



CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Finance/ Policy, Personnel, & Appointments/Justice & Social Services
County of Champaign, Urbana, Illinois
Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
Brookens Administrative Center/Zoom
1776 East Washington Street, Urbana, Illinois

MINUTES – Approved with Additions on April 13, 2021

Members Present via Zoom: Titianna Ammons, Lorraine Cowart, Stephanie Fortado, Jordan Humphrey, Mary King, Jenny Lokshin, Jacob Paul, Cameron Raab, Emily Rodriguez, Chris Stohr, Jennifer Straub, Steve Summers, Leah Taylor, Eric Thorsland, Jodi Wolken

Members Physically Present: Aaron Esry, Jim Goss, Stan Harper, Jim McGuire, Diane Michael, Brad Passalacqua, Kyle Patterson

Members Absent:

Others Present: Darlene Kloeppel (County Executive), Tami Ogden (Deputy Director of Finance), Bill Colbrook (Director of Administration), Megan Robison (Recording Secretary), Aaron Ammons (County Clerk), Angela Patton (Chief Deputy County Clerk), Cassandra “CJ” Johnson (Treasurer), George Danos (Auditor), Susan McGrath (Circuit Clerk)

Agenda Items

I. Call to Order

Chair Patterson called the meeting to order at 6:31

II. Roll Call

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was declared present.

III. Approval of Agenda/Addenda

MOTION by Mr. Thorsland to approve the agenda and addenda; seconded by Ms. Straub. Upon roll call vote the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes

- A. February 9, 2021 – Regular Meeting
- B. January 12, 2021 – Closed Session
- C. February 9, 2021 – Closed Session

OMNIBUS MOTION by Ms. Michaels to approve the minutes of February 9, 2021 regular meeting, January 12, 2021 closed session and February 9, 2021 closed session; seconded by Mr. Goss. Upon roll call vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

V. Public Participation

Wayne Williams, Urbana resident, spoke about the timeline for the redistricting process.

VI. Communications

Ms. King mentioned the Illinois State Archeological Survey is holding a virtual speaker series and explained how to register if you would like to participate.

VII. Justice and Social Services

A. Monthly Reports – All reports are available on each department’s webpage through the department reports page

- Probation & Court Services – January 2021
- Emergency Management Agency – January 2021
- Public Defender – January 2021

Received and placed on file

B. Rosecrance Re-Entry Financial Report – January 2021

Information only

C. Other Business

None

D. Chair’s Report

None

E. Designation of Items to be Placed on the Consent Agenda

None

VIII. Policy, Personnel, & Appointments

A. County Executive

1. Monthly HR Report – February 2021

Received and placed on file

2. Appointments/Reappointments

- a. Resolution appointing Marcia Fisher to the Locust Grove Cemetery Association, unexpired term ending 6/30/2026

MOTION by Ms. King to recommend County Board approval of a resolution appointing Marcia Fisher to the Locust Grove Cemetery Association; seconded by Mr. Goss. Upon roll call vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

- b. Resolution appointing Linda Turnbull to the Housing Authority of Champaign County Board of Commissioners, term ending 7/31/2025

MOTION by Mr. Humphrey to recommend County Board approval of a resolution appointing Linda Turnbull to the Housing Authority of Champaign County Board of Commissioners; seconded by Ms. Straub. Upon roll call vote:

Yea: 16 – Fortado, Harper, Humphrey, King, Lokshin, Raab, Rodriguez, Stohr, Straub, Summers, Taylor, Thorsland, Ammons, Cowart, Esry, Patterson

Nay: 6 – Goss, McGuire, Michaels, Passalacqua, Paul, Wolken

The **MOTION CARRIED.**

c. County Board Liaison Appointments

MOTION by Mr. Esry to recommend County Board approval of a resolution appointing County Board Liaisons; seconded by Mr. Passalacqua. Upon roll call vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

d. Currently vacant appointments – full list and information is available on the County’s website

Information only

e. Applications for open appointments

Information only

3. Review and recommendation for Chief Deputy Treasurer

MOTION by Ms. Fortado to forward the review and recommendation for the Chief Deputy Treasurer to the Finance Committee; seconded by Mr. Thorsland. Discussion followed regarding the last evaluation of this position, the current workload, and reevaluating positions within the County more often. Upon roll call vote:

Yea: 17 – Fortado, Humphrey, King, Lokshin, Michaels, Paul, Raab, Rodriguez, Stohr, Straub, Summers, Taylor, Thorsland, Wolken, Ammons, Cowart, Patterson

