



**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE –Finance/Policy/Justice Agenda**
County of Champaign, Urbana, Illinois
Tuesday, January 17, 2012 – 6:00 p.m.

*Lyle Shields Meeting Room, Brookens Administrative Center
1776 East Washington Street, Urbana, Illinois*

I. Call To Order

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Minutes

A. Committee of the Whole Minutes – December 13, 2011

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IV. Approval of Agenda/Addenda

V. Public Participation

VI. Communications

VII. Justice & Social Services:

A. Agency Presentation – Juvenile Delinquency Grants Programs and ACCESS Initiative

B. Monthly Reports – all reports are available on each department’s webpage through the department reports page at: <http://www.co.champaign.il.us/COUNTYBD/deptrpts.htm>

1. Emergency Management Agency – December 2011
2. Head Start – December 2011
3. Probation & Court Services – November 2011

C. Probation and Court Services

1. Filing of 2012 Court Services Annual Plan with County Board Chair

D. Other Business

E. Chair’s Report

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

VIII. Finance:

A. Budget Amendments & Transfers

1. Budget Amendment #12-00004

Fund/Dept: 089 County Public Health Fund-049 Board of Health

Total Amount of Transfer: \$62,898

Reason: To Amend FY2012 Budget to Allow for Payment of Final Invoice for November 2011 to be Added to the Total Obligation to be Paid from the 2012 Budget. November 2011 Invoice Was Not Received in Time to be Paid Out of the 2011 Budget.

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2. Budget Amendment #12-00005 12
Fund/Dept: 080 General Corporate-010 County Board
Increased Appropriations: \$14,000
Increased Revenue: None: from Fund Balance
Reason: To Appropriate the Financial Obligation for the County’s Participation in the Intergovernmental Agreement to Challenge the EPA Decision Regarding the Clinton Landfill Permit Application to Accept PCBs.

 3. Budget Amendment #12-00006 13-14
Fund/Dept: 105 Capital Asset Replacement Fund-059 Facilities Planning
Increased Appropriations: \$29,483
Increased Revenue: None: from Fund Balance
Reason: To Appropriate Funds for Emergency Replacement of Steamer Kettle at Satellite Jail, and for Remodel/Expansion of Early Voting Space in County Clerk’s Office

 - B. County Administrator
 1. General Corporate Fund FY2011 Budget Projection Report (*to be distributed*)
 2. General Corporate Fund Budget Change Report (*to be distributed*)
 3. Recommendation for Elected Official Salaries 2013-2016 15-19
 4. Recommendation for Consolidation of Special Revenue Funds 20-21
 - a. Eliminate Fund 109 and Move Funds to Fund 106

Budget Amendment #12-00007 22
Fund/Dept: 677 Juvenile Intervention Services-052 Court Services
Increased Appropriations: \$3,000
Increased Revenue: None: from Fund Balance
Reason: Amendment is Necessary to Close Out Fund 677 in Order to Implement Government Accounting Standards Board Statement #54

Budget Amendment #12-00008 23
Fund/Dept: 618 Probation Services Fund-051 Juvenile Detention Center
Increased Appropriations: \$13,000
Increased Revenue: \$13,000
Reason: Amendment is Necessary to Close Out Fund 677 in Order to Implement Government Accounting Standards Board Statement #54
 - b. Eliminate Fund 677 and Move Funds to Fund 618
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- C. Auditor
 1. Monthly Report – December 2011 24-31
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- D. Treasurer
 1. Monthly Report –December 2011 & Annual Report- Reports are available on the Treasurer’s webpage at <http://www.co.champaign.il.us/TREAS/reports.htm>
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- E. Other Business
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- F. Chair’s Report

G. Designation of Items to be Placed on County Board Consent Agenda

IX. Policy, Personnel, & Appointments:

A. Appointments/Reappointments

1. Craw Cemetery Association – Unexpired Term Ending 6/30/2017 32
Applicant:
• Wanda Hadden

B. List of Appointments Expiring in 2012 (*Provided for information only*) 33-36

C. County Administrator

1. Vacant Positions Listing (*Provided for information only*) 37
2. Recommendation for Award of Contract for Courthouse Sound and Video Arraignment Systems pursuant to RFP 2012-001 (*To be distributed*)

