

MCHENRY COUNTY BOARD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2007

Chairman of the Board – Kenneth D. Koehler (District 2)

District 1 Yvonne M. Barnes Marc Munaretto Anna May Miller Dan Shea	District 2 Marie M. Chmiel James Heisler Kenneth Koehler Lyn Orphal	District 3 Ed Dvorak Mary L Donner Nick Provenzano Barbara Wheeler
District 4 Sue Draffkorn John Hammerand Pete Merkel Sandra Fay Salgado	District 5 John Jung Jr. James P Kennedy Virginia Peschke Tina Hill	District 6 Randall Donley Mary T McCann Daniel P Ryan Mary Lou Zierer

The Honorable County Board of McHenry County, Illinois met in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 16, 2007.

Chairman Koehler called the meeting to order at 7:03 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. Ms. Chmiel gave the invocation/personal remarks.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called by County Clerk Katherine C. Schultz. The following members responded: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. Chairman Koehler declared a quorum present with twenty-two (22) members responding.

MINUTES

Mr. Dvorak made a motion seconded by Ms. Donner to approve County Board minutes from December 19, 2006. Chairman Koehler asked if there were any corrections, noting none, he asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, the County Board minutes are approved as presented.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Koehler asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Judge Henry Cowlin who recently passed away. Chairman Koehler told the board that he has attended many meetings of late one of them being the metro counties meeting with quite a bit of discussion in regard to the RTA. He told everyone to stay tuned as the county is working behind the scenes on a lot that is going on with the RTA.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mr. Heisler made a motion seconded by Ms. Chmiel to approve the following Eagle Scout:
Matthew Klockenga of Troop #158 in Crystal Lake
Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, the motion is passed.

ZBA CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Koehler asked if anyone wished to pull a petition from the ZBA consent agenda, there were none.

Ms. Wheeler made a motion seconded by Ms. Miller to approve the following Petitions:
Exb. #06-67; Seneca Twp; Thomas/Catherine Meyer; reclass of A1 to A2
Exb. #06-68; Seneca Twp; Thomas/Catherine Meyer; reclass of A1 to A2

Exb. #06-79; Nunda Twp; David Coffman; reclass of E3 to R1
Exb. #06-82; Hebron Twp; Robert/Melissa Ippach; reclass of A1 to A1C
Exb. #06-85; Alden Twp; William Crowe; reclass of A1 to A2
Exb. #06-86; Alden Twp; William Crowe; reclass of A1 to A2
Exb. #06-87; McHenry Twp; Hohensee Trust; reclass of R1 to R1V
Exb. #06-90; Hartland Twp; Lisa/John/Virginia Gerhardt; reclass of A1 to A1V

Noting no discussion, Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

ZBA REGULAR AGENDA

Ms. Wheeler made a **motion** seconded by Ms. Peschke to **DENY** the following Petition on the recommendation of the ZBA:

Exb. #06-20; Seneca Twp; Barbara L. Janet; reclass of A1 to A1C

Ms. Zierer made a **motion to amend** seconded by Mr. Dvorak to **approve Petition #06-20 and adding two conditions: remove all storage tanks and the size of the sign is to be no larger than 2 ft x 3 ft on both sides.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to amend. Ms. Zierer said she felt that this request is reasonable and should be approved. She said that the petitioners are agreeable with both conditions being added even though the petitioners could have the storage tanks on the property with the current zoning. Other members agreed.

Ms. Miller said that if the storage tanks are allowed by right why are we asking the petitioner to remove them. With that in mind, Ms. Miller made a **motion to amend the amendment** seconded by Mr. Provenzano to **allow the storage tanks on the property.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to amend the amendment. Mr. Kennedy said he disagreed. The petitioners have voluntarily offered to remove the tanks and he feels that this is an environmentally responsible decision. Mr. Donley said he felt the petitioner voluntarily offered to remove the tanks in an effort to help this pass and does not feel it is a necessary move as it is allowed by right. Ms. Chmiel asked for clarification on the sign size amendment being requested. Ms. Ehardt said the request was for 4 ft x 8 ft and this is a modification to this request.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote on the motion to amend the amendment to allow the storage tanks on the property, the nays having it, the **motion to amend the amendment has failed.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any other discussion on Ms. Zierer's amendment. Noting none, he asked for a **roll call vote on the motion to amend Petition #06-20 to remove all storage tanks and to limit the size of the sign to no larger than 2 ft x 3 ft.**

The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the **motion to amend has passed.**

Chairman Koehler asked for a **roll call vote on the motion to amend to approve Petition #06-20**. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the **motion to amend to approve this petition with approved amendments has passed**.

