

**LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD  
MINUTES OF JULY 20, 2017 MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD**

**OPENING**

Chairman Bob Young called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the County Board Room of the Livingston County Historic Courthouse located at 112 W. Madison St., Pontiac, Illinois.

An invocation was provided by Denise Plenert, Administrator of Pontiac Christian School.

David Heath led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Executive Director Alina Hartley called the roll with the following **Present:** John “Jack” Vietti (left at 7:45 p.m.), Jason Bunting, John Slagel, G. Michael Ingles (left at 6:23 p.m.), Joseph Steichen, Tim Shafer, Ronald Kestner (left at 7:43 p.m.), Carolyn Gerwin, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley (left at 7:55 p.m.), Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Stanley Weber (left at 7:44 p.m.), Bob Young, and Marty Fannin **Absent:** Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, John Yoder

**Also Present:** Alina Hartley-Executive Director, Chuck Schopp – Zoning Administrator, Barb Sear – Treasurer, Jon Sear – Network & Computer Systems Administrator, John Clemmer – Finance Director, Public Health Administrator MaLinda Hillman

**AGENDA**

Chairman Young requested that the agenda be amended to move the property committee to first under the committee reports. Young then called for any additions to the agenda with none requested. *Motion by Bunting, second by Fannin to approve the agenda as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED ON VOICE VOTE.**

**BOARD APPOINTMENT TO FILL DISTRICT 1 VACANCY**

Chairman Young recommended the appointment of Patrick Killian to fill the District 1 county board vacancy. *Motion by Ingles, second by Holt to appoint Patrick Killian as County Board Member to fill the District 1 vacancy.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes:** John “Jack” Vietti, Jason Bunting, John Slagel, G. Michael Ingles, Joseph Steichen, Tim Shafer, Ronald Kestner, Carolyn Gerwin, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Stanley Weber, Bob Young, and Marty Fannin **Nays:** n/a **Absent:** Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, John Yoder

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Young called for any additions or corrections to the minutes of the June 15, 2017 meeting. *Motion by Gerwin, second by Ingles to approve the June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting minutes as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED ON VOICE VOTE WITH ALL AYES.**

**PRESENTATION**

**Report by States Attorney Randy Yedinak** – Randy Yedinak was present to provide an update to the board in regards to the States Attorney’s Office. Yedinak reported the office has filed 233 felonies in the year to date, compared to a yearly total of 302 in 2016. Yedinak reported a total of 220 juvenile misdemeanors, 11 juvenile abuse, and 13 juvenile delinquents. Yedinak reported that the department has completed 16 jury trials year to date, 13 of which resulted in a finding of guilty.

**APPEARANCES**

N/A

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Bills**
- B. Appointments:**
  - a. Nick Stipanovich – Emington-Campus Fire Protection District**
  - b. John Slagel – Livingston County Housing Authority**
  - c. Jim Blackard – Zoning Board of Appeals**

*Motion to approve the consent agenda by Fannin, second by Weller.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.**  
**Ayes:** John “Jack” Vietti, Jason Bunting, John Slagel, G. Michael Ingles, Joseph Steichen, Tim Shafer, Patrick Killian, Ronald Kestner, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Stanley Weber, Bob Young, and Marty Fannin **Nays:** n/a **Present:** Carolyn Gerwin **Absent:** Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, John Yoder

### **PUBLIC PROPERTY**

Ingles reported that Facilities Services Director Chad Carnahan provided a report on various work that had been done within County buildings. Ingles noted that the committee did not receive a report from Superintendent Cox for the Law & Justice Center and Public Safety Complex. Ingles reported that the committee discussed the status of the Regions Building and reviewed a financial analysis that had been compiled to weigh the lease vs. sell options. Ingles stated that it was clear that the lease option was most advantageous and the committee unanimously approved moving forward with drafting a lease with Mosiac. Ingles reported that Carnahan is working on energy conservation initiatives within the buildings under his supervision. Ingles further reported that the committee is discussing the future of the Health & Education Building with the consensus of the committee being that renovation of the current building would be cost prohibitive. Lastly, Ingles reported that the committee continues to review the budget and capital requests for the upcoming year.

