

**Real Property Committee Meeting
Wednesday, November 13, 2024 5:00 PM
Jackson County Sheriff's Office Conference Room**

Call to Order

(5:00pm)

Present: Peterson, Lister, Rendleman, Knust, Phillips, Ikner

Absent: Bost

Also Present: Nel Battrell, Maureen Berkowitz, Tammy Ehlers, Erin Ashley, Joni Bailey, Brian Chapman, Mitch Burdick, Bruce Wallace, Andrew Erbes, Tamiko Mueller, Ross Rubenacker, Tisha Kosco

Approval of Minutes

I. 2024-939 Approval of October 16, 2024, Minutes

A motion was made by Knust, seconded by Rendleman, to approve the October 16, 2024, Minutes as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Communications

II. 2024-962 JAX Route Article

Peterson commented that the article included in the meeting packet was informational and should be helpful for constituents who may have questions regarding the new mass transit route and website.

Land Use & Economic Development

III. 2024-940 Greater Egypt Regional Planning & Development Commission

Peterson reported that the Greater Egypt executive committee met and discussed various items, including a presentation on their recent audit, staff reports, and grants. She noted that anyone could visit the Greater Egypt website for more information.

IV. 2024-941 Supervisor of Assessments

No update was given. Berkowitz discussed the land split request.

V. 2024-961 Morrison to Popejoy Land Split Parcel #14-30-100-030

*Berkowitz presented the land split request to the committee and answered various questions. She commented that she had approval from the Health Department and the Highway Engineer. After much discussion, a motion was made by Ikner, seconded by Phillips, to approve the Morrison to Popejoy Land Split Parcel #14-30-100-030. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: **YES** (4): Peterson, Ikner, Phillips, Lister **NO** (1): Rendleman **ABSTAIN** (1): Knust **ABSENT** (1): Bost*

VI. 2024-942 Jackson Growth Alliance

Mueller and Chapman reported that JGA had a strategic planning session where they reviewed last year's goals and created new goals for the new year. Mueller asked everyone to visit the JGA website.

VII. 2024-943 Southwest Connector Taskforce

No update was given this month. Rendleman commented that the project is not an IDOT priority and that there needed to be a political figure involved to help push/embrace the project.

Highway Department

VIII. 2024-944 Jackson County Bike Routes

No update was given this month.

IX. 2024-945 Payment of Highway Monthly Claims

*Burdick reviewed some items on the Highway Claims and answered questions from the committee. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Knust, to approve payment of the Highway Monthly Claims in the amount of \$822,121.80. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: **YES** (6): Peterson, Lister, Phillips, Ikner, Rendleman, Knust **ABSENT** (1): Bost*

X. 2024-946 County Highway Department Update

Burdick gave the committee an update from the County Highway Department, including information on the new Giant City Rd/Pleasant Hill Rd traffic signal going live on 11/14, updates on various bridge projects, and Safe Streets 4 All surveys. Burdick thanked the City of Carbondale for their cooperation with the Giant City/Pleasant Hill traffic signal project. Burdick also discussed various potential speed studies with the committee.

County Buildings & Grounds

XI. 2024-947 Project Manager Discussion

The County Administrator commented that the Courthouse Skylight repairs were scheduled for December 20th. She also reminded the committee that the Project Manager had attended last month's meeting and gave a presentation. Rendleman questioned if there were any pending projects that would need a project manager. The County Administrator commented that she would like permission from the board to put together a Request for Qualifications (RFQ). The committee discussed the topic before a motion was made by Knust, seconded by Lister, to have the County Administrator assemble and RFQ for a project manager for the committee to review. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

XII. 2024-948 Illinois Solar for All

Bruce Wallace began the discussion by asking to schedule a community solar representative to attend next month's meeting to speak with the committee. The committee discussed the request and agreed to have an item on the December agenda.

Representatives from Illinois Solar for All discussed solar options for the county, including a cash purchase versus a purchase power agreement (Illinois Solar for All). The committee discussed the options and asked various questions. A motion was made by Rendleman,

seconded by Ikner, to recommend that the full Board authorize and direct the Resource Coordinator to continue exploring the Illinois Solar for All program for the committee to consider possible solar installations on eligible county properties.

Old Business

New Business

Executive Session

*A motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Ikner, to enter into Executive Session under 2 (c) 1 of the Illinois Open Meetings Act to discuss Personnel. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: **YES** (6): Peterson, Lister, Phillips, Ikner, Rendleman, Knust **ABSENT** (1): Bost*

Adjourn

(6:33pm)

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