D. County Clerk

1. Monthly Report- December 2011 38

E. Other Business

1. Municipal Electricity Aggregation for Residential & Small Business – Recommendation for Participation of Villages with the County

F. Chair’s Report

G. Designation of Items to be Placed on County Board Consent Agenda

X. Other Business

A. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Public Notice

1. Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Public Notice of Proposed Renewal of the Clean Air Act Permit Program - Permit for The Peoples Gas Light and Coke Company Near Fisher 39

XI. Adjourn

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**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES**

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**Justice & Social Services/Finance/Policy, Personnel, & Appointments
Tuesday, December 13, 2011
Lyle Shields Meeting Room, Brookens Administrative Center
1776 E. Washington St., Urbana, Illinois**

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Christopher Alix, Carol Ammons, Jan Anderson, Ron Bensyl, Thomas Betz, Lloyd Carter, Lorraine Cowart, Aaron Esry, Stephanie Holderfield, Stan James, John Jay, Brad Jones, Alan Kurtz, Gary Maxwell, Brendan McGinty, Diane Michaels, Alan Nudo, Steve O'Connor, Patsi Petrie, James Quisenberry, Michael Richards, Giraldo Rosales, Jonathan Schroeder, C. Pius Weibel

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MEMBERS ABSENT: Astrid Berkson, Ralph Langenheim, Steve Moser

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OTHERS PRESENT: Deb Busey (County Administrator), Gordy Hulten (County Clerk), Stan Jenkins (Supervisor of Assessments), Alan Reinhart (Facilities Director), Kay Rhodes (Administrative Assistant), Amanda Tucker (Human Resources Generalist), Dan Welch (Treasurer)

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CALL TO ORDER

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Weibel called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

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ROLL CALL

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Rhodes called the roll. Alix, Ammons, Anderson, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Esry, Holderfield, James, Jay, Jones, Kurtz, Maxwell, McGinty, Michaels, Nudo, O'Connor, Petrie, Quisenberry, Rosales, Schroeder, and Weibel were present at the time of roll call, establishing the presence of a quorum. Weibel said Berkson, Langenheim, and Moser had notified him they would not be present at the meeting.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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MOTION by James to approve the November 8, 2011 Committee of the Whole minutes; seconded by Betz. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDA

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MOTION by Kurtz to approve the agenda as amended; seconded by Rosales. Weibel stated item VIII-E1 would be removed from the agenda at the request of Ammons. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

50 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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52 Jill Capes, a representative of the Champaign-Urbana Immigration Forum, spoke about the
53 Federal Secure Communities Program in Champaign-Urbana. Capes said the intent of the program
54 was to identify and report criminal aliens. She said this program does not work because 70% of the
55 detainees are not criminals. Capes invited everyone to read the Champaign-Urbana Immigration
56 Forum report.

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58 Ricardo Diaz also represented the C-U Immigration Forum and spoke about the Secure
59 Communities Program. Diaz said the federal program began in August and citizens were not made
60 aware of it. The C-U Immigration Forum was created because of concerned citizens in the
61 community. Diaz explained their report contains a summary of information obtained through FOIA
62 requests.

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64 Richards entered the meeting at 6:13 p.m.

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66 Derek Winstanley spoke about the risks associated with the proposed construction of the
67 chemical waste landfill in Clinton for PCB disposal. Winstanley explained the current Clinton
68 landfill accepts PCBs with a concentration of up to 50 parts per million and the proposed landfill
69 will accept concentrations greater than 50 parts per million. The current maximum for contamination
70 of drinking water as stated by the EPA is 0.5 parts per billion. Winstanley said this is much less, than
71 the concentration accepted by the landfill. He said the U.S. Congress banned the use of PCBs in
72 1979. Winstanley explained the permit approval for the Clinton Landfill falls under the jurisdiction
73 of the Toxic Substances Control Act of 1976. Winstanley said the Mahomet Aquifer sits under the
74 proposed chemical waste disposal site of the Clinton Landfill. Winstanley stated there is a very high
75 risk of contamination to the ground water supply used throughout East Central Illinois.

