

LAKE COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, August 10, 1999

The Lake County Board met in the Adjourned Regular June, A.D., Session of the County Board held on Tuesday, August 10, 1999, in the County Building in Waukegan, Illinois. Chairman LaBelle called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and asked for a moment of silent prayer. The Chair led the Pledge to the Flag. County Clerk Willard Helander called the roll. Members present were: Beattie, Buhai, Calabresa, Carter, Cole, Grever, Kyle, LaBelle, Leafblad, Marks, Martini, Mountsier, Newton, Nixon, O'Kelly, Sabonjian, Schulien, Schmidt, Shorts, Spielman, Stolman and Westerman. Member McCarley was absent.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING, CORRECTIONS & APPROVAL: ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

1. Member Schmidt moved, seconded by Member Grever that the minutes of the Adjourned Regular June A.D., 1999 Session of the County Board held on Tuesday, July 13, 1999 be approved as read and placed on file.

The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

READING AND DISPOSITION OF BILLS

2. Report of Claims Against Lake County, Illinois for the month of July, 1999.

Member Cole moved, seconded by Member Mountsier to approve the Report of Claims for the month of July, 1999. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

3. A Resolution requesting County Board recognition of "National Cholesterol Education Month" during September 1999.

Member Nixon moved, seconded by Member Spielman to approve the Resolution. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

4. A Resolution proclaiming September 22, 1999 as "AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S DAY" in Lake County encouraging all Lake County Residents to recognize the efforts and accomplishments of the American Business Women's Association.

Member Calabresa moved, seconded by Member Beattie to approve the Resolution. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The Chair presented a plaque to Marge Keenan-Denniston, who thanked the County Board.

CHAIR'S REMARKS

The Chair reported that in July he attended the Annual NACo Conference in St. Louis, MO; attended a meeting of Illinois County Board Members at NACo; met with Larry Naake & Kay Braaten of NACo to discuss IL Association of Counties Proposal; met with Marty Buehler, Karl Nollenberger, Bonnie Carter, Ray Amadei and Sandy Cole to discuss transportation alternatives; attended County Night in North Chicago; met with Jerry Callahan, Fred Foreman & Greg Wassilkowsky from Indeck Energy Corp.; attended Health and Human Services Committee Meeting on Leaf Burning at Grass Lake School Gym in Antioch; met with Ed Gonwa, Gretchen Naff and Patrick Ulrich regarding Workforce Investment Board Guidelines; met with Mary Sue Barrett and Wayne Kurzeja at Metropolitan Planning Council offices in Chicago; met with the Public Aid Committee; attended the Special Call Board Meeting regarding the WDO; and attended the Lake County Employee Picnic.

The Chair reported that in August he held Liquor Commission Hearings; attended Winchester House Contract Meetings; and attended the Public Service and Transportation & Planning, Building and Zoning Joint Committee Meeting.

Member Newton spoke about the Zion Nuclear Plant and disposal of spent nuclear rods. She advised that waste disposal of these rods had been approved and the Dept. of Energy had been directed to take the spent rods to an intermediate site. On June 16, ownership and maintenance had been taken by the Federal Government. No intermediate site has been selected at this time, so the rods will be kept on site. Member Newton suggested that the Board keep on top of this issue with the EPA and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

The Chair informed the Board that there were several request to address the Board regarding the VA Hospital in North Chicago. The Chair noted that this item was not on the agenda, but felt it would be appropriate to let the public address the Board at this time.

Member Schmidt moved, seconded by Member Shorts to suspend the rules to allow public comment regarding the VA hospital. The Chair called for Roll Call Vote on the motion. Motion carried with the following vote: Ayes 21, Nays 0.

Mr. Phil Mazur of Libertyville addressed the Board regarding his concerns about recent cuts in VA benefits. He felt that the VA Hospital at North Chicago (VANC) was in jeopardy and that it would be recommended that this hospital be closed.

Mr. James Heier of Vernon Hills spoke about the concerns of veterans and asked the Board's help in getting higher authorities to work for veterans.

Member Kyle asked the Board to consider adding the concerns about the VANC to the County's Legislative Agenda and suggested that the County host some sort of informational meeting to review some of the information from the government regarding potential closure and to orient the general public to the possible closure. Member Kyle felt that the Board should demonstrate its support for the services of the VANC to Lake County.

