

**County Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 17, 2024 6:00 PM
Jackson County Courthouse, Courtroom 4**

Invocation

Call to Order

Calandro called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Members present were: Knust, Miller, Peterson, Comparato, Battrell, Mueller, Phillips, Erbes, Snyder, Rendleman, Ikner, Lister, Calandro, Bost. Absent: None.

Recognition of Visitors

Citizen Comments

Communications

Agency Reports

Peterson spoke about the following:

Greater Egypt Regional Planning and Development Commission

The Greater Egypt Commission met on December 10, 2024 at the Benton Civic Center for the annual meeting and dinner. The members approved the Audit report and the slate of officers for 2025. The Officers are: Chairman - Jeffrey Robinson, 1st Vice chair - Kathy Lively, 2d Vice chair - Kevin Weston, 3rd Vice chair - Julie Peterson, 4th Vice chair - Robert Spencer, Secretary - Steve Damron, Treasurer - Cindy Humm. At the dinner, the following Commission Awards were presented: Ed Smith (posthumously) - Meritorious Service Award, ET Simonds - Business Award, Jeff Ashauer - Special Award. The next Executive Committee meeting will be on January 14, 2025. The next commission meeting will be on February 11, 2025.

Mueller spoke about the following:

Jackson Growth Alliance (JGA)

JGA strategic Plan 2025 - Internal goal to attract new industry by purchasing land to expand industrial park. Also spoke about JGA internal marketing campaigns.

Erbes spoke about the following:

National Association of Counties (NACo)

The importance of being represented on the state level. Jackson is one of two deep southern counties represented. Solar power, rural internet access and agriculture were main topics of discussion. 2025 Meeting will be held every odd month with options for adding meetings in the even months.

Chairman Report

I. 2024-1089 Approval of Resolution 2024-80 In Appreciation of Maureen Berkowitz

A motion was made by Rendleman, seconded by Snyder, to approve Resolution 2024-80 in Appreciation of Maureen Berkowitz. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Chairman Calandro presented honorary plaque to Berkowitz.

II. 2024-1090 Approval of Resolution 2024-99 In Appreciation of Thomas Kupferer

A motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Erbes, to approve Resolution 2024-99 in Appreciation of Thomas Kupferer. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Chairman Calandro presented honorary plaque to Kupferer.

III. 2024-1091 Approval of Resolution 2024-100 In Appreciation of Cindy Svanda

A motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Mueller, to approve Resolution 2024-100 in Appreciation of Cindy Svanda. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Chairman Calandro presented honorary plaque to Svanda.

IV. 2024-1092 Approval of Resolution 2024-101 In Appreciation of Jill Stokes

A motion was made by Erbes, seconded by Snyder, to approve Resolution 2024-101 in Appreciation of Jill Stokes. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Chairman Calandro presented honorary plaque to Stokes.

V. 2024-1093 January 2025 Meetings Calendar

A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Erbes, to approve January 2025 Meetings Calendar. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

VI. 2024-1094 Committee Assignments

A motion was made by Peterson, seconded by Erbes, to approve Committee Assignments.

Knust requested to be taken off Opioid Committee. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: YES (8) - Phillips, Erbes, Miller, Snyder, Peterson, Comparato, Ikner, Calandro. NO (5) - Knust, Bost, Rendleman, Mueller, Lister. ABSTAIN (1) - Battrell.

Approval of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Bost, seconded by Erbes, to approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of items 25, 26, and 27. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Knust, to approve item 25 for the Approval of WK&T Matching Grant Payment in the amount of \$2,584,000.00. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Rendleman, seconded by Bost, to approve item 26 for the Approval to Reallocate and Obligate the Remaining ARPA Med/Seg Construction Funds to Salaries and Wages in County General Lost Revenue & item 27 for the Approval to Obligate the ARPA Interest Money to Salary and Wages in County General Lost Revenue. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- VII. 2024-1086 Approval of November 19, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes
- VIII. 2024-1095 Approval of November 19, 2024, Budget Adoption Meeting Minutes
- IX. 2024-1096 Approval of December 2, 2024, Special Board Meeting Minutes
- X. 2024-1097 Approval of Payment of HOPE Trust Dental & Vision Claims in the amount of \$11,256.73
- XI. 2024-1098 Approval of On-Demand Claims in the amount of \$146,717.71
- XII. 2024-1099 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-83 Permanent Parcel #14-09-352-006
- XIII. 2024-1100 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-84 Permanent Parcel # 05-05-328-007
- XIV. 2024-1101 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-85 Permanent Parcel # 09-32-451-027
- XV. 2024-1102 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-86 Permanent Parcel # 14-03-332-006
- XVI. 2024-1103 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-87 Permanent Parcel # 02-09-384-008
- XVII. 2024-1104 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-88 Permanent Parcel # 02-09-384-009
- XVIII. 2024-1105 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-89 Permanent Parcel # 02-09-384-010

