



**Minutes of the Perry County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
2:00 p.m. – Thursday, March 2, 2017
County Board Room – Perry County Government Building**

A regular meeting of the Perry County Board of Commissioners was convened at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 2, 2017 in the County Board Room at the Perry County Government Building in the City of Pinckneyville.

OPENING

Chairman Epplin called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited by those in attendance.

County Clerk Josh Gross called the roll. The following members answered the call of the roll: Chairman Epplin, Commissioner Kelly and Commissioner Bigham. The following department heads were also present: Assistant State's Attorney Marty Beltz, Treasurer Mary Jane Craft, County Engineer Brian Otten, and Sheriff Steve Bareis.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Epplin asked for the minutes of the February 16, 2017 regular Board of Commissioners meeting, be approved. Chairman Epplin called for corrections. There were none.

Commissioner Kelly moved the minutes of the February 16, 2017 regular Board of Commissioners meeting, be approved. Commissioner Bigham seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Epplin called for additions or deletions to the meeting agenda. An Executive Session was added for collective negotiations. Approval of the Seal Coat Bids was removed for the next meeting.

Commissioner Kelly moved the agenda for the meeting be approved as amended. Commissioner Bigham seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION – ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF JEFF ASHAUER AND JIM EPLIN FROM PERRY COUNTY REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Clerk Gross discussed the revolving Loan fund and its purpose and responsibilities. He stated that the three member board must consist of current county employees. Because Mr. Ashauer recently retired this change is required.

Commissioner Bigham moved that Resolution 2017-29, a resolution approving the resignations of Jeff Ashauer and Jim Epplin from the Revolving Loan Fund, be approved. Commissioner Kelly seconded the motion. Chairman Epplin requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Kelly, Commissioner Bigham, and Chairman Epplin. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION – RATIFY CHAIRMANS APPOINTMENTS TO PERRY COUNTY REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Clerk Gross stated that Commissioner Bigham can bring his small business acumen to this position and could provide great detail to the decision making process. Clerk Gross also agreed to join the board due to his understanding of the state statutes and his former experience in banking.

Commissioner Kelly moved that Resolutions 2017-30 and 31, resolutions ratifying the Chairman's appointments of Josh Gross and Dallas Bigham to the Perry County Revolving Loan Fund, be approved. Chairman Epplin seconded the motion. Chairman Epplin requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye:

Chairman Epplin, and Commissioner Kelly. Commissioner Bigham voted present. The motion was passed on a vote of 2-0-1 and the resolutions were adopted.

RESOLUTION – ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF JOSH GROSS FROM SOUTHERN ILLINOIS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Chairman Epplin confirmed that Josh Gross is tendering his resignation as a trustee for the Southern Illinois Economic Development Authority.

Commissioner Kelly moved that Resolutions 2017-32, a resolution approving the resignation of Josh Gross from the Southern Illinois Economic Development Authority, be approved. Commissioner Bigham seconded the motion. Chairman Epplin requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Kelly, Commissioner Bigham, and Chairman Epplin. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION – RATIFY CHAIRMAN’S APPOINTMENT OF REX DUNCAN TO SOUTHERN ILLINOIS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Chairman Epplin confirmed that Rex Duncan is willing to be appointed to the position of trustee for the Southern Illinois Economic Development Authority. This term will range between 2 and 7 years based upon the organizational meeting for the Authority.

Commissioner Bigham moved that Resolution 2017-33, a resolution approving the Chairman’s appointment of Rex Duncan to the Southern Illinois Economic Development Authority, be approved. Commissioner Kelly seconded the motion. Chairman Epplin requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Bigham, Commissioner Kelly, and Chairman Epplin. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION – RAFFLE LICENSE APPLICATION (1)

The raffle license application was presented for approval. Application and fees are in order and approval was recommended for application, as follows:

- Knights of Columbus (2017-RL-02)

Commissioner Kelly moved that Resolutions 2017-34, a resolution approving a raffle license application and issuing the license as indicated above, be approved. Commissioner Bigham seconded the motion. Chairman Epplin requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Chairman Epplin, Commissioner Bigham, and Commissioner Kelly. The motion was passed on a vote of 3-0 and the resolution was adopted.

DISCUSSION

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Kelly moved the Board recess to executive session,

- To discuss “collective negotiating matters” per 5 ILCS 120 2(c)(2)

Commissioner Bigham seconded the motion. Chairman Epplin requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Bigham, Commissioner Kelly and Chairman Epplin. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0 and the board entered executive session at 2:11 p.m.

Commissioner Kelly moved the Board close the executive session meeting and re-enter regular session. Commissioner Bigham seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved and the Board re-entered regular session at 3:12 p.m.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Board members examined claims presented for payment. The Board agreed to pay all bills as presented.

Commissioner Kelly moved that all claims against the General Corporate Fund and all claims against special purpose funds, be approved (see attached), with General Corporate Fund expenses to be prioritized according to policy. Commissioner Bigham seconded the motion. Chairman Epplin requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Chairman Epplin, Commissioner Bigham and Commissioner Kelly. The motion was approved on a vote of 3-0 and payment warrants were granted.

ADJOURNMENT OF WINTER QUARTER MEETING

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chairman said he would entertain a motion to adjourn and re-convene the Winter Quarter meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 16th 2017.

Commissioner Kelly moved the Board adjourn and re-convene the Winter Quarter meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 16th 2017. Commissioner Bigham seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved and the Board stood adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Submitted:

JOSH GROSS, County Clerk
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
County of Perry, State of Illinois
Approved: March 16, 2017