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Barry Robinson, District 3
Chairperson-Andrew A. Rand, District 4
Rachael Parker, District 5
G. Allen Mayer, District 6
James C. Dillon, District 7
Phillip Salzer, District 8
Kathrin Pastucha, District 9



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Vice-Chairperson -Stephen M. Morris, District 10
Gregory Adamson, District 11
Robert Baietto, District 12
James T. Fennell, District 13
Brian Elsasser, District 14
Steven Rieker, District 15
Brad Harding, District 16
Thomas H. O'Neill, III, District 17
Paul Rosenbohm, District 18

**PEORIA COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 8, 2018
6:00 PM**

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**CALL TO ORDER
MOMENT OF SILENCE
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL BY THE COUNTY CLERK**

Attendance was taken with the Roll Call-Pro voting system, and the following members of the Board were present: Adamson, Baietto, Dillon, Elsasser, Fennell, Harding, Mayer, Morris, O'Neill, Parker, Pastucha, Rand, Rieker, Robinson, Rosenbohm, Salzer, Watkins and Williams.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approval of February 8, 2018 County Board Meeting Minutes

Mayer moved for approval of the minutes, Parker seconded. The minutes were approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

II. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A proclamation recognizing April and May 2018 as "Gerald M. Brookhart Arts in Education Spring Celebration" months

III. CITIZENS' REMARKS

Chairman Rand announced that Item 6 would be taken after the Consent Agenda. For that item, see below.

Bill Morton, General Manager, Lexus of Peoria, addressed the Board with regard to Item 6. He discussed that the dealership had spent money fixing cars due to the Willow Knolls Road intersection, it needs to be repaired, and it is embarrassing.

Joy Moore, 7315 N Villa Lake Drive #1, addressed the Board with regard to Item 6. She expressed that she and her friends have had to spend money on car repairs from the intersection at Willow Knolls and Allen Roads and it needs to be fixed.

Carol Hornickle, 7501 N Villa Lake Drive 2A, President Fairway Villas Home Owners Association, addressed the Board with regard to Item 6. She noted that the intersection



should have been fixed in the past, but the Board has the opportunity to fix it now.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

- C1.** The Treasurer report consisting of the Bank and CD's Portfolio for the month of January 2018 and Revenue & Expenditure Reports for the month of December 2017.
- C2.** The Auditor's report of expenditures from Accounts Payable system is accessible at www.peoriacounty.org/auditor/transparency.
- C3.** A resolution (items 1 – 2 conveyances; items 3 – 7 defaulted conveyances) from the Ways and Means Committee recommending that the County Board Chairman be authorized and directed to execute deed of said property to the highest bidder, and be authorized to cancel the appropriate Certificates of Purchase. This resolution shall be effective ninety days from March 8, 2018 and any transaction between the parties involved not occurring within this period shall be null and void.
- C4.** A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval to establish the Peoria City/County Health Department as the Emergency Management Agency designee for the County of Peoria, Illinois.
- C5.** A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of the renewal of an Intergovernmental Agreement between Peoria County and Greater Peoria Airport Authority, providing dedicated police services, effective March 1, 2018 to February 28, 2022.
- C6.** A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of an appropriation into FY 2018 Emergency Management Agency budget of unspent FY 2017 funds in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the purchase of weather spotter radios.
- C7.** A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of an appropriation into FY 2018 C.O.P.S. budget of unspent FY 2017 grant funds in the amount of \$14,250.00 for the purchase of a message sign.
- C8.** A resolution from your Land Use Committee recommending approval of amendments to Chapter 12, Building and Property Maintenance Code, of the Peoria County Code.
- C9.** A resolution from your County Operations Committee recommending approval of an appropriation in the Risk Management Fund in the amount of \$260,000.00 to cover unanticipated liability expenses.
- C10.** A resolution from your County Health Committee recommending approval to one (1) year contract extension agreement with nurse



staffing agencies for RN, LPN and CNA positions at Heddington Oaks.

