

*Minutes approved 03-22-23*



## **Legislative Committee Meeting**

Second Floor Conference Room – McKenzie Building  
Friday, January 13, 2023 – 2:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Chairman Atkins, Sam Goddard, Kaden Nelms, Max Schneider

Others Attending: David Zimmerman, Mike Deluhery

Chairman Atkins opened the floor to Board Chairman, David Zimmerman. Zimmerman advised the Committee has not been active for several years. He would like a legislative agenda to address bills to be opposed or promoted to provide to local legislatures. He said the guiding principles would be things proposing unfunded mandates. He asked that we only deal with issues we have control over. He provided some background on what this committee had done including an invite to legislatures to come to a board meeting and present information that is important to Tazewell. Chairman Zimmerman then left the meeting.

**MOTION**     **MOTION BY GODDARD, SECOND BY SCHNEIDER** to recommend to Executive Committee to approve condemning any action by the Illinois General Assembly to remove local zoning authority from County zoning.

Chairman Atkins explained how the County was working on a new ordinance and this action by the IGA has limited our authority. Community Development Administrator, Jackie Workman, explained we were close to what the state had done. She confirmed there had been no inquiries from local legislatures on our process. She also explained that our moratorium was to provide time to work on an ordinance promoting and ensuring public safety.

The Committee discussed impacts on local government when state law removes our authority.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

Chairman Atkins advised the future goals of the Committee would be to create a legislative agenda which would include unfunded mandates and anything that takes away authority on a local level. The Committee reviewed a Legislative agenda from 2019.

Chairman Atkins stated he would like to see action items at the next meeting to opposes a housing support fee and fees to support judicial facilities. Goddard would like to see opposition to the second amendment bill that just passed.

The Committee set the date for the next meeting as February 03, 2023 at 3pm.

Chairman Atkins recessed the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

(transcribed by S. Beeney)