Member Martini suggested that this matter be brought to the Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs Committee. Member Martini also suggested that the VANC be included with the other issues being addressed at the NACo fly-in on September 8 through 10. Member Newton stated that she had contacted the VANC and felt that medical staff were very concerned about this issue also. Member Newton felt that the Board needs to fight to maintain the integrity of the VANC and to fight for our veterans. Member Buhai spoke highly of services he had received at the VANC and recommended that we do everything we can to support them. Members Schmidt and Nixon echoed their support of the VANC and our veterans. Member Shorts suggested that the Board consider a resolution in support of the VANC.

Representative Susan Garrett addressed the Board in support of VANC and advised that everything stated was correct and everyone is very concerned; patients and staff. Representative Garrett stated that we must do all that we can to keep this facility open.

Mr. Johnnie Allen, Director of the Lake County Veteran's Assistance Program introduced Mr. Al Pate, VA Center Director, who addressed some of the Board Member's concerns. Member Kyle suggested that Mr. Allen work with Congressman Porter and the VA to demonstrate the County Board's support for VANC.

REPORTS OF STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Items 5 through 12

5. The report of Robert Skidmore, Treasurer, for the period ending July 31, 1999.
6. The report of Mary Ellen Vanderverter, Lake County Recorder, for the month of June 1999.
7. The report of Willard R. Helander, County Clerk, for the month of June 1999.
8. The report of Sally D. Coffelt, Clerk of the Circuit Court, for the period ending June 30, 1999.
9. The report of Barbara E. Richardson, Coroner, for the period ending June 30, 1999.
10. The report of David P. Brodsky, Lake County Public Defender, for the period of June 1, 1999 to June 30, 1999.
11. The report of Gary Del Re, Sheriff, for the period ending May 31, 1999.
12. The report of Gary Del Re, Sheriff, for the period ending June 30, 1999.

Member Schmidt moved, seconded by Member Beattie to approve Items 5 through 12 in one Voice Vote and waive their readings. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

Contract - Ameritech General Business Services - DS-1 and DS-3 Services

13. A Resolution awarding a contract to Ameritech General Business Services, Westchester, Illinois, in the estimated amount of \$68,404.44 per year for current and new DS-1 and DS-3 services for the Department of Management Services.

Member Cole moved, seconded by Member Mountsier to approve the Resolution. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Senior Clerk Position - Office of the Sheriff

14. A Resolution authorizing the creation of a senior clerk position within the Office of the Sheriff.

Member Cole moved, seconded by Member O’Kelly to approve the Resolution. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Items 15 through 21

Member Carter moved, seconded by Member Martini to approve Items 15 through 21 in one Roll Call Vote and waive their readings. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Contract - Berger Excavating Contractors - Hawley Street - Section 94-00201-03-FP

15. A Resolution awarding a contract for the reconstruction of Hawley Street (County Highway 70), including the construction of a bike path on the south right-of-way on Hawley Street, extending from Chevy Chase Road to Gilmer Road (County Highway 26) and designated as Section 94-00201-03-FP to the lowest responsible bidder, Berger Excavating Contractors, Wauconda, Illinois, in the amount of \$1,396,596.21.

Contract - Curran Contracting Co. - Resurfacing Butterfield Road - Section 98-00142-06-RS

16. A Resolution awarding a contract for the resurfacing improvement of Butterfield Road (County Highway 57) from Illinois Route 137 to Winchester Road (County Highway 69) and designated as Section 98-00142-06-RS to the lowest responsible bidder, Curran Contracting

Company, Crystal Lake, Illinois, in the amount of \$193,268.41.

Contract - Triggi Construction - County Highway Concrete Patching - Section 99-00000-07-GM

17. A Resolution awarding a contract for the concrete patching on various County Highways throughout the County Highway System and designated as Section 99-00000-07-GM to the lowest responsible bidder, Triggi Construction, West Chicago, Illinois, in the amount of \$119,174.00.

Contract - Alliance Contractors - Chain O'Lakes Bike Path - Section 99-00242-02-BR

18. A Resolution awarding a contract for the construction of the Chain O'Lakes Bike Path from its current terminus near Holly Avenue north to a point south of Grand Avenue and including the placement of a bridge over the existing drainage way within the Village of Fox Lake and designated as Section 99-00242-02-BR to the lowest responsible bidder, Alliance Contractors Inc., Woodstock, Illinois, in the amount of \$180,670.63. This Resolution provides a supplemental appropriation of \$20,000.00 of Matching Tax funds.

