

MCHENRY COUNTY BOARD  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING  
JANUARY 20, 2009

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, January 20, 2009.

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 Schultz with Members of the Board, department heads and visitors participating. Mr. Ryan gave the invocation/personal remarks.

ROLL CALL

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

MINUTES

Ms. Miller made a motion seconded by Mr. Ryan to approve County Board minutes from January 6, 2009. Chairman Koehler asked if there were any changes or corrections, there were none. Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, the motion to approve the minutes was passed.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Chairman Koehler said he hoped many had the opportunity to view and listen to our 44<sup>th</sup> president being inaugurated this morning. He felt the President's speech was invigorating for the entire country. One of the points brought out was working to remake America and Chairman Koehler agreed now is the time. Chairman Koehler and Mr. Austin had the opportunity to be in Chicago on Friday at a hearing to address the needs of McHenry County as far as the request for the stimulus package. He is hopeful that the stimulus package that President Obama has talked about will be available and the list of projects that McHenry County has put together could be done. Chairman Koehler said that he and Mr. Austin will be at a Metro Counties meeting on Friday to address the stimulus money to be sure all of the collar counties as well as Cook County are addressing this issue with the same understanding and vigor that everybody should be having towards finding what money will be available to us. Chairman Koehler talked about the Lincoln 200<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration events mentioning the top hats in the room. One is decorated all with pennies, done by Auditor Pam Palmer. He reminded everyone that the Lincoln Dinner at the Dole Mansion is on February 21<sup>st</sup> and tickets are selling well. Ms. Hill said they will be trying to have 16 different hats that the school children will decorate based on a timeline, and the students can come up with ideas and they can go to libraries or government centers to get information. She said she has received some nice sponsorships for the events and noted that for the dinner only 125 tickets are being sold.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION/REPORTS

Mr. Donley made a motion seconded by Ms. Schuster to approve the following Eagle Scout recognitions:

Jacob John Wajda	Marengo	Troop #163
Scott Christopher Mathiesen	Marengo	Troop #163
Shea Patrick Polnow	Marengo	Troop #163
Brant Grimes	Huntley	Troop #167

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

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None

ZBA CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Koehler asked if any petitions needed to be removed.

Ms. Hill made a motion seconded by Ms. Peschke to approve the following Petitions:

- Exb #08-56; Chemung Twp; Fritz Trust; reclass A1 to A2
- Exb #08-63; Marengo Twp; Sisson Trust; reclass A1 to A2
- Exb #08-69; Hartland Twp; Sedlock Trust; reclass A1 to A2

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

Ms. Hill made a motion seconded by Ms. Yensen to approve the following Petition:

- Exb #08-43; Nunda Twp; Miller/Reynolds; reclass A1 to A1C

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion.

Ms Peschke made a **motion to amend** seconded by Mr. Ryan to add a Condition #12 to read as follows:

- 12. Sales shall be limited to used tractors, snowmobiles, lawn mowers, all-terrain vehicles, motorcycles, and other reconditioned equipment except as limited in Condition #3.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to amend. Ms. Peschke said Condition #3 originally said that the service repaid and sale of the items listed shall be prohibited, then Mr. Herder had three other items removed, which the inference to her was that it was ok to sell those. She had a discussion with Mr. Kelly and he said there was a discussion at the ZBA but they never put it into words that they did want this gentleman to be able to sell any of the things he was reconditioning, they just didn't want him to be selling new items.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote on the **motion to amend**, the ayes having it, he declared the motion to amend to **add a Condition #12 as noted above has passed**.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote on the main motion as amended. The following members responded aye: Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Dvorak, Heisler, Hill, Kennedy, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Peschke, Salgado, Schmidt, Wheeler, Yensen, Barnes, Breeden and Koehler. Nay: Ryan and Schuster. Absent: Hammerand, McCann, Orphal and Bless. The vote being eighteen (18) ayes and two (nays) noting four (4) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

ZBA REGULAR AGENDA

None

PLATS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Koehler explained the rules of public comment. The following people spoke:

- Sam Diamond of McHenry re: Plat of Subdivision Woodland Estates of Cary

Noting no others wishing to speak, Chairman Koehler closed this part of the meeting.

