Colson moves to approve O-2013-1202, O’Brien seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Zoning - #9-13 AMENDMENT – Douglas E. & Danielle J. Boyd – O-2013- 1203**

Colson presents the petition of Douglas E. & Danielle J. Boyd, 8562 N. Crestview Rd., Stillman Valley, IL for an Amendment to the Zoning District to rezone from R-2 Single-Family Residential District to R-1 Rural Residential District on property described as follows, and owned by the petitioners: Part of the SW1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 27 Marion Township 25N, R11E of the 4<sup>th</sup> P.M., Ogle County, IL, 3.0 acres, more or less. P.I.N.: 05-27-200-010 - Common Location: 8562 N. Crestview Rd.

Colson moves to approve O-2013-1203, Bowers seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Public Comment –**

- County Engineer Curtis Cook distributes information and updates the board on the Equipment Storage Building and Parking Lot Project that is needed to house the heavy equipment at the Highway Department. Cook had talked to the County Infrastructure Committee, the Long Range Planning Committee and Road & Bridge Committee regarding the IEPA issues in March and was given a nod to move forward with the plans for the building. Cook says he did look for outside funding and applied for several grants which were not successful. Cook states the building is 90' X 150', a little over 13,000 square feet, radiant heat, water, insulated and fire alarm system which is required from the Fire Marshall. The parking lot will need to be repaved due to the locating of the new utility lines which were needed. The doors to the building will be 18' wide to allow the equipment to enter the building. Cook states if anyone would like a presentation, please contact him. Cook says the schedule they are on will be accepting bids for the project at the January 2014 Road & Bridge Committee meeting. The Road & Bridge Committee will forward the information onto the Long Range Planning Committee and the Board meeting the following week. Again, Cook says if anyone would like a full presentation to contact him.
- Heuer asks Chairman Gouker to have Cook explain the bidding process and the preapproval of bidders for the project. Chairman Gouker states a few years ago the County Board passed a resolution to preapprove all construction bidders for county projects. Cook says the bid documents are available on the website and you have to register to bid, which asks for financial information, open contracts and other pertinent information. The information is submitted and reviewed prior to authorizing them to bid on the project. The project is split into two contracts; the building contract and the paving contract. There has already been a prequalified bidding process in place for paving contractors by the Illinois Department of Transportation.
- Gronewold asks Cook if he will be doing the parking lot project out of Long Range even though the money is not in the LRP budget this year. Cook states this is all the same project; he did ask about that and was told there may be some money available. Chairman Gouker states the money may not have been appropriated but said it will have to go through the Long Range Planning Committee and discussed there.
- County Board Member Lee Meyers feels he was misquoted in the Sauk Valley newspaper December 12<sup>th</sup> article and would like it on record. Meyers states any bill he questioned at the committee meeting, the Sheriff had the right answers; he knew where the money went and did go out for bids. In a Union shop it is hard to reward good employees, wages and benefits are set and about the only thing you can do is take someone to lunch, says Meyers. He also feels the article was politically motivated and if it weren't an election year this wouldn't come up. Meyers feels we do not want to micro-manage any department once the budget is set.

**Road & Bridge – 2014 County Motor Fuel Tax – R-2013-1201**

Hopkins presents R-2013-1201 for Section 14-00000-00-GM, 2014 County Motor Fuel Tax which appropriates \$650,000 for maintenance on County highways. Hopkins moves to approve R-2013-1201 as presented, Kenney seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

**Road & Bridge - 2014 County Engineer Salary Program –R-2013-1202**

Hopkins presents R-2013-1202 for Section 14-00000-00-CS, 2014 County Engineer Salary Program. Hopkins moves to approve R-2013-1202 as presented and McKinney seconds. Chairman Gouker asks if this is a 3% raise. Hopkins states it is, this is tied to a gentlemen's agreement with the Road & Bridge Committee to get Cook up to 105% of the IDOT recommended salary by the end of his term; and we are trying to get there by doing part of the increase this year and next. The money comes from two other funds and is not part of the General Fund. Chairman Gouker states there is a conflict with this year's budget; since the Elected Officials salaries are frozen on their 4 year salary schedule. I asked the other Department Heads not to ask for a salary increase. Chairman Gouker states he would like to be consistent with all department heads. Hopkins states Cook did not receive a pay increase other years as well. Chairman Gouker states we have given the County employees a 2% raise and nothing for department heads. Bowers says the committee is trying to honor the gentlemen's agreement made with Cook. Hopkins states the salary is set by the State and he is in the middle of the pay

scale. Welty says we are blessed in this County to have good Elected and Appointed Department Heads. Welty doesn't feel that we should give one department head a raise and not the other Elected or Appointed Department Heads; and feels there could be additional conflicts.

