

The County Board of Whiteside County, Illinois, convened in the County Board room at the Law Enforcement Center in Morrison on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. Notice of the meeting was given to all Board Members and was posted in the County Clerk's office.

Mr. Duffy, Chairman, called the board meeting to order and directed the Clerk to call the roll. On roll call members: William Abbott, James Arduini, Thomas Ausman, Daniel Bitler, Donald Blair, Robert Bradley, Sue Britt, Dennis Cook, Paul Cunniff, James Duffy, John Espinoza, Glenn Frank, Kurt Glazier, Eugene Jacoby, Martin Koster, William McGinn, Sarah McNeill, William Milby, Katherine Nelson, Ruth Stanley, Howard Bud Thompson, Glenn Truesdell, Robert VanDeVelde and Douglas Wetzell (24) were present; members: Mark Hamilton, Karen Nelson and Steve Wilkins (3) were absent. Mr. Bradley left the meeting early.

Mr. Duffy led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Motion by Mr. Abbott that the County Clerk dispense with the reading of the minutes of the meeting of July 15, 2014, and that these minutes, as sent to the members, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Cunniff. Motion carried.

Mr. Truesdell presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 1

WHEREAS, since our last Whiteside County Board meeting, family and friends of John Caudillo, have been saddened by his passing on June 28, 2014; and

WHEREAS, John Caudillo had been serving on the Zoning Commission since January 2002; and

WHEREAS, during John Caudillo's distinguished career he was always a conscientious servant of the people, ever acting to enhance the dignity of the office;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Whiteside County Board wish to console the Caudillo family in their hour of bereavement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk of Whiteside County be directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Caudillo family.

Motion by Mr. Truesdell to approve the foregoing Resolution of Condolence for the family of John Caudillo, as presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Jacoby presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2

WHEREAS, the Sterling Girls All-Star Softball Team competed in the Little League State Tournament at Reed Park in Freeport, IL on July 29, 2014; and,

WHEREAS, the Sterling Girls All-Star Softball Team returned with a 1st place team finish.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Whiteside County Board offers its congratulations to the Sterling Girls All-Star Softball Team for its achievement at this highly competitive event and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk of Whiteside County Illinois be directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Sterling Girls All-Star Softball Team.

Motion by Mr. Jacoby to approve the foregoing Resolution of Congratulations for the Sterling Girls All-Star Softball Team. Motion carried. The team and coaches were present to accept their Resolution and plaque.

Motion by Mr. McGinn to take from the table the flood variance request from Richard Maronde. Seconded by Mr. Ausman. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. McGinn to approve the flood variance as requested by Richard Maronde with the restrictions recommended by Mr. Richter. Mr. Kilgus spoke on behalf of Mr. Maronde. He discussed the recommendations and his clients inability to comply with all of the recommendations. Mr. Richter explained the conditions and why they were recommended. Shawn Smith spoke and expressed his desire that all of the recommendations be upheld. Mr. Abbott stated that he would like to see the variance approved with the conditions that can be acceptable. Mr. Milby stated that a variance is something you seek before you start to build. Mr. Thompson spoke in favor of the variance. Motion by Mr. Frank to amend the motion by deleting

conditions 5 and 8 and modifying condition 2 to allow a workshop and condition 4 to allow heat. Seconded by Mr. Thompson. On roll call members: Abbott, Ausman, Bradley, Cook, Frank, McGinn, Thompson, VanDeVelde and Wetzell (9) voted yes; members: Arduini, Bitler, Blair, Britt, Cunniff, Duffy, Espinoza, Glazier, Jacoby, Koster, McNeill, Milby, Kathy Nelson, Stanley and Truesdell (15) voted no, and the motion was declared defeated. The question was then called on the original motion and on roll call members: Abbott, Ausman, Bradley, Cook, Cunniff, Frank, McGinn, Thompson, VanDeVelde and Wetzell (10) voted yes; members: Arduini, Bitler, Blair, Britt, Duffy, Espinoza, Glazier, Jacoby, Koster, McNeill, Milby, Kathy Nelson, Stanley and Truesdell (14) voted no, and the motion was declared defeated.

