



**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

*Finance/ Policy, Personnel, & Appointments/Justice & Social Services*

County of Champaign, Urbana, Illinois

Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Shields-Carter Meeting Room

Brookens Administrative Center

1776 East Washington Street, Urbana, Illinois

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**MINUTES – Approved as Distributed on September 13, 2022**

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**Members Present:** Lorraine Cowart, Aaron Esry, Stephanie Fortado, Jim Goss, Stan Harper, Jenny Lokshin, Jim McGuire, Diane Michaels, Brad Passalacqua, Jacob Paul, Chris Stohr, Leah Taylor, Bethany Vanichtheeranont, Jodi Wolken, Kyle Patterson

**Members Absent:** Samantha Carter, Mary King, Emily Rodriguez, Jennifer Straub, Steve Summers, Eric Thorsland, Wayne Williams,

**Others Present:** Darlene Kloeppe (County Executive), Tami Ogden (Director of Finance), Bill Colbrook (Director of Administration), M.C. Neal (Chief Information Officer), George Danos (Auditor), Megan Robison (Recording Secretary)

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**Agenda Items**

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Patterson called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**II. Roll Call**

Roll call was taken, and a quorum was declared present.

**III. Approval of Agenda/Addenda**

**MOTION** by Mr. Goss to approve the agenda; seconded by Ms. Michaels. Ms. Fortado offered a friendly amendment to the motion, mentioning the Treasurer was not ready to present information for items IX. B. 2-3, she would like to remove those from the agenda. Mr. Goss and Ms. Michaels agreed to the friendly amendment to approve the agenda with the removal of items IX. B. 1-2. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

A. June 14, 2022 – Regular Meeting

**MOTION** by Ms. Lokshin to approve the minutes of June 14, 2022; seconded by Ms. Vanichtheeranont. Upon roll call vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

**V. Public Participation**

Emily Schieferdecker and Ryan Lawrence, AmeriCorps volunteers, gave some background about AmeriCorps NCCC. They have three sponsors in Champaign County: Planning & Zoning, Urbana Public Works and Champaign County Forest Preserve. They gave details of the projects they are currently working on with their sponsors.

Brianna Harrison, AFSCME Secretary and Circuit Clerk employee, came to speak about contract negotiations. She stated the County is currently singling out the Highway employees by asking them to pay a higher insurance premium than the other AFSCME units. She explained the work environment for highway employees, the raising insurance prices and requested the Board support equitable contracts.

Linda McDonald, applicant for the Sangamon Valley Public Water District, explained that she is currently retired and has an interest in serving her community on this board.

**VI. Communications**

None

**VII. Justice and Social Services**

A. Monthly Reports – All reports are available on each department’s webpage through the department reports page

- Probation & Court Services – May & June 2022 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report
- Public Defender – June 2022
- Animal Control – June & July 2022
- Emergency Management Agency – May & June 2022

Received and placed on file

B. Rosecrance Re-Entry Financial Report – May 2022

Information only

C. Other Business

None

D. Chair’s Report

None

E. Designation of Items to be Placed on the Consent Agenda

None

**VIII. Policy, Personnel, & Appointments**

A. County Executive

1. Appointments/Reappointments (*italics indicates incumbent*)

- a. Resolution appointing *Kenneth Decker* to the South Fork Drainage District, term 9/1/2022-8/31/2025
- b. Resolution appointing *Dennis Butler* to the Pesotum Slough Drainage District, term 9/1/2022-8/31/2025
- c. Resolution appointing *Dennis Riggs* to the Wrisk Drainage District, term 9/1/2022-8/31/2025
- d. Resolution appointing *Steve Stierwalt* to the Okaw Drainage District, term 9/1/2022-8/31/2025
- e. Resolution appointing *Dave Mennenga* to the Longbranch Mutual Drainage District, term 9/1/2022-8/31/2025
- f. Resolution appointing *William Wilken* to the Triple Fork Drainage District, term 9/1/2022-8/31/2025
- g. Resolution appointing *Mike Buhr* to the Prairie Creek Drainage District, term 9/1/2022-8/31/2025
- h. Resolution appointing *Larry Zahnd* to Drainage District #2 Town of Scott, term 9/1/2022-8/31/2025
- i. Resolution appointing *Jerry Heinz* to the Two Mile Slough Drainage District, term 9/1/2022-8/31/2025

- j. Resolution appointing *Doug Bluhm* to Drainage District #10 Town of Ogden, term 9/1/2022-8/31/2025
- k. Resolution appointing Josh Daly to the St. Joseph #3 Drainage District, term ending 8/31/2023

**OMNIBUS MOTION** by Mr. Esry to recommend County Board approval of resolutions appointing Kenneth Decker, Dennis Butler, Dennis Riggs, Steve Stirewalt, Dave Mennenga, William Wilken, Mike Buhr, Larry Zahnd, Jerry Heinz, Doug Bluhm and Josh Daly to their respective drainage districts; seconded by Mr. Passalacqua. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