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77 **COMMUNICATIONS**

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79 James spoke about Joe Brown, former Champaign County Sheriff, and former Rantoul
80 Mayor.

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82 **FINANCE**

83 Budget Amendments/Transfers

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85 Budget Amendment #11-00058

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87 **MOTION** by Jones to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Amendment #11-
88 00058 for Fund/Dept: 080 General Corporate-042 Coroner with increased appropriations of \$312
89 with increased revenue of \$312; seconded by Ammons. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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91 Budget Amendment #11-00060

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93 **MOTION** by Kurtz to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Amendment #11-
94 00060 for Fund/Dept: 092 Law Library-074 Law Library with increased appropriations of \$2,616
95 and no increased revenue: from Fund Balance; seconded by Rosales. **Motion carried with**
96 **unanimous support.**

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98 Budget Amendment #11-00061

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100 **MOTION** by Anderson to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Amendment
101 #11-00061 for Fund/Dept: 080 General Corporate-020 Auditor with increased appropriations of
102 \$5,500 and no increased revenue: from Fund Balance; seconded by Petrie. **Motion carried.**

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104 Budget Amendment #11-00062

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106 **MOTION** by Holderfield to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Amendment
107 #11-00062 for Fund/Dept: 621 States Attorney Drug Forfeitures-041 States Attorney with increased
108 appropriations of \$38,100 and increased revenue of \$28,000; seconded by Bensyl. Ammons asked
109 why the appropriation amount did not match the revenue amount. Busey explained this was a drug
110 asset forfeiture fund for the States Attorney. They take the revenues from this fund and transfer them
111 to General Corporate and they did not transfer as much last year. This allows them to increase the
112 transfer for FY2011. **Motion carried.**

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114 Budget Amendment #11-00064

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116 **MOTION** by James to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Amendment #11-
117 00064 for Fund/Dept: 080 General Corporate-043 Emergency Management Agency with increased
118 appropriations of \$12,413 and no increased revenue: from Fund Balance; seconded by Ammons.
119 **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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121 Budget Transfer #11-00018

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123 **MOTION** by Kurtz to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Transfer #11-00018
124 for Fund/Dept: 092 Law Library-074 Law Library for a total amount of \$121; seconded by
125 Holderfield. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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127 Budget Transfer #11-00019

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129 **MOTION** by Esry to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Transfer #11-00019
130 for Fund/Dept: 080 General Corporate-031 Circuit Court for a total of amount of \$15,000; seconded
131 by Bensyl. Michaels asked if this equipment would coordinate with the new sound system. Busey
132 assured her they would work. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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134 Budget Transfer #11-00020

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136 **MOTION** by Schroeder to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Transfer #11-
137 00020 for Fund/Dept: 614 Recorders Automation Fund-023 Recorder for a total of amount of \$378;
138 seconded by Ammons. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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140 Budget Transfer #12-00001

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142 **MOTION** by Jones to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Transfer #12-00001
143 for Fund/Dept: 080 General Corporate-036 Public Defender for a total of amount of \$29,700;
144 seconded by Ammons. Betz abstained due to a conflict of interest. **Motion carried with unanimous**
145 **support.**

146 Budget Amendment #12-00001

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148 **MOTION** by Maxwell to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Amendment
149 #12-00001 for Fund/Dept: 106 Public Safety Sales Tax Fund-013 Debt Service with increased
150 appropriations of \$230,000 and no increased revenue: from Fund Balance; seconded by Weibel.