Mr. McGinn presented the following Petition:

PETITION NO. 3

PETITION TO VACATE LAND IN SUBDIVISION

NOW COMES, Margo E. Owano, developer and majority owner of the land in Audrey's Meadow Subdivision, Whiteside County, Illinois, and petitions the Whiteside County Board of Supervisors to vacate certain lands in said subdivision, and in support thereof states:

1. That Margo E. Owano is developer of Audrey's Meadow subdivision and a majority owner of the land located therein.
2. That Audrey's Meadow subdivision was created on July 15, 1997 pursuant to a plat of said subdivision recorded in the Recorder of Deeds office, Whiteside County, Illinois, as document number 6304-97, a copy of said plat is attached hereto and made a part hereof.
3. That it is the desire of the owners of all of the land in Audrey's Meadow subdivision that the following tracts of land located in said subdivision be vacated and be reincorporated into Lot A thereof as vacant land, and zone and assessed as farmland.
4. That the land remaining in Audrey's Meadow subdivision be vacated is as follows:
 - a. Lot 1 being PIN 03-25-300-016
 - b. Lot 2 being PIN 03-25-300-017
 - c. Lot 3 being PIN 03-25-300-016
 - d. Lot 8 being PIN 03-25-300-016
 - e. Lot 9 being PIN 03-25-300-012
 - f. Lot 10 being PIN 03-25-300-019
 - g. Lot 11 being PIN 03-25-300-011
 - h. That the land designated as Songer Drive North of the Northerly boundary of Noel Court and Songer Drive, PIN 03-25-300-022, shall be vacated and made part of Lot A.
5. That all of the owners of the land located within Audrey's Meadow's subdivision to be vacated pursuant to this petition have agreed to the vacation and have signed this Petition.

WHEREFORE, Petitioners pray and approve the vacation of the above described land located in Audrey's Meadow subdivision as requested herein and that an Order be entered vacating said land and said Order be recorded in the Recorder of Deeds office, Whiteside County, and for such other and further relief as the County Board may deem appropriate.

Motion by Mr. McGinn to approve the foregoing Petition to Vacate Land in Subdivision - Audrey's Meadow Subdivision. Mr. Kilgus explained why the Petition was being presented. On the call of the question, the motion was declared carried.

Mr. McGinn presented the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 4

WHEREAS, the County Board of Whiteside County has adopted a Comprehensive Plan for Whiteside County that requires certain policy and non-policy changes to county ordinances for zoning and subdivisions and,

WHEREAS, the Whiteside County Planning and Zoning Administrator duly filed with the Planning and Zoning Commission, his petition stating that the consultant, hired by the county, has reviewed the current zoning and subdivision ordinances and has recommended that the zoning and subdivision ordinances, with certain changes, be combined into one document which would enhance the goals set in that Comprehensive Plan for Whiteside County;

WHEREAS, the Whiteside County Planning and Zoning Commission held the required public hearing on the proposed amendments on June 19, 2014, and has recommended to the County Board that said combination of the zoning and subdivision ordinances be adopted as follows:

1. That Chapter 19, Planning and Zoning, Articles I, II, III and IV of the Whiteside County Code be assimilated into a new "Planning and Development Code", which will henceforth be known as Chapter 19, Planning and Development, Articles I through X, with the following amendment:
 - (a) In 19-5.30 (j)(3), replace the existing language with "Turbine foundations and tower bases shall be completely removed."
2. That Chapter 22, Subdivision Regulations, also be assimilated into a new "Planning and Development Code", which will henceforth be known as Chapter 19, Planning and Development, Articles I through X, with the following amendments:
 - (a) In the table found in Section 19-10.1, page 176, a new line #39 which reads "Wetlands, woodlands or native prairie based on geographic information system (GIS) data provided by the County." should be added under "Site Information" and a check mark should be added under "Preliminary Plat" column.
 - (b) To correct the present #39 in the table found in Section 19-10.1, page 176, under "Building Information", it should be renumbered #40 and all lines that follow should be renumbered accordingly.
3. That Chapter 19, Planning and Zoning, as it presently appears in the Whiteside County Code be rescinded in its entirety.
4. That Chapter 22, Subdivision Regulations, as it presently appears in the Whiteside County Code be rescinded in its entirety.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that the Whiteside County Board concurs with the Planning and Zoning Commission and hereby adopts said proposed Planning and Development Code, as Chapter 19, Articles I through Article X of the Whiteside County Code and;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the effective date is immediately upon adoption.

Motion by Mr. McGinn to approve the proposed Whiteside County Planning and Development Code, Chapter 19 of the Whiteside County Code as recommended by the Whiteside County Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Tom Gleissner, Twin Cities Air Activities Club, expressed his interest in being appointed to the Whiteside County Airport Board.