Chairman Gouker says he doesn't like it that the Appointed Department Heads are forced into a salary freeze and offers a compromise; how about a 2% increase for Appointed Department Heads which amounts to \$1,370. This is under the stipulation and understanding that in May 2014 when the salary schedule is set for the Elected Officials that it will include this pay increase along with the regular increase.

Saunders says there is an issue regarding parity since each Department Head has to have different levels of education. Chairman Gouker states according to the Illinois State Statutes there are requirements to be met for various Department Head positions.

Chairman Gouker makes the motion to amend the motion and change the salary amount to what it was last year in the amount of \$56,775 from each Motor Fuel Tax and Federal Highway funds, which is no increase and Oltmanns seconds.

A roll call vote is called:

YES: Janes, Nordman, O'Brien, Oltmanns, Simms, Typer, Welty, Finfrock, Griffin, Gronewold and Gouker

NO: Hopkins, Kenney, Kirkolis, McKinney, Meyers, Petrizzo, Saunders, Sparrow, Bowers, Brooks, Colbert, Colson and Heuer

The motion to amend is defeated.

Chairman Gouker states the motion will be to approve R-2013-1202 as it was originally presented with the 3% increase.

A roll call vote is called:

YES: Kenney, Kirkolis, McKinney, Saunders, Sparrow, Bowers, Colson, Finfrock, Heuer and Hopkins

NO: Janes, Meyers, Nordman, O'Brien, Oltmanns, Petrizzo, Simms, Typer, Welty, Brooks, Colbert, Griffin, Gronewold and Gouker

The motion is defeated.

Chairman Gouker asks if the board would like to send this back to the committee or talk about the compromise. The decision was to send this back to the Road & Bridge Committee.

#### **Ogle County Claims – Clerk reads the claims:**

- Department Claims – November 2013 -\$193,173.93
- County Board Payments - December 17, 2013 -\$120,617.40
- County Highway Fund -\$33,588.39

McKinney moves to approve, Typer seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The following committee minutes have been placed on exhibit: County Infrastructure, County Security, Executive Committee, Finance & Insurance and Personnel, HEW & Solid Waste and Veterans, Judiciary and Circuit Clerk, Long Range and Strategic Planning, Mental Health '708 Board, Negotiations Committee, Planning Commission, Road & Bridge and Mapping (GIS), State's Attorney and Juvenile & Probation and Supervisor of Assessments and Planning & Zoning and Tri-County Opportunities.

The following committees had no minutes to file: 911 ETS Board, Blackhawk Hills RC&D, Board of Health, G.I.S. Partnership, Liquor Commission, L.O.T.S., Negotiations Committee, Public Aid Appeals, Safety Committee and UCCI/ICRMT.

Executive Committee:

- Rules of Order #11 – R-2013-1203

Chairman Gouker presents R-2013-1203 to amend the Ogle County Board Rules of Order #11 as follows:

11. ~~After presentation to the County Board, each Ordinance or Amendment to an Ordinance shall lay over until the next meeting unless the rules are suspended per Rule #25.~~ After presentation to the County Board, an Ordinance or Amendment to an Ordinance shall lay over until the next County Board Meeting, only at the request of the Committee that has recommended the Ordinance or Amendment to the Ordinance to the County Board for its consideration.(December 17, 2013)

O'Brien moves to approve R-2013-1203 and Griffin seconds.

Colbert questions the placement of "Public Comments" in the Rules of Order document and how it is placed on the actual County Board Agenda. Chairman Gouker states the Executive Committee will go back and review the information. Colbert also asks if Public Comments could be listed at the beginning of Committee Agendas as well. This way the public has the opportunity to speak before we vote on a certain issue, comments Colbert. Saunders reminds the board of the reason Public Comments is listed after Zoning; we are not to hear any public comments regarding Zoning at the County Board meeting since they have gone through the hearing process.

The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

Finance and Insurance:

- 2013 Budget Amendment –R-2013-1204

Chairman Gouker presents and makes the motion to approve R-2013-1204 and Finfrock seconds.

