

MCHENRY COUNTY BOARD  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING  
JULY 6, 2010

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

<b>District 1</b> Yvonne M. Barnes Robert Bless Anna May Miller Marc Munaretto	<b>District 2</b> J.S. "Scott" Breeden James Heisler Kenneth Koehler Lyn Orphal	<b>District 3</b> Mary L Donner Ed Dvorak Kathleen Bergan Schmidt Barbara Wheeler
<b>District 4</b> Sue Draffkorn John Hammerand Pete Merkel Sandra Fay Salgado	<b>District 5</b> Tina Hill James P Kennedy Virginia Peschke Paula Yensen	<b>District 6</b> Randall Donley Mary T McCann Daniel P Ryan Ersel C Schuster

The Honorable County Board of McHenry County, Illinois met in Regular Session on Tuesday, July 6 2010.

Chairman Koehler called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by County Clerk Katherine Schultz with Members of the Board, department heads and visitors participating. Mr. Heisler gave the invocation/personal remarks.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called by County Clerk Katherine Schultz. The following members responded: Peschke, Ryan, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Barnes, Bless, Breeden, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto and Koehler. Absent: Orphal, Salgado, Yensen and Donley. Chairman Koehler declared a quorum present with twenty (20) members responding. Parliamentarian Jamie Rein was present.

MINUTES

Chairman Koehler asked if there were any changes or corrections, there were none.

Ms. Miller made a motion seconded by Mr. Ryan to approve County Board minutes of June 1, 2010.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, he declared the motion to approve minutes has passed.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Koehler told the board that Ralph Sarbaugh is back in the hospital with kidney stone problems. They wished him a quick recovery. Lastly, the Chairman said the first meeting of the Underage Drinking Task Force took place on the 21<sup>st</sup>. He thinks it was quite successful and they will be moving forward with further discussions on what they possibly can do to get education out to students and parents as well. They're finding there is a tremendous disregard of a link between the parents and the students in regards to this type of issue as well as other substance abuse. The next meeting will be on July 19<sup>th</sup> and there is a meeting for those wanting to attend in Lake County of their taskforce this Thursday if you'd like to attend that.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION/REPORTS

None

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

*8.1 Art Presentation – Tina Hill introducing Jack Perry*

Ms. Hill came forward and introduced artist Jack Perry. Mr. Perry is a resident of Sun City and has brought two paintings that he has done to display in the County buildings. The oil painting is from a picture taken in France and the acrylic painting was done from a picture taken in Black River Falls. Mr. Perry thanked the County for accepting his work to be displayed.

*8.2 Roadway Asset and Pavement Condition Presentation – Joe Korpalski and Jeff Young of MCDOT*

Mr. Korpalski said Mr. Wm. Vavrik of Applied Research Associates is here today to bring the board up to speed on the efforts of the DOT's Roadway Asset and Pavement Preservation project. Mr. Korpalski said in 2006 the DOT began this program to extend the useful life of the county pavements to offset the rising costs of roadway reconstruction. The program seeks to rehabilitate pavements in fair condition through the application of treatments

such as crack sealing, micro surfacing and conventional resurfacing. He said these types of treatments offer a lower cost means to improve pavement condition while extending the interval for complete reconstruction. To facilitate the program the DOT received outside assistance to objectively rate pavement distress to the nearly 500 lane miles that make up the county highway network. As part of the project the rating score along with the traffic, budget and other information would be uploaded into the DOT Pavement Management System for analysis and treatment recommendations. Mr. Korpalski went on to say that the DOT also received assistance to upgrade and expand its GIS inventory for point and linear roadway access. Coordinate and attribute information were needed for a number of features, such as signs, guard rails, light systems, traffic signals and pavement markings. In June of this year the county contracted with Baxter and Woodman and Applied Research to help the DOT achieve these goals. Mr. Korpalski introduced Mr. Vavrik to the board who then gave a power point presentation on the Roadway Asset and Pavement Condition of McHenry County's roadways. Mr. Vavrik commended the DOT on how they worked to embrace and understand to own the process of having a good asset management program. Mr. Vavrik went over graphs and analysis of conditions of roadways in the county and explained the importance of this information. With the information provided within this program it allows for preventative maintenance to be done rather than a total redo of a roadway. Chairman Koehler asked about one of the slides where it showed 5-7 projects in the 5 year area, wanting to know if those projects are identified. Mr. Korpalski responded that he can't identify them here this evening but could let the Chairman know. He said this is a tool and one thing that would enhance this program would be if they could go out and do pavement cores on all the roads. Some of those in question could be roads with a structural weakness that had a surface treatment put on it. The goal of this system is to make sure that the fixes moving forward address the problems on the roadway. Chairman Koehler thanked Mr. Vavrik and the DOT for this presentation today.

