**Proceedings of the Ogle County Board Meeting**
**November 19, 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 all members present. The invocation was given by Billeter and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Presentation: Ogle County Economic Development**

OCED Board of Directors Randy Schoon, Paula Diehl, Darin DeHaan and Executive Director Charlene Coulombe recognize Chairman Finfrock for his years of service to the County and his community.

**Presentation: Years of Service Recognition - Tom Smith – R-2024-1105**

Finfrock read R-2024-1105 and presented a plaque in recognition of Tom Smith and his years of service to Ogle County. Smith thanked the board and committees for their support and their service to Ogle County. Motion by Finfrock to approve R-2024-1105 as presented, 2nd by Reising. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Presentation: Years of Service Recognition - Lou Finch –R-2024-1106**

Finfrock read R-2024-1106 and presented a plaque in recognition of Lou Finch and his years of service to Ogle County. Finch thanked the County Board for their recognition. Motion by Finfrock to approve R-2024-1106 as presented, 2nd by Nordman. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Presentation: Years of Service Recognition - John Finfrock – R-2024-1110**
Nordman read R-2024-1110 and presented a plaque in recognition of John Finfrock and his years of service to Ogle County. Motion by Finfrock to approve R-2024-1110 as presented, 2nd by Corbitt. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Consent Agenda Items – by Roll Call Vote**

1. Approval of Ogle County Board Meeting Minutes - October 15, 2024, and October 28, 2024
2. Accept Monthly Reports – Treasurer, County Clerk & Recorder, and Circuit Clerk
3. Appointments -
    - Lost Lake RCD - Timothy J. Spelde - R-2024-1101
4. Resignations - None
5. Vacancies -
    - Board of Health (3 vacancies)
    - Mental Health 708 Board (2 vacancies)
    - Mental Health 708 Board (1 unexpired term)
    - 9-1-1 ETS Board - Law Enforcement (1 unexpired term)
    - Regional Planning Commission (1 unexpired term)
    - Zoning Board of Appeals - Alternate 2 (1 unexpired term)
    - Franklin Grove Fire Protection District (1 unexpired term)

**Application and Resumé deadline - Thursday, November 27, 2024, at 4:30 p.m. in the County Clerk's Office -105 S. 5th St, Ste 104, Oregon**

6. Ogle County Claims –
    - Department Claims - October 2024 - $178,229.03
    - County Board Payments – $154,642.51
    - County Highway Fund – $72,407.50
7. Communications -
    - Sales Tax Report
    - ComEd Transmission - Tree Herbicide Notification
    - ComEd Tree Trimming Notification
    - Illinois Noxious Weed Law - Annual Report – 2024
    - Illinois Noxious Weed Law - Work Plan for 2025

Larson moved to approve the Consent Agenda and 2nd by Youman. A roll call vote is taken:

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

NO: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

**Zoning - 07-24 Supplemental Special Use - Little Prairie Mennonite Church - O-2024- 1101**

Janes presented #07-24 Supplemental Special Use – Little Prairie Mennonite Church, %Wendell Horst, 2834 W. Oregon Trail Rd., Oregon, IL for a Supplemental Special Use Permit in the AG-1 Agricultural District to allow a cemetery on the property described as follows and owned by the petitioner(s): Part of the West Half (W1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section 11 Pine Creek Township 23 North, Range 9 East of the 4th P.M., Ogle County, IL, 10.0 acres. P.I.N.: 15-11-400-004 - Common Location: 1831 S. Harmony Rd. Janes reported the RPC approved 5-0 as no land is being taken out of production, the use fits the comprehensive plan, and the medium LESA score. ZBA approved 5-0 as all condition were met. APZC approved 6-0. Motion by Janes to approve O-2024-1101 as presented, 2nd by Reeverts. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Zoning - Revising Ogle County Solar Energy Facility Siting & Operating Ordinance - O-2024-1102**

Janes presented O-2024-1102 to revise the Ogle County Solar Energy Siting & Facility Ordinance which adds:

New Sub Part C: C. Any SEF application within one and half (1.5) miles of a County Municipality (Village, Town, or City) boundaries must be formally presented to said entity and an associated ruling made by said entity prior to Zoning Board of Appeals being scheduled for SEF Application.

