

**Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting
August 20, 2024**

State of Illinois)
County of Ogle) ss

Call to Order

Chairman Finfrock called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

The roll call showed Miller and Smith (5:33 pm) were absent. The invocation was given by Williams and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Presentation: None

Consent Agenda Items – by Roll Call Vote

1. Approval of Ogle County Board Meeting Minutes – July 16, 2024
2. Accept Monthly Reports – Treasurer, County Clerk & Recorder and Circuit Clerk
3. Appointments – None
4. Resignations – None
5. Vacancies –
 - o Housing Authority (1 vacancy)
 - o Regional Planning Commission (1 unexpired term)
 - o Board of Health (1 unexpired term)
 - o 9-1-1 ETS Board – Law Enforcement (1 unexpired term)
 - o Franklin Grove Fire Protection District (1 vacancy)

**Application and Resumé deadline – Friday, September 27, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. in the County
Clerk’s Office - 105 S. 5th St - Suite 104, Oregon**

6. Ogle County Claims –
 - o Department Claims - July 2024 - \$114,949.27
 - o County Board Payments – \$98,211.93
 - o County Highway Fund - \$178,561.53
7. Communications -
 - o Sales Tax Report
 - o ComEd Management Vegetation Activities

Oltmanns stated that he will abstain from voting on the County Board Payments section due to his connection to bills included for Northern Illinois CPR. Kenney moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Simms seconded. A roll call vote is taken:

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

NO: None

ABSTAIN: Oltmanns

ABSENT: Miller and Smith.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

Zoning – #02-24 MAP AMENDMENT – Constellation Energy Generation, LLC, by their agent, Benjamin Schuster; Elrod Friedman LLP – O-2024-0802

Janes presented #02-24 MAP AMENDMENT – Constellation Energy Generation, LLC, for the changing of multiple parcels from agricultural to industrial. As a result of the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, it was recommended that the requested map amendment be approved by the Ogle County Board. Janes strongly encouraged for it to be considered that this map amendment could lead to the enhancement of economic development and the generation of income in Ogle

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County. Billeter explained from the financial standpoint that Ogle County is in a position of having too much debt and not enough income, and that this opportunity could provide a means to generate income and alleviate existing debt. Motion by Janes to approve O-2024-0802, seconded by Smith. A majority vote is taken. A roll call vote is taken:

- YES: Corbitt, Fritz, Gillis, Griffin, Hopkins, Huber, Janes, Kenney, Larson, Nordman, Oltmanns, Reising, Simms, Smith, Williams, Asp, Billeter, and Finfrock.
- NO: Fox, Heuer, Ramsey, and Reeverts.
- ABSTAIN: Youman
- ABSENT: Miller

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

Public Comment –

Ryan Tozer, Constellation Government Affairs Manager, thanked the County Board on behalf of their employees for voting in the affirmative for the #02-24 MAP AMENDMENT - O-2024-0802.

County Board member Lyle Hopkins explained the Road & Bridge expenditures this month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following committee minutes have been placed on exhibit: 911 ETSB, County Facilities – County Security & Information Technology (IT), Executive, Finance and Insurance, H.E.W & Solid Waste and Veterans, Long Range and Strategic Planning, Personnel and Salary, Road & Bridge, State’s Attorney – Court Services - FOCUS House - Judiciary & Circuit Clerk, and Supervisor of Assessments and Planning & Zoning.

Finance & Insurance

- Approval of Certified List of Candidates for Election Judges – R-2024-0801

Billeter presented and moved to approve the Certified List of Candidates for Election Judges, which deems said candidates as capable and duly qualified electors of Ogle County to be considered for appointment for a period of two years, or until the successors have been appointed as provided by law. Motion by Billeter to approve R-2024-0801, seconded by Corbitt.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- County ARPA – R-2024-0802

Billeter presented and moved to approve the County ARPA funds requested, which included three expenditures:

REQUESTS					
Department	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	NOTES	AMOUNT	OTHER
Long Range	Martin Excavation	Parking Lot Blocks		\$740.34	
Focus House	Per MAR	Access Control System		\$6,886.50	
IT	Syndeo	East Fiber Oregon-S Daysville	10.5 mile	\$ 180,000.00	
		River Crossing 1400 Feet		\$298,000.00	
			15.3 miles	\$285,200.00	
		Maintenance 25.8 miles 5 year		\$52,400.00	
		Return from West Project Est 125,000.00			
		Total Project -\$ 815,600.00			
		-125,000.00			
			TOTAL	\$823,226.84	

The total for all requested County ARPA funds is \$823,226.84. Billeter abstained from voting on the expenditure for services from Martin & Co. due to family employment. Motion by Billeter to approve R-2024-0802, seconded by Griffin.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

Executive

- Dissolve the County Vehicle Revolving Purchase Fund And Create the Long Range Planning Vehicle Fund – O-2024-0803

Griffin presented and moved to approve the dissolution of the County Vehicle Fund and the creation of the Long Range Planning Vehicle Fund, which will include the provision of funds for infrastructure and capital purchases, including vehicles. Motion by Smith to approve O-2024-0803, seconded by Gillis.

Motion carried. (Placed on file)

Unfinished and New Business: None

Chairman Comments: Finfrock expressed his thanks to those who approved the #02-24 MAP AMENDMENT - O-2024-0802, as well as expressed his gratitude to County Board member Dan Janes, and others involved, for their efforts.

Vice-Chairman Comments: Nordman encouraged everyone to stay healthy and have a good week.

Adjourn Meeting:

At 5:52 p.m., with no further business Chairman Finfrock adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. at the Courthouse in Oregon.

Chairman John Finfrock
Ogle County Board

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