- l. Resolution appointing Jerry Cekander to the Craw Cemetery Association, term ending 6/30/2023
- m. Resolution appointing Gary Musson to the Craw Cemetery Association, term ending 6/30/2023
- n. Resolution appointing Dan Gady to the Craw Cemetery Association, term ending 6/30/2023
- o. Resolution appointing Douglas Bialeschki to the Craw Cemetery Association, term ending 6/30/2024
- p. Resolution appointing Vicki Van Uithoven to the Craw Cemetery Association, term ending 6/30/2028
- q. Resolution appointing Barbara Soucie to the Clements Cemetery Association, term ending 6/30/2026

**MOTION** by Ms. Taylor to recommend County Board approval of resolutions appointing Jerry Cekander, Gary Musson, Dan Gady, Douglas Bialeschki, Vicki Van Uithoven and Barbara Soucie to their respective boards; seconded by Ms. Vanichtheeranont. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

- r. Resolution appointing Rebecca Richardson to the Sangamon Valley Public Water District, term ending 5/31/2027

**MOTION** by Ms. Lokshin to recommend County Board approval of a resolution appointing Rebecca Richardson to the Sangamon Valley Public Water District; seconded by Ms. Cowart. Upon vote, the **MOTION FAILED**.

- s. Currently vacant appointments – full list and information is available on the County’s website

Information only

- t. Applications for open appointments

Information only

- 2. Recommendation to the Finance Committee for approval of the creation of the Senior Systems Administrator position to be assigned to Grade Range K, effective August 19, 2022

**MOTION** by Ms. Cowart to forward the creation of the Senior Systems Administrator position to the Finance Committee for approval; seconded by Ms. Michaels. Discussion followed with Mr. Neal regarding details of this position and why it is needed. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

B. County Clerk

1. Monthly Reports

- June & July 2022
- Semi-Annual Report – June 2022

Received and placed on file

C. Other Business

None

D. Chair's Report

None

E. Designation of Items to be Placed on the Consent Agenda

VIII. A. 1. a-q

**IX. Finance**

A. Budget Amendments/Transfers

1. Budget Transfer BUA 2022/7/426

Fund 1080 General Corporate / Dept 022 County Clerk

Amount: \$35,000

Reason: To pay for election judges and workers that work prior to Election Day.

**MOTION** by Mr. Patterson to recommend County Board approval of a resolution approving budget transfer BUA 2022/7/426; seconded by Ms. Lokshin. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

2. Budget Amendment BUA 2022/7/437

Fund 1080 General Corporate / Dept 023 Recorder

Increased Appropriations: \$689,359

Increased Revenue: \$1,004,212

Reason: Several large transactions, coupled with a booming housing market, requires additional projected revenue and expenditures to be captured for the remainder of FY2022.

**MOTION** by Mr. Goss to recommend County Board approval of a resolution approving budget amendment BUA 2022/7/437; seconded by Ms. Michaels. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

B. Treasurer

1. Monthly Report – February, March & April 2022 – Reports are available on the Treasurer's webpage

Received and placed on file

2. Resolution approving the Champaign County Credit Card Policy

Removed from agenda

3. Potential staffing requests

Removed from agenda

C. Auditor

1. Monthly Report – June 2022 – Reports are available on the Auditor’s webpage

Received and placed on file

D. County Clerk

1. Resolution authorizing an acceptance agreement between Champaign County and the Illinois State Board of Elections for a FY2023 Illinois Voter Registration System (IVRS) Grant

**MOTION** by Mr. Patterson to recommend County Board approval of a resolution authorizing an acceptance agreement between Champaign County and the Illinois State Board of Elections for a FY2023 Illinois Voter Registration System (IVRS) Grant; seconded by Ms. Taylor. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

E. County Executive

1. Recommendation to the County Board for approval of the creation of the Senior Systems Administrator position to be assigned to Grade Range K, effective August 19, 2022
2. Budget Amendment BUA 2022/8/15  
Fund 1080 General Corporate / Dept 028 Information Technology  
Increased Appropriations: \$22,500  
Increased Revenue: \$0  
Reason: To fund the new Senior Systems Administrator position

**OMNIBUS MOTION** by Mr. Passalacqua to recommend County Board approval of the creation of the Senior Systems Administrator position to be assigned to Grade Range K and approval of budget amendment BUA 2022/8/15; seconded by Mr. Harper. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

F. Other Business

None

G. Chair’s Report

None

H. Designation of Items to be Placed on the Consent Agenda

IX. A. 1-2, D. 1, E. 1-2

X. **Other Business**

Ms. Kloepfel informed the Board that the budget books would not be ready for disbursement at the August County Board meeting, like previous years. She said they would work with everyone to get those passed out.

Mr. Passalacqua suggested the County Board members assist with the Habitat for Humanity house build by providing some landscaping. He would get in touch with those that had shown interest.

XI. **Adjournment**

Chair Patterson adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.