

The County Board of Whiteside County, Illinois, convened in the County Board room at the Law Enforcement Center in Morrison on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 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, Sue Britt, Fidencio Campos, Jr., Shane Celestino, Doug Crandall, Paul Cunniff, James Duffy, John Espinoza, Glenn Frank, Kurt Glazier, Mark Hamilton, Eugene Jacoby, Martin Koster, William McGinn, William Milby, Karen Nelson, Katherine Nelson, Howard Bud Thompson, Glenn Truesdell, Robert VanDeVelde, Douglas Wetzell and Steve Wilkins (25) were present; Robert Bradley and Ruth Stanley (2) were absent.

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 November 17, 2015, and that these minutes, as sent to the members, be approved. Seconded by Mr. Wilkins. Motion carried.

Mr. Truesdell presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 1

WHEREAS, Brayden Hamblen of Rock Falls High School Boys Cross Country Team competed in the IHSA Boys Class 1A State Cross Country Championship at Detweiller Park in Peoria, Illinois on Saturday, November 7th 2015; and,

WHEREAS, Brayden Hamblen of Rock Falls High School Boys Cross Country Team returned with third place.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Whiteside County Board offers its congratulations to Brayden Hamblen of Rock Falls High School Boys Cross Country Team for its achievement at this highly competitive State-level event and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk of Whiteside County Illinois be directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to Brayden Hamblen and the Rock Falls High School.

Motion by Mr. Truesdell to adopt the foregoing Resolution of Congratulations to Brayden Hamblen, as presented. Motion carried. Brayden was present to accept the Resolution.

Mr. Truesdell presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2

WHEREAS, since the last Whiteside County Board meeting, the family and friends of Dawn Graham, employee of the Whiteside County Health Department, have been saddened by her passing on November 25, 2015 and;

WHEREAS, Mrs. Graham served as a Medical Transcriptionist since May 2015; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Graham's passing leaves her family and friends with an immeasurable void.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Whiteside County Board conveys its condolences to family and friends of Dawn Graham 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 Graham family.

Motion by Mr. Truesdell to adopt the foregoing Resolution of Condolence in memory of Dawn Graham, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Truesdell to enter into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2/c (11) to discuss litigation involving the County with Mr. Richter, Trish Joyce and Joel Horn to be included in the closed session. Seconded by Mr. Glazier. On roll call members: Abbott, Arduini, Ausman, Bitler, Britt, Campos, Celestino, Crandall, Cunniff, Duffy, Espinoza, Frank, Glazier, Hamilton, Jacoby, Koster, McGinn, Milby, Karen Nelson, Katherine Nelson, Thompson, Truesdell, VanDeVelde, Wetzell and Wilkins (25) voted yes; no, none, and the motion was declared carried. The board entered into closed session at 6:40 p.m.

The returned to open session at 6:50 p.m.

Mr. McGinn presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 3

Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Payment of the County Engineer's Salary
Section No. 16-CS195-00-AC

WHEREAS, the County Board of Whiteside County has adopted a resolution establishing the salary of the County Engineer to be \$113,700 (100%) percent of the recommended salary for the County Engineer as determined annually by the Illinois Department of Transportation, and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Whiteside County has entered into an agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation for transfer of federal funds to pay one-half of the salary paid to the County Engineer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Whiteside County Board that there is hereby appropriated, the sum of One-hundred thirteen thousand seven hundred dollars (\$113,700) from the County's Motor Fuel Tax funds for the purpose of paying the County Engineer's salary from 1/1/2016 to 12/31/2016, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Whiteside County Board hereby authorizes the Department of Transportation, State of Illinois, to transfer Fifty-six thousand eight hundred fifty and no/100 dollars (\$56,850) of Federal Surface Transportation Program Funds allocated to Whiteside County to the Department of Transportation in return for an equal amount of State funds.

Motion by Mr. McGinn to recommend approval of the foregoing Resolution Appropriating Funds for the payment of the County Engineer's Salary - Sec. 16-CS195-00-AC, as presented. On roll call members: Abbott, Arduini, Ausman, Bitler, Britt, Campos, Celestino, Crandall, Cunniff, Duffy, Espinoza, Frank, Glazier, Hamilton, Jacoby, Koster, McGinn, Milby, Karen Nelson, Katherine Nelson, Thompson, Truesdell, VanDeVelde, Wetzell and Wilkins (25) voted yes; no, none, and the motion was declared carried.

Motion by Mr. McGinn to place on file the Public Works Committee's meeting report, November claims reports and related informational items, as presented.

Motion by Mrs. Nelson to place on file the Health and Social Services Committee's meeting report, November claims report and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried. Mrs. Nelson read a few UCCI legal opinions to the board.

Motion by Mr. Wilkins to place on file the Judiciary Committee's meeting report, November claims reports and related informational items, as presented.

Mrs. Britt presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 4

WHEREAS, the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor was created to provide services to State's Attorneys in Counties containing less than 3,000,000 inhabitants; and,

WHEREAS, the powers and duties of the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor are defined and enumerated in the "State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor's Act", 725 ILCS 210/1 et. seq., as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly appropriates monies for the ordinary and contingent expenses of the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor, one-third from the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor's County Fund and two-thirds from the General Revenue Fund, provided that such funding receives approval and support from within the respective Counties eligible to apply; and,

