

Chairman David Zimmerman  
Kim D. Joesting, Dist. 1  
Nancy Proehl, Dist. 1  
Mark Goddard, Dist. 1  
Kaden Nelms, Dist. 1  
Nick Graff, Dist. 2  
Greg Menold, Dist. 2  
Greg Sinn, Dist. 2  
Sierra Smith, Dist. 3  
Dave Mingus, Dist. 3  
Tammy Rich-Stimson, Dist. 3



John C. Ackerman  
County Clerk

Vice Chairman, Michael Harris, Dist. 3  
Jay Hall, Dist. 1  
Vacant, Dist. 1  
Sam Goddard, Dist. 1  
Vivian Hagamann, Dist. 2  
Maxwell Schneider, Dist. 2  
Roy Paget, Dist. 2  
Randi Krehbiel, Dist. 2  
Russ Crawford, Dist. 3  
William (Bill) Atkins, Dist. 3  
Greg Longfellow, Dist. 3

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**TAZEWELL COUNTY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25, 2023  
6:03 AM**

**James Carius Community Room, Tazewell Law & Justice Center,  
101 S. Capitol Street, Pekin, Illinois 61554**

**ROLL CALL BY COUNTY CLERK**

Attendance was taken by Roll Call and the following members of the board were present: Board Chairman David Zimmerman, Members Atkins, Mark Goddard, Sam Goddard, Graff, Hagaman, Hall, Harris, Joesting, Krehbiel, Longfellow, Menold, Nelms, Paget, Proehl, Rich-Stimson, Schneider, Sinn, Smith - 19. Absent: Altpeter, Crawford, Mingus - 3.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Zimmerman led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES**

Keith Dunklebarger, a concerned citizen spoke on the population decline of the City of Pekin. He encouraged investing money in the Arcade and Tobin Buildings rather than demolishing them. He distributed a handout to the board members.

Deborah Montgomery, a resident of Pekin presented a petition signed by over 500 residents to stop the demolition process of the Arcade and Tobin Buildings. She presented a September 2020 engineering report completed on the Tobin Building. She encouraged historical preservation instead of demolition for these buildings.

John McNish, a concerned citizen voiced his concern about the demolition of the Arcade and Tobin Buildings, and he encouraged Tazewell County to invest in these historical buildings.

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## **COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED & APPOINTED COUNTY OFFICIALS**

County Clerk/Recorder John C. Ackerman notified the board regarding a meeting on January 31, 2023, at the Peoria County Courthouse to discuss the recent legislative changes to the Rental Housing and Support Program. He indicated several legislators and representatives from local Housing Authorities would attend. The fee increase would go into effect July 1, 2023. Clerk Ackerman, informed the board that at the recent Illinois County Clerk & Recorder Conference, Fidler Technologies presented the Best Communication Award to his office.

Member Paget thanked members of the public that attended the meeting. He stated the County needed to work with the City of Pekin regarding their proposed development.

## **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 16, 2022, COUNTY BOARD PROCEEDINGS, THE NOVEMBER 16, 2022, FINAL BUDGET MINUTES AND DECEMBER 5, 2022, COUNTY BOARD MEETING**

Member Atkins moved to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held on November 16, 2022, the November 16, 2022 Final Budget Minutes and the December 5, 2022 County Board Meeting as printed; seconded by Member Longfellow. Motion to approve the minutes as printed were approved by voice vote of 18 Yeas, 0 Nays.

## **IN-PLACE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Meeting started at 6:28 PM and ended at 6:31 PM.

## **IN-PLACE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Meeting started at 6:31 PM and ended at 7:16 PM. The Executive Committee Meeting went into closed session at 6:31 PM and returned to open session at 7:15 PM.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1. Land Use: Approve Ordinance amending Title XV, Chapter 153, Wind Energy Code, RESOLUTION LU-23-01.**
- 2. Land Use: Approve Ordinance amending Title XV, Chapter 157, RESOLUTION LU-23-02.**
- 3. Land Use: Approve subdivision modification, RESOLUTION LU-23-03.**
- 4. Health Services: Approve agreement with Delavan for Animal Control Services, RESOLUTION HS-23-01.**
- 5. Health Services: Approve agreement with Creve Coeur for Animal Control Services, RESOLUTION HS-23-02.**

