

COUNTY BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 6:00 PM
JACKSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Invocation

Given by Peterson

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Members Present: Calandro, Comparato, D. Bost, Hunter, J. S. Rendleman, Larkin, Mendoza Jr., Morris, Nehring, Peterson and Snyder

Members Absent: Erbes and Mueller

Recognition of Visitors

Citizen Comments

Communications

Chairman Larkin stated he received an e-mail from the United States Solar Corporation about community solar opportunities for Jackson County. He will forward the information to the appropriate committee after consideration.

Agency Reports

Peterson attended the Shawnee Resource Conservation and Development Council meeting on September 12, 2019. They are looking for members if anyone is interested.

Greater Egypt will be one of the sponsors at SI Awards Employer Driven Solutions Conference which is being held on September 24, 2019 at the Benton Event Civic Center from 7 through 11:30 p.m.

Greater Egypt is still assisting the SI Airport with the Economic Development Administration 3.75 million dollar grant. This is to build two new hangers and possibly a third.

Peterson asked Mr. Burdick to give an update on the smalls structure inventory for the Safety Study and other projects.

J.S. Rendleman reported that Jackson County Emergency Telephone Board met and voted to approve a settlement agreement.

J.S. Rendleman also reported that the Four-County Highway Coalition met in Sparta, IL. It is not official, but consideration for a four lane highway from Murphysboro to St. Louis is being discussed.

Chairman Report

- I. [19-4450](#) Appointment of Board Member-District 3
Chairman Larkin recommended that the board accept the appointment of Gene Basden to District 3.
A motion was made by Mendoza Jr., seconded by D. Bost, to approve the appointment. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- II. [19-4451](#) Adjustment of membership on the Finance Committee

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Chairman Larkin scaled back the numbers of Board Members that will serve on the Finance Committee as follows:

Chair Hunter, Comparato, Erbes, Nehring, Peterson, J.S. Rendleman and D. Bost.

A motion was made by Comparato, seconded by Peterson, to approve the seven Finance Committee Members. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by J. S. Rendleman, seconded by Calandro, to approve the following committee appointments:

Executive Committee:

Larkin, Hunter, Erbes, Nehring, Peterson, Snyder and Mueller.

Legislative & Public Safety Committee:

Erbes, Calandro, Comparato, Morris, Mueller, Basden and Snyder.

Real Property Committee:

Peterson, D. Bost, Erbes, Calandro, Mendoza, Morris and Mueller.. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Mueller arrived.

A motion was made by J.S Rendleman, seconded by D. Bost, to approve the amended Consent Agenda. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- III. [19-4453](#) Payment of Health Insurance Claims in the amount of \$600,000
 - IV. [19-4455](#) Payment to U of I Extension in the amount of \$120,000
 - V. [19-4456](#) Payment to Greater Egypt in the amount of \$15,054.50
 - VI. [19-4457](#) Payment to Ameren in the amount of \$33,932.62
 - VII. [19-4458](#) Emergency appropriation for an ambulance to prevent a threat to public health, safety, and the disruption of critical County services affecting health and safety in an amount not to exceed \$162,000
 - VIII. [19-4459](#) Approval of the purchase of a new stretcher/power load system in an amount not to exceed \$52,000
 - IX. [19-4460](#) Approval of the Public Defender salary adjustment
 - X. [19-4461](#) Payment of Ambulance Service Monthly Claims in the amount of \$35,049.50
 - XI. [19-4462](#) Approval of the purchase of two Ford F-150 pickup trucks, outfitted with necessary equipment, for the Ambulance Department
 - XII. [19-4463](#) Approval of the Land Division for Hines Parcel# 18-03-176-029
 - XIII. [19-4464](#) Payment of Highway Monthly Claims in the amount of \$405,425.79
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- XIV. [19-4465](#) Resolution 2019-25 for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code-Amended-Section 19-00000-00-GM
- XV. [19-4452](#) August 20, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes
A motion was made by J. S. Rendleman, seconded by Mueller, to approve the corrections under Agency Reports and approve the County Board Meeting Minutes. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
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- XVI. [19-4454](#) Payment of County Monthly Claims in the amount of \$314,695.98
A motion was made by Hunter, seconded by Comparato, to approve the claims. The motion carried by the following vote:
Yes: 11 - Calandro, Comparato, D. Bost, Hunter, Larkin, Mendoza Jr., Morris, Mueller, Nehring, Peterson and Snyder
Absent: 1 - Erbes
Abstain: 1 - J. S. Rendleman
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Standing Committee Reports