Stephanie Deckro, Twin Cities Air Activities Club, expressed her interest in being appointed to the Whiteside County Airport Board.

James Jaeger, spoke about Speak Boldly Toastmaster Club and invited everyone to their meetings. He also had a brochure to distribute.

Pam Furlan, Executive Director of the Northwest Central Illinois Workforce Board, briefed the board members on the two resolutions that the board would be voting on later in the meeting. The first was the Workforce Development Week Resolution and the "Just Hire One" initiative. She also introduced Kari Whittenberg, and told of her success at Sauk Valley Community College. She also informed the board of the success of Jacob Magana.

Mr. McGinn presented the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 5

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County Board to improve Sand Road by constructing a hot-mix asphalt overlay on the recently completed cold in-place recycling project on Sand Road, established as Section #14-00213-00-RS, and,

WHEREAS, bids were received on July 30, 2014 for Section #14-00213-00-RS, Sand Road, by Civil Constructors of Freeport, IL in the amount of \$474,941.93; and

WHEREAS, the Committee reviewed the bid and recommends its approval.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that the bid of \$474,941.93 from Civil Constructors of Freeport, IL be accepted and approved at a maximum cost not to exceed \$522,436.12 (10% of awarded amount), and;

WHEREAS, additional appropriations are necessary for the County Matching Tax Fund and the County Motor Fuel Tax Fund in order to fund Section #14-00213-00-RS,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Whiteside County Board, the following:

Section 1. The Whiteside County Annual Appropriation Ordinance and Budget Resolution for CFY14 are hereby amended as follows:

	Original Budget	Prior Amnds.	1 st Re- approp.	Change
Fund 13 Matching Tax Fund				
<u>Expense Accts. affected</u>				
5220 Contract Construction	\$675,000	\$0	\$950,000	\$275,000
Total Appropriation	\$735,000	\$0	\$1,010,000	\$275,000
	Original Budget	Prior Amnds.	1 st Re- approp.	Change
Fund 14 County Motor Fuel Tax Fund				
<u>Expense Accts. affected</u>				
5220 Contract Construction	\$250,000	\$0	\$500,000	\$250,000
Total Appropriation	\$1,627,000	\$0	\$1,877,000	\$250,000

Section 2. This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall:

- a. be considered separable and the invalidation of any provision(s) shall not affect the validity of the remainder.
- b. Supersede any other Ordinances or Resolutions or parts thereof, in conflict herewith.
- c. Take effect following its passage, approval, adoption, recording, inspection and publication as may be required by law.

Motion by Mr. McGinn to approve the foregoing Ordinance - Re-appropriation for County Matching Tax Fund and County Motor Fuel Tax Fund for Sec. #14-00213-00-RS Sand Road, as presented. On roll call members: Abbott, Arduini, Ausman, Bitler, Blair, Britt, Cook, Cunniff, Duffy, Espinoza, Frank, Glazier, Jacoby, Koster, McGinn McNeill, Milby, Kathy Nelson, Stanley, Thompson, Truesdell, VanDeVelde and Wetzell (23) voted yes; no, none and the motion was declared carried.

Mr. McGinn presented the following Petition:

PETITION NO. 6

Section #14-419202-BA-BR

TO THE HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
COUNTY BOARD OF WHITESIDE COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

WHEREAS, I find it necessary to replace the existing structure, Number 419202, that spans the waterway which is crossed by Elston Road in Land Section 3/4, Garden Plain Township, Whiteside County, Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, the cost will be more than 0.02% of the value of all taxable property in the Town of Garden Plain as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue and the tax rate for road purposes for each year for the 2(two) years last past in said Township has been not less than the maximum allowable rate as provided for in Sections 6-501 of this code of all taxable property in the Town of Garden Plain, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue.

THEREFORE, I petition the County Board of Whiteside County, Illinois to appropriate and levy from the County Treasury, County Bridge Fund, \$2,790.92 to meet one-half of the Local Agency's share of cost of building said structure. The estimated cost for construction of this structure is \$5,581.83.

Motion by Mr. McGinn to approve the foregoing Petition for County Aid - Sec. #14-419202-BA-BR Garden Plain Township (Elston Road), as presented. On roll call members: Abbott, Arduini, Ausman, Bitler, Blair, Britt, Cook, Cunniff, Duffy, Espinoza, Frank, Glazier, Jacoby, Koster, McGinn McNeill, Milby, Kathy Nelson, Stanley, Thompson, Truesdell, VanDeVelde and Wetzell (23) voted yes; no, none and the motion was declared carried.