151 **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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153 Budget Amendment #12-00002

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155 **MOTION** by Kurtz to recommend approval to County Board of Budget Amendment #12-
156 00002 for Fund/Dept: 685 Drug Courts Program-053 Mental Health Board for increased
157 appropriations of \$100,000 and increased revenue of \$100,000; seconded by Anderson. **Motion**
158 **carried with unanimous support.**

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160 Sheriff

161 Extension of Contract to Provide Special Police Services for the Village of Savoy

162 Amendment to Aramark Agreement for Inmate Food Services

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164 **MOTION** by O'Connor to approve the Extension of Contract to Provide Special Police
165 Services for the Village of Savoy; seconded by Jay. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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167 **MOTION** by Holderfield to approve an Amendment to the Aramark Agreement for Inmate
168 Food Services: seconded by O'Connor. Ammons asked what the financial impact of the amendment
169 to the agreement would be. Busey would provide this information at the County Board meeting.

170 **Motion carried.**

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172 State's Attorney

173 Designation of the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor as Agent

174 Litigation Assistance Agreement

175 Renewal of Victim Advocacy Grant

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177 **MOTION** by James to approve authorization to designate the office of the State's Attorneys
178 Appellate Prosecutor as Agent; seconded by O'Connor. Busey stated the cost of services has
179 changed from \$27,000 to \$30,000 due to the increased population of Champaign County. **Motion**
180 **carried with unanimous support.**

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182 **MOTION** by James to approve the Litigation Assistance Agreement; seconded by
183 Holderfield. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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185 **MOTION** by Ammons to approve the renewal of the Victim Advocacy Grant for FY2012;
186 seconded by Cowart. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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188 Facilities Director

189 Request Waiver to Hiring Freeze

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191 **MOTION** by James to approve the waiver to the hiring freeze for a Maintenance Worker
192 position; seconded by Petrie. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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194 County Administrator

195 General Corporate Fund FY2011 Budget Projection Report

196 General Corporate Fund Budget Change Report

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198 Busey said the FY2011 projection for the end of year would be a \$500,000 to \$600,000
199 revenue positive position. Busey said this would place the fund balance at ten percent and there were
200 no changes to the General Corporate Fund report. **MOTION** by Ammons to receive and place the
201 General Corporate Fund FY2011 Budget Projection Report and General Corporate Fund Budget
202 Change Report on file; seconded by Rosales. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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204 Auditor

205 Monthly Report

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207 **MOTION** by Rosales to receive and place on file the November 2011 report; seconded by
208 Cowart. **Motion carried.**

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210 Treasurer

211 Monthly Report

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213 **MOTION** by Jones to receive and place on file the November 2011 report; seconded by
214 Kurtz. **Motion carried.**

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216 Other Business

217 Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding the Clinton Landfill Permit

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219 **MOTION** by Kurtz to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding the Clinton
220 Landfill Permit; seconded by Quisenberry. Weibel abstained due to a conflict of interest. Petrie
221 asked if other communities or counties outside of Champaign County, which also receive drinking
222 water from the Aquifer, were engaged in Clinton Landfill discussions. Joe Hooker, Assistant
223 Attorney for the City of Champaign explained Steve Carter, the City Manager, had taken on the
224 responsibility of contacting other governmental entities, and could not specify. Hooker confirmed
225 that Normal, Savoy, the City of Urbana, and the City of Champaign had all authorized it. The City of
226 Bloomington would place it on their agenda for consideration in January. Hooker said the shared
227 costs would decrease with the increase of participating governmental entities. Petrie asked if there
228 were any potential for additional costs in the future for any reports or experts. Hooker said they
229 would be limited to any expert testimony that had already been given and on record. Petrie asked if
230 the County had the option to limit the time period of commitment. Hooker explained this would
231 depend on what limitations the County set forth in the resolution.

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233 Kurtz read a prepared statement regarding the dangers of PCBs and in support of the
234 Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding the Clinton Landfill Permit and urged others to do so as
235 well because it was their responsibility to protect the citizens of Champaign County. Betz asked if
236 the County would be committed to paying for additional litigation if it were required. Hooker
237 explained there was a possibility for appeal as with any case, but the County could construct the
238 resolution to limit participation and address any concerns. Maxwell asked if there was a commitment
239 deadline because he was concerned other counties had not joined in the effort yet. Hooker said once
240 the decision by the U.S. EPA is made the time limit to file an appeal would be 60 days. They wanted
241 to act quickly once the decision is made. Schroeder asked what experience the chosen attorneys had

242 in this type of litigation. Hooker explained Albert Ettinger is a sole practitioner who has successfully
243 litigated several cases under the Clean Water Act and represented the Prairie Rivers Network and the
244 Sierra Club. Hooker said David Wentworth had already successfully litigated with this landfill
245 company to stop actions in Peoria.

