

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS  
Full Board Meeting  
Thursday, 07/20/2023 – 5:45 p.m.  
Jennifer Putman Meeting Room  
Brookens Administrative Center  
1776 E. Washington St.  
Urbana, IL 61801

Present: Carter, Cowart, Ingram, Locke, Lokshin, Patterson, Peugh, Straub, Taylor, Thorsland, Vanichtheeranont

**1. Call to Order:** 5:47 pm

**2. Approval of the Agenda–**

- a. Moved by Hanauer-Friedman , second TVanichtheeranont, unanimous approval.

**3. Approval of the Minutes from June 2023.**

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

**4. Public Participation–**

- a. Deputy County Clerks Kate Kuzio and Matt Cross speaking on benefits of buying a box truck. We rent many 18 ft. trucks per election. They need to be brought in from IN, and often need to be negotiated. There are usually emergency cite equipment deliveries, which means that this is inconvenient. They want to buy two trucks. Angie Patton says Clerk Ammons is at a conference dealing with election security. Election officials across the country are experiencing shortages where companies are refusing to rent trucks to election officials depending on their politics.
- b. Sheriff Heurmann is here to answer questions regarding his bits on the agenda.

**5. Announcements/Communications–**

- a. None

**6. Review and Discussion of the Full Board Agenda**

- a. (X. B.) AC used valet parking in Chicago. Wasn't another option
- b. (X. C..) Removed from the agenda and will be revisited next month
- c. (X. D) Accidents that were not our fault with Sheriff's cars.
- d. (X. E) HR Generalist.
- e. (X. F.) Veterans Assistance Commission– didn't have enough in payroll to cover having two folks on payroll as one trains the other before they leave.

- f. (X. G.) FOP MOU– Creates some incentives for experience and longevity.
- g. (X. H-M) Appointments to boards
- h. (XI. A.) Applications for Open Appointments.
- i. (XI. B)-- Closed session minutes (we can't talk about these)
- j. (XI. C)
  - i. ARPA
    - 1. (XI. C. 2) Showing benefits of working for the county and the benefits folks receive as employees with longevity.
    - 2. (XI. C. 3) Animal Control– Spay Neuter and medical aid fund.
    - 3. (XI. C. 4) Public Defender– Expert Witness Funding Request
    - 4. (XI. C. 5) Electric Truck Purchase– see public comment

**6. Next Caucus Meeting:**, 8/24/2023

**7. Adjournment** 6:12 pm