

RESUME OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COUNTY BOARD, CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS
June 23, 2022

The County Board of Champaign County, Illinois met at a Regular Meeting, Thursday, June 23, 2022, at 6:31 PM in the Shields-Carter Meeting Room, Brookens Administrative Center, 1776 East Washington Street, Urbana, Illinois, with County Executive Darlene Kloeppel presiding and Angie Patton as Clerk of the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following members present: Esry, Fortado, Harper, King, Lokshin, McGuire, Michaels, Passalacqua, Rodriguez, Stohr, Straub, Summers, Taylor, Thorsland, Vanichtheeranont, Williams, Carter, Cowart, and Patterson – 19; absent: Goss, Paul, and Wolken – 3. County Executive Kloeppel declared a quorum present and the Board competent to conduct business.

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

County Executive Kloeppel read a Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

READ NOTICE OF MEETING

The Clerk read the Notice of the Meeting, said Notice having been published in the *News Gazette* on June 2, 9, and 16, 2022.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDA

Board Member Esry offered a motion to approve the Agenda/Addenda; Board Member Michaels seconded. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

DATE/TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS

Standing Committees:

- A. County Facilities Committee Meeting
Summary of Action Taken on June 7, 2022 Meeting
- B. Environment & Land Use Committee
Summary of Action Taken on June 9, 2022 Meeting
- C. Highway and Transportation Committee Meeting
Summary of Action Taken on June 10, 2022 Meeting

Committee of the Whole:

- A. Justice & Social Services; Policy, Personnel, & Appointments; Finance

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*Summary of Action Taken on June 14, 2022 at Committee of the Whole Meeting
(Justice and Social Services; Finance; Policy, Personnel, & Appointments)
Shields-Carter Meeting Room*

County Board:

- A. Regular Meeting
Thursday, July 21, 2022 at 6:30 PM
Shields-Carter Meeting Room

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Tim Odom spoke about his concern of having his mugshot shown on a website and social media with Sheriff's logo on the image. Noted a violation of copyright.

Robert Burkhalter spoke about low wages for County employees.

Angela Lusk spoke about needing a fair contract for County employees.

Barb McClain spoke about needing pay increase for wages for County employees.

Laura Clark spoke about the need for a fair contract for AFSCME employees and having to work two jobs.

Rita Carr spoke about AFSCME workers needing a wage increase. Broke down what previous wage increases equate to. Asked for the Board to support a fair contract.

Jarod Tinsley spoke about needing wage increases for AFSCME workers and wanting a fair contract.

Evette Campbell spoke about her service to the County of 22 years and how little she still makes. Noted her son makes the same amount at the University of Illinois.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board Member Fortado offered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, comprising 19 resolutions (Nos. 2022-122, 2022-123, 2022-124, 2022-125, 2022-126, 2022-127, 2022-128, 2022-129, 2022-130, 2022-131, 2022-132, 2022-133, 2022-134, 2022-135, 2022-136, 2022-137, 2022-138, 2022-139, 2022-140). Board Member Lokshin seconded. The motion carried by unanimous roll-call vote.

Yeas: Esry, Fortado, Harper, King, Lokshin, McGuire, Michaels, Passalacqua, Paul, Rodriguez, Stohr, Straub, Summers, Taylor, Thorsland, Vanichtheeranont, Williams, Carter, Cowart, and Patterson – 19

Nays: None

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COMMUNICATIONS

Board Member Passalacqua encouraged public participation by Mr. Odom after a communication with his constituent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Member King offered an omnibus motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the County Board of May 19, 2022; Board Member Esry offered a correction on page 3 of the minutes to note 16 yeas and 4 nays. Board Member Straub seconded. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Member Michaels offered an omnibus motion to adopt Resolutions No. 2022-141 authorizing payments of claims and No. 2022-142 authorizing purchases not following purchasing policy. Board Member Summers seconded. The motion carried by voice vote.

Board Member King offered a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2022-121 authorizing interfund loans from reserved to other funds; Board Member Thorsland seconded. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Board Member Straub offered a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2022-100 approving budget amendment BUA 2022/5/211 to increase spending authority for DCFS ARPA grant money; Board member Lokshin seconded. The motion carried by unanimous roll-call vote.

Yeas: Cowart, Fortado, Goss, Harper, King, Lokshin, McGuire,
Passalacqua, Rodriguez, Stohr, Straub, Summers, Taylor,
Thorsland, Vanichtheeranont, Wolken, Williams, Carter, and
Patterson – 19

Nays: none

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ONLY

ARPA Project Manager Kathy Larson gave an update on ARPA projects. Board Member Stohr gave an update on the Small Business Assistance Proposal. Board Member Fortado thanked Board Member Stohr and Carter for their work on this. Board Member Fortado noted that there should be an effort to engage minority and women owned business. The Seymour Water District request was put on hold until the next distribution since it missed the deadline of when other water initiatives were discussed. The Clerk's request for increased funding was also part of the update to the Board. Various Board Member's discussed the amount that was awarded to the Clerk's office.

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Clerk Ammons spoke to the concerns about postage and vote by mail. Board Member Thorsland noted that the Clerk's office saved the County money by utilizing grants and had given budget surplus back to the County. Executive Kloeppel asked for a straw poll. There was a debate about the need for a straw poll. Board Member Fortado stated the money was already appropriated and was approved by the Board. Board Members Lokshin and Carter left before the meeting was adjourned. Board Member McGuire was the only one who was opposed.

ADJOURNMENT

County Executive Kloeppel adjourned the meeting at 8:41 PM.



Aaron Ammons, Champaign County Clerk
and ex-Officio Clerk of the Champaign County Board
Champaign County, Illinois