Motion by Janes to approve O-2024-1102 as presented, 2nd by Nordman. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Zoning - Revising Ogle County Wind Energy Facility Siting & Operating Ordinance - O-2024-1103**

Janes presented O-2024-1103 to revise the Ogle County Wind Energy Siting & Facility Ordinance which adds:

New Sub Part C: C. Any WEF application within one and half (1.5) miles of a County Municipality (Village, Town, or City) boundaries must be formally presented to said entity and an associated ruling made by said entity prior to Zoning Board of Appeals being scheduled for WEF Application.

Motion by Janes to approve O-2024-1103 as presented, 2nd by Youman. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Zoning - #01-24 – Text Amendment - Divisions 1-3, 5, 6, & 8 - O-2024-1111**

Janes presented O-2024-1111 and moved to accept these divisions were reviewed by the Regional Planning Commission, a consensus of the Zoning Board of Appeals and recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Committee. 2nd by Williams. Youman abstained due to employment. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Zoning - #01-24 – Text Amendment – Division 9 – O-2024-1112**

Janes stated this item will not be presented this month to further research the information. Motion by Smith to postpone this item until the December County Board meeting, 2nd by Reising. Motion carried.

**Public Comment**

- Marty Typer thanks Finfrock for leading the County Board and enjoy your retirement.
- Doug Knapp, City of Polo Mayor, thanks Finfrock for everything and his service to the county.

**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, Liquor Commission, 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.

**Executive**

- 2025 County Holiday Schedule – R-2024-1102

  Finfrock presented and moved to approve R-2024-1102 as presented, 2nd by Corbitt. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Finance & Insurance**

- FY2025 Ogle County Budget and Appropriations - O-2024-1104

  Billeter presented O-2024-1104 and commented that there should be a little surplus in FY2025 due to the leadership of Finfrock and the Department Heads who were asked to cut their non-personnel budgets by 10%. Billeter moved to approve O-2024-1104 as presented, 2nd by Youman. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- FY2024 Budget Amendment - Salary Contingencies - O-2024-1105

  Billeter presented and moved to approve O-2024-1105 as presented, 2nd by Larson. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- ARPA Requests - O-2024-1106

  Billeter presented O-2024-1106:

| ARPA REQUESTS | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Long Range | Larson & Darby Group | Insurance Claim Preliminary Work | Inv.# 44209 | $621.59 |
| | Larson & Darby Group | Insurance Claim Preliminary Work | Inv.# 44329 | $190.00 |
| Finance | | General Fund FY2024 | | $500,000.00 |
| | | | **TOTAL** | **$500,811.59** |

  Billeter moved to approve O-2024-1106 as presented, 2nd by Griffin. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- Dental Insurance - O-2024-1108

  Billeter presented and moved to approve O-2024-1108 to switch from Group Administrators Dental to Blue Cross/Blue Shield Dental and effective as of January 1, 2025, 2nd by Larson. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- Vision Insurance - O-2024-1109

  Billeter presented and moved to approve O-2024-1109 to offer Vision Insurance through Blue Cross/Blue Shield effective January 1, 2025, 2nd by Kenney. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

- Benefit Waiting Period - O-2024-1110

  Billeter presented and moved to approve O-2024-1110 to amend the waiting period for eligibility to begin on the first day of the month following the employee's start date effective January 1, 2025, 2nd by Griffin. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Long Range Planning**

- US Solar Floating Commercial Sunscription Agreement – O-2024-1107

  Griffin presented and moved to approve O-2024-1107 as presented, 2nd by Corbitt. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Road & Bridge**

- Joint Bridge Agreement with Carroll County for Ogle Rd Bridge Repair, 24-00352-00-BR – R-2024-1104

  Hopkins presented R-2024-1104 and motioned to approve the Joint Bridge Agreement with Carroll County, 2nd by Fritz. Motion carried. (Placed on file)

**Unfinished and New Business:** None

**Chairman Comments:** Finfrock thanked the many people here tonight and he has enjoyed his time for the past 14 years serving on the board. Finfrock thanked the media as well.

**Vice-Chairman Comments:** Nordman commented that we have a great County Board and stay healthy. Enjoy Thanksgiving with your families.

**Adjourn Meeting:**

At 6:15 p.m., with no further business Smith moved to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Oltmanns. Motion carried. Chairman Finfrock stated the next meeting until Monday, December 2, 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