Ms Wheeler asked to separate the requests on the following Petition.
Ms. Wheeler made a **motion** seconded by Ms. Peschke **to approve the pool enclosure and fence in front yard** on the following Petition:

Exb. #06-89; Alden Twp; Frank & Pamela Vogel; reclass of E3V to E3V

Noting no discussion, Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

Ms. Wheeler made a **motion** seconded by Ms. McCann **to DENY the 10 ft fence height variance requested on Petition #06-89**; Frank & Pamela Vogel.

Chairman Koehler said a yes vote is to deny the fence height variance requested. He asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the **motion to deny the fence height variance** has passed.

PLATS

Ms. Wheeler made a motion seconded by Ms. Donner to approve the final plat listed below:
Gieseke Subdivision – Nunda Twp – Final Plat

Ms. Wheeler noted that the final plat is on display in the board room.
Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion to approve the final plat has passed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Resolution authorizing a budget line item transfer in the Planning and Development General Fund FY 05-06 budget

Mr. Munaretto made a motion seconded by Ms. Chmiel to approve the above named resolution.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

Resolution authorizing a budget line item transfer in the Child Support Collection Fund FY 05-06 budget

Mr. Munaretto made a motion seconded by Ms. Chmiel to approve the above named resolution.

Ms. Peschke asked how much is collected in this fund each year. Mr. Sarbaugh said he would get that figure for her he doesn't have that with him.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

Resolution authorizing adoption of a Federal Legislative Program for FY 2008

Mr. Shea made a motion seconded by Mr. Provenzano to approve the above named resolution.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

APPOINTMENTS

Ms. Wheeler made a motion seconded by Ms. Chmiel to approve the following appointment:

Zoning Board of Appeals – Alternate Member
Vicki Gartner term to 12/15/2009

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

ROUTINE CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Koehler asked if any one wished to remove an item from the consent agenda.

Mr. Shea asked to remove 14.2 G(1) and Mr. Munaretto asked to remove 14.2 B(9).

Ms. Orphal made a motion seconded by Mr. Heisler to approve the Routine Consent Agenda with two items removed.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

14.2 B(9) Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation to the Archive Building implementation FY 2007 budget (requires a two-thirds vote)

Mr. Munaretto made a motion seconded by Ms. Orphal to approve the above-named resolution.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler.

Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

14.2 G(1) Resolution recognizing Don Larson's years of service on the Community Development Block Grant Commission

Mr. Shea read the resolution and made a motion seconded by Ms. Wheeler to approve the above-named resolution.

Ms. Peschke commented that Mr. Larson was very helpful in guiding the CDBG through many regulations for several years and he will be greatly missed. Chairman Koehler agreed.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Orphal, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Shea, Wheeler, Zierer, Barnes, Chmiel and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand and Ryan. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes noting two (2) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

ORDINANCES

Ms. Wheeler made a motion seconded by Mr. Provenzano to approve the following ordinances:

- Ordinance adopting Motel Inspection/License Fees
- Ordinance amending the Schedule of Fees to cover costs of providing building permits, Inspections and code books
- Ordinance amending the fee schedule for petitions before the McHenry County ZBA
- Ordinance amending the Subdivision Fees for Subdivision Review