- C11.** A resolution from your Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of an FY 2018 Capital Projects appropriation for the initial study of the Fire Alarm System (FAS) Study Project, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.
- C12.** A resolution from your Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of the adoption of a Qualification Based Selection Process for Procurement of Professional Services for Peoria County Highway Department transportation related projects.
- C13.** A resolution from your Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of a Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement with Mohr & Kerr Engineering & Land Surveying, P.C., Peoria, IL, for the provision of various Land Surveying Services.
- C14.** A resolution from your Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of the appropriation of County Motor Fuel Tax Funds in the amount of \$30,000.00 for the provision of various land surveying services.
- C15.** A resolution from your Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of the lowest responsible bid of Phoenix Corporation of the Quad Cities, Port Byron, IL, in the amount of \$135,488.00, for the provision of road erosion repair on Hallock Hollow Road.

C16. Chairman Appointments

Fennel moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Robinson seconded. Adamson asked to pull Items C4, C8, and C10. The Consent Agenda, except for Items C4, C8, and C10, was approved by a roll call vote of 17 ayes and 1 nay, with Harding voting nay.

C4. A resolution recommending approval to establish the Health Department as the Emergency Management Agency designee.

Baietto moved to approve Item C4 and Williams seconded. Adamson asked for a summary of the item and Mr. Sorrel expressed that the duties of Emergency Management would move from the Sheriff's Office to the Health Department; resulting in better grant opportunity. Item C4 was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

C8. A resolution recommending approval of amendments to Chapter 12 of the Peoria County Code.

Dillon moved to approve Item C8 and Rosenbohm seconded. Adamson asked for a summary of the item and Mr. Sorrel discussed that there are changes to match updates in the electrical and energy conservation code. Dillon noted that the updates match other jurisdictions in the area. Item C8 was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

C10. A resolution recommending approval to a contract extension agreement



with nurse staffing agencies at Heddington Oaks.

Williams moved to approve Item C10 and Mayer seconded. Adamson asked if there is risk involved if the Board goes through with changes in management. Mr. Sorrel noted that contracts have termination clauses with no risk and there is a plan in place for competitive procurement for the services. Item C10 was approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

V. ZONING ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS

1. Case 002-18-U, Petition of Jason Bird (James & Debra Bird, owners). A Special Use as required in Section 20.6.2.1.1.b of the Unified Development Ordinance. This section allows for a special use when a proposed land split does not meet the 40 acre minimum lot size in the A-1 Agricultural Preservation Zoning District. The petitioner proposes to divide 21 acres from an existing 76.84 acre parcel in order to construct a single family dwelling. The parcel is located in Millbrook Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends approval. The Land Use Committee concurs.

Dillon moved to approve the ordinance and Rosenbohm seconded. The ordinance passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 18 ayes.

Watkins left the meeting.

2. Case 006-18-Z, Petition of Kimberly Irwin (Theodore Arndt, owner). A Rezoning request from "C-1" Neighborhood Commercial to "C-2" General Commercial. The petitioner proposes to rezone this parcel in order to operate a tavern. The parcel is located in Medina Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends approval. The Land Use Committee concurs.

Dillon moved to approve the resolution and Elsasser seconded. Dillon explained that the property had operated as a tavern in the past, the business planned to run a tavern, but under the zoning rules, it needed to reapply.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 17 ayes.

3. Case 007-18-U, Petition of Kimberly Irwin (Theodore Arndt, owner). A Special Use as required in Section 20-5.8.2.1.n.1 of the Unified Development Ordinance, which allows for a Tavern, not exceeding a floor area of five thousand (5,000) square feet, if located closer than five hundred (500) feet from any residential district, religious institution or school in the "C-2" General Commercial Zoning District. The petitioner proposes to operate a tavern located immediately adjacent to a residential district. This parcel is located in Medina Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends approval with restriction. The Land Use Committee concurs.

Dillon moved to approve the ordinance and Fennell seconded. The ordinance passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 17 ayes.

4. A resolution from your Public Safety and Justice Committee recommending approval of the creation of a Body Worn Camera Program through a joint Grant Award with the Peoria City Police Department and other participating agencies.

Baietto moved to refer the resolution back to committee and Salzer seconded. The motion to



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refer back to committee passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 17 ayes.

5. A recommendation from your Executive Committee authorizing execution of Amendment #1 to the Peoria Rural Enterprise Zone Designating Ordinance.

