

**JO DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 12, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER: Jo Daviess County Chairperson Scott Toot called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 in the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse in Galena, Illinois.

ROLL CALL was answered as follows: Present – William Bingham, Don Hill, John Korth, John Lang, Robert O'Connor, John Schultz, Scott Toot, and Don Zillig. Present: 8. Present electronically - Steve Allendorf, Staci Duerr, Diane Gallagher, Robert Heuerman, Hendrica Regez, and Darcy Wild. Present electronically: 6. Absent – LaDon Trost. Absent: 1. Vacant: 2.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Chairperson Toot.

THE INVOCATION and thought for the day were given by William Bingham.

AGENDA ITEM I – CONSENT AGENDA

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Robert O'Connor and seconded by Don Zillig.

The motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Staci Duerr, Diane Gallagher, Robert Heuerman, Don Hill, John Korth, John Lang, Robert O'Connor, Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, Scott Toot, Darcy Wild, and Don Zillig. Ayes: 14. Nays: 0. Absent – LaDon Trost. Absent: 1. Vacant: 2.

AGENDA ITEM II - CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Diane Haring, Derinda Township Supervisor addressed the board and confirmed all required ADA compliance updates to the Derinda Town Hall have been completed. She thanked the board for their consideration.

AGENDA ITEM III – UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business brought before the board at this time.

AGENDA ITEM IV – NEW BUSINESS & COMMITTEE REPORTS

A motion to approve a resolution to amend and extend the Jo Daviess County Emergency Disaster Declaration Due to COVID-19 in Jo Daviess County with an amended ending date of February 15, 2021 was made by Don Hill and seconded by William Bingham.

The motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Staci Duerr, Diane Gallagher, Robert Heuerman, Don Hill, John Korth, John Lang, Robert O'Connor, Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, Scott Toot, Darcy Wild, and Don Zillig. Ayes: 14. Nays: 0. Absent – LaDon Trost. Absent: 1. Vacant: 2.

A motion to approve a resolution to establish the Ad-Hoc County Park Committee was made by John Lang and seconded by John Schultz.

The motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Staci Duerr, Diane Gallagher, Don Hill, John Korth, John Lang, Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, Scott Toot, Darcy Wild, and Don Zillig. Ayes: 12. Nays - Robert Heuerman and Robert O'Connor. Nays: 2. Absent – LaDon Trost. Absent: 1. Vacant: 2.

A motion to appoint Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, Scott Toot, and Darcy Wild to the Ad-Hoc County Park Committee was made by Don Zillig and seconded by William Bingham.

The motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Staci Duerr, Diane Gallagher, Don Hill, John Korth, John Lang, Hendrica Regez, Robert O'Connor, John Schultz, Scott Toot, Darcy Wild, and Don Zillig. Ayes: 13. Nays - Robert Heuerman. Nays: 1. Absent – LaDon Trost. Absent: 1. Vacant: 2.

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A motion to approve a resolution to approve the sale of Jo Daviess County Health Department property in Elizabeth, Illinois was made by Hendrica Regez and seconded by Diane Gallagher.

The motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Staci Duerr, Diane Gallagher, Robert Heuerman, Don Hill, John Korth, John Lang, Robert O'Connor, Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, Darcy Wild, and Don Zillig. Ayes: 13. Nays: 0. Abstain - Scott Toot. Abstentions: 1. Absent – LaDon Trost. Absent: 1. Vacant: 2.

SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL:

The committee had no business to bring before the board.

PLANNING COMMISSION/ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

A motion to approve an ordinance for a Special Use Permit to allow for the expansion of an existing Recreational Vehicle Park/Campground at Apple Canyon Lake, commonly located at 12A350 S. Apple Canyon Road, Apple River was made by John Korth and seconded by John Schultz.

The motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Staci Duerr, Diane Gallagher, Robert Heuerman, Don Hill, John Korth, John Lang, Robert O'Connor, Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, Scott Toot, Darcy Wild, and Don Zillig. Ayes: 14. Nays: 0. Absent – LaDon Trost. Absent: 1. Vacant: 2.

LEGISLATIVE:

The committee had no business to bring before the board.

FINANCE, TAX, & BUDGETS:

A motion to approve an addendum to the November 30, 2020 County Audit Engagement for a single audit at a cost of \$4,800.00 was made by John Schultz and seconded by John Lang.

The motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Staci Duerr, Diane Gallagher, Robert Heuerman, John Korth, John Lang, Robert O'Connor, Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, Scott Toot, Darcy Wild, and Don Zillig. Ayes: 13. Nays: 0. Abstain - Don Hill. Abstentions: 1. Absent – LaDon Trost. Absent: 1. Vacant: 2.

The fund balance for the Contingency Fund (016) on November 30, 2020 was \$245,629.21.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY:

The committee had no business to bring before the board.

EXECUTIVE:

A committee motion to change the location of the Derinda voting precinct from the Elizabeth Community Center to the Derinda Town Hall was made by Steve Allendorf.

The motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Staci Duerr, Diane Gallagher, Robert Heuerman, Don Hill, John Korth, John Lang, Robert O'Connor, Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, Scott Toot, Darcy Wild, and Don Zillig. Ayes: 14. Nays: 0. Absent – LaDon Trost. Absent: 1. Vacant: 2.

SPECIAL SERVICE AREA COMMISSIONS:

The commissions had no business to bring before the board.

DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING:

The committee had no business to bring before the board.

LaDon Trost entered the meeting electronically at this time and stated he had been present from the beginning, but had audio issues.

PUBLIC WORKS:

A committee motion to approve the establishment of an Altered Speed Zone to alter the speed limit on West Mount Hope Road from the intersection of West Mount Hope Road and US Route 20 westerly for 9100 feet to the intersection of West Mount Hope Road and Thunder Bay Road from 45 mph to 40 mph was made by Don Hill.

The motion carried by roll call vote. Ayes – Steve Allendorf, William Bingham, Staci Duerr, Diane Gallagher, Robert Heuerman, Don Hill, John Korth, John Lang, Robert O'Connor, Hendrica Regez, John Schultz, Scott Toot, LaDon Trost, Darcy Wild, and Don Zillig. Ayes: 15. Nays: 0. Vacant: 2.

LAW ENFORCEMENT & COURTS:

The committee had no business to bring before the board.

AGENDA ITEM V – OTHER COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Steve Allendorf updated the board on the County Administrator search. The Executive Committee has put together a search team to formulate an action plan to begin the search for a new County Administrator. The team met prior to this meeting and were joined by John Philips, who has extensive experience as both an administrator and a consultant to those conducting their own search. He will keep the board updated on the search team's progress.

AGENDA ITEM VI – BOARD MEMBER CONCERNS

Robert O'Connor congratulated the Derinda Township community for their hard work and perseverance regarding their town hall building.

Diane Gallagher recited a quote recently published regarding positivity in government.

Scott Toot spoke to the board about the recent amendments to House Bill 163 that he believes negatively address law enforcement. Both Sheriff Turner and State's Attorney Allendorf also spoke against the proposed legislation and stated their concerns for public safety should it pass.

AGENDA ITEM VII – CITIZENS' COMMENTS

There were no citizens' comments at this time.

AGENDA ITEM VIII – CLOSED SESSION

There was no need for closed session.

AGENDA ITEM IX – POSSIBLE ACTION AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION

No action was needed as a result of closed session.

AGENDA ITEM X - ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by John Korth and seconded by Robert Heuerman.

Chairperson Toot adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at the Jo Daviess County Board Room, Jo Daviess County Courthouse in Galena, Illinois.

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CONSENT AGENDA
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A. MINUTES APPROVAL

1. County Board meeting minutes from the December 15, 2020 County Board Special Meeting.
2. County Board meeting minutes from the December 21, 2020 County Board Special Meeting.
3. County Board meeting minutes from the December 30, 2020 County Board Special Meeting.

B. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

1. Appointment of Emily Legel to the Quad Cities Regional Economic Development Authority (QCRED) for the remainder of a three-year term ending September 14, 2023.
2. Appointment of Monica Hoppman to the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals for the remainder of a five-year term ending November 30, 2024.
3. Appointment of Amy Gonzalez to the Ad-Hoc Health Insurance Committee.

C. CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, & PETITIONS

D. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, & PROCLAMATIONS

E. REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE

F. CLAIMS

1. Claims approval in the amount of \$721,895.98 as follows:
 - i. \$629,538.51 (Regular Claims \$610,134.66 + Claims associated w/LIT's \$15,665.72 + Claims associated w/Over Budget Requests \$3,738.13)
 - ii. \$73,277.31 (GGMI Hotel/Motel Tax Reimbursement)
 - iii. \$19,080.16 (COVID-19 Claims to be paid from Contingency Fund)
2. Emergency Telephone Systems Board Fund claims in the amount of \$4,189.01.

G. LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

1. Line Item Transfers (without associated claims) in the amount of \$1,050.00 as follows:
 - i. \$1,050.00 001-40108-502 Travel Expense to 001-40108-604 Computer Supplies
2. Line Item Transfers (with associated claims) in the amount of \$15,478.78 as follows:
 - i. \$2,000.00 001-41121-725 Union Legal Services to 001-41121-603 Operating Supplies
 - ii. \$614.82 001-41122-701 Maintenance Service to 001-41122-602 Janitorial Supplies
 - iii. \$2,000.00 001-41122-719 Other Service Charges to 001-41122-711 Utilities
 - iv. \$7,747.00 002-43141-901 Contingency to 002-43141-702 Professional Services
 - v. \$1,750.00 002-43141-901 Contingency to 002-43141-704 Telephone
 - vi. \$779.96 046-44162-905 Miscellaneous to 046-44162-604 Computer Supplies
 - vii. \$587.00 002-43141-901 Contingency to 002-43141-441 Uniforms
3. Over Budget Requests (with associated claims) in the amount of \$1,475.62 as follows:
 - i. \$1,475.62 Regional Office of Education General Fund Budget 001-44159