It was asked how many motels the county has. Ms. Ehardt said there are three motels. Because these have been on review for 60 days, it was asked when these would go into effect. Chairman Koehler said as soon as they are signed.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, the motion to approve the above-named ordinances has passed.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Austin talked briefly about the Strategic Plan handout that was given to the board members and had Mr. Labaj explain it in more detail. Mr. Labaj said they are planning the Strategic Planning sessions which are scheduled for February 1st from 5:30 to 9:30 and February 2nd from 9:00 to 3:00. They will be held at the lodge at Glacial Park and there is going to be a facilitator this year, Dr. Greg Kuhn. Mr. Labaj said we will be taking a more long term outlook, five to ten years down the road, as opposed to just the re-affirmation of our strategic plan and a one year actual plan. Mr. Labaj recommended that this handout be used as a tool at the committee level when there are discussions on these issues. Mr. Austin added that there will be a meeting for department heads and elected officials on January 25th from 10:00 to 3:00 to go through some of the issues and set the framework for what is going on in McHenry County right now.

Ms. Austin commented on the Water Resource Management issue that the board has created a position for this and it will be advertised later this week.

In regard to the Animal Control facility, Mr. Austin said that this project should get going now with the approval of a contractor tonight.

Mr. Austin asked if anyone was interested in donating to the Klasen memorial bench fund that is located in front of the administration building, we are about \$100 short of paying for the bench with donations. You can see Ms. Zierer about this.

Finally, Mr. Austin said that when we leave this evening board members should not turn off their computers by request of IT. There will be more discussion on paperless agendas coming up.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Ms. Hill said she handed out a flyer for recipes being collected by the Circuit Clerk's office for a McHenry County Cookbook to be printed and sold to benefit Special Olympics. You can e-mail your recipes to Kathy Keefe in the Circuit Clerk's office or you can give them to Ms. Hill and she will turn them in. Also, Ms. Hill said Management Services will be hosting a meeting for County Board members sometime in February along with the State's Attorney's office, an informational meeting on ethics training, Roberts Rules of Order and Open Meetings.

Mr. Jung updated the board on the 2030 Planning Commission by saying that they have elected a Chairman and have established eight working groups some of which have already met, the other ones are in the process of establishing a regular meeting date. He said that U of I came and gave a presentation and hands on demonstration of the iPlan and Lean Team Modeling. The commission felt that the lean model will help facilitate the commission's work on the 2030 Plan and also be a valuable tool for future planning. The commission will work with the lean team for a month and bring recommendations back to the County Board. Mr. Jung said they also met with MCCOG to get input from the municipalities on our 2030 Plan.

Ms. Peschke asked if Phil Ulmer's report could be put on the computer so that there is not such a large paper handout. Chairman Koehler asked Mr. Austin to check on this.

Ms. Salgado said that Senior Services Grant Commission is going to be scheduling two meetings to do some strategic planning as far as the grant money that they allocate. The first meeting is going to be an open meeting to the public for seniors or agencies to come in and tell what the needs are and any areas where we can do funding where we don't fund now; the second meeting will be to utilize the information from the first meeting and trying to give themselves a goal and more of a strategic outline when it comes time to send out applications. In regard to the Mental Health Court Taskforce, Ms. Salgado said you will be hearing more about this in the next couple of months. It looks by the end of March there should be an actual court date for this program. When everything is up and running they will come before the board and do a presentation on what the taskforce is all about.

Ms. Zierer thanked everyone who helped with the Valley Hi move into the new facility, it went very smoothly. Ms. Hill put on a housewarming for the residents at which time they received a stack full of homemade bread and such. Ms. Zierer said the residents appreciated this very much.

Mr. Dvorak said he attended a luncheon this afternoon where Mike Tryon was a speaker. He was an eloquent speaker and everyone enjoyed his stories.

Ms. McCann said she listened in on the CALF meeting this evening. She thought that many board members might have a small amount of knowledge about the Kishwaukee watershed or water authority issue. She would like to suggest that we invite the water authority proponents to do a short presentation to the board so that we all have additional knowledge of why they are interested in having this water authority as it affects all of us in the long term.

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ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Miller made a motion seconded by Ms. Barnes to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Dated and approved at Woodstock, Illinois this 6th day of February, A.D., 2007.

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

ATTEST:

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