

**Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting
April 18, 2023**

State of Illinois)
County of Ogle) ss

Call to Order

Chairman John Finrock calls the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

The roll call shows Oltmanns is absent. The invocation is given by Gillis and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation: Honorable Justice Eugene Doherty, Illinois Appellate Court 4th District

Honorable Justice Doherty shared with the board that the Judicial Circuits were redistricted January 1st of 2022. He introduced himself as being from Winnebago County and one of the Appellate Court Justices for the 4th District, which Ogle County is a part of and a brief presentation of the new district which includes 41 counties.

Presentation: Trevor Hogan, Ogle Natural Areas Alliance

Hogan shared how the Ogle Natural Areas Alliance was started. Hogan saw a need for a foundation for Forest Preserve Districts because while he sat on the Forest Preserve in Byron there were several times donations had to be passed up because there was no infrastructure in place or it was extremely difficult to obtain. There was a lot of “red tape” when donating to a Governmental agency and it didn’t matter if it was money or land. Ogle Natural Areas Alliance is now a 5 member board and a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Hogan stated not only do the Forest preserves benefit from this so will surrounding park districts. Hogan also shared the organization can also write grants to obtain other funds that others cannot.

Hogan informed the board they will be hosting a Volunteer Day at Weld Park on Friday, April 28th starting at 9 am. Hogan encouraged those who could, to come out and help. Smith asked Hogan if he had reached out to the Boy Scouts because they have been very involved at Weld Park. Hogan shared he had based on someone else’s recommendation.

Griffin asked if there has been any land donated to the organization and Hogan stated not to this point.

Larson asked what the best way to make a donation to Ogle Natural Areas Alliance and Hogan stated through the website, by check or Venmo.

Consent Agenda Items – by Roll Call Vote

1. Approval of Ogle County Board Meeting Minutes - March 21, 2023
2. Accept Monthly Reports – Treasurer, County Clerk & Recorder and Circuit Clerk
3. Appointments
 - Board of Health - Gregory A. Olson - R-2023-0401
 - Leaf River Fire Protection District - Elisabeth J. Dewispelaere - R-2023-0402
 - Planning Commission - Dale R. Flanagan - R-2023-0403
4. Resignations
 - Mental Health 708 Board - Haley M. Whaley - R-2023-0404
5. Vacancies -
 - 9-1-1 ETS Board - Law Enforcement (1 unexpired term)
 - Farmland Assessment Review Board (3 unexpired terms)
 - Lost Lake River Conservancy District (1 unexpired term)
 - Planning Commission (1 unexpired term)
 - Zoning Board of Appeals (1 unexpired term)
 - Franklin Grove Fire Protection District - 1 vacancy
 - Board of Review (2 terms (R) / 1 unexpired term (D))

Application and Resumé deadline – Friday, April 28, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk’s Office located at 105 S. 5th St – Suite 104, Oregon, IL

6. Ogle County Claims –

- Department Claims - March 2023 - \$77,594.06
- County Board Payments – \$97,867.60
- County Highway Fund – \$95,625.04

7. Communications

- Sales Tax January 2022 - \$70,013.51 and \$103,116.97
- Sales Tax January 2023 - \$110,355.49 and \$106,294.85

Kenney moved to approve the Consent Agenda, Fritz seconds and roll call is taken:

YES: Gillis, Griffin, Heuer, Hopkins, Huber, Janes, Kenney, Larson, Miller, Nordman, Ramsey, Reeverts, Reising, Simms, Smith, Williams, Youman, Asp, Billeter, Corbitt Fox, Fritz, and Finfrock

NO: None

ABSENT: Oltmanns

Motion carried on roll call vote. (Placed on file)

Zoning - #001-23MA - Martin - O-2023-0401

Janes presents #001-23 Map Amendment - Gerald Martin, 2456 E. Pleasant Grove Rd., Oregon; and Wesley Martin, 2478 E. Pleasant Grove Rd, Oregon dba Nitram Properties for an Amendment to the Zoning District to rezone from AG-1 Agricultural District to B-1 Business District on property described as follows and owned by the petitioners: Part of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section 25 Rockvale Township 24 North, Range 10 East of the 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 7.5 acres more or less of 34.17 acres, more or less – P.I.N.: Part of 09-25-100-011 - Common Location(s): 2456 E. Pleasant Grove Rd.

