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Vice-Chairperson-James T. Fennell, District 13
Brian Elsasser, District 14
Steven Rieker, District 15
Matthew Windish, District 16
Jennifer Groves Allison, District 17
Paul Rosenbohm, District 18

**PEORIA COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, July 8, 2021
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: Members Blair, Daley, Dillon, Duncan, Elsasser, Fennell, Groves Allison, Rand, Reliford, Reneau, Rieker, Rosenbohm, Salzer, Watkins, Williams, and Windish, with Members Bryant and Pastucha absent.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approval of June 10, 2021 County Board Meeting Minutes

Member Dillon moved for approval of the minutes, Member Duncan seconded. The minutes were approved by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

II. CITIZENS' REMARKS

Byron Joos addressed the Board regarding Item #3. He explained his thoughts on why the Board should decline the grant, stating that money from private sources should not receive strong support.

III. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A Proclamation recognizing David Tuttle's 38 years of service to emergency communication and public safety.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA (including reports to be filed)

- C1.** The Treasurer report consisting of the Bank and CD's Portfolio for the month of May 2021 and Revenue & Expenditure Reports for the month of April 2021.
- 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; item 3 surrender) from the Ways and Means Committee recommending that the County Board Chairman be authorized and



directed to execute deeds 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 July 8, 2021 and any transaction between the parties involved not occurring within this period shall be null and void. *(Poll Vote per Rules of Order, Article V, Section 18C)*

- C4.** A resolution from your Infrastructure Committee recommending approval of a Preliminary Engineering Agreement with Hanson Professional Services, Inc., Peoria, IL, for Phase I and II Preliminary Engineering for the rehabilitation of Structure Number 072-3132 on Pulsifer Road, at a cost not to exceed \$180,993.00.

- C5.** Chairman Appointments.

Member Groves Allison moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Member Reliford seconded. The Consent Agenda was approved by a roll call vote of 15 ayes and 1 nay, with Member Windish voting nay.

V. ZONING ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS

- 1.** Case #012-21-Z, Petition of Refugio L. Dominguez, Jr. A rezoning request from “A-2” Agriculture and “C-2” General Commercial to “I-2” Heavy Industrial. The petitioner proposes to rezone the property in order to bring a truck storage yard into compliance with the Unified Development Ordinance. The parcel is located in Princeville Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends approval. The Land Use Committee concurs.

Member Dillon moved to approve the ordinance and Member Elsasser seconded. Member Rosenbohm announced he will be abstaining due to a business relationship. The ordinance passed by a roll call vote of 15 ayes and 1 abstention, with Member Rosenbohm abstaining.

- 2.** Case #ZBA-2021-000023, Petition of DGS Properties, LLC. A rezoning request from “I-1” Light Industrial to “I-2” Heavy Industrial. The petitioner proposes to rezone 6 parcels in order to operate a clean construction and demolition debris outdoor recycling facility. The parcel is located in Medina Township. The Zoning Board of Appeals recommends approval. The Land Use Committee concurs.

Member Dillon moved to approve the ordinance and Member Blair seconded. The ordinance passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

- 3.** A resolution from the Chairman of Ways and Means Committee and the County Administrator recommending approval of an appropriation of unused grant funds from the Center for Tech and Civic Life in the amount of \$19,430.00 into the FY2021 Election Commission budget. *(Poll Vote per Rules of Order, Article V, Section 18C)*

Member Rieker moved to approve the resolution and Member Reneau seconded. Member Elsasser explained his opposition. He challenged the Board to consider whether donations from organizations that are hardly non-partisan should be accepted. He asserted that elections should be above reproach.

Chairman Rand acknowledged a letter received from the League of Women Voters in support of the Item. The resolution passed by a roll call vote of 12 ayes and 4 nays, with Members Daley, Elsasser, Reliford, and Rosenbohm voting nay.



4. A resolution from the Chairman of County Health Committee and the County Administrator recommending approval of a Permanent Easement and License Agreement by and between the Peoria City County Landfill Committee, City of Peoria, County of Peoria and the Robert D. Carman Grantor Trust and Judith A. Carman Grantor Trust for easement and access to 3.213 acres for construction of overflow spill way at Peoria City County Landfill #3. (*Poll Vote per Rules of Order, Article V, Section 18C*)

Member Williams moved to approve the resolution and Member Duncan seconded. Member Williams called upon Chris Coulter of Peoria Disposal Company to give an overview. Mr. Coulter detailed the purpose of the easement and explained the process to develop a new wetland area. He explained that a new emergency spill way needs to be constructed and the optimal location for the spill way would be on the Carman's property. He conveyed that the easement would be mutually beneficial to all parties. Mr. Coulter mentioned the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has approved the wetland project.

The resolution passed by a unanimous roll call vote of 16 ayes.

5. SUSPENSION OF RULES

Assistant State's Attorney Jennie Cordis Boswell detailed that to consider the next item, which did not come through a committee, the Board must suspend the rules. Member Rieker moved to suspend the rules and Member Blair seconded. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 13 ayes and 3 nays, with Members Elsasser, Rosenbohm, and Windish voting nay.

6. A Proclamation extending the Declaration of Emergency due to COVID-19 in Peoria County, Illinois.

Member Fennell moved to approve the resolution and Member Reneau seconded. The resolution passed by a roll call vote of 12 ayes and 4 nays, with Members Elsasser, Reliford, Rosenbohm, and Windish voting nay.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Rand recognized Gretchen Pearsall and Jamie Dowell from County Administration for their efforts in organizing the "A Final Salute" presentation with Senator Tammy Duckworth. Mr. Sorrel detailed the two-decade journey to constructing the memorial. Member Salzer spoke about the history of the war memorials here in Peoria County. He emphasized that the memorial was a long time coming and the soldiers honored really deserve it. Member Reneau conveyed his appreciation for those who organized the event.

Member Salzer urged all to attend the Annual Heart of Illinois Fair.

Member Dillon acknowledged visitors to the Board meeting.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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