



Executive Committee Meeting – Thursday, April 8, 2021

Third Floor Boardroom, Old Lee County Courthouse – 11:00 a.m.
112 E Second St, Dixon, Illinois 61021

Meeting called to order at 11:00 a.m., by Chair Bob Olson.

Member Roll Call: Chair Bob Olson, Vice Chair John Nicholson, Mike Koppien, Dave Bowers, Jim Schielein, Chris Norberg and Jim Wentling were present in person, there were no committee members that attended via Zoom video conferencing.

Members absent: None

Board Members, Department Heads and County Employees present: Nancy Petersen (County Clerk), Charley Boonstra (State's Attorney), Greg Gates (LOTS), Jonathan Henrickson (IT Intern) and Becky Brenner (Board Secretary) were all present in person, Marilyn Shippert (Board Member) attended via Zoom video conferencing.

Visitors present: Lori Cortez (Dean of Advancement at Sauk Valley Community College) and Chris Pilling (Executive Director of Sauk Valley Community College Foundation) were both present in person.

Lori Cortez addressed the committee on two (2) topics. The first presented was the college's plan to offer a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree. She explained that the degree was becoming a necessity due to industry demand. The second topic that was presented to the committee was the Impact Program, an economic development initiative that is taking place at the college. The program allows every single student that graduates from an in district high school (all of Lee County, all of Whiteside County, part of Ogle County, Bureau, Henry and Carrol Counties) to have the opportunity to *earn* three years of tuition and fees from the college through community service. Lori asked the committee for a resolution or letter of support from the County to be presented at the April County Board meeting for both items discussed.

Approval of Minutes

The March 2021 Executive Committee minutes were approved without modification.

Committee Chairs Comments

Each committee chair or board member gave a brief recap of the committee topics that were discussed in the meetings and reported what items would be included on the County Board Agenda. Minutes from each committee meeting will be included in the County Board agenda packet and can be viewed on the Lee County's website 48 hours prior to the monthly County Board meeting.

Announcements:

a.

Monthly Claim Sheet

The County's claims, the paid in vacation and holiday/sick pay claims, and Per Diem claims were viewed and signed by the committee for approval. Not included in the per diems that were passed around was a claim for Doug Farster for UCCI. The committee agreed to include it with the others to be submitted in March.

Motion by Jim Schielein: To approve County claims, paid in vacation, holiday/sick pay, and per diem claims.

Second by John Nicholson. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Petitions Coming To the Zoning Board of Appeals:

a. Petition 21-P-1561, Petitioner: Haywell, LLC/Tim Hayden, part of PPN# 19-22-05-300-005 Sublette Township. Petitioner is requesting a Special Use for the purpose of constructing a Self-Storage Facility.

- b. Petition 21-P-1559, Petitioner: Jerad M. Zellhofer, PPN# part of 13-21-01-101-005, in May Township. Petitioner is requesting a special use zoning for the purpose of conducting a business for construction of agricultural buildings, production of steel roofing, lawn care and landscaping services, and general carpentry.
- c. Brian Florschuetz – requesting an extension on building home.
- d. Petition 21-P-1562, Petitioner: Lincoln Avenue Church of God, PPN# 16-07-09-300-004 & 16-07-09-300-005 in Palmyra Township. Petitioner is requesting a Special Use to utilize the property as a place of worship.
- e. Petition 21-P-1563, Petitioner: Big Sky Wind Repower, PPN#'s (on file), East Grove and May Townships. Petitioner is requesting a special use zoning for the purpose of repowering wind farm.

Petitions Coming From the Zoning Board of Appeals:

- a. Petition: 21-P-1560, Petitioner: Jerad M. Zellhofer, PPN# part of 02-15-26-200-002 in Amboy Township. Petitioner is requesting a map amendment for the purpose of conducting a business for construction of agricultural buildings, production of steel roofing, lawn care and landscaping services, and general carpentry.

Motion by Chris Norberg: To send all the petitions Coming to the ZBA listed above (items a-e) to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Second by Mike Koppien. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion by Chris Norberg: To send all the petition Coming from the Zoning Board of Appeals listed above (item a) to the full County Board.

Second by Dave Bowers. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Coming to the Planning Commission: None

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Old Business:

- a. Ordinance: Establishing a Speed Zone on Wildcat Road (held over from February and through the cancelled March Meeting)
- b. Covid Policy for employees
- c. Resolution: Revision of Zoning Fees

New Business

- a. Sexual harassment training – Board Members / Per Diem
- b. Resolution: Employee Handbook – updates and revisions by Sikich
- c. County administrator discussion and - \$80,000 - \$125,000 salary range recommendation from the Finance Committee
- d. Resolution: Regarding the County Board Membership Size
- e. Ordinance: Amending the Regulating Development of Solar Energy Systems (hold over until May)
- f. Resolution: Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Dates Fiscal Year 2021
- g. LOTS – Greyhound Single Audit
- h. LOTS – Mass Transit District Advisory Committee Update
- i. LOTS – Resolution: Authorizing Execution and amendment of Section 5311 Grant Agreement
- j. LOTS – Public Transportation Applicant Ordinance
- k. LOTS – Acceptance of the Special Warranty
- l. Animal Control Kennel Projects – Inside and Outside
- m. Animal Control – Inside and Outside Kennel Projects
- n. Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 12-15-001, An Ordinance Amending the Boundaries of the Lee County Enterprise Zone – Amendment 13 to Addendum “A” Lee Ogle Enterprise Zone Description for Recording – Amendment 13 to Addendum “B”
- o. Approval to Award Old Lee County Courthouse Tuck-Pointing Contract
- p. Letter of Support for the Sauk Valley College Impact Program
- q. Letter of Support for the Sauk Valley College Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree Program

Appointments:

- a. Resolution: Reappointments of Jack Baylor and Richard Griffin to the Board of Trustees of the Ashton Fire Protection District for three-year terms beginning on May 3, 2021 through May 2, 2024
- b. Resolution: Reappointments of Mike Koppien, Pat Hilliker, and Josh Tucker to the Lee County Emergency Telephone System Board
- c. Resolution: Reappointment of John Scott Murphy as Trustee of the Franklin Grove Fire Protection District
- d. Resolution: Reappointment of John N. Prentice as Trustee of the Paw Paw Fire Protection District
- e. Resolution: Appointment of Joseph Weinzierl as Trustee of the West Brooklyn Fire Protection District
- f. Resolution: Appointment of James F. Burke to the Farmland Assessment Review Committee
- g. Resolution: Appointment of Lori Erbes to the Lee County Board of Review
- h. Resolution: Appointment of Tom Mead to the Lee County Board of Review

Motion by Jim Schielein: To approve and send to County Board all appointments listed above (items a-h)

Second by Chris Norberg. Mike Koppien abstained; motion carried by 6 yes votes.

Raffle Report:

- a.

Executive Session:

- a.

Motion by Chris Norberg: To approve the new proposed agenda.

Second by John Nicholson. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Motion to adjourn by Mike Koppien:

Second by Dave Bowers. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Becky Brenner – County Board Secretary

The next scheduled meeting for the Executive Committee will be 11:00 a.m., on Thursday, May 13, 2021