

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS  
Committee of the Whole  
Tuesday, 11/12/2024 – 5:45 p.m.  
Jennifer Putman Meeting Room  
Brookens Administrative Center  
1776 E. Washington St.  
Urbana, IL 61801

Present: Carter, Fortado **(5:55)**, Greer, Locke, Lokshin, Owen, Peugh, Rogers **(5:49)**, Stohr, Straub, Taylor, Thorsland, Vanichtheeranont **(5:51)**

Absent: Cowart, Hanauer-Friedman, Rodriguez

1. **Call to Order:** 5:46 pm

2. **Approval of the Agenda–**

- a. Moved by Locke, second by Lokshin  
unanimous approval.
  - 1. Amended to put finance last

3. **Approval of the Minutes from October 15, 2024.**

- a. Moved by Thorsland, second by Stohr  
unanimous approval

4. **Public Participation–**

- a. None

5. **Announcements/Communications–**

- a. Member Stohr November 19th is World Toilet Day. There will be a hearing about carbon sequestration in Springfield tomorrow. Dr. Stohr is giving a talk about this on Thursday at the US Geological Survey at 11:45.
- b. Peugh- Replace the wax ring on your toilet.
- c. Carter– Turned over all communications to the Attorney General last week. Did not elaborate on who she was communicating with or why she needed to go to Springfield. No one asked any clarifying questions. Clark Deets needs money for sidewalks, so maybe we could do a Public Safety Sales Tax and be less divided.
- d. Owen– He got a spam email.

e. Thorsland– a carbon sequestration moratorium is going to go through ZBA.

**6. Review and Discussion of the COW Agenda**

**a. Policy, Personnel, and Appointments**

- i. Appointment to ZBA
- ii. Appointment to AC
- iii. Holiday Calendar
- iv. County Board Calendar of Meetings
- v. Cindy Cunningham to the Sheriff's Merit Commission

**b. Justice and Social Services**

- i. Resolution Honoring Lawrence Pope will come before the board next week as a re-dedication of the jail.

**c. Finance**

- i. Two budget amendments for grants
- ii. Mobile Home Certificates
- iii. HeadStart Grants
- iv. Tax Levy Ordinance is an annual event
- v. Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance
- vi. The external audit is still not done.
- vii. No one noticed that the payroll wasn't getting the books for three months. This was fixed by someone who works for RPC, not the Auditor's Office.

**7. Next Caucus Meeting:** November 21, 2024 @5:45pm

**8. Adjournment** 6:06 pm