

Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting  
September 15, 2015

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 all County Board members are present. The Invocation is given by Griffin and is followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Presentation** – Project First Rate – Tim Watkins – Executive Director

Tim Watkins introduces himself and gives a short presentation on Project First Rate. Project First Rate has various programs in communities in the area: Little Free Libraries, Locks & Lights, Apprenticeship Programs and Public Works Seminars. Watkins thanks the board for their time this evening.

**Consent Agenda Items – by Roll Call Vote**

1. Approval of August 18, 2015 County Board Meeting Minutes
2. Accept Monthly Reports – Treasurer, County Clerk & Recorder and Circuit Clerk
3. Appointments –
  - a. Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board – Lynda Larcom - R-2015-0901
  - b. Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board – Richard Painter - R-2015-0902
  - c. Byron Museum District – Randall Stukenberg - R-2015-0903
  - d. Byron Museum District – Gary Hess - R-2015-0904
4. Resignations – none
5. Vacancies -
  - Ogle County Housing Authority – 1 vacancy
  - Mental Health 708 Board - 1 vacancy
  - Franklin Grove Fire Protection District – 1 vacancy
  
  - Application and Resumé deadline – Friday, October 2, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.  
in the County Clerk’s Office located at 105 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL
  
  - Board of Health – 3 vacancies
  
  - Application and Resumé deadline – Friday, October 30, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.  
in the County Clerk’s Office located at 105 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL
6. Ogle County Claims –
  - Department Claims – August 2015 - \$101,495.35
  - County Board Payments – September 15, 2015 - \$99,424.15
  - County Highway Fund – \$35,274.72
7. Communications – none

McKinney asks to have items #3 a & b removed from the Consent Agenda. Meyers would like items #3 c & d removed from the consent agenda.

Janes moves to approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of items #3 a,b,c & d, Bowers seconds and motion to be approved by a roll call vote:

YES: Colson, Finfrock, Fritz, Griffin, Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Janes, Kenney, McKinney, Nordman, O’Brien, Oltmanns, Saunders, Simms, Sparrow, Typer, Welty, Bolin, Bowers, Brooks, Colbert and Gouker

NO: Meyers

ABSENT: none

Motion carries.

Chairman Gouker asks for a motion to approve R-2015-0901 and R-2015-0902 for the Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board. Oltmanns moves to approve as presented and Bowers seconds.

#3 a. - Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board – Lynda Larcom - R-2015-0901

McKinney states the Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board has been completely replaced in the past two months. McKinney would like to see Sally Sawicki appointed to this board for continuity since she has been on the board for about 20 years.. McKinney feels the replacements are going to be under the control of the Tenant. McKinney would like to amend the motion and have Sawicki appointed to the board. Oltmanns and Welty withdraw their motions. McKinney amends the motion to appoint Sally Sawicki on R-2015-0901 instead of Lynda Larcom and Meyers seconds.

Welty states the committee thoroughly interviewed all three applicants for this board and it was clear to the committee that the two chosen were qualified. Saunders asks if they are aware that everyone appointed to this board have been connected to the tenant. Welty states the comments from McKinney and Saunders were inappropriate. In every case the State's Attorney was in on the interviews and they asked each applicant if there was a conflict of interest, says Welty. Chairman Gouker states Sawicki had served on the board in an expired term for 4 years and has not attended an interview until this month.

Colson states the vacancies have been announced for this board for a very long time with no applicants. You have to trust in the process we have gone through to select these people. It's puzzling that we went so long with no applicants and now it has been controversial with these appointments. Chairman Gouker states it is time to get this board operational. Chairman Gouker states you are voting on the amendment to appoint Sally Sawicki to the OCCCA Board in place of Lynda Larcom. A roll call vote is called:

YES: Kenney, McKinney, Meyers, Saunders and Colson

NO: Finrock, Fritz, Griffin, Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Janes, Nordman, O'Brien, Oltmanns, Simms, Sparrow, Typer, Welty, Bolin, Bowers, Brooks, Colbert and Gouker

ABSENT: none

The motion is defeated.

Chairman Gouker presents R-2015-0901 with the committee recommendation of Lynda Larcom and asks for a roll call vote:

YES: Fritz, Griffin, Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Janes, Nordman, O'Brien, Oltmanns, Simms, Sparrow, Typer, Welty, Bolin, Bowers, Brooks, Colbert, Finrock and Gouker

NO: Kenney, McKinney, Meyers, Saunders and Colson

ABSENT: none

The motion carries.(Placed on file)

#3 b. - Ogle County Civic Center Authority Board – Richard Painter - R-2015-0902

Chairman Gouker presents R-2015-0902 and asks for a motion to approve. Nordman moves to approve R-2015-0902 as presented with the committee recommendation, Welty seconds and the motion carries.(Placed on file)

#3 c. - Byron Museum District – Randall Stukenberg - R-2015-0903

#3 d. - Byron Museum District – Gary Hess - R-2015-0904

Chairman Gouker presents R-2015-0903 and R-2015-0904 and asks for a motion to approve. Oltmanns moves to approve R-2015-0903 and R-2015-0904 as presented with the committee recommendation.