#### PLATS

None

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

#### NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11.1 *Resolution authorizing an amendment to Resolutions R-200911-10-332, R-200911-10-333 and other CDBG Funding Sources as stated herein*

Ms. Draffkorn made a motion seconded by Ms. Barnes to approve the above-named resolution.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion. Ms. Peschke, Ms. Draffkorn and Ms. Barnes asked to abstain from voting. Mr. Munaretto said this is being done under New and Unfinished business because the Finance & Audit Committee was unable to discuss this.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Ryan, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Bless, Breeden, Donner, Dvorak, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto and Koehler. Abstain: Peschke, Barnes and Draffkorn. Absent: Orphal, Salgado, Yensen and Donley. The vote being seventeen (17) ayes, noting three (3) abstentions and four (4) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion to approve has passed.

#### APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Koehler asked that we vote on the Appointment separately.

Ms. Donner made a motion seconded by Ms. Peschke to approve the following Appointment:

##### 12.1 TB Board

Rebecca A Rockwood

term to 6/30/2013

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Peschke, Ryan, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Barnes, Bless, Breeden, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto and Koehler. Absent: Orphal, Salgado, Yensen and Donley. The vote being twenty (20) ayes noting four (4) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion to approve appointment(s) to the TB Board has passed.

Ms. McCann made a motion seconded by Ms. Barnes to approve the following Appointment:

##### 12.2 McHenry County Conservation District

Stephen T Barrett

term to 6/30/2013

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Peschke, Ryan, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Barnes, Bless, Breeden, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto and Koehler. Absent: Orphal, Salgado, Yensen and Donley. The vote being twenty (20) ayes noting four (4) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion to approve appointment(s) to the McHenry County Conservation District has passed.

Mr. Dvorak made a motion seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve the following Appointments:

12.3 Valley Hi Operating Board

Dallas K Larson	term to 6/30/2013
Peter D Michling	term to 6/30/2013
Victor J Narusis	term to 6/30/2012
Lynn M Ryan	term to 6/30/2013
Joanne F Hanrahan	term to 6/30/2012
James Kennedy - County Board Rep	term to 6/30/2012
Scott Breeden - County Board Rep	term to 6/30/2012

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Peschke, Ryan, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Barnes, Bless, Breeden, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto and Koehler. Absent: Orphal, Salgado, Yensen and Donley. The vote being twenty (20) ayes noting four (4) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion to approve appointment(s) to the Valley Hi Operating Board has passed.

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN UPDATES

None

ROUTINE CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Koehler asked if anyone wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda. Ms. Barnes asked to remove 14.2 H1.

Mr. Kennedy made a motion seconded by Mr. Heisler to approve the Routine Consent Agenda with one item removed.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Peschke, Ryan, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Barnes, Bless, Breeden, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Hammerand, Heisler, Hill, Kennedy, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto and Koehler. Absent: Orphal, Salgado, Yensen and Donley. The vote being twenty (20) ayes noting four (4) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion to approve the Routine Consent Agenda has passed.