### **FINANCE**

**Resolution: Approving Community Healthcare Program** – MaLinda Hillman was present to review a request for the continuation of the Community Healthcare Program. Hillman stated that the program began in 2009 when the board decided to get out of the nursing home business. Hillman reviewed the program services and participation with the board. Discussion took place with members speaking both against and in favor of continuing the program, as well as, working on grandfathering in current participants. *There was a motion by Shafer, second by Steichen to approve the Community Healthcare Program with a sunset date of November 30, 2018.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** John “Jack” Vietti, Joseph Steichen, Tim Shafer, Patrick Killian, Ronald Kestner, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Stanley Weber, and Bob Young **Nays:** Jason Bunting, John Slagel, Carolyn Gerwin, and Marty Fannin **Absent:** Michael G. Ingles, Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, John Yoder

**Resolution: Authorizing Sale of Real Estate for Back Taxes** – Treasurer Barb Sear was present to request approval of a resolution authorizing the sale of real estate for back taxes. Sear reported that the property, located within the Village of Saunemin, was offered at auction, but did not sell. Sear stated that an offer has subsequently been received for the minimum bid of \$641. *Motion by Shafer, second by Holt to approve the resolution authorizing the sale of real estate for back taxes.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** John “Jack” Vietti, Jason Bunting, John Slagel, Joseph Steichen, Tim Shafer, Patrick Killian, Ronald Kestner, Carolyn Gerwin, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Stanley Weber, Bob Young, and Marty Fannin **Nays:** n/a **Absent:** G. Michael Ingles, Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, John Yoder

**Property Tax Abatement Agreement for Anthony Liftgates**– Shafer reviewed the details regarding the Property Tax Abatement Agreement submitted by the GLCEDC, for the construction of a 23,500 square foot building, estimated at \$750,000. Shafer noted that the project does meet the requirements of the previously approved abatement plan. *Motion by Shafer, second by Bunting to approve the property tax abatement agreement for Anthony Liftgates.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** John “Jack” Vietti, Jason Bunting, John Slagel, G. Michael Ingles, Tim Shafer, Patrick Killian, Ronald Kestner, Carolyn Gerwin, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Stanley Weber, Bob Young, and Marty Fannin **Nays:** Joseph Steichen **Absent:** G. Michael Ingles, Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, John Yoder

**County Clerk Semi-Annual Report** – *Motion by Shafer, second by Fannin to approve the County Clerk’s Semi-Annual Report.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** John “Jack” Vietti, Jason Bunting, John Slagel, G. Michael Ingles, Joseph Steichen, Tim Shafer, Patrick Killian, Ronald Kestner, Carolyn Gerwin, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Stanley Weber, Bob Young, and Marty Fannin **Nays:** n/a **Absent:** G. Michael Ingles, Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, John Yoder

### **AG & ZONING**

Committee Chair Daryl Holt reported that there is an open house at the landfill tomorrow that is open to the public and includes lunch. Holt reported that the ZBA will continue the review of the ordinance amendment on August 31<sup>st</sup>. Holt reviewed a few parcels with zoning violations that are currently being addressed.

### HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Committee Chair Jason Bunting reported that the committee discussed the results of the June 16<sup>th</sup> letting. Bunting reported that the department sold the 2002 single axle truck for \$18,250 to a local township. Bunting reported that committee began review of the budget and received an update on the Motor Fuel Tax funds.

### ELECTION, RULES & LEGISLATION

**Amendment of Ethics Ordinance – Addition of Gift Ban** – Committee Chair Marty Fannin reported that the Elections Committee is recommending an amendment to the Ethics Ordinance. Fannin explained that the Ethics Ordinance is required by statute and part of that requirement is the inclusion of a gift ban which is being presented for approval.

*Motion by Fannin, second by Steichen to approve the amendment to the Ethics Ordinance to include the Gift Ban.*

**MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes:** John “Jack” Vietti, Jason Bunting, John Slagel, G. Michael Ingles, Joseph Steichen, Tim Shafer, Patrick Killian, Ronald Kestner, Carolyn Gerwin, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Stanley Weber, Bob Young, and Marty Fannin **Nays:** n/a **Absent:** G. Michael Ingles, Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, John Yoder

Fannin reported that the committee will be reviewing the Standing Rules at their next meeting; any recommended changes should be brought to the attention of the committee members.

### SHERIFF, JAIL & LICENSE

Kestner reported that Ron Baker was present to review his budget request with the committee, which was less than the prior year. Kestner also reported that a raffle license was approved for the Livingston County Democratic Party.

