

Real Property Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 13, 2023 5:00 PM
Jackson County Sheriff's Office Conference Room

Call to Order

(5:03pm)

Present: Peterson, Bost, Knust, Lister, Phillips

Absent: Ashley, Rendleman

Also present: Mitch Burdick, Kenton Schafer, Joni Bailey, Andrew Erbes, Maureen Berkowitz, Bruce Wallis, Blaine Meadows

Approval of Minutes

I. 2023-389 Approval of August 9, 2023 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Bost, to approve the August 9, 2023 minutes as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Communications

Peterson commented that she and Mr. Phillips attended the public hearing on the extension of the enterprise zone for the solar grid being installed north of Murphysboro. She noted that the enterprise zone would be expanding.

Land Use & Economic Development

II. 2023-390 Greater Egypt Regional Planning & Development Commission

Peterson commented that the executive committee had met and discussed auditing firms. She mentioned that staff reports and a bike plan initiative were also discussed.

III. 2023-391 Supervisor of Assessments

i. Ralph Miller Land Division Parcel #05-20-400-011

Berkowitz commented that the land division would need to move to October's agenda. She also mentioned that her department had 11 out of 16 township EAV's finalized and that the remainder should be finished this coming week. Berkowitz also commented that she would be setting up Assessment department tours for Board members in October.

IV. 2023-392 Jackson Growth Alliance

Bailey commented that JGA was currently working on updating and rebuilding its website.

V. 2023-393 Southwest Connector Taskforce

Erbes commented that the plan for the Southwest Connector Taskforce was to meet every three months in the next year. He also mentioned that keeping the momentum moving on the topic was priority for the taskforce.

Highway Department

VI. 2023-394 SIMPO-Southern Illinois Metropolitan Planning Organization

Peterson commented that the SIMPO policy committee had met and discussed Murphysboro being included in the bike plan, the 127 roundabout, Jackson County Mass Transit Cares Act grant being approved, and Murphysboro street resurfacing projects being moved to 2024.

VII. 2023-395 Jackson County Bike Routes

Bost discussed that the Old Depot Bicycle Rally had been postponed until October 21st. Burdick discussed signing for the Trans America Bike route. Burdick also mentioned an active transportation plan that everyone could get involved in by visiting www.walkrollillinois.com. Anyone who takes the survey could offer feedback on barriers, opportunities, and project recommendations.

VIII. 2023-396 Payment of Highway Monthly Claims

*A motion was made by Knust, seconded by Phillips, to approve the payment of Highway monthly claims in the amount of \$551,849.71. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: Yes (5): Peterson, Bost, Knust, Lister, Phillips
Absent (2): Ashley, Rendleman*

IX. 2023-397 County Highway Department Update

Burdick gave a Highway department update which included information on road projects, IDOT and the 2024 Eclipse, the surplus equipment auction, trucks on order, township projects, bridge replacement projects, the 2024 budget, seasonal employment, the open house that was held on September 1st, and a conference he would be attending in October.

X. 2023-398 Resolution 2023-82 Township Aid Appropriation Bradley Road District-Calvary Cemetary Road

A motion was made by Bost, seconded by Knust, to approve Resolution 2023-82 Township Aid Appropriation Bradley Road District-Calvary Cemetary Road. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

XI. 2023-399 Engineering Task Order-Mud Line Road Bridge Replacement-HLR

This item was moved to the October meeting agenda.

XII. 2023-400 Quality Based Selection Discussion

Burdick commented that he was updating the current QBS and would be submitting it with a resolution to the Real Property committee for review and approval in October.

County Buildings & Grounds

XIII. 2023-419 Mural on Carbondale Ambulance Building

Schafer commented that he had been approached about an idea for a mural on the side of the Carbondale Ambulance building. He commented that he had asked for a picture of what the mural would look like and for documentation of who would be maintaining the mural. He noted that after that conversation, no one contacted him about it and this was the first time he had heard about it since that initial conversation. He commented that he would like to see a mural that represents the entire county and first responders rather than just a "Welcome to Saluki

Country" since this was a county-owned building. The committee discussed the idea with Schafer, including different ways to adhere the mural to the wall, before coming to the consensus to have all contact concerning the mural go through Schafer before it came to the committee for any approval.

XIV. 2023-420 County Buildings Planning

The County Administrator communicated that the information she was sharing was informational only. She commented that the county still needed to find a place for the Public Defender and asked if anyone had any options to consider that had not been previously discussed. The committee discussed the topic and offered a few additional ideas for the County Administrator to consider. Knust asked about the purchase of the Capital Supply property. The County Administrator informed the committee that the Phase I environmental was complete and that the Phase II environmental was underway.

Old Business

The County Administrator commented that she should have dates for the courthouse repairs by the County Board meeting.

New Business

The County Administrator commented that the Resource Coordinator had resigned and that the job would be posted by the end of the week. She also informed the committee that SIH was now a preferred provider with the County's insurance plan.

Executive Session

Adjourn

(6:06pm)

A motion was made by Knust, seconded by Bost, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by unanimous vote.