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6. **Health Services: Approve agreement with South Pekin for Animal Control Services, RESOLUTION HS-23-03.**
7. **Health Services: Approve agreement with Marquette Heights for Animal Control Services, RESOLUTION HS-23-04.**
8. **Health Services: Approve agreement with Hopedale for Animal Control Services, RESOLUTION HS-23-05.**
9. **Health Services: Approve agreement with Tremont for Animal Control Services, RESOLUTION HS-23-06.**
10. **Health Services: Approve agreement with North Pekin for Animal Control Services, RESOLUTION HS-23-07.**
11. **Health Services: Approve agreement with Mackinaw for Animal Control Services, RESOLUTION HS-23-08.**
12. **Health Services: Approve agreement with East Peoria for Animal Control Services, RESOLUTION HS-23-14.**
13. **Health Services: Approve annual recycling grant payment to Morton for curbside recycling, RESOLUTION HS-23-09.**
14. **Health Services: Approve annual recycling grant payment to Creve Coeur for curbside recycling, RESOLUTION HS-23-10.**
15. **Health Services: Approve annual recycling grant payment to East Peoria for curbside recycling, RESOLUTION HS-23-11.**
16. **Health Services: Approve annual recycling grant payment to Washington for curbside recycling, RESOLUTION HS-23-12.**
17. **Health Services: Approve annual recycling grant payment to Pekin for curbside recycling, RESOLUTION HS-23-13.**
18. **Transportation: Approve Resolution for Improvement under the Illinois Highway Code – Section 22-00026-00-DR, RESOLUTION T-23-01.**
19. **Transportation: Approve Local Public Agency Engineering Services Agreement between Tazewell County and Mauer-Stutz, Inc., RESOLUTION T-23-02.**
20. **Finance: Approve budget transfers for County Administration, RESOLUTION F-22-52.**

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21. Finance: Approve budget transfers for Court Services, RESOLUTION F-22-52.
22. Finance: Approve budget transfers for Court Services, RESOLUTION F-23-01.
23. Finance: Approve budget transfers for EMA, RESOLUTION F-23-03.
24. Finance: Approve budget transfers for the Health Department, RESOLUTION F-23-05.
25. Finance: Approve budget transfers for Animal Control, RESOLUTION F-23-06.
26. Finance: Approve budget transfers for Special Funds, RESOLUTION F-23-08.
27. Finance: Approve budget transfers for Courts, RESOLUTION F-23-11.
28. Finance: Approve budget transfers for the Coroner, RESOLUTION F-23-10.
29. Finance: Approve Board recognition of an increase in County Clerk budget for grant purposes, RESOLUTION F-23-12.
30. Finance: Approve relocation of i3 Broadband services for the Veterans Assistance Commission, RESOLUTION F-23-02.
31. Finance: Approve agreement to upgrade GIS software, RESOLUTION F-23-04.
32. Finance: Approve recommendation to decline Property Tax Recapture, RESOLUTION F-23-09.
33. Finance: Approve amendment to i3 Broadband Master Services Agreement for the Courthouse, RESOLUTION F-23-13. Upon approval of In-Place meeting.
34. Human Resources: Approve creation of a second IT Network Administrator position, RESOLUTION HR-23-01.
35. Human Resources: Approve reclassification of the Finance Director position to become Assistant Administrator/Finance Director, RESOLUTION HR-23-02.
36. Human Resources: Approve creation of position for Assistant Finance Director, RESOLUTION HR-23-03.
37. Executive: Approve the Annual Appellate Prosecutor resolution, RESOLUTION E-23-01.
38. Executive: Approve acceptance of resignation of District 1 County Board Member, RESOLUTION E-23-11.

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39. Executive: Approve polling location changes in Pekin Township, RESOLUTION E-23-12.
40. Executive: Approve 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2023 payment to the Greater Peoria Economic Development Council, RESOLUTION E-23-13.
41. Executive: Approve correction of invoice payment for CDBG RLF Closeout Grant 18-248592, RESOLUTION E-23-15.
42. Executive: Approve the ninth invoice for CDBG RLF Closeout Grant 18-248591, RESOLUTION E-23-17.
43. Executive: Approve the tenth invoice for CDBG RLF Closeout Grant 18-248591, RESOLUTION E-23-18.
44. Executive: Approve bid award for sidewalks utilizing the Community Development Block Grant Revolving Loan Fund Closeout Program, RESOLUTION E-23-16.
45. Executive: Approve County Delinquent Tax Sale Resolution, RESOLUTION E-23-21.
46. Executive: Approve Comcast franchise renewal, RESOLUTION E-23-14.
47. Executive: Approve application for Energy Transition Community Grant Program, RESOLUTION E-23-22.
48. Executive: Approve resolution-condemning passage of HB4412 removing local zoning authority to regulate wind energy and commercial solar facilities, RESOLUTION E-23-23.
49. Executive: Approve amendment of County Code for Chapter 33: County Board, RESOLUTION E-23-19.
50. Executive: Approve submitting proposal to City of Pekin Request for Proposal for Purchase of Property, RESOLUTION E-23-27. Upon approval of In-Place Meeting.