**Invoice for Legal Services – Ottosen, Britz, Kelly, Cooper** – Fannin noted that this invoice is the second half of the invoice for legal services. Discussion took place regarding the expense with most members expressing concern over the necessity of the expense and lack of prior approval by the States Attorney’s office. *Motion by Kestner, second by Holt to approve the payment of invoice to Ottosen, Britz, Kelly, Cooper for legal services rendered to the Sheriff.* **MOTION FAILED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes:** John “Jack” Vietti, Tim Shafer, Patrick Killian, Ronald Kestner, and Bob Young **Nays:** Jason Bunting, John Slagel, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Stan Weber, Marty Fannin **Abstain:** Joseph Steichen **Present:** Carolyn Gerwin **Absent:** G. Michael Ingles, Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, John Yoder

**Invoices for Gun Parts** – Discussion took place regarding the continuation of the practice of utilizing the uniform allowance for the purchase of gun parts. *Motion by Kestner, second by Heath to approve the Sheriff’s purchase of gun parts as submitted, utilizing the uniform allowance.* **MOTION FAILED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes:** Tim Shafer, Ronald Kestner, Carolyn Gerwin, Stan Weber and Bob Young **Nays:** John “Jack” Vietti, Jason Bunting, John Slagel, Joseph Steichen, Patrick Killian, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, and Marty Fannin **Absent:** G. Michael Ingles, Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, John Yoder

### ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

Chairman Young introduced Mr. Blackard, who was just appointed to the ZBA. Young noted that Killian will be on IT and Ag & Zoning, Fannin will move from Ag & Zoning to Finance, and Bill Mays will be the Vice-Chairman of Finance. Young noted that the Board Office will be closed Monday and Tuesday in order to attend the annual UCCI conference.

### PERSONNEL

Committee Vice Chairman Vietti reported that Linda Daniels presented her FY 2018 budget request, which will decrease slightly due to the adjustment in salary. Vietti reported that the committee was also notified that CVS purchased Docs Drugs, but CVS does not accept Blue Cross Blue Shield. Daniels will be communicating with employees regarding the change.

### INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY

Committee Chair Vicki Allen reported that Jon Sear is working on getting the Sheriff's department switched over to CIRBN, which will enable the shutdown of one of the T1 lines. Allen reported that the Committee also reviewed the FY 2018 budget and capital requests.

### VETERANS

Committee Chair Steichen reported that there was an accident that totaled out one of the vans. Steichen reported that a new van was purchased under the emergency provision of the purchasing policy. Steichen noted that the committee will be reviewing their meeting time in the near future.

### RECREATION COMMITTEE

No meeting. No report

### LIVINGSTON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY

John Slagel reported that he attended his first meeting, and it appears to be a well-run organization. Slagel reported that the next meeting will be held on September 19th.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

The floor was open for public comment.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Motion to go into Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) – Pending Litigation and 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(2) Collective Negotiating Matters by Fannin, second by Mays. **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. : Ayes:** John "Jack" Vietti, Jason Bunting, John Slagel, Joseph Steichen, Tim Shafer, Patrick Killian, Carolyn Gerwin, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, James Carley, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Bob Young, and Marty Fannin **Nays:** n/a **Absent:** G. Michael Ingles, Ronald Kestner, Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, Mark Runyon, Stanley Weber, and John Yoder*

Executive Session began at 7:44 p.m.

Regular Session resumed at 8:22 p.m.

### ACTION RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Motion by Weller, second by Killian to approve the Settlement Agreement with the Illinois Attorney General in regards to the ADA issues at the Law & Justice Center. **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. : Ayes:** Jason Bunting, John Slagel, Joseph Steichen, Tim Shafer, Patrick Killian, Carolyn Gerwin, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Bob Young, and Marty Fannin **Nays:** n/a **Absent:** John "Jack" Vietti, G. Michael Ingles, Ronald Kestner, Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, James Carley, Mark Runyon, Stanley Weber, and John Yoder*

*Motion by Fannin, second by Holt to approve the collective bargaining agreement with the FOP and Probation.*

**MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. : Ayes:** Jason Bunting, John Slagel, Joseph Steichen, Tim Shafer, Patrick Killian, Carolyn Gerwin, Vicki Allen, Robert Weller, Daryl Holt, William Mays, David Heath, Bob Young, and Marty Fannin **Nays:** n/a **Absent:** John "Jack" Vietti, G. Michael Ingles, Ronald Kestner, Paul Ritter, Steven Lovell, Kathy Arbogast, Justin Goembel, James Carley, Mark Runyon, Stanley Weber, and John Yoder

### ADJOURNMENT

*The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. on a motion by Bunting, second by Heath. **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES ON VOICE VOTE.***

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 17, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., at the Livingston County Historic Courthouse.

**Robert Young, CHAIRMAN**

Attest:

*Alina Hartley*

Executive Director

In the absence of County Clerk, Kristy Masching

August 17, 2017

Approved

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