Mayer moved to approve the ordinance and Fennell seconded.

Williams stated that she would be voting no due to the prevailing wage threshold.

Fennel expressed that the Rural Enterprise Zone has been a great stimulus in his district and identified the changes. Adamson asked about the changes and Fennell explained that it is a map change.

Pastucha asked about the prevailing wage threshold. Mayer and Parker detailed the reasons for its inclusion and the rules implemented in the ordinance.

The ordinance passed by a roll call vote of 16 ayes and 1 nay, with Williams voting nay.

6. A resolution your Executive Committee recommending approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Peoria for the purpose of reconstructing the Willow Knolls Road and Allen Road intersection.

Rieker moved to approve the resolution and Baietto seconded.

Mr. Sorrel reported that the goal to fix the road has been achieved. He presented an overview of the loan agreement, the structure for repayment, the funding sources for the loans, and the design-build process.

Morris described that there is a possibility to substitute the federal dollars given for the project to another project if the PPUATS Board accepts the change, which he predicted would happen.

Baietto asked if there is something that can be done at the intersection temporarily.

Rieker noted that the road needed improvement years ago and there is no best way to fix it. Adamson agreed with Rieker and stressed that the Board needs to be more proactive on roads in poor condition. Dillon summarized that the roads problem is not going away due to the difference in need and funding for projects.

Fennell asked if there is an issue with not paying interest in repayment to the Employee Health Fund and if there is any penalty for the City not paying back on time. Mr. Sorrel noted that the fund is controlled by the Board and it may make the decision to pay interest. He also discussed that there is no language in the intergovernmental agreement for late payment.

Harding asked if there is recourse for not paying on time and Mr. Sorrel stated that the agreement is a legally binding document.

Salzer thanked Chairman Rand for getting the work done now.

Elsasser requested information about future votes for the project. Mr. Sorrel noted that there



would be resolutions for any unspent funds and the repayment terms. Elsasser suggested that there could be interest paid back to the Employee Health Fund, and Mr. Sorrel remarked that it would be up to the Board to set an interest rate. Chairman Rand conveyed that charging interest in repayment only makes the project cost more, but the City will be paying interest on the portion loaned to it. Elsasser brought up that he cannot vote in favor of any project that can result in a roundabout being built.

Rieker emphasized that there could be other options for the intersection because it needs to be reconstructed from the base, but it must be done within the cost structure. Rosenbohm noted that a roundabout, if constructed, should be large enough to fit semis.

Adamson highlighted that citizens would be paying slightly more to get the work done, but it is needed. Robinson thanked Chairman Rand for his leadership and getting the project done quickly. Baietto expressed that County Engineer Amy McLaren will make the right decisions on the intersection makeup.

Chairman Rand reported that under the long-standing intergovernmental agreement when a road is updated, it must be brought up to urban standards, the jurisdiction will be transferred to the City, and the costs are shared. He asserted that the County must wait to complete the projects until the City has the funds.

The resolution passed by a roll call vote of 16 ayes and 2 nays, with Elsasser and Harding voting nay.

7. Executive Session – Pending Litigation

Fennell moved to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation and Morris seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 17 ayes.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elsasser invited all to the Southside Christian Academy for an open house Saturday, March 10th from 4 pm to 7 pm.

Harding invited all to breakfast at the Expo Gardens Saturday, March 10th from 7-11 am for \$.90, which is the share that goes to the farmers for the meal. Rosenbohm noted that there will be no waste produced from the meal.

Fennell expressed that the road problem in the County is serious and he encouraged the Board to look into solutions again.

Pastucha asked for attendance at the Morton Civic Chorus event Sunday, March 11th at 2 pm benefitting Central Illinois Memorial Kidney Fund.

Baietto expressed that he hoped to see the State Championship winning Richwoods Girls Basketball Team at the next meeting.

Mayer brought up that he and Fennell are holding town hall forums on the Auditor referendum.



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Chairman Rand noted that there will be a discussion and resolution at the next Executive Committee meeting about a General Election referendum for a sales tax to fund County roads.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the Chairman announced the meeting was adjourned.