Basden arrived to the meeting and was sworn in by the County Clerk.

Executive Committee

- XVII. [19-4466](#) Open Appointments in September 2019 {15}
- i. Board of Health (1)*
 - ii. Buncombe Water District (1)
 - iii. Elverado Water District (3)
 - iv. Farmland Assessment (1)
 - v. Greater Egypt (1)
 - vi. Jackson/Union Regional Port District (1)
 - vii. Lakeside Water District (1)
 - viii. Liquor Advisory Board (1)
 - ix. Natural Resources Economic Development Board (2)
 - x. Orville Water District (1)
 - xi. Shawnee Resource Conservation and Development Area (1)*
 - xii. Southern Illinois Economic Development Authority (1)
- A motion was made by Snyder, seconded by Hunter, to approve and appoint Amy Wyatt DMD to the Board of Health. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
A motion was made by Mueller, seconded by J. S. Rendleman, to approve and appoint Dr. Lee Maue to the Shawnee Resource Conservation and Development Area. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
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Legislative & Public Safety Committee

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Peters on reported on an article published in the Southern Illinoisan Newspaper stating that Southern Illinois has the highest jobs created in the State.

Special Committee Reports

- XVIII. [19-4469](#) JGA Consultant Presentation
Mueller reported that the presentation that was to be given by the Jackson County Growth Alliance was canceled. A representative will be at the Finance Committee on September 24, 2019 to go over all the details about how the Revitalization Program has served the community.
A motion was made by J. S. Rendleman, seconded by Calandro, to approve a 10 minute recess. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
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Finance & Administration Committee

Sharon Harris-Johnson reported on the cash flow situation for the County. The new Accounting Coordinator Clea Shirley was introduced.

- XIX. [19-4467](#) Payment of Board Members' Travel Reimbursement in the amount of \$2,657.83
A motion was made by Hunter, seconded by J. S. Rendleman, to approve the Travel Reimbursement. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Rendleman, seconded by Hunter, to go into Executive Session under Section 2 (c). The motion carried by unanimous vote.

- XX. [19-4470](#) Ratification of the FOP Contract
A motion was made by J. S. Rendleman, seconded by D. Bost, to approve the FOP contract subject to approval by the bargaining unit. The motion carried by the following vote:
Yes: 12 - Basden, Calandro, Comparato, D. Bost, Hunter, J. S. Rendleman, Larkin, Mendoza Jr., Morris, Mueller, Nehring and Peterson
Absent: 1 - Erbes
Abstain: 1 - Snyder

- XXI. [19-4468](#) Approval of the employee premium amounts for health insurance
The HopeTrust Plan 1000 Option:
Employee only will be current amount set
Employee Spouse - 174.00
Employee Child - 578.00
Employee Family - 960.00

The HopeTrust Plan 4000 QHDHP Plan
Employee Spouse - 457.00
Employee Child - 345.00
Employee Family - 672.00
A motion was made by Hunter, seconded by Peterson, to approve the above premium amounts for health insurance. The motion carried by the following vote:
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Absent: 1 - Erbes

Abstain: 1 - Snyder

Old Business

New Business

The City of Carbondale is helping to sponsor an Employment Fair at the Civic Center on October 9, 2019 from 9A.M. through 1P.M.

Recess

A motion was made by J.R. Rendleman, seconded by Comparato, to recess. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

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