*14.2 H1 Resolution authorizing a change in protocol for allocation of existing Home Fund allocations*

Ms. Hill made a motion seconded by Ms. Draffkorn to approve the above-named resolution.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion. Ms. Barnes said she voted no at committee on this explaining that there was very little discussion on this. They were given a very brief overview from staff about timing issues and it was recommended that the existing procedure be changed because of timing issues more than anything else. While she is in favor of improving productivity and efficiency, she is also in favor of analyzing the existing procedures. At the time she felt that the Commission had not discussed it at all and it was just a recommendation they were getting. As a committee she felt that it should have been discussed of different ways of possibly changing the timing problems. Ms. Peschke said she was confused about this as were other board members. Chairman Koehler said this came about because of HUD and the recommendations being made. Ms. Ciampi, CDBG Program Assistant, noted that Agenda items H1 and H2 deal with home funding not CDBG funding, so it's separate from the CDBG reallocations that were previously part of this meeting. She went on to explain that the NSP Program requires that we use 25% of those funds to meet a 50% AMI (area median income) household. What they are finding is they are having a hard time doing that with strictly NSP funds because of higher property taxes in this county compared to other counties and other higher costs. The proposal for the NSP resolution under H2 was to use Home Funds into different NSP projects, a concept of multi layered financing. This was a recommendation they received from HUD and they have been working with them as how to implement that into our NSP Program. They are writing down the cost of the NSP properties for rentals related to taxes so that the project will actually work and be affordable for those at 50% of AMI. If we didn't do this we wouldn't be able to make a couple of the rental properties work and we do run the risk of not

meeting the 25% set aside by September, that's why staff brought this resolution forward. In regard to H2, changing the protocol, Ms. Ciampi said this is separate from CDBG and their allocations. This is strictly dealing with Home Funds. The current process in place is that any time there needs to be a resolution related to home funding it is brought to the CDBG Commission for discussion, and they make a recommendation to the Planning & Development Committee who then brings the final recommendation to the board. This process at times takes a couple of months and this could take too long. It was identified in our home monitoring that we have some Home Funds that we risk losing in September of this year, March of 2011 and July of 2011 if those funds are not expended in a timely manner. Ms. Ciampi said staff put together with the assistance of our HUD rep that we would take any existing home contracts that we have, not new home projects, projects from 2006 to 2009, and move money to different contracts that are ready to expend those dollars and also move them into the NSP Program. When doing this, existing projects that CDBG has already looked at would not go back before the CDBG only before the Planning & Development Committee, thence expediting the process a little bit. There was concern by board members that CDBG seems to be being left out of the process. It was reiterated that CDBG has already reviewed the home projects that would be moved to NSP in order to use the funding available. The board discussed at length the pros and cons of this process again expressing concern that CDBG is not being part of this process. It was asked if recommendations from HUD are received in writing. Ms. Ciampi replied that we have some reference to it in the home monitoring report however they did make CD's of the HUD presentation that was given and part of that was talking about the efficiency. Also in the HUD exit conference that Chairman Koehler, Ms. Draffkorn, Ms. Hill and Mr. Austin attended they did talk about the efficiency of our programs and how our process of approving allocations should be checked into and might need to be reformed a little bit to allow for more timely expenditure.

Ms. Donner made a motion seconded by Ms. Hill to Call the Question for a vote.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote noting that it requires a 2/3 vote to pass. The following members responded aye: Peschke, Ryan, Schmidt, Wheeler, Bless, Breeden, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto and Koehler. Nay: Schuster, Barnes, Hammerand, Kennedy and McCann. Absent: Orphal, Salgado, Yensen and Donley. The vote being fifteen (15) ayes and five (5) nays, noting four (4) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion to Call the Question to approve 14.2 H1 has passed.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote on the motion to approve 14.2 H1. The following members responded aye: Ryan, Schmidt, Wheeler, Bless, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Hill, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto and Koehler. Nay: Peschke, Schuster, Barnes, Breeden, Hammerand, Heisler, Kennedy and McCann. Absent: Orphal, Salgado, Yensen and Donley. The vote being twelve (12) ayes and eight (8) nays, noting four (4) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion to approve 14.2 H1 has passed.