RPC approved 7-0 based on the fact the site is an existing business; no land will be removed from production; and the use fits the Comprehensive Plan. **ZBA approved 5-0** based on the fact all six standards were met and the low LESA score. **APZC** consensus to forward to Ogle County Board for approval

Janes presented and moved to approve O-2023-0401 and Reeverts seconds

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

Janes stated information regarding Commercial Wind Energy and Solar Energy Facility siting and operation ordinances have been distributed to the County Board members this evening for them to review. This will allow time for the documents to be reviewed and questions to be asked; questions can be directed to either Youman or himself.

Public Comment –

Corbitt shared that CASA held their annual fundraiser and it was very successful. It was held at the River’s Edge and there were over 250 people who attended.

Smith thanked Heuer for the tree presentation that she had organized earlier in the day.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committee minutes have been placed on exhibit: 911 ESTB, County Facilities - County Security - County IT, Executive, Finance and Insurance, Personnel and Salary, Road & Bridge, State’s Attorney – Court Services – FOCUS House - Judiciary & Circuit Clerk, and Supervisor of Assessments and Planning & Zoning.

• **Road & Bridge**

- 2023 Seal Coat - 23-00000-02-GM - R-2023-0405

Hopkins presented and moved to approve R-2023-0405 to award the project to the low bidder, Helm Civil, and appropriate \$330,000 out of the County Motor Fuel Tax Fund and \$253,000 out of the Federal Aid Matching Fund for the project and Fritz seconds.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

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- Center Rd/Bethel Rd Paving - 23-00000-04-GM - R-2023-0406

Hopkins presented and moved to approve R-2023-0406 to award the project to the low bidder, Rock Road Companies, and appropriate \$300,000 out of the County Motor Fuel Tax Fund and \$264,000 out of the Federal Aid Matching Fund for the project and Kenney seconds.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- 2023 Township Seal Coat Award - 23-XX000-00-GM - R-2023-0407

Hopkins presented and moved to approve R-2023-0407 to award the various township groups in this project to the low bidder, Helm Civil and Fritz seconds.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- Oregon-Nashua Twp Daysville Street Improvement - 22-26131-00-FP - R-2023-0408

Hopkins presented and moved to approve R-2023-0408 to award this project to the low bidder, Martin & Company Excavating and Williams seconds.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- **Executive**

- Rescinding Paycom Resolution - R-2023-0409

Finfrock presented and moved to approve R-2023-0409 to rescind the Paycom resolution that was passed last month for the Ogle County HRIS and Larson seconds.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- Increase Number of C & C-1 Liquor Licenses - O-2023-0402

Finfrock presented and moved to approve O-2023-0402 to increase the number of C and C-1 Liquor License to 4 in Ogle County and Fox seconds.

Finfrock stated this was approved earlier by the Liquor Commission based on a new business wanting to start up and provide a service. Finfrock shared the new business is out on Lost Nation Road and they have 5 cabins and recreation hall.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- HRIS – R-2023-0411

Finfrock presented and Nordman moved to approve R-2023-0411 to purchase ADP for the Ogle County HRIS and Larson seconds.

Chairman Finfrock stated the quote that was provided by Paycom did not include two modules the County needed and the information was not relayed to Paycom. He expressed in the long run ADP is actually less than we originally thought Paycom was going to be.

Corbitt stated in the paperwork it says the fees remain fixed for six months. Corbitt asked when those six months start is it the day it is signed or the day they begin. Larson stated the County will not be paying for all of it until it is fully installed but when we start accessing the payroll portion we will have to begin paying something for those services. Corbitt mentioned that once the numbers are broken down the set-up fee is only \$61.50/employee and annually \$261.76/employee and \$10.06/pay period/employee, which is quite reasonable.

Finfrock thanked Corbitt and Fox for their concerns which caused Paycom to be looked into again and the realization that ADP was a better choice for the County.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

Unfinished Business & New Business: None

Chairman Comments:

Chairman Finfrock stated that he was happy to announce there is a new HR Director who will be starting shortly. He shared the County had reached back out to their first choice from the original HR Director search, six months ago. Chairman Finfrock shared her name was Amanda Jacinto and that she brings a lot of experience with her as well as the understanding of how ADP works. At this time Chairman stated it is looking like she will begin around May 8th.

Vice-Chairwoman Comments:

Stay healthy everyone.

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Adjourn Meeting

At 6:10 p.m., with no further business Chairman Finfrock adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Oregon.

Chairman, John Finfrock
Ogle County Board

Attest: Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk &
Ex-officio Clerk of the Ogle County Board