Meyers would like more information on the candidates, how many candidates, why they were rejected and/or why they were selected. Meyers would like more information to be included in the packets. Welty reminds Meyers that the interviews are held during closed session and that information cannot be released in the board packets. State's Attorney Morrow says if the information is included in the board packet it becomes public record and would be placed on the Internet. Meyers would like more information on the candidates before he votes. Colbert states all of the interviews are held in closed session and fellow county board members should respect the recommendation of the committee. It was suggested that Meyers attend the meetings when applicants are being interviewed. The motion carries.(Placed on file)

**Zoning – #6-15 AMENDMENT - Earl & Dorothy Gocken, 8981 N. Kishwaukee Rd., Stillman Valley; and Andrew & Ashley Phillips, 6031 E. McCormick Rd., Stillman Valley – O-2015-0901**

Welty presents the petition of Earl & Dorothy Gocken, 8981 N. Kishwaukee Rd., Stillman Valley; and Andrew & Ashley Phillips, 6031 E. McCormick Rd., Stillman Valley 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, owned by Earl & Dorothy Gocken and being purchased by Andrew & Ashley Phillips: Part of the NE1/4 of the NE1/4 of Section 27; and part of the NW1/4 of the NW1/4 of Section 26 Marion Township 25N, R11E of the 4<sup>th</sup> P.M., Ogle County, IL, 7.332 acres, more or less. P.I.N.: Part of 05-27-200-01 and part of 05-26-100-004 - Common Location: 8800 Block of N. Kishwaukee Rd. Welty moves to approve O-2015-0901, Hopkins seconds and the motion carries.(Placed on file)

**Zoning - #7-15 AMENDMENT- Legacy Management Group, Inc., 6194 W. Pines Rd., Mt. Morris, IL - O-2015-0902**

Welty presents the petition of Legacy Management Group, Inc., 6194 W. Pines Rd., Mt. Morris, IL for an Amendment to the Zoning District to rezone from AG-1 Agricultural District to I-1 Industrial District on property described as follows and owned by the petitioner: Part of the SW1/4 of SE1/4 Section 9 Pine Creek Township 23N, R9E of the 4<sup>th</sup> P.M., Ogle County, IL, 10.13 acres, more or less. P.I.N.: 15-09-400-007 & 15-09-400-010 - Common Location: 6194 W. Pines Rd. Welty moves to approve O-2015-0902, McKinney seconds and the motion carries.(Placed on file)

**Zoning - #4-15 SPECIAL USE - Legacy Management Group, Inc., 6194 W. Pines Rd., Mt. Morris, IL – O-2015-0903**

Welty presents the petition of Legacy Management Group, Inc., 6194 W. Pines Rd., Mt. Morris, IL for Legacy Management Group, Inc., 6194 W. Pines Rd., Mt. Morris, IL a Special Use Permit to allow a slaughterhouse/packing plant on property described as follows and owned by the petitioner: Part of the SW1/4 of SE1/4 Section 9 Pine Creek Township 23N, R9E of the 4<sup>th</sup> P.M., Ogle County, IL, 10.13 acres, more or less. P.I.N.: 15-09-400-007 & 15-09-400-010 - Common Location: 6194 W. Pines Rd. Welty moves to approve O-2015-0903, Colson seconds and the motion carries.(Placed on file)

Welty comments that the Supervisor of Assessments and Planning & Zoning Committee have been discussing Regional Building Codes for the past 4+ months. Welty suggests reading the minutes from previous meetings and next month there will be more discussion as to whether or not we adopt Building Codes.

**Public Comment – none**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

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The following committees had no minutes to file: 911 ETS Board, Agriculture Committee, Blackhawk Hills RC&D, Board of Health, G.I.S. Partnership, Liquor Commission, L.O.T.S., Mental Health 708 Board, Negotiations Committee, Public Aid Appeals, Tri-County Opportunities, and UCCI/ICRMT.

**Finance:**

- Ogle County as Trustee – 14-16-209-004 – R-2015-0905  
Sparrow presents and makes a motion to approve R-2015-0905, Nordman seconds and the motion carries.(Placed on file)
- County Financial Audit Renewal – R-2015-0906  
Sparrow presents and makes a motion to approve R-2015-0906 and Griffin seconds. There was discussion as to the number of consecutive times to use one auditor. There is no set limit, but the board agrees they will rotate auditors. It will probably be the recommendation of the finance committee to rotate auditors, Welty says. The motion carries.(Placed on file)

**Long Range Planning:**

- Long Range Bills – R-2015-0907

Griffin presents and moves to approve R-2015-0907 as follows:

SUPPLIER NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
CDW-Government	Battery Backup Cables - IT	\$ 119.98
Stiles Inc.	Removal & Disposal of tanks - 501 W. Washington St	\$ 17,479.00
Martin & Company	Stone & chips for parking lot - 501 W. Washington St	\$ 1,721.31
West Side Tractor Sales	Backhoe Rental for parking lot - 501 W. Washington St	\$ 2,787.50
Miller-Bradford & Risberg Inc.	Rental of excavator for parking lot - 501 W. Washington St	\$ 450.00
Fehr Graham Engineering	UST Site Assessment & Closure - 501 W. Washington St	\$ 14,850.00
Advanced Disposal	Disposal of contaminated soil - 501 W. Washington St	\$ 3,195.65
O'Brien Civil Works, Inc.	Engineering - Parking Lot - Phase 1 - 501 W. Washington St	\$ 26,876.92
Ideal Metal Fab., Inc.	Lid plate - Parking Lot - 501 W. Washington St	\$ 86.50
Saavedra Gehlhausen Architects	Professional Services for August 2015 - Maintenance projects	\$ 21,546.19
Nicor Gas	Disconnect Service @ Sheriff's Old Bldg - 103 Jefferson St	\$ 936.45
	TOTAL:	\$ 90,049.50

Bolin seconds and the motion carries.(Placed on file)

- Project Updates – Griffin distributed information with updates on the Washington St project, demolition of the Old Sheriff’s Building, Saavedra Gehlhausen Capitol projects and the Public Safety Complex.

**Road & Bridge:**

- 2015-2016 Ice Abrasives – R-2015-0908

Janes presents and makes a motion to approve R-2015-0908 for 2015-2016 Ice Abrasives appropriating \$40,000 from the County Highway Fund. Bowers seconds and the motion carries.(Placed on file)

**Unfinished and New Business:**

**Chairman Comments:**

- Chairman Gouker informs the board he was invited to O’Fallon, Illinois for a ceremony by the Ogle family. They are having a memorial dedicated to Captain Ogle. They also invited Beth Simone as a member of the Ogle County Chapter D.A.R..

**Vice-Chairman Comments:**

**Closed Session** – At 6:19 p.m., Chairman Gouker asks for a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss the purchase or lease of real property 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (5). Griffin moves to go into Closed Session and Colson seconds. A roll call vote is called:

YES: Griffin, Gronewold, Heuer, Hopkins, Janes, Kenney, McKinney, Meyers, Nordman, O'Brien, Oltmanns, Saunders, Simms, Sparrow, Typer, Welty, Bolin, Bowers, Brooks, Colbert, Colson, Finfrock, Fritz and Gouker.

NO: none

ABSENT: none

The motion carries.(Placed on file)

**Open Session** – At 6:47 p.m., the board returns to Open Session.

**Adjourn Meeting**

At 6:47 p.m., there being no further business Chairman Gouker adjourns the meeting until Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Oregon.

Chairman, Kim P. Gouker  
Ogle County Board

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

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The County Board goes into Closed Session at 6:21 p.m. to discuss the purchase or lease of real property 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (5). Others in attendance: State's Attorney Eric Morrow, Sheriff Brian E. VanVickle, County Clerk and Recorder Rebecca Huntley, Chief Deputy Clerk Laura Cook and Michael Olson of Saavedra Gehlhausen Architects.

Chairman Gouker addresses the board about the Ogle County EOC facility located at 510 Lincoln Highway in Rochelle which is for sale by the Rochelle Community Hospital Foundation. We currently have a five year lease and we have told them we are interested in the building. An appraisal was done in April with a value of \$265,000 for the building. This was brought forward to the Executive Committee last month and there were questions about the condition of the building, has the architect had a chance to look at the building and what is the condition of the roof. Chairman Gouker states he contacted Griffin to contact the architects to review the roof. Chairman Gouker called the appraiser and asked if they evaluated the roof in this appraisal. The appraiser said they did not; they only appraised the market value of the building. Michael Olson of Saavedra Gehlhausen to inspect the building and the building is in great shape. Chairman Gouker states the upstairs held a medical clinic and if we purchase the building; it should be with the intent of having the Health Department and Probation at this location. The rent for the Health Department is currently \$42,000 per year and the rent for Probation is at \$7,500 per year. The Executive Committee has met and discussed the Saavedra Gehlhausen report on the roof. The roof needs to be replaced and the value of a new roof is approximately \$92,000. Chairman Gouker also talks about the need to eventually replace the parking lot. Chairman Gouker states the county should make an offer of \$175,000 for the building; which is the appraisal amount minus the cost of the new roof.

At, 6:47 p.m., Kenney moves to return to Open Session, Colbert seconds and the motion carries on a voice vote.

Kim P. Gouker  
Chairman Ogle County Board

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

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Open Meeting by State's Attorney  
& Legislative Committee  
Resolution dated 1-17-17  
R-2017-0109