Maintenance of County Highway System - 12/1/99 to 11/30/2000 - Section 00-00000-00-GM

19. A Resolution providing Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the maintenance from December 1, 1999 to November 30, 2000, of the County Highway system. The amount of the appropriation is One Million Sixty Thousand (\$1,060,000.00) and designated as Section 00-00000-00-GM.

Agreement - Land & Water Resources, Inc. - Wetlands Bank Mitigation - Section 99-00000-00-LA

20. A Resolution authorizing the Chairman of the County Board, the County Clerk and the County Engineer to execute an agreement between Lake County and Land and Water Resources, Inc., for the purchase of 10 acres of wetlands bank mitigation area, to be constructed by said corporation, for required mitigation for routine roadway improvements on various county highways. This Resolution also appropriates \$425,000.00 of County Bridge Tax funds to provide for this acquisition of mitigation area and designated as Section 99-00000-00-LA.

Payment of Various Expenses - Series A of 1996 (Northeast SSA) Construction Account

21. A Joint Resolution approving the payment of various expenses in the total amount of \$76,067.75 from the Series A of 1996 (Northeast SSA) Construction Account.

The Chair called for a Roll Call Vote to approve Items 15 through 21. Motion carried with the following vote: Ayes 21, Nays 0.

PLANNING, BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Zoning Case No. 3079

22. A Resolution on Zoning Case No. 3079, which consists of the Petition of Donald Silich, Joseph LaBarbera, Sidney Hobbs and Brenda Hobbs, relative to a request for rezoning from the Countryside District to the Estate District. The Department of Planning and Development recommends the petition be granted. On the Motion “to approve” the prayer of the petitioner, the Zoning Board of Appeals vote is 7 “Ayes” and 0 “Nays”; the Planning, Building and Zoning Committee vote is 7 Ayes” and 0 “Nays”.
- An “Aye” vote on the motion shall operate in favor of the prayer of the petitioner.
 - A “Nay” vote on the motion shall operate against the prayer of the petitioner.
 - A 3/4 (18) affirmative vote is required to approve the rezoning if there is a legal objection on file.

Member Leafblad moved, seconded by Member Buhai to approve the Resolution. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance

23. A Resolution, pursuant to prior review and action of the Planning, Building and Zoning Committee, and approved by the Lake County Board at the Special Call Meeting of July 26, 1999, (Agenda Item 2), as amended, the Lake County Watershed Development Ordinance, as amended, approved, and recommended for approval by the Lake County Stormwater Management Commission.

Member Leafblad moved, seconded by Member Westerman to approve the Resolution. The Chair called for a Roll Call Vote. Motion carried with the following vote: Ayes 21, Nays 0.

The Chair expressed his thanks to the Technical Advisory Committee, the Stormwater Management Commission staff, Planning and Zoning staff, Transportation staff, County Administrator’s staff, Sheriff’s department staff and various other departments for all their hard work on the Watershed Development Ordinance.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

No report.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

24. Board of Health Report by Health Board Member John Schulien.

No report. Member Nixon noted that the League of Women Voter’s did a tremendous

job at the “Kids First Fair.” Approximately 2,000 kids were served at the fair.

Items 25 through 28

Member Nixon moved, seconded by Member Sabonjian to approve Items 25 through 28 in one Roll Call Vote and waive their readings. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Lake County Health Dept. - Participant Agency - County of Lake Millennium Commission

25. A Resolution proclaiming the Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center as an official participant agency in the County of Lake Millennium Commission Activities for the year 2000.

Contract - Northern Air Systems, Inc. - Fire Damper System - Winchester House

26. A Resolution awarding a contract to Northern Air Systems, Inc., Grayslake, Illinois, in the amount of \$47,760.00 for installation of a complete Fire Damper System for the Lake County Winchester House Facility, Libertyville, Illinois.

Emergency Appropriation - Regional Supt. of Schools’ Reading Recovery Program

27. A Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$164,240 in Fund 717 for the continuation of the Regional Superintendent of Schools’ Reading Recovery Program for the 12 month period beginning July 1, 1999.

Emergency Appropriation - Regional Supt. of Schools’ Truancy Alternative Program

28. A Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$232,100 in Fund 716 for the continuation of the Regional Superintendent of Schools’ Truancy Alternative Program (Project PASS) for the period July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000.

The Chair asked for leave of the previous roll call. Leave was granted. Motion carried with the following vote: Ayes 21, Nays 0.

LEGISLATIVE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Member Martini reported that the NACo fly-in is scheduled September 8 through 10, to lobby our congressman about pertinent issues. The committee hopes to have some sort of position paper or resolution ready dealing with spent nuclear rods and CBDG funding as it pertains to VA housing and HUD.