WHEREAS, the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor shall administer the operation of the appellate offices so as to insure that all participating State's Attorneys continue to have final authority in preparation, filing, and arguing of all appellate briefs and any trial assistance; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Whiteside County Board, in regular session, this 15th day of December, 2015, does hereby support the continued operation of the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor, and designates the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor as its Agent to administer the operation of the appellate offices and process said appellate court cases for this County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the attorneys employed by the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor are hereby authorized to act as Assistant State's Attorneys on behalf of the State's Attorneys of this County in the appeal of all cases, when requested to do so by the State's Attorney, and with the advice and consent of the State's Attorney prepare, file, and argue appellate briefs for those cases; and also, as may be requested by the State's Attorney, to assist in the prosecution of cases

under the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, the Cannabis Control Act, the Drug Asset Forfeiture Procedure Act and the Narcotics Profit Forfeiture Act. Such attorneys are further authorized to assist the State's Attorney in the State's Attorney's duties under the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act, including negotiations thereunder, as well as in the trial and appeal of tax objections.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor will offer Continuing Legal Education training programs to the State's Attorney and Assistant State's Attorneys.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the attorneys employed by the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor may also assist the State's Attorney of this County in the discharge of the State's Attorney's duties in the prosecution and trial of other cases, and may act as Special Prosecutor if duly appointed to do so by a court having jurisdiction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Whiteside County Board hereby agrees to participate in the service program of the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor for Fiscal Year 2016, commencing December 1, 2015, and ending November 30, 2016, by hereby appropriating the sum of \$18,000 as consideration for the express purpose of providing a portion of the funds required for financing the operation of the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor, and agrees to deliver the same to the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor on request during the Fiscal Year 2016.

Motion by Mrs. Britt to approve the annual resolution for Whiteside County to participate in the service program of the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor for Fiscal Year 2016 in the amount of \$18,000.00, as presented. Motion carried.

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

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

Mr. Duffy announced the reappointment of James B. Russ as Drainage Commissioner of Meredosia Levee and Drainage District of Rock Island and Whiteside Counties. Motion by Mr. Truesdell that the foregoing reappointment be confirmed. Motion carried.

Mr. Duffy announced the appointment of Steven E. Besse Commissioner of River Road Drainage District. Motion by Mr. Truesdell that the foregoing appointment be confirmed. Motion carried.

Mr. Duffy announced the reappointments of Jerri Robinson and F. Christine King to the Whiteside County Airport Board. Motion by Mr. Truesdell that the foregoing reappointments be confirmed. Motion carried.

Mr. Duffy announced the appointment of Betty J. Steinert as Alternate to the Blackhawk Waterways Convention and Visitors Bureau. Motion by Mr. Truesdell that the foregoing appointment be confirmed. Motion carried.

Mr. Duffy announced the appointment of Regina Lehman to the Blackhawk Waterways Convention and Visitors Bureau. Motion by Mr. Truesdell that the foregoing appointment be confirmed. Motion carried.

Mr. Truesdell presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 5

Whiteside County Board Schedule of Regular Meetings
- Calendar Year 2016 -

WHEREAS, Section 2-38 of the Whiteside County Code states, in part, that, "The regular and adjourned monthly meetings of the (Whiteside) county board will be held on the third Tuesday of each month . . ."; and,

WHEREAS, said section of the Whiteside County Code further states the regular meetings of this body politic will be held, " . . . at a time designated by the county board, in the meeting room of the county law enforcement center. . ."; and,

WHEREAS, the Opens Meetings Act requires the Whiteside County Board to, " . . . give public notice of the schedule of regular meetings at the beginning of each calendar or fiscal year and shall state the regular dates, times, and places of such meetings . . .".

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WHITESIDE COUNTY BOARD, the following:

Section 1. During calendar year 2016, the Whiteside County Board will convene at the Meeting Room at the Whiteside County Law Enforcement Center, at 6:30 PM, on the following dates:

1. February 16
2. March 16
3. April 19
4. May 17
5. June 21
6. July 19
7. August 16
8. September 20
9. October 18
10. November 15
11. December 20

Section 2. During calendar year 2016, the Standing Committees of the Whiteside County Board will convene according to the schedule shown in Exhibit 1.

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting schedules may be altered, in order to comply with the Open Meetings Act, or to accommodate unusual contingencies. In the event this schedule is changed, notice of change will be posted and distributed pursuant to law.

Motion by Mr. Truesdell to adopt the foregoing Resolution setting the Whiteside County Board Schedule of Regular Meetings, as presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Truesdell presented the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 6

ESTABLISHING THE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016

WHEREAS, observed county holidays are determined by the Whiteside County Board; and

WHEREAS, the County Board's Executive Committee has recommended a 13-day Holiday Schedule based on past practice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE WHITESIDE COUNTY BOARD, THAT:

Section 1. The Holiday Schedule for Calendar Year 2016 is established, as follows:

	Holiday	Day	Date
1	New Year's Day	Friday	January 1, 2016
2	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Monday	January 18, 2016
3	Presidents' Day	Monday	February 15, 2016
4	Good Friday	Friday	March 25, 2016
5	Memorial Day	Monday	May 30, 2016
6	Independence Day	Monday	July 4, 2016
7	Labor Day	Monday	September 5, 2016
8	Columbus Day	Monday	October 10, 2016
9	Veterans' Day	Friday	November 11, 2016
10	Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	November 24, 2016
11	Thanksgiving Friday	Friday	November 25, 2016
12	Christmas Holiday (1 st Day)	Friday	December 23, 2016
13	Christmas Holiday (2 nd Day)	Monday	December 26, 2016

Section 2. This Resolution 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 Resolutions or parts thereof, in conflict herewith.
- c. Take effect immediately, upon its adoption.

Motion by Mr. Truesdell to adopt the foregoing Resolution establishing the Holiday Schedule for 2016, as presented. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Mr. VanDeVelde to approve a change order for the purchase of a new Ambulance not to exceed \$161,954.34. Seconded by Mr. Jacoby. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. VanDeVelde to place on file the Ambulance Committee's meeting report and related informational items, as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Britt that this meeting be adjourned, the Board to meet again on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Abbott. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Dana Nelson
Whiteside County Clerk

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