<b>\$10,700.00</b>	from 100.16.4490	to 100.06.4465
	<i>Finance - Contingencies</i>	<i>Judiciary - Jurors- Circuit Court</i>
<b>\$10,100.00</b>	from 100.16.4490	to 100.06.4324
	<i>Finance - Contingencies</i>	<i>Judiciary - Appointed Attorneys</i>
<b>\$6,950.00</b>	from 100.16.4490	to 100.13.4355
	<i>Finance - Contingencies</i>	<i>Coroner - Autopsy Fees</i>
<b>\$1,650.00</b>	from 100.16.4490	to 100.13.4458
	<i>Finance - Contingencies</i>	<i>Coroner - Coroner Lab Fees</i>

The motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

H.E.W. Committee:

- 3 Year Dog Rabies Tag – O-2013-1201

Bowers would like to hold this Ordinance over since she, Chairman Gouker and Animal Control Administrator Dr. Champley have made some changes and would like to take it back to the committee.

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Long Range Planning:

• County Vehicle Revolving Purchase Fund – O-2014-0101

Griffin presents O-2014-0101 and asks Chairman Gouker to comment on the need for this Ordinance. Chairman Gouker states that while preparing the FY2014 Budget there was a request for new squads from the Sheriff's Department since they have not purchased a new vehicle since 2009. The idea came from Sparrow to create this type of a fund to make these large purchases. This will allow any department to make a vehicle purchase following the Ordinance, comments Chairman Gouker.

Welty asks if this Ordinance will prevent any elected or appointed official from purchasing a vehicle. Chairman Gouker says it does not.

Colson has a question on paragraph 3 which refers to "...for the provision of funds for infrastructure and capital purchases...". Colson states he doesn't remember any language in the original resolution regarding capital purchases; it was set up strictly for infrastructure.

• Sheriff Administration Building Presentation –SGA –Guy Gehlhausen

Chairman Gouker introduces Guy Gehlhausen and Dan Saavedra of Saavedra Gehlhausen Architects to make a presentation to the County Board in regards to the new Sheriff Administration Building. Gehlhausen makes the following comments:

- Bid target for the building is \$3.44 million
- Contingency of approximately 10% of project in the amount of \$328,000.00
- Moving costs - \$20,000 – temporary morgue and most moving will be self-performed
- Asbestos testing - \$50,000 for Abatement
- 911 Center to pay for new dispatch consoles, moving costs, antenna relocation and other items relating to 911

Gehlhausen says a few questions came out from the LRP Meeting:

- 911 Call Center – Is there room for the Supervisor and the Director and possibly one other staff? The original intent of the room was for the Supervisor; however radio room is designed for five consoles and with a squeeze for a sixth console.
- Rooftop Units – What about a penthouse on roof and interior handling units? This would add about \$150,000 - \$200,000 in additional costs and redesign of the structure since it is essentially building a second floor.
- Moving Costs – We have been told most of the moving will be done in house other than the cost of the temporary morgue and the cost of moving the tower will be paid by 911.
- Tornado or Storm Shelter – The intent of the design is the center corridor and main restrooms are the shelter areas; these areas are up to FEMA regulations.
- What portion of the budget is part of the 911 Center? Approximately \$250,000 - \$300,000 out of the \$4.1 million.
- Was a Jail considered as part of the design and what site would it be on? Gehlhausen states that they were asked to quickly do a study and they looked at the half block across from the Judicial Center and the current block where the Sheriff Administration Building is located. A 200 bed Jail and Sheriff Administration building cannot fit on the half block across from the Judicial Center. The jail could possibly fit but you would need to acquire the remaining half block and vacate the street for the building and parking. The current site of the Sheriff Administration building could fit a 200 bed Jail, Administration building and parking could possibly fit in this location. They did some checking with a consultant and a 200 bed Jail of about 60,000 square feet could cost about \$30 to \$33 million.

Meyers asks if the trailers and other buildings will be gone when the new building is built. It was stated the trailers and old garage are not part of the scope of the project and will remain; the only building to come down will be the old Coroner's building

Welty asks what portion of the \$4.1 million will be part of the 911 contribution. Gehlhausen states the only funding from 911 will be the consoles, moving costs and

tower relocation. Welty asks if geo-thermal was looked at for the new building. Gehlhausen states they did not consider geo-thermal.

Meyers asks if there was consideration for a pistol range in the new building. Sheriff Harn states there were liability and ventilation issues.