- XIX. 2024-1106 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-90 Permanent Parcel # 05-05-328-002
- XX. 2024-1107 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-91 Permanent Parcel # 13-30-152-009
- XXI. 2024-1108 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-92 Permanent Parcel # 15-15-152-007
- XXII. 2024-1109 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-93 Permanent Parcel # 15-105-152-015
- XXIII. 2024-1110 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-94 Permanent Parcel # 7048
- XXIV. 2024-1111 Approval of Delinquent Tax Resolution 2024-95 Permanent Parcel # 9685
- XXV. 2024-1112 Approval of WK&T Matching Grant Payment in the amount of \$2,584,000.00
- XXVI. 2024-1113 Approval to Reallocate and Obligate the Remaining ARPA Med/Seg Construction Funds to Salaries and Wages in County General Lost Revenue
- XXVII. 2024-1114 Approval to Obligate the ARPA Interest Money to Salary and Wages in County General Lost Revenue
- XXVIII. 2024-1115 Approval of Ordinance 2024-05 Amending the Animal Control Fee Ordinance Jackson County, Illinois
- XXIX. 2024-1116 Authorization to Leave the Remaining SIMPO Reserve Funds in the amount of \$2,295.96 with Greater Egypt
- XXX. 2024-1117 Approval of Payment of Highway Monthly Claims in the amount of \$86,053.31
- XXXI. 2024-1118 Approval of Resolution 2024-96 Motor Fuel Tax Maintenance
- XXXII. 2024-1119 Approval of Resolution 2024-97 County Engineer Salary Reimbursement Program
- XXXIII. 2024-1120 Approval of Resolution 2024-98 Vision Zero Action Plan
- XXXIV. 2024-1121 Approval of Project Manager RFQ
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Standing Committee Reports

- XXXV. 2024-1122 DRAFT Committee Meeting Minutes (informational only)
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Executive Committee

- XXXVI. 2024- Supervisor of Assessments Appointment

1123

A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Erbes, to approve the Appointment of Tammy Ehlers to the position of Supervisor of Assessments. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

XXXVII. 2024- Open Appointments in December 2024 {6} *
1124

1. 708 Mental Health Board (1)* (County Board Representative)
2. Blairsville Water District (2)
3. Greater Egypt (2) * (County Board Representative)
4. Orville Water District (1)

A motion was made by Ikner, seconded by Phillips, to approve the appointment of Christine Snyder as the County Board Representative on the 708 Mental Health Board. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Rendleman, seconded by Snyder, to approve the appointment of Julie Peterson as the County Board Representative on the Greater Egypt Board. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Finance & Administration Committee

XXXVIII. 2024- Approval of County Monthly Claims in the amount of \$2,000,881.86
1125

A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Snyder, to approve the County Monthly Claims in the amount of \$2,000,881.86. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

XXXIX. 2024- Approval of Board Member Travel Expenses in the amount of \$4,957.36
1126

A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Rendleman, to approve Board Member Travel Expenses in the amount of \$4,957.36. Lister commented on need for more transparency and accountability regarding Board Member stipend/per diem. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: YES (11) - Phillips, Bost, Erbes, Snyder, Peterson, Rendleman, Comparato, Ikner, Mueller, Battrell, Calandro. NO (3) - Knust, Miller, Lister.

XL. 2024-1127 FY23 County Audit

Presentation on FY23 County Audit was made by Adam Pulley.

A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Battrell, to approve the FY23 County Audit. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Legislative & Public Safety Committee

XLI. 2024-1128 Approval of Ambulance Monthly Claims in the amount of \$58,406.72

A motion was made by Snyder, seconded by Phillips, to approve Ambulance Monthly Claims in the amount of \$58,406.72. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Real Property Committee

Special Committee Reports

XLII. 2024-1129 HR Subcommittee Update

Erbes gave brief update from HR Subcommittee concerning Affirmative Action Plan.

Old Business

New Business

Executive Session

Recess

*A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Erbes, to recess the meeting at 7:10 PM.
Motion carried by unanimous vote.*