



Minutes of the Perry County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting – February 19, 2015

The Winter Quarter meeting of the Perry County Board of Commissioners was convened at 2 p.m. on Thursday, February 19, 2015 in the County Board Room at the Perry County Government Building in the City of Pinckneyville.

OPENING

County Chairman Bobby Kelly called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited by those in attendance.

County Clerk Josh Gross called the roll. The following members answered the call of the roll: Commissioner Sam Robb, Commissioner James Epplin and Chairman Bobby Kelly. No members were absent. The following department heads were also present: State's Attorney David Stanton, Treasurer Mary Jane Craft, Planning and Development Director Jeff Ashauer, Supervisor of Assessments John Batteau, and County Engineer Brian Otten.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Kelly asked for the minutes of the February 5, 2015 regular Board of Commissioners meeting, and February 5, 2015 Executive Session, be approved. Chairman Kelly called for corrections. There were none.

Commissioner Epplin moved the minutes of the February 5, 2015 regular Board of Commissioners meeting, and February 5, 2015 Executive Session meeting, be approved. Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Kelly called for additions or deletions to the meeting agenda. There were none.

Commissioner Robb moved the agenda for the meeting as amended, be approved. Commissioner Epplin seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION – RECOGNIZING ILLINOIS SOUTH TOURISM BUREAU

County Clerk Gross stated that he had prepared a letter of support for the Tourism Bureau, indicating that the County's endorsement carried no financial obligation. Board members agreed to join the Bureau as outlined in this letter of support.

Commissioner Epplin moved that Resolution 2015-18, a resolution approving Illinois South Tourism Bureau as the County's recognized tourism entity, be approved. Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Robb, Commissioner Epplin and Chairman Kelly. The motion was approved on a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION – EXECUTING EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN RENEWAL

Board considered renewal of the County's partially self-funded employee and retiree health insurance plan. Clerk Gross explained that the rates are not changing and the plan coverage is also remaining the same as the previous two years. Due to the consistency of the plan both Clerk and Treasurer agree we should renew the agreement.

Commissioner Robb moved that Resolution 2015-19, a resolution authorizing the Chairman to execute renewal of the County employee and retiree health insurance plan, be approved. Commissioner Epplin seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Robb, Commissioner Epplin and Chairman Kelly. The motion was approved on a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION – RAFFLE LICENSE APPLICATION

Raffle license applications were presented for approval. Application and fees are in order and approval is recommended for application, as follows:

- Perry County Jail Museum (2015-RL-3)

Commissioner Epplin moved that Resolution 2015-20, a resolution approving raffle license application and issuing the license as indicated above, be approved. Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Epplin, Commissioner Robb, and Chairman Kelly. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0 and the resolutions adopted.

DISCUSSION

1. **Brian Otten** – Engineer Otten provided the board with his 2015 Revenue and Expense Balance Sheet. Mr. Otten showed the board a breakdown of all special projects expected to be incurred during 2015. In addition he showed all offsetting revenues he projects receiving. Engineer Otten also provided a list of additional revenue and offsetting expenses from the surplus equipment sale in 2014. The end result was viewed as favorable by all in attendance.
2. **Mary Jane Craft** - Treasurer Craft shared with the board her intention to continue the process of outsourcing the printing of the Perry County Tax Bills. This was a process began under previous Treasurer Bill Taylor. Mr. Taylor did a cost analysis showing this to be a cost benefit for the county. Treasurer Craft confirmed that it will be in the counties interest to continue with this policy for now. The company is located in Iowa and is the same printing firm we have used since the change was made to print out of house.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Kelly called for comments from the public or announcements from department heads. There were none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Epplin moved the Board recess to executive session,

- To discuss “collective negotiating matters” Per 5 ILCS 120 2(c)(2)
- To Act On “collective negotiating matters” Per ILCS 120 (c)(2)

Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Robb, Commissioner Epplin and Chairman Kelly. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0 and the board entered executive session at 2:21 p.m.

Commissioner Epplin moved the Board close the executive session meeting and re-enter regular session. Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved and the Board re-entered regular session at 2:29 p.m.

RESOLUTION –APPOINTMENT BOARD NEGOTIATOR FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION

Chairman Kelly nominated Commissioner Robb to remain in the role of Board Negotiator for all Workers Compensation Claims. Both current and future claims for the remainder of 2015 will be handled by Commissioner Robb. Commissioner Robb has currently been working in this capacity previously. Commissioner Robb accepted the continuation of duties.

Commissioner Epplin moved that Resolution 2015-21, a resolution authorizing Commissioner Robb to Negotiate on the County Board's behalf for all Workers Compensation cases, be approved. Chairman Kelly seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Epplin and Chairman Kelly. Commissioner Robb voted present. The motion was approved on a vote of 2-0 and the resolution adopted.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Board members examined claims presented for payment. Board agreed to pay all bills as presented.

Commissioner Epplin moved that all claims against the General Corporate Fund and all claims against special purpose funds, be approved (see attached), with General Corporate Fund expenses to be prioritized according to policy. Commissioner Robb

seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Robb, Commissioner Epplin and Chairman Kelly. The motion was approved on a vote of 3-0 and payment warrants granted.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chairman said he would entertain a motion to adjourn and re-convene the Winter Quarter meeting at 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 5th 2015.

Commissioner Epplin moved the Board adjourn and re-convene the Winter Quarter meeting at 2 p.m. on Thursday, March 5th 2015. Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved and the Board stood adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Submitted:

JOSH GROSS, County Clerk
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
County of Perry, State of Illinois
Approved: March 5, 2015