Colson asks where the space is for the OCEMA Coordinator. Gehlhausen states the original space program did not include OCEMA; the area in the radio room could be utilized if needed.

Meyers asks if the lowest bid would be accepted. There was discussion regarding following the resolution of the pre-qualifying of bidders for the project.

- **Advance to Phase III -Sheriff Administration Building –R-2013-1205**

Chairman Gouker presents R-2013-1205 to Advance to Phase III of the Sheriff's Administration Building

Colson makes a motion to postpone action on R-2013-1205 until the January County Board meeting. Colson states he has received 3 letters from major tourism groups which were received before the meeting and more letters are pending which could not be distributed before tonight's meeting. There are concerns of the location of this project in the middle of a future tourism area. Meyers seconds and a roll call vote is called:

YES: Kenney, McKinney, Meyers, O'Brien, Petrizzo, Saunders, Welty, Brooks and Colson

NO: Kirkolis, Nordman, Oltmanns, Simms, Sparrow, Typer, Bowers, Colbert, Finfrock, Griffin, Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Janes and Gouker

The motion is defeated on a roll call vote.

Bowers moves to approve R-2013-1205 as presented, Simms seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.(Placed on file)

- **Purchase of Property – 102 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St, Oregon, Illinois – R-2013-1206**

Chairman Gouker presents and moves to adopt R-2013-1206 and Sparrow seconds. Chairman Gouker explains the need to purchase this property as it is contiguous to other county properties. The seller has communicated he is willing to sell the property for \$99,500 and we have an appraisal in the amount of \$89,500. Chairman Gouker states the contract price on the property is \$89,000 and the contract person has made improvements on the property. Chairman Gouker states previous conversations held with the contract person were that we would be willing to purchase the property for the amount of the contract, improvements and small amount for profit. The current occupant would like a 3 year lease and Chairman Gouker agrees since we have a 3 year lease with the adjacent property. The funding for the purchase will come from the LRP Contingency line item.

Meyers asks for clarification, if we are paying \$10,000 over the appraisal. Chairman Gouker states yes. Oltmanns reminds the board that the appraiser was denied access to the property and information was based off the prior listing. Chairman Gouker states the appraiser was familiar with the property and feels we received a fair appraisal.

Hopkins states if the appraisal is \$89,500 we should not offer them more. Chairman Gouker states you can't expect someone to buy the property, make improvements and still pay them for what they paid for the property.

There was discussion regarding the total purchase price of both properties (Washington Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Street). Chairman Gouker states we paid \$130,000 for Washington Street and the purchase price of \$99,500 plus closing costs.

Chairman Gouker states the lease agreement is the same as the Washington Street property lease; \$300 per month and the leasee is responsible for repairs, maintenance and property taxes.

Saunders states she has a problem with paying \$10,000 more on the property and not giving Department Heads raises.

Sparrow, Simms, McKinney and Oltmanns are in agreement that we need to purchase this property for any future expansion.

A roll call vote is called:

YES: Kirkolis, McKinney, Nordman, O'Brien, Oltmanns, Petrizzo, Simms, Sparrow, Typer, Welty, Bowers, Brooks, Colbert, Colson, Finfrock, Griffin, Gronewold, Heuer, Janes and Gouker

NO: Meyers, Saunders, Hopkins and Kenney

The motion carries on a roll call vote.(Placed on file)

- Chairman Comments:
  - Chairman Gouker wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
- Vice-Chairman Comments:
  - Vice-Chairman Finfrock reminds everyone of the UCCI Education Seminar to be held at Sauk Valley Community College and urges members to attend.
  - Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

#### **Unfinished Business –**

#### **New Business –**

Oltmanns asks to have the vacancy on the Leaf River Fire Protection Districted listed as it is not listed on the meeting Agenda. County Clerk Huntley states this was an oversight and it will be posted with the same deadline as the others.

#### **Communications –**

- Sales Tax for September 2012 was \$25,523.58 and \$66,561.16
- Sales Tax for September 2013 was \$23,554.05 and \$64,786.04

#### **Adjourn Meeting**

At 7:30 p.m., Gronewold moves to adjourn the Ogle County Board Meeting until Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. at the Ogle County Courthouse in Oregon. Colson seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Chairman Kim P. Gouker  
Ogle County Board

Attest: Rebecca Huntley, Ogle County Clerk &  
Ex-officio Clerk of the Ogle County Board