Motion by Mr. McGinn to recommend approval of the bid for the purchase and installation of miscellaneous equipment on a recently purchased International truck to the low bidder, Monroe Truck Equipment of Monroe, WI as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. McGinn to place on file the Public Works Committee's meeting report, June & July claim reports, and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Ausman to place on file the Landfill Committee's report, Quarterly Prairie Hill RDF Activity reports, Quarterly Waste Activity Inspection Reports and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Arduini to place on file the County Offices Committee's meeting report, June & July claims reports, and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Jacoby to place on file the Health and Social Services Committee's meeting report, July claims report and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Milby to place on file the Judiciary Committee's meeting report, July claim reports, and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Britt to place on file the Public Safety Committee's meeting report, July claims reports, and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Truesdell to place on file the Finance Committee's meeting report, July claims reports, and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. VanDeVelde to place on file the Special Services Area #1 Committee's meeting report, and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Truesdell presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 7

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT WEEK RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Recognizing that work remains to be done to aid the high number of unemployed and underemployed individuals, this State and the federal government have announced major initiatives to promote workforce development activities; and

WHEREAS, These activities are primarily aimed at helping individuals acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to pursue a career in the current competitive job market; and

WHEREAS, As part of these efforts, this State will be promoting a new initiative to increase the work readiness of individuals by obtaining a college degree or career certificate; and

WHEREAS, At the federal level, major efforts are being made to review the nation's workforce and training system to make it more job-driven, integrated, and effective; and

WHEREAS, A key aspect in State and federal efforts is the active involvement of the private business sector; and

WHEREAS, Workforce Investment Boards provides businesses with an important forum to inform training providers, including the public education system, community colleges, the State university system, and proprietary schools of the needs of the local business community; and

WHEREAS, Workforce Investment Boards were established by federal law to serve as a vital provider of information, programs, and services to individuals seeking employment, employers, and training providers; and

WHEREAS, Under the authority to provide to Workforce Investment Boards, opportunities and funds are available for individuals to enroll in training programs and services at job centers throughout the State that give priority to the local business community's current and future needs; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of the Whiteside County Board support the role that Workforce Investment Boards play in providing important programs and services that help strengthen local communities and, by extension, this State and the nation; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE WHITESIDE COUNTY BOARD OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize the week August 25 through August 31, 2014 as “Workforce Development Week” in the County of Whiteside and encourage individuals, businesses, and governmental organizations to visit and promote the programs and services offered through local Workforce Investment Boards; and be it further

RESOLVED, That August 25 through August 31, 2014 will be an opportunity for Workforce Investment Boards to highlight and promote the many ways in which they are undertaking this important work.

Motion by Mr. Truesdell to adopt the foregoing Resolution supporting the Workforce Development Week of August 25 through August 31, 2014. Motion carried.

Mr. Truesdell presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 8

SUPPORTING WHITESIDE COUNTY
“JUST HIRE ONE” INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, The latest unemployment rate for Whiteside County was 7.4%, which means 2,181 Whiteside County residents are actively looking for work; and,

WHEREAS, There are 264 businesses with at least 5 employees in Whiteside County; and,

WHEREAS, The Whiteside County unemployment rate would drop by 1% for each 295 new hires added to the local workforce; and,

WHEREAS, Reports show that the impact of new hires on Whiteside County’s economy could be significant in terms of total return; and,

WHEREAS, The Dixon Area Chamber of Commerce and the Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce, Sauk Valley Community College, along with NCI Works’ Affiliate Partners BEST, Inc., Illinois Department of Employment Security and Experience Works have launched a local “Just Hire One” Initiative to encourage area businesses to “Just Hire One” additional employee;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE WHITESIDE COUNTY BOARD OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize the importance of the local efforts of our Area Chambers of Commerce, Sauk Valley Community College, and Workforce Development Agencies in the County of Whiteside by supporting their “Just Hire One” Initiative.

Motion by Mr. Truesdell to adopt the foregoing Resolution supporting the Whiteside County “Just Hire One” Initiative. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Truesdell to place on file the Executive Committee’s meeting report, July claims reports, and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Glazier that this meeting be adjourned, the Board to meet again on Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. Seconded by Mrs. Stanley. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Dana Nelson
Whiteside County Clerk

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