



**Minutes of the Perry County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
2:00 p.m. – Thursday, September 21, 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, September 21, 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: State's Attorney David Searby, EMA Director Chuck Genesio, 911 Coordinator Doug Clarke, U of I Director Lynn Heins, and 4-H Coordinator Rhonda Schubert.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Epplin asked for the minutes of the September 7, 2017 regular Board of Commissioners meeting, be approved. Chairman Epplin called for corrections. The second Resolution was mistitled as an Appointment to Mental Health Board. Clerk Gross made a cut and paste error and will correct it on the official copy.

Commissioner Bigham moved the minutes of the September 7, 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. Charles Genesio was added to the meeting Agenda.

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

ORDINANCE – APPROVE REQUIRING CONVICTED PRISONERS AND OTHERS TO REIMBURSE PERRY COUNTY FOR EXPENSES INCURRED DURING INCARCERATION

States Attorney David Searby addressed the board to notify them of the new county policy making inmates pay a daily incarceration fee for time served in Perry County Jail. This policy models after the Jackson County policy currently in place. Recently a need for this type of a cost offset has developed due to recent changes in Federal Medicare reimbursements. These changes have led to an increase in Healthcare and Wellness costs for Perry County inmates currently residing in the Perry County Jail. While we understand that this fee cannot be charged on all incarcerated individuals it will be charged on a per needed basis and should at least provide Perry County a small relief to the massive increase in costs incurred on healthcare of the inmates.

Commissioner Kelly moved that Ordinance 2017-2, ordinance approving convicted prisoners and others reimburse Perry County for expenses incurred during incarceration, 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 ordinance was adopted.

RESOLUTION – RAFFLE LICENSE APPLICATION

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

- Beta Pi Sorority (2017-RL-24)

Commissioner Bigham moved that Resolution 2017-115, resolution approving raffle license application and issuing the license as indicated above, be approved. Commissioner Kelly 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.

RESOLUTION – APPROVE SALE OF COUNTY OWNED SURPLUS PROPERTIES

The Perry County Agent forwarded resolution to the Board authorizing the sale of trustee-owned surplus properties. The resolution indicates conveyance from the County Agent to the new owners.

- Melanie Fisher (2-41-0510-110)

Commissioner Bigham moved that Resolution 2017-116, resolution approving the sale of County Trustee owned surplus property 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 was approved on a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted.

RESOLUTION – APPROVE NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

4-H Coordinator Rhonda Schubert addressed the board to ask them for their support in naming September 25- October 2 as Honorary 4-H week. This is a national incentive to help foster 4-H involvement and growth for the program state wide. U of I director Heins spoke to the growth 4-H has seen under Rhonda’s leadership and that this is one of the fastest growing counties in the state. The board thanked Rhonda for her excellent work on behalf of the kids in Perry County.

Commissioner Bigham moved that Resolution 2017-117, a resolution approving National 4-H week, 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 NATIONAL HOME AND COMMUNICATION EDUCATION (HCE) WEEK

4-H Coordinator Rhonda Schubert again addressed the board to ask them to name October 2-9 as Honorary HCE Week. This program stresses the importance of family togetherness. This program is designed to support and encourage family time to be one of the most important decisions you can make as an individual. In today’s fast paced world, the drive-by families are becoming more and more common place. We are asking everyone to take the time and slow down and enjoy the simple aspects of being a family.

Commissioner Kelly moved that Resolution 2017-118, a resolution approving National Home and Community Education (HCE) week, 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 Bigham, Commissioner Kelly, and Chairman Epplin. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted.

DISCUSSION

1. **Charles Genesio** – Mr. Genesio addressed the board to notify them that Perry County received an EOC Technology Grant totaling \$24,982. 32 counties received this grant and Perry County received one of the top three scores. This is a great accomplishment and speaks to the excellent work of Mr. Genesio and Mr. Searby before him.

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 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: Commissioner Bigham, Commissioner Kelly, and Chairman Epplin. The motion was approved on a vote of 3-0 and payment warrants were granted.

ADJOURNMENT OF SUMMER QUARTER MEETING SINE DIE

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chairman said he would entertain a motion to adjourn the Summer Quarter meeting sine die, and to convene the Fall Quarter meeting at 2 p.m. on Thursday, October 5, 2017.

Commissioner Bigham moved the Board adjourn the Summer Quarter meeting sine die and convene the Fall Quarter meeting at 2 p.m. on Thursday, October 5, 2017. Commissioner Kelly seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved and the Board stood adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Submitted:

JOSH GROSS, County Clerk
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners
County of Perry, State of Illinois
Approved: October 5, 2017