



**Minutes of the Perry County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
2:00 p.m. – Thursday, January 4, 2018
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, January 4, 2018 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: Commissioner James Epplin, Commissioner Bobby Kelly, and Commissioner Dallas Bigham. The following department heads were also present: County Clerk Josh Gross, States Attorney David Searby, Solid Waste Director Becky Tracy, Assessor Becky Winter, Treasurer Mary Jane Craft, Highway Engineer Brian Otten, and Sheriff Steve Bareis.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Epplin asked for the minutes of the December 21, 2017 regular Board of Commissioners meeting, be approved. Chairman Epplin called for corrections. There were none.

Commissioner Bigham moved the minutes of the December 21, 2017 regular Board of Commissioners meeting, be approved. Commissioner Kelly seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Epplin called for additions or deletions to the meeting agenda. The Agenda date needed to be changed to 2018.

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

RESOLUTION – ACCEPT RESIGNATION FROM PERRY COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD

Clerk Gross read a letter he received from Keenen Rice resigning his position with the Perry County Housing Authority Board.

Commissioner Bigham moved that Resolution 2018-1, a resolution accepting the resignation of Keenen Rice from the Perry County Housing Authority Board, be approved. Chairman Epplin 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 – RATIFY CHAIRMAN'S APPOINTMENT TO PERRY COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD

Chairman Epplin announced his appointment to the Perry County Housing Authority Board. The appointment is for a partial term ending April 14, 2018.

- John Borecky

Commissioner Bigham moved that Resolution 2018-2, a resolution approving John Borecky, to be appointed to Perry County Housing Authority Board, 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 by a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION – APPROVE COUNTY HIGHWAY ENGINEER’S SALARY PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH IDOT

Engineer Otten addressed the board to explain that IDOT must have an existing agreement for the salary structure in place. The current agreement is set to expire later this month so the new one must be passed. This does not set the Engineers Salary that is already set through the county budget process this just notifies IDOT what the salary is and completes their documentation process.

Commissioner Bigham moved that Resolution 2018-3, a resolution approving the Highway Engineer’s Salary Program Agreement with IDOT, be adopted. 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 carried on a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted.

DISCUSSION

1. **Becky Winter** – Assessor Winter addressed the board to give them an update on a software improvement that will be affecting her office and the County Treasurer’s office. They will be adding the Devnet Wedge to the existing Devnet Software Package. This addition will allow Perry County residents to check their tax information online. It will allow for viewing of Property Tax bills, paying property tax bills, viewing GIS information as well as property records available in our Devnet system. This is a major improvement for the Perry County taxpayers and comes with a limited cost to the county. The 1st year cost is \$8,000 followed by four years cost at \$3,000 per year. Once the 5 year timeframe is met the cost drops to \$600/year.

COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None was needed.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

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

Commissioner Bigham 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 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 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 the Winter Quarter meeting at 2 p.m. on Thursday, January 4, 2018.

Commissioner Bigham moved the Board adjourn the Winter Quarter Meeting and convene the Winter Quarter meeting at 2 p.m. on Thursday, January 18, 2017. Commissioner Kelly seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved and the Board stood adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Submitted:

JOSH GROSS, County Clerk
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
County of Perry, State of Illinois
Approved: January 18, 2018