#### ORDINANCES

None

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Austin said this week we are kicking off our budget meetings with departments. Also, he let the board know that we are going to do a ribbon cutting on August 18 at 10 a.m. with Congressman Manzullo at one of well sites, Prairie View Education Center. He will ceremonially cut the ribbon on one of our telemetry units that he has helped fund to get us real time data of our wells. Mr. Austin noted that five trees need to be taken down in front of the Administration Building because they are dead and that will take place within the next week. They are going to work with Facilities Management to see if there are any trees back on the property that can be relocated to the front. Mr. Austin said the first meeting of the Valley Hi Operating Board will be a joint meeting with the Valley Hi Committee. That will take place this Thursday at 8:30 out at Valley Hi. Mr. Austin said by request of Ms. Link he is mentioning that we are having our vendor outreach event targeting McHenry County vendors who want to do work with the County. That will be June 19<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 7 p.m. here in the conference rooms.

Mr. Sandquist told that board that CMAP has released its 2040 Plan for public comment. A presentation was done for the Planning & Development Committee last week and in advance of that he had put a printed copy of the executive summary in everyone's mailbox. The P&D Committee will continue to discuss the plan on July 15<sup>th</sup> and they will get some recommendations together for them by August 6<sup>th</sup>. It was asked if a list of observations would be given to the board. Mr. Sandquist said he believed Mr. Shea had some ideas that would be put together with other comments to give to the P&D Committee in advance of their August 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Ms. Donner said there is a special meeting of the Mental Health Board on Thursday morning at 8 am, it should only take a few minutes.

This is to finalize the merger with YSB and Pioneer Center. There were a couple things that weren't in order so they couldn't approve it at their last meeting.

Ms. Barnes said she believes that communication is very important and interpretation of what is said should be communicated clearly and she is sad that today some people interpreted what other people were saying as a mistrust of staff and implying that things are going on that aren't. She never heard that from anyone and feels this shouldn't be brought into a public setting like this.

Ms. Wheeler said that on August 7<sup>th</sup> Imagine McHenry County and MCC are hosting a water forum. This is for the general public and they will talk about the quality and quantity of groundwater in McHenry County. There will be a press release going out today from the county and others as we get closer. She encouraged everyone to take a look at the press release and forward it on to your contacts so that the information is out there. It also highlights McHenry County businesses that provide opportunities to save money as well as conserve water.

Mr. Hammerand thanked everyone for their kind words, letters and personal strength on the passing of his father.

Ms. McCann said over the weekend she met several people who have loved ones at Valley Hi. She congratulated the Administrator of Valley Hi as the comments were very complimentary of how Valley Hi is being run and they like seeing him around. They are noticing a level of stability that was not there before.

Chairman Koehler said the discussion today centering around the HUD issues was a good one. He said it's obvious we need to have education on that and he's made a note to have a COW to do this. Also, he said in member's mailboxes you will see a letter to the State's Attorney's office from Mr. Sandquist which has to do with the horseracing issue over in Union. He read some of the transcripts from the ZBA hearings where we approved the A2 for that property and he thinks that the person asking for the A2 might have perjured himself so they are looking into that. In addition, they had great coverage out there on the 4<sup>th</sup> and the comments that came back from staff were that it was well managed and that there were no incidences that they saw. This was the second event within a three month period of time so before they have another event they will have to wait three months. Lastly, the Chairman said they received a letter from UIC in regard to the McCullom Lake issues and what they can possibly help us with. He didn't feel the reporting was accurate because the people who went and talked to UIC never talked about the cancer study or survey they talked about things environmental in nature and actually reviewing what has been done by people who have tested out there. If we needed to test more we would investigate doing that. Chairman Koehler said they will be bringing this to the Public Health Committee on the 12<sup>th</sup>. He will forward everyone a copy of that letter and the comments from the Northwest Herald.

Ms. Draffkorn said this morning there was a Law & Justice Committee meeting and Court Services came forward asking about credit card transactions being accepted in their department. She would like to see the entire county be able to accept credit cards. Chairman Koehler said that is being investigated. Mr. Austin added that a few departments are accepting credit cards; there will be discussion with other department heads about doing this.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

#### COMMUNICATIONS

None

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Dvorak made a motion seconded by Mr. Heisler to adjourn at 10:50 a.m. Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Dated and approved at Woodstock, Illinois this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, A.D., 2010.

ATTEST:

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

s/ Kenneth D Koehler  
Kenneth D Koehler, Chairman  
McHenry County Board