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247 Hooker stated the Mahomet Valley Water Authority a public body whose purpose is to
248 protect the Mahomet Aquifer, had stated they were in opposition to the landfill and hired an attorney
249 to represent them. The MVWA also hired a consultant who identified several concerns about
250 misrepresentations made by the landfill company in their proposal.

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252 Nudo supported the idea in general, however was concerned about the terms of commitment
253 and costs if the case is appealed. Nudo said there were incorporated areas of the County, which
254 should have some say about it as well. Nudo wanted to meet with all the government entities at once
255 to determine their level of commitment. Nudo said this issue should have gone through Environment
256 & Land Use first and then been presented to Finance. He did not feel it was urgent for the
257 Committee of the Whole to make a decision now without further discussion and study. Alix asked if
258 intergovernmental involvement could result in strengthening the terms of the permit if the EPA
259 approves it. Hooker said there was no way to reduce the risk adequately by redesigning the landfill.
260 Hooker said the permit applicant's proposal was reasonable given today's technology for landfills in
261 general; however, there was nothing that could be done to eliminate the long-term risk.

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263 Alix said he had some experience with PCB contamination and it was his experience that it
264 was much harder to remove contamination from the soil than to keep it out in the first place. Alix
265 added that by the time clean up is needed companies either do not have the funds or they are long
266 gone. Alix stated when compared to the potential loss of millions of dollars in economic loss and
267 clean up costs, \$14,000 was a small amount to pay. Anderson said the Environment & Land Use
268 committee had discussed the landfill and were against it. Anderson felt that Champaign County
269 should take the lead and not wait for participation from other counties.

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271 James did not support the landfill permit, but was concerned about the cost of legal fees
272 because they tend to escalate beyond the initial cost estimate and the taxpayer pays for it.
273 Holderfield asked if other communities had litigated this type of case and won. Winstanley
274 confirmed other communities in the United States had won this type of lawsuit. Kurtz reiterated the
275 risks involved if the permit is approved and his support of the intergovernmental agreement against
276 it. Nudo supported the idea but wanted to see specific language in the resolution outlining the
277 County's commitment and responsibilities. Quisenberry inquired about the cost distribution and if it
278 was based on populations alone. Hooker confirmed population was the basis for the distribution of
279 costs. Quisenberry thought a more equitable distribution might be based on water usage.

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281 **MOTION** by Betz to call the question; seconded by Cowart. Kurtz asked for a roll call vote.
282 **Motion carried 13 to 10** Alix, Anderson, Betz, Cowart, Jay, Jones, Kurtz, Maxwell, McGinty,
283 O'Connor, Quisenberry, Richards, and Rosales voted in favor of the motion and Ammons, Bensyl,
284 Carter, Esry, Holderfield, James, Michaels, Nudo, Petrie, and Schroeder voted against the motion.
285 Weibel abstained due to a conflict of interest.

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287 There was no Chair's report.

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290 Designation of Items to be Placed on County Board Consent Agenda

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292 Items A1, A2, A5-8, A10-11 B1, C1-3, D1

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294 **POLICY, PERSONNEL, & APPOINTMENTS**

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296 Appointments/Reappointments

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298 **MOTION** by Weibel to appoint John Dempsey to the Champaign Southwest MTD Board,
299 Term 1/1/2012-12/31/2016; seconded by Quisenberry. **Motion carried 14 to 10** Carter, Esry,
300 Holderfield, James, Jay, Maxwell, Michaels, Nudo, O'Connor, Petrie, Quisenberry, Weibel, Alix,
301 and Bensyl voted in favor of the motion. Betz, Cowart, Jones, Kurtz, McGinty, Richards, Rosales,
302 Schroeder, Ammons, and Anderson voted against the motion.