Nay: 5 – Goss, Harper, McGuire, Passalacqua, Esry

The **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. County Clerk

1. Monthly Report – February 2021

Received and placed on file

2. Resolution to establish place of election for Sidney and East Bend

MOTION by Mr. Thorsland to recommend County Board approval of a resolution establishing place of election for Sidney and East Bend; seconded by Ms. King. Discussion followed regarding the changes and why they were made. Upon roll call vote:

Yea: 20 – Fortado, Goss, Harper, Humphrey, King, Lokshin, Michaels, Paul, Raab, Rodriguez, Stohr, Straub, Summers, Taylor, Thorsland, Wolken, Ammons, Cowart, Esry, Patterson

Nay: 2 – McGuire, Passalacqua

The **MOTION CARRIED.**

C. Other Business

None

D. Chair's Report

None

F. Designation of Items to be Placed on the Consent Agenda

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IX. Finance

A. County Executive

1. FY2020 General Corporate Fund and Nursing Home Fund updates

Ms. Ogden gave a presentation outlining the current unaudited revenues and expenditures for FY2020. Explaining the current fund balance percentage is very healthy at 21.1%. She also gave an update for the Nursing Home Fund explaining the amounts that are still owed to the General Fund and how those will be paid.

2. Resolution forgiving loans from the Champaign County General Corporate Fund to the Nursing Home fund authorized by resolutions numbered 2018-411 and 2019-55

MOTION by Mr. Goss to recommend County Board approval of a resolution forgiving loans from the Champaign County General Corporate Fund to the Nursing Home Fund; seconded by Mr. Summers. Upon roll call vote:

Yea: 20 – Fortado, Goss, Humphrey, King, Lokshin, McGuire, Michaels, Passalacqua, Paul, Raab, Rodriguez, Stohr, Straub, Summers, Taylor, Thorsland, Wolken, Ammons, Cowart, Patterson

Nay: 2 – Harper, Esry

The **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Review and Recommendation for Chief Deputy Treasurer

MOTION by Ms. King to recommend County Board approval of a resolution amending the schedule of authorized positions for the Champaign County Treasurer – Chief Deputy Treasurer; seconded by Mr. Thorsland. Discussion followed regarding the current salary, the requested increase and clarifying this vote is just for upgrading the position and not for the budget increase. Upon roll call vote:

Yea: 14 – Fortado, Humphrey, King, Lokshin, Raab, Rodriguez, Stohr, Straub, Summers, Taylor, Thorsland, Ammons, Cowart, Patterson

Nay: 8 – Goss, Harper, McGuire, Michaels, Passalacqua, Paul, Wolken, Esry

The **MOTION CARRIED.**

B. Treasurer

1. Budget Amendment 21-00013

Fund 080 General Corporate / Dept 026 County Treasurer

Increased Appropriations: \$9,325

Increased Revenue: \$0

Reason: Increase salary line to reflect Job Evaluation Committee decision to increase Chief Deputy Treasurer salary grade from "I" to "K" reflecting a double promotion to be on par with other chief deputies.

MOTION by Mr. Thorsland to recommend County Board approval of a resolution approving budget amendment 21-00013; seconded by Mr. Summers. The County Board members discussed the salary increase with the Treasurer. There was discussion in favor and opposition for the increase. Ms. Fortado offered a bipartisan compromise by decreasing the requested amount. Mr. Thorsland and Mr. Summers accepted the friendly amendment to change the increased appropriations to \$6,189. Upon roll call vote: Yea: 19 – Fortado, Goss, Humphrey, King, Lokshin, McGuire, Michaels, Passalacqua, Raab, Rodriguez, Stohr, Straub, Summers, Taylor, Thorsland, Wolken, Ammons, Cowart, Patterson
Nay: 3 – Harper, Paul, Esry
The **MOTION CARRIED.**

2. Monthly Report – February 2021 – Reports are available on the Treasurer’s webpage
Received and placed on file

C. Auditor
1. Monthly Report – February 2021 - Reports are available on the Auditor’s webpage

Received and placed on file

D. Other Business

None

E. Chair’s Report

Ms. Fortado gave an update about the employee COVID-19 testing. She also asked the Board to use the tentatively scheduled April Study Session for discussion about the Federal funding.

F. Designation of Items to be Placed on the Consent Agenda

None

X. Other Business

None

XI. Adjournment

Chair Patterson adjourned the meeting at 9:07 p.m.