Member Nelms moved to approve the Consent Agenda items as outlined in the Agenda packet; seconded by Member Hall. The Consent Agenda was approved by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 0 Nays.

The following items were removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

**Item 1 Land Use:** It was discussed that the moratorium was still in place for four months. Member Joesting motioned to approve the Ordinance Amending Title XV,

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Chapter 153, Wind Energy Code; seconded by Member Harris. Motion was passed by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 2 Land Use:** Member Sinn explained the changes to Title XV, Chapter 157. Member Harris motioned to approve Ordinance amending Title XV, Chapter 157; seconded by Member Menold. Motion was passed by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 30 & 33 Finance:** Member Atkins explained that items F-23-02 and F-23-13 were being combined together when voting for approval. Member Atkins moved to approve relocation of i3 Broadband services for the Veterans Assistance Commission and approve amendment to i3 Broadband Master Service Agreement for the Courthouse; seconded by Member Schneider. Motion was passed by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 34 Human Resources:** Member Paget requested clarification on the grade and salary of the IT Network Administrator position. County Administrator Mike Deluhery explained this position would be a grade 17 and salary range would be \$59,124.00 - \$73,866.00. Member Proehl motioned to approve creation of a second IT Network Administrator position; seconded by Member Sam Goodard. Motion was passed by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 35 Human Resources:** Member Mark Goddard motioned to defer this item until February board meeting; seconded by Member Paget. Member Harris questioned Member Mark Goddard on the reason for the deferral. Member Mark Goddard stated this position would be growing government and he wanted further conversation on this matter. Member Proehl indicated this position was discussed back in the fall. Member Sam Goddard requested this matter return to the entire board for discussion. Member Harris said he would not support the deferral. Member Atkins stated he supports the deferral. Member Menold said he would not support the deferral. In response to Member Graff's question, Member Mark Goddard stated between meetings some additional discussion could take place regarding the position. Member Paget spoke on being a new board member and requested further discussion. Discussion took place regarding filling this position and the previous vote of a second IT Network Administrator position. Motion to defer reclassification of the Finance Director position to become Assistant Administrator/Finance Director Failed by roll call vote of 9 Yeas; 10 Nays – Harris, Joesting, Krehbiel, Longfellow, Menold, Proehl, Rich-Stimson, Schneider, Sinn, Chairman Zimmerman.

Member Paget voiced concern with this position and the salary involved. He requested this position be a contracted position. Member Paget motioned to amend Resolution HR-23-02, to make the Assistant County Administrator/Finance Director be a contract employee; seconded by Member Graff. Administrator Deluhery stated the county administrator would hire similar positions and not contract someone. Member Paget

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stated the current County Treasurer Hannah Clark could do the position of Finance Director. Discussion took place regarding the grade on this position and Administrator Deluhery indicated it would be hard to recruit a contracted position. Chairman Zimmerman stated Tazewell County's goal is to promote within for positions and a contracted person would not allow such promotions. Member Mark Goddard requested a compromise to approve this position, but not hire the assistant finance director position. Motion to amend to make the Assistant County Administrator/Finance Director position a contract position Failed by roll call vote of 4 Yeas – Atkins, Sam Goddard, Hagaman, Paget; 14 Nays.

Member Atkins motioned to approve the reclassification of the Finance Director position to become Assistant Administrator/Finance Director; seconded by Member Graff. Chairman Zimmerman stated discussion had taken place for years on the need of an Assistant County Administrator position. Motion was approved by roll call vote of 14 Yeas; 4 Nays – Mark Goddard, Sam Goddard, Paget, Smith.

**Item 36 Human Resources:** Member Mark Goddard motioned to defer this item until next meeting; seconded by Member Atkins. Member Harris stated he would support the motion for deferral. Administrator Deluhery explained the duties of the Assistant Finance Director. Member Atkins requested the motion maker Member Goddard agree to an amendment to defer until April board meeting. Member Goddard agreed to the amendment deferring until April. Member Graff requested this item be returned to the committee level before back to full board. Member Mark Goddard agreed to return this item to Human Resources Committee. Member Menold stated he would not support the deferral. Amended Motion to defer the creation of the Assistant Finance Director position until April Human Resources Committee Meeting was approved by roll call vote of 13 Yeas; 5 Nays – Harris, Longfellow, Menold, Rich-Stimson, Sinn.