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304 **MOTION** by Weibel to appoint Stan Jenkins as the Champaign County Supervisor of
305 Assessments, Term 1/1/2012-11/30/2015; seconded by Kurtz. **Motion carried with unanimous**
306 **support.**

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308 **MOTION** by Weibel to appoint Deloris Henry and Aillin Dannave to the Champaign
309 County Mental Health Board, Term 1/1/2012-12/31/2015; seconded by Cowart. **Motion carried**
310 **with unanimous support.**

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312 **MOTION** by Weibel to appoint Mark D. Bialeschki to the Two-Mile Slough Drainage
313 District for an unexpired term ending 8/3/2014; seconded by Schroeder. **Motion carried with**
314 **unanimous support.**

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316 **MOTION** by Weibel to waive land ownership rule and appoint Steven Maddock to the
317 Willow Branch Drainage District for an unexpired term ending 8/31/2014; seconded by Betz.
318 **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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320 **MOTION** by Weibel to appoint Minor Jackson, Chris Bruns, and Elaine Palencia to the
321 Rural Transportation Advisory Group, term 12/1/2011-11/30/2013; seconded by James. **Motion**
322 **carried with unanimous support.**

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324 **MOTION** by Weibel to appoint Giraldo Rosales as County Board Liaison to the ACCESS
325 Initiative Coordinating Council, term 12/20/2011-11/30/2012; seconded by Nudo. Weibel said all
326 reports from Rosales are to go through Richards, Deputy Chair of Justice and Social Services.
327 **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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329 County Administrator

330 Recommended Revisions to Personnel Policy

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332 Busey stated the recommended revisions to the Personnel Policy were to bring the policy into
333 compliance with the current EEO legislative and legal guidelines. **MOTION** by Betz to approve the
334 recommended revisions to the Personnel Policy; seconded by Esry. **Motion carried with**
335 **unanimous support.**

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338 County Clerk
339 Monthly & Semi-Annual Reports
340 Establish Places of Election

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342 **MOTION** by McGinty to receive the November 2011 Fees report and the Semi-Annual
343 report and place on file; seconded by Quisenberry. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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345 Bensyl left the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

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347 **MOTION** by Weibel to approve the establishment of places of election: seconded by James.
348 Weibel asked if the County Clerk had any information regarding the number of changes. Hulten
349 explained the number of precincts increased from 117 to 118 due to redistricting and because St.
350 Joseph now has three precincts, an additional polling place was needed. Hulten said a number of
351 changes were also made to existing precinct boundaries, particularly to the outlying areas of the City
352 of Champaign, City of Urbana, Champaign Township, Southwest City of Champaign, Urbana
353 Township, and in Southeast Cunningham Township. Those changes shifted the population
354 boundaries and new polling places were needed. Hulten stated more polling places were also added
355 to handle the anticipated large voter turnout for the upcoming election. He also wanted to break-up
356 some of the consolidated polling places to distribute the voter load. Hulten said they had the ability
357 to run up to 102 polling places in Champaign County. He said this would have a minimum impact
358 on the County Clerk's budget and it would be able to absorb the increased costs. Hulten said new
359 voter registration cards containing all the new information would be distributed in January. **Motion**
360 **carried with unanimous support.**

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362 Other Business

363 Resolution Honoring Retired Zoning Board of Appeals Member Melvin Schroeder
364 Question to Adopt an "Opt-Out" Program

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366 **MOTION** by Cowart to approve a resolution honoring retired Zoning Board of Appeals
367 member, Melvin Schroeder; seconded by Jay. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

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369 Weibel said he learned about the Opt-Out Program in October. Weibel learned that the City
370 of Champaign, Savoy, and the City of Urbana had been pursuing this program for some time and
371 planned to have a referendum this spring. Weibel wanted to join with the other entities to place the
372 question on the ballot. Weibel highlighted the benefits of Municipal Electric Aggregation. He
373 explained the law allows entities to combine purchasing power and purchase electricity as a group at
374 the best price. He said it is only available to Ameren customers. Weibel said it is estimated to have a
375 cost savings of up to 30% on electricity charges in the first year. He said once the referendum
376 passed, individuals could opt out at any time. However, they could not opt back in.