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12.1 *Resolution approving acceptance of State of Illinois Emergency Management Assistance (EMA) Grant Program Agreement for 2009*

Ms. Barnes made a motion seconded by Ms. Salgado 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, Kennedy, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Peschke, Ryan, Salgado, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Yensen, Barnes, Breeden and Koehler. Absent: Hammerand, McCann, Orphal and Bless. The vote being twenty (20) ayes noting four (4) absent, Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed.

**12.2 Reconsideration of Plat of Subdivision of Woodland Estates of Cary**

Ms. Hill made a motion seconded by Ms. Donner to rescind the action that the board took at a prior meeting in regard to the above-named plat.

Mr. Munaretto called a Point of Order noting that Ms. Hill was a member of the prevailing party in the original vote. Chairman Koehler said that counsel advised that this doesn't matter. If you were reconsidering something on the same day it would but this is a rescinding of a decision.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote on the motion to rescind. With a majority of the board voicing aye, noting one nay, Chairman Koehler declared the **motion to rescind has passed**.

Ms. Hill made a **motion** seconded by Ms. Schuster **for reconsideration and approval of the Plat of Subdivision of Woodland Estates of Cary**.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, with a majority of the board voicing aye noting a few nay's, Chairman Koehler declared the motion for reconsideration and approval of the Plat of Subdivision of Woodland Estates of Cary has passed.

APPOINTMENTS

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

Animal Control Administrator  
Edin Mehanovic, DVM term to 12/31/2009

Housing Authority  
Charlene Krause term to 06/30/2013

Upper IL River Valley Development Authority  
Blake Hobson term to 01/19/2012

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion. Ms. Hill asked for clarification on the appointment to the Upper River Valley Development Authority. Chairman Koehler said this is an authority that has the opportunity to work with companies that want to develop up in that area and be able to offer certain funding to them which is provided from the State of IL. We are apparently in that area and therefore can have representation on the board. Mr. Hobson has been representing us for the past year. Chairman Koehler said we might want to have Mr. Hobson come in and talk about this for informational purposes.

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

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN UPDATES

None

ROUTINE CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Koehler asked if anyone wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda, there were none.

Ms. Donner made a motion seconded by Ms. Barnes to approve the Routine Consent Agenda.

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

ORDINANCES

None

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Austin thanked board members who were here for back to back meetings this evening. Also, to those who participated in the strategic planning interviews as we gear up for our Strategic Planning meeting on February 6<sup>th</sup> in this room from about 8:30 to 1:00.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMENTS

Ms. Salgado said in 2005 the board approved a taskforce to look into a Mental Health Court. With great excitement Ms. Salgado and the judges involved invite the board to the first Mental Health Court graduation on January 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in Courtroom 204. Ms. Salgado said there are seven graduates and they are very excited as this is a huge success in their lives. The invites will be in mailboxes tomorrow. If there are any questions you can contact Ms. Salgado or Mr. Wallace after tonight's meeting.

Ms. Donner talked about Eagle Scouts saying that her great-nephew just earned his Eagle Scout badge in O'Fallon IL near St. Louis.

Mr. Kennedy said he attended the Disaster Planning Committee and the local Emergency Planning Committee meeting and found Mr. Valentine's presentation to be very informative.

Ms. Wheeler said that the County is co-sponsoring an event regarding the housing issues in McHenry County on February 13<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 to 11:30 here at the County bringing in people from the banks, the townships, the County and from the Planning and Development staff as well as Social Services. There will be discussion on the immediate situation and solutions. An e-mail will be sent to everyone as well as to a mailing list of about 900. She encouraged participation as much as possible. Also, on a personal note, she said in six years she's been here she's had four deaths in her immediate family and 2 children, and she thanked everyone for their thoughts, prayers and support during these times. Chairman Koehler thanked Ms. Wheeler for her participation in putting together this event.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Miller made a motion seconded by Ms. Salgado to adjourn at 7:40 p.m. Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Dated and approved at Woodstock, Illinois this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February, A.D., 2009.

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

ATTEST:

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