**Item 38 Executive:** Member Graff motioned to approve accepting the Resignation of District 1 County Board Member Wayne Altpeter; seconded by member Longfellow. Chairman Zimmerman stated Mr. Altpeter was a great board member and he regretfully accepted his resignation. Motion was approved by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 0 Nays.

**Item 48 Executive:** Member Atkins discussed the recent legislation HB4412 pertaining to wind energy and commercial solar facilities. He indicated the state has limited the counties authority on setbacks among other items of concern. He voiced his concern regarding this legislation and the effect on Tazewell County. In regard to Member Graff's question regarding this ordinance, Member Atkins stated the State of Illinois has ordered counties to modify each local ordinance to fit their requirements. Member Rich-Stimson motioned to approve resolution-condemning passage of HB4412 removing local zoning authority to regulate wind energy and commercial solar facilities; seconded by Member Sam Goddard. Motion was approved by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 0 Nays.

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**Item 50 Executive:** Member Graff motioned to approve submitting a proposal to City of Pekin for Proposal for Purchase of Property; seconded by Member Longfellow. This item was discussed in the Executive In-Place meeting. Motion was approved by voice vote of 17 Yeas; 1 Nay – Schneider.

### **APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS**

E-23-02: Member Rich-Stimson moved to appoint Vivian Hagaman to the Persons with Development Disabilities Board; seconded by Member Sam Goodard. Resolution E-23-02 was approved by voice vote of 17 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Abstention – Hagaman.

E-23-03: Member Rich Stimson moved to reappoint Nancy Proehl to the Tazewell County Farm Bureau; seconded by Member Sam Goddard. Resolution E-23-03 was approved by voice vote of 17 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Abstention – Proehl.

E-23-05: Member Rich Stimson moved to reappoint Bill Atkins to the Tri-County River Valley Development Authority; seconded by Member Sam Goddard. Resolution E-23-05 was approved by voice vote of 17 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Abstention – Atkins.

E-23-06: Member Rich Stimson moved to appoint Vivian Hagaman to the Mackinaw Valley Water Authority; seconded by Member Sam Goddard. Resolution E-23-06 was approved by voice vote of 17 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Abstention – Hagaman.

E-23-07: Member Rich Stimson moved to appoint Kim Joesting to the Veterans Assistance Commission; seconded by Member Sam Goddard. Resolution E-23-07 was approved by voice vote of 17 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Abstention – Joesting.

E-23-08: Member Rich Stimson moved to reappoint Russ Crawford to the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission Board; seconded by Member Sam Goddard. Resolution E-23-08 was approved by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 0 Nays.

E-23-09: Member Rich Stimson moved to reappoint Greg Menold to the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission Board; seconded by Member Sam Goddard. Resolution E-23-09 was approved by voice vote of 17 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Abstention – Menold.

E-23-10: Member Rich Stimson moved to appoint Sierra Smith to the Tazewell Woodford Youth Services, seconded by Member Sam Goddard. Resolution E-23-10 was approved by voice vote of 17 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Abstention – Smith.

E-23-20: Member Rich Stimson moved to reappoint Aaron Birky to the Hopedale Fire Protection District; seconded by Member Sam Goddard. Resolution E-23-20 was approved by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 0 Nays.



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## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

It was determined no unfinished business for the board at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

It was determined no new business for the board at this time.

### **Review of approved bills.**

Board Members reviewed the approved bills as presented.

## **APPROVE THE FEBRUARY 2023 CALENDAR**

Member Rich-Stimson moved to approve the February 2023 calendar; seconded by Member Joesting. Motion to approve the February 2023 calendar was approved by voice vote of 18 Yeas; 0 Nays.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Zimmerman recognized Supervisor of Assessments Nicole Jones on receiving a Final Equalization Factor of one from the Illinois Department of Revenue.

He notified the board that a Special Meeting would take place on Saturday February 25, 2023, at 8:00 AM.

He welcomed the new board members and thanked everyone who participated in this civil debate on county issues.

There being no further business before the Board, Board Chairman Zimmerman announced the meeting was adjourned. The Tazewell County Board Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM. The next scheduled County Board meeting will be February 22, 2023.