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378 **MOTION** by Petrie to approve a resolution authorizing the submission of a public question
379 to adopt and "Opt-Out" program for the supply of electricity to residential and small commercial
380 retail customers; seconded by Richards. Kurtz stated he would abstain from the vote due to a conflict
381 of interest. Richards said this presented a great opportunity for the County. Maxwell asked the
382 County Clerk about any additional costs and the deadline for approval in order to place the question
383 on the ballot. Hulten stated the cut-off to place a question on the ballot was January 3, 2012 for the
384 March primary. Hulten indicated his office would not begin creating ballots until the middle of
385 January and he estimated the cost to be approximately \$10,000. More discussion followed. Ammons

386 stated she needed to abstain from the vote as well due to a possible conflict of interest. **Motion**
387 **carried.**

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389 Chair's Report

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391 There was no Chair's report.

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393 Designation of Items to be Placed on County Board Consent Agenda

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395 Items A2, A3, A5, A6, A7, A8, B2, C3, and D1

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397 **JUSTICE & SOCIAL SERVICES**

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399 Monthly Reports

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401 **OMNIBUS MOTION** by James to receive reports of Animal Control-October 2011,
402 Emergency Management Agency-November 2011, Head Start-November 2011, Public Defender-
403 June 2011 through October 2011, Probation & Court Services-October 2011 and 3rd Quarter Juvenile
404 Supervision and place on file; seconded by Jones. Richards explained the Public Defender's office
405 has had issues since the JANO System became operational a little over a year ago. They experienced
406 program and data entry issues in conjunction with one less employee. Richards said the glitches in
407 the system had been addressed so the Public Defender's office should be able to supply their reports
408 more regularly. Petrie asked why the Circuit Clerk and Coroner's reports were not up to date on the
409 website. Busey explained these were elected officials and could be contacted directly regarding any
410 concerns about their reports. Richards agreed. **Motion carried.**

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412 Probation & Court Services

413 Acceptance of Grant

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415 **MOTION** by Ammons for approval of application and if awarded, acceptance of grant from
416 the Illinois Criminal Justice Authority; seconded by Anderson. **Motion carried with unanimous**
417 **support.**

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419 Other Business

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421 Ammons said Justice & Social Services should receive reports from ACCESS Initiative.
422 Richards agreed and stated the appointment of Rosales as the County Board Liaison to the ACCESS
423 Initiative Coordinating Council was a good first step in this direction.

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425 Chair's Report

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427 There was no Chair's report.

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429 Designation of Items to be Placed on County Board Consent Agenda

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431 Item B1

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434 **OTHER BUSINESS**

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Weibel stated the RFP for the Courts sound and video arraignment system did not make the agenda. Busey explained the RFP is ready to be posted and she would like to bring it to the County Board meeting for approval as a committee item. Busey requested this action because they would like to bring a proposed contract to the Committee of the Whole in January and needed to proceed with the RFP as soon as possible to keep the project moving forward.

Alix understood that he and Quisenberry were to be involved in the creation of the RFP and neither he nor Quisenberry were contacted about it. Busey said she would present the RFP to Alix and Quisenberry for review prior to the release.

Nudo requested that the recording secretary change his vote to “yes” regarding the approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding the Clinton Landfill Permit. Betz said a motion to reconsider was needed from someone on the prevailing side. **MOTION** by Jay to reconsider the question on the approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding the Clinton Landfill Permit; seconded by Rosales. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

A second roll call vote was taken for the approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding the Clinton Landfill Permit. Weibel abstained due to a conflict of interest. **Motion carried with a vote of 16 to 6.** Betz, Carter, Cowart, Holderfield, Jay, Jones, Kurtz, Maxwell, McGinty, Nudo, O’Connor, Quisenberry, Richards, Rosales, Schroeder, and Alix voted in favor of the motion and Esry, James, Michaels, Petrie, Ammons, and Anderson voted against it.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Rhodes
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