LAW AND JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

Items 29 through 33

Member O'Kelly moved, seconded by Member Mountsier to approve Items 29 through 33 in one Roll Call Vote and dispense with the readings. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Intergovernmental Agreement - Social Security Administration

29. A Joint Resolution authorizing the Chairman of the Board to execute a one-year renewal of an intergovernmental agreement with the Social Security Administration for the purpose of providing the Social Security Administration with information about confined individuals in the Hulse Detention Center and the Lake County Jail.

Intergovernmental Agreement - City of Des Plaines - Use of Lake County Shooting Range

30. A Resolution authorizing the Chairman of the Board and the Sheriff to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Des Plaines for the use of the Lake County Shooting Range for a 3 year period.

Emergency Appropriation - Hulse Detention Center Fund - Additional Positions

31. A Joint Resolution authorizing an additional one (1) Teacher, one (1) Teacher Assistant, one (1) Physical Education Teacher, one (1) Sr. Clerk positions in the budget of the Hulse Detention Center, and authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$71,911, in the Hulse Detention Center Fund for the remaining eight (8) pay periods of FY 1999.

Additional Positions - Hulse Detention Center

32. A Joint Resolution authorizing an additional two (2) Senior Juvenile Counselor positions and two (2) Juvenile Counselor positions in the budget of the Hulse Detention Center, and authorizing a line item transfer in the amount of \$53,066 in the Hulse Detention Center Fund for the remaining eight (8) pay periods of FY 1999.

Emergency Appropriation - Circuit Courts Budget - Additional Position

33. A Joint Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$6,831 in the Circuit Courts budget to support an additional data entry clerk position for the remaining eight (8) pay periods of FY 1999.

The Chair asked for leave of the previous roll call. Leave was granted. Motion carried with the following vote. Ayes 21, Nays 0.

TAXATION, ELECTION & RECORDS

Depositories - County Treasurer

34. Your Taxation, Election and Records Committee and Financial and Administrative Committee present herewith a Joint Resolution designating the attached named banks and other financial institutions as depositories in which the funds and monies in the custody of Robert Skidmore, as County Treasurer and as Ex-Officio County Collector, may be deposited, and requests its adoption.

Member Beattie moved, seconded by Member Grever to approve the Joint Resolution. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried with Member Marks abstaining.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Items 35 through 39

Member Mountsier moved, seconded by Member Calabresa to approve Items 35 through 39 in one Roll Call Vote. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Appointment - John P. Spoden - Member - Lake County Housing Authority

35. As Chairman of the County Board, I present herewith a Resolution providing for the appointment of John P. Spoden as a Member of the Lake County Housing Authority, and request its adoption.

RESUME: Education: MS in Public Service Management, DePaul University; BS in Community and Regional Planning, Iowa State University. Work Experience: Director of Community Development, Village of Libertyville, Illinois August 1998 - Present; Community Development Director, Village of Northfield, Illinois, Senior Planner, City of Highland Park, Illinois. Activities and Honors: Member, American Institute of Certified Planners, Member DePaul University Student Mentoring Program; DePaul University Public Services Outstanding Student in Public Administration; Lecturer, Chicago Botanic Gardens, Former Member, Executive Committee of the Cleveland Section, Former Student Representative to the Iowa Chapter American Planning Assn.

PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Bond - Steven A. Greenberg - Trustee - East Skokie Drainage District

36. Bond for Steven A. Greenberg, Trustee of the East Skokie Drainage District in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be received and placed on file.

Bond - James H. Bradner, Jr. - Trustee - East Skokie Drainage District

37. Bond for James H. Bradner, Jr., Trustee of the East Skokie Drainage District in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be received and placed on file.

Bond - William B. Makelim - Trustee - East Skokie Drainage District

38. Bond for William B. Makelim, Trustee of the East Skokie Drainage District in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be received and placed on file.

Financial Report - East Skokie Drainage District

39. Financial Report for the East Skokie Drainage District ending December 31, 1998, to be received and placed on file.

The Chair asked for leave of the previous roll call. Leave was granted. Motion carried with the following vote: Ayes 21, Nays 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Items not on the Agenda)

There were no requests for public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

40. Member Schmidt moved, seconded by Member Grever that the Adjourned Regular June, A.D., 1999 Session of the Lake County Board be adjourned until Tuesday, September 14, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. The Chair called for a Voice Vote on the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk

Minutes approved:
