

**MCHENRY COUNTY BOARD  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING  
APRIL 18, 2006**

**Chairman of the Board – Kenneth Koehler (District 2)**

<b>District 1</b> Donald R. Brewer Marc Munaretto Anna May Miller Dan Shea	<b>District 2</b> Marie M. Chmiel James Heisler Kenneth Koehler Lyn Orphal	<b>District 3</b> Ed Dvorak Vacant Nick Provenzano Barbara Wheeler
<b>District 4</b> Sue Draffkorn John Hammerand Pete Merkel Sandra Fay Salgado	<b>District 5</b> John Jung Jr. Perry Moy Virginia Peschke Tina Hill	<b>District 6</b> Ann Gilman Richard Klasen Don Larson Mary Lou Zierer

The Honorable County Board of McHenry County, Illinois met in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 18, 2006.

Chairman Koehler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by County Clerk Katherine C. Schultz with Members of the Board, department heads and visitors participating. Mr. Hammerand gave the invocation/personal remarks.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called by County Clerk Katherine C. Schultz. The following members responded: Larson, Merkel, Miller, Moy, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Brewer, Chmiel, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Gilman, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Klasen and Koehler. Absent: Salgado, noting one (1) vacant position. Chairman Koehler declared a quorum present with twenty-two (22) members responding.

**MINUTES**

Mr. Klasen made a motion seconded by Ms. Miller to approve County Board Regular Session meeting minutes from March 23<sup>rd</sup> and April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2006 and Committee of the Whole minutes from March 3, 2006. Chairman Koehler asked for any changes or corrections. One typo was noted and will be corrected.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, the motion is passed.

**CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

Chairman Koehler told the board that Tina Hill has been appointed Chairman of the Management Services Committee and Rick Klasen as the Vice-Chairman. Also, he said the county had an Earth Week presentation that took place yesterday and it was nice. A flag is now flying and an Oak tree was planted on behalf of this event. Lastly, at the Transportation Symposium that is coming up we are planning on having all of the state reps in attendance and senators, as well as inviting representation from the federal people. In addition, Senator Obama has some staff members that are coming out to McHenry County tomorrow to talk over some of the issues that were discussed in Washington DC, so if anyone is interested in being a part of that, you are welcome. It will be sometime after 9 a.m.

**SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

***Resolution recognizing Santo L. Ruggero's 40 years of service to the McHenry County Board of Health***

Ms. Peschke made a motion seconded by Ms. Wheeler to approve the above-named resolution. Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, the motion is passed.

Chairman Koehler asked Dr. Ruggero to come forward at which time he was presented with a plaque and a miniature McHenry County flag and paper weight. Chairman Koehler thanked Dr. Ruggero for his many years of service to the county on behalf of the board.

#### SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

##### ***Groundwater Resources Management Plan – Larry Thomas of Baxter & Woodman***

Mr. Thomas came forward and discussed the outcome of the meetings that they have had out in the county at various locations. A handout was given showing a summary of some of the questions that were asked and the responses to them. A copy of the handout is in the board file. He felt that the meetings were well attended and that the citizens were very concerned about groundwater and where water will come from if it is ever necessary. He said one of the issues people were concerned about was land planning and the groundwater study. Mr. Thomas said he wanted to be clear that in the groundwater study that was presented, it was not an attempt to do any land planning. What was used in the report was the population projection that was put together by NIPC and the county. An issue that the County Board and municipalities are going to have to address is how to fund the programs for groundwater.

Mr. Thomas read from the handout a summary of the recommended 16 next steps for groundwater management.

Board members had some discussion about the effects of salt on groundwater, both from the home and from the roads; as well as a monitoring approach on the groundwater and more data being made available. Also questioned is where the groundwater could or would be available to be imported from. It was suggested possibly being able to use the Chain of Lakes or Fox River but Mr. Thomas said the volume is too small as a base flow must be maintained.

Noting no other discussion, Chairman Koehler thanked Mr. Thomas for his presentation.

#### ZBA CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Gilman made a motion seconded by Mr. Shea to approve the following Petitions:

- Exb. #04-101; Marengo Twp; Karsten; reclass of A1 to A2V
- Exb. #04-102; Marengo Twp; Karsten; reclass of A1 to A2
- Exb. #05-114; Algonquin Twp; Corbin; reclass of R1 to R1V
- Exb. #05-130; Greenwood Twp; Paloumbis; reclass of A1 to A1V
- Exb. #06-3; Hebron Twp; Vanderstappen Trust; reclass of A1 to A2
- Exb. #06-6; McHenry Twp; Anderson; reclass of R1 to R1V

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Larson, Merkel, Miller, Moy, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Brewer, Chmiel, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Gilman, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Klasen and Koehler. Absent: Salgado. The vote being twenty-two (22) aye votes, noting one (1) absent and one (1) vacant position, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

#### ZBA REGULAR AGENDA

Ms. Gilman removed Petition #05-90; McHenry Twp; Gaylor/Greenhills/Snow/Zender/Norton from the agenda.

Ms. Gilman made a motion seconded by Ms. Peschke to **approve** the following Petition – for **Height variance; and to DENY – Setback, Sign Face Area, Setback from AG District**

- Exb. #05-97; Algonquin Twp; HSB Trust #5218/Hellyer; reclass of B3 to B3V

Mr. Brewer asked if the 520 sq ft face amount is the maximum allowed under our sign ordinance. Ms. Ehardt said yes.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Larson, Miller, Moy, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Wheeler, Zierer, Brewer, Chmiel, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Gilman, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Klasen and Koehler. Nay: Merkel and Shea. Absent: Salgado. The vote being twenty (20) aye votes and two (2) nay votes, noting one (1) absent and one (1) vacant position, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

Ms. Gilman made a motion seconded by Ms. Peschke to **approve** the following Petition – for **Setback from AG District**; and to **DENY – Sign Face Area**  
Exb. #05-98; Dorr Twp; Esposito/Mackey/Durkee; reclass of B1 to B1V

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Larson, Miller, Moy, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Brewer, Chmiel, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Gilman, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Klasen and Koehler. Nay: Merkel. Absent: Salgado. The vote being twenty-one (21) aye votes and one (1) nay vote, noting one (1) absent and one (1) vacant position, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

#### PLATS

None

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

#### NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

***Resolution proclaiming April 23-29, 2006 as “National Volunteer Week” in McHenry County***

***Resolution proclaiming May 1-7, 2006 as “Toastmasters Week”***

***Resolution proclaiming and supporting National Earth Day April 22, 2006***

Mr. Jung made a motion seconded by Ms. Wheeler to approve the three above-named resolutions.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, the motion is passed.

#### APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Brewer made a motion seconded by Mr. Provenzano to approve the following Appointments:

##### Rural Fire Protection Districts

Crystal Lake	Kevin Sarnwick	term to expire 05/09
	Greg Danielson	term to expire 05/08
Fox River Grove	Daniel M. Schaefer	term to expire 05/09
Harvard	Thomas J. Condon	term to expire 05/09
McHenry Twp.	Mark Justen and Allen Miller	term to expire 05/09
Union	Gordon H. Wilke	term to expire 05/09

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Ms. Peschke made a motion seconded by Mr. Klasen to approve the following Appointments:

Board of Health

Roger McGregor, Gary (Andy) Andresky  
James Haughton, M.D.

terms to expire 06/30/09  
term to expire 06/30/08

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ROUTINE CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Koehler asked if anyone wished to remove an item from the agenda, there were none. Mr. Shea made a motion seconded by Mr. Merkel to approve the Routine Consent Agenda as presented.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Larson, Merkel, Miller, Moy, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Brewer, Chmiel, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Gilman, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Klasen and Koehler. Absent: Salgado. The vote being twenty-two (22) aye votes, noting one (1) absent and one (1) vacant position, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

ORDINANCES

For Review:

McHenry County False Alarm Ordinance  
Recertification of Zoning Maps

Mr. Brewer explained the False Alarm Ordinance noting the major issue is the businesses that do not pay attention to their faulty alarm systems. This is a standard ordinance. Board members made some comments/suggestions on how to improve on this ordinance. Mr. Brewer said this can be reviewed over the next 30 days.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Austin reported that the jail administrative staff is moving into their new area this week. Also, Mr. Svoboda said the month of March averaged 301 guest detainees a night at the jail. Mr. Austin said in regard to the next board meeting on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, the final Strategic Plan will be up for approval; and also Management Services Committee has reviewed and approved a County Administrator evaluation tool that he would like to distribute that morning and allow board members the month of May to complete and get it turned in to Ms. Hill or Chairman Koehler. Lastly, Mr. Austin said he would like to have a CALF meeting at 8:30 a.m. prior to the board meeting at 9 a.m. He would like to have our federal lobbyists call in and update everyone on how the federal legislative agenda is moving along, and where they are getting positive reaction and what other activities are going in since they were in Washington in March.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

Chairman Koehler told the board that there will be an executive session at the next meeting.

MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Ms. Gilman stated regarding Exb. #05-90 that was pulled from the agenda, there is a resolution to be passed approving an extension of time on this until December, although it may not be

necessary to go that route because the Appellate Court has said that the Petitioner can not de-annex from Ringwood, so we have no jurisdiction over this as the property is not in the county.

Mr. Munaretto thanked Mr. Shea and Mr. Korpalski for visiting with Mr. Anderson from the Harris Bank to talk about opportunities to leverage our county option motor fuel taxes. He welcomed them to have a joint finance and transportation meeting when they are ready to talk about the possibilities of funding for our roads.

Ms. Peschke said that the Woodstock Food Pantry has the potential of getting about 12,000 pounds of food in the middle of May but there is no place to store it. If anyone knows of a vacant building somewhere, preferably in or near Woodstock that could be used for 2-3 months please let her know. Secondly, she would like to see the statutory reports put into a binder for the boards review rather than having them in each packet. Mr. Austin said he would look into this.

Mr. Larson said he put a copy of a publication in everyone's mailbox from the Kishwaukee River Eco System Partnership that we are a member of. It is a strategic plan for the watershed of the Kishwaukee River. If anyone is interested a staff person could come out and talk to your area about what is planned and what is known about your watershed.

Ms. Zierer told the board that Valley Hi residents are asking for some body wash and asked if board members would donate some for the residents. Also, she said the Building Projects Committee was informed that the Valley Hi construction is behind schedule and that instead of moving in August it may be November. This is disappointing news for the residents.

Mr. Klasen thanked Chairman Koehler for flying the Earth Day flag on the other flag pole and leaving the POW flag where it is located.

Mr. Merkel reminded the board that National Arbor Day is in April. The state Arbor Day is always the last Friday in April. Many communities in McHenry County over the last several years have been very active in the National Arbor Day Foundation Tree City USA Program. He thinks it is another program that the county should embrace, especially with the large number of nurseries and landscaping operations in McHenry County. Also, he asked what the status is of a Noise Ordinance. He is starting to get complaints from residents on different noise issues. Ms. Peschke responded that a law was passed in regard to ATV's that gives them free rain so there is not much that we as a county can do about that noise. The State's Attorneys office is looking into any options that we might have. Mr. Merkel said he wouldn't want to hold this up because of ATV's because his calls are on other issues also. Mr. Hammerand noted that although the bar and liquor establishments in the county do have a noise ordinance as part of the liquor control ordinance, he does get calls for numerous other noise violations. He agreed with Mr. Merkel on this issue.

Mr. Moy invited board members on April 30<sup>th</sup> to Boulder Ridge Country Club in support of Fine Arts and in particular the Mozart Festival in Woodstock. There will be 30 restaurants displaying their goods.

Ms. Draffkorn thanked everyone who helped with Government Awareness Day it was a great success. She added that next year the kids would like to see the jail !

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ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Brewer made a motion seconded by Mr. Klasen to adjourn at 8:17 p.m. Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Dated and approved at Woodstock, Illinois this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, A.D., 2006.

S/ Kenneth D. Koehler  
Kenneth D. Koehler, Chairman  
McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

S/ Katherine C. Schultz  
Katherine C. Schultz, County Clerk