

Tax and Elections Committee Meeting
Tuesday, June 6, 2017
5:00 PM, Courthouse Annex, Room 319

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Adoption/Amendment of Agenda
3. Adoption/Amendment of Minutes – January 3, 2017 Meeting
4. Audience Comments
5. Change in polling place-Georgetown Townships Precincts 1 through 4
6. Change in polling place-Grant Township Precinct 1 through 6
7. Change in polling place-Love Township Precinct 1
8. Change in polling place-Newell Township Precinct 2
9. Items of Information
10. Executive Session
 - A. Pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1)** The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity.
 - B. Pursuant to Illinois Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (6)**
The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body.
 - C. Pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11)** Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.
11. Adjournment

MINUTES

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order and Roll Call

Committee Chairman Morse called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM on Tuesday, February 7, 2017. Upon the call of roll, the following members were present: Nancy O'Kane, Tom Morse, Chuck Mockbee, Joe Eakle, Crisi Walls, John Criswell. Cari West-Monson was absent and excused and expected to arrive late. 6 present, 1 absent. Also attending the meeting were: Will Nesbitt, Danville Election Commission Director; Cathy Jenkins, County Clerk; Lindsay Light, County Clerk's Office; and Amie Harvey, Administrative Assistant. County Board Chairman Mike Marron was expected to arrive late.

Agenda Item 2 - Adoption/Amendments to Agenda

Joe Eakle moved to adopt the agenda and a second was made by Nancy O'Kane. Motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 3 - Approval of Minutes for the Previous Meeting, September 6, 2016

Nancy O'Kane requested that the previous minutes be changed to specify the exact time that Cari West-Monson arrived to the meeting. Nancy O'Kane moved to approve the minutes with changes, second was made by Crisi Walls. Motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 4 - Audience Comments

There were none.

Agenda Item 5 – Department Orientations – Elected Officials

Will Nesbitt, the Director of the Danville Election Commission, addressed the committee. The Election Commission has 3 commissioners that oversee the office. They also have 3 employees – a director, an assistant director, and one part time employee utilized during election seasons.

General duties for the Commission are to keep adequate polling places efficient during elections as well as maintaining list of registered voters for the City of Danville. There are 29 precincts and nearly 18,000 registered voters. Discussion ensued.

Nancy O'Kane asked about student election judges and what sort of training they received. Will explained that there was an in-classroom training for them and this was the first year student judges were implemented. He said it is always a good idea to get students involved in the community and interested in civics. Same-day registration was another new implementation at polling places this year. Chuck Mockbee asked how many election commissions remain in the state of Illinois – Danville is 1 of 7 city election commissions, Chicago having the largest; and there are 2 county-wide commissions left in the state.

Cathy Jenkins addressed the committee next about the duties of the County Clerk's office. Her office has 7 employees that fall under the following categories: Vital Records, Voter Registration, Delinquent Taxes, County Board Liaison, Election Judge Coordinators and County Elections, and part-time scanners. Vital Records handles notaries, all front-counter operations, marriage licenses/certificates, and birth and death certificates. Voter Registration is knowledgeable of all state voting laws, handles all registrations, and does a county-wide canvas every 2 years. Delinquent Taxes employees compute tax rates, process tax fees and all paperwork relating to this, and handle the tax sale every November. The County Board Liaison

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does the minutes/recording of the meetings, and maintains ordinances and resolutions passed by the board. Discussion ensued.

County Board Chairman Mike Marron arrived during orientations at 4:45 PM.
Cari West-Monson arrived during orientations at 4:52 PM.

Agenda Item 6 - Items of Information or Committee Concerns

Chairman Marron had a few items of information for the Committee:

- A public hearing was held which allows the County Board to submit a "report" to the Illinois Department of Agriculture on the subject of the two potential swine operations to be built in Oakwood Township. The approach will be to send a report which states the County Board's position of neutrality, along with a strong recommendation to take into consideration the comments of Vermilion County residents. A transcription of all public comment during the Board Meeting regarding the farms will also be sent to the Illinois Department of Agriculture.
- All meeting times, pending a County Board vote, would be moved to 5:00 PM beginning March 1.
- Trigard will be giving us a quote on installing a wall for recognition of Elected Officials that have served in the military on the second floor of the Courthouse Annex
- The first County Employee of the Month will be announced at the County Board meeting

Agenda Item 7 - Executive Session

Not necessary.

Agenda Item 8 - Adjournment

Committee Chairman Morse adjourned the meeting at 5:24 PM.

Minutes by: Amie Harvey, Administrative Assistant

RESOLUTION

RE: CHANGE IN POLLING PLACE

WHEREAS, the Vermilion County Board is required to provide suitable polling places for all elections; and

WHEREAS, the polling places for Grant Township Precinct 1 through 6 are no longer adequate to serve as polling places; and

WHEREAS, handicapped-accessible polling places have been graciously offered by St. Anthony's Catholic Church at 423 S. 3rd St.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the polling place for Grant Township Precincts 1 through 6 be changed to St. Anthony's Parrish, located at 423 S. 3rd St. Hoopston, IL 60942.

PRESENTED, APPROVED AND RESOLVED by the County Board of Vermilion County, Illinois at it's June 13, 2017 A.D. meeting.

Dated this 13th, day of June 2017 A.D.

AYE__NAY__ABSTAIN__

County Board Chairman

ATTEST:

Clerk of the County Board

Approved by Tax and Elections Committee:

Tom Morse Y N A
Chairman

Date

Charles Mockbee Y N A

Joseph Eakle Y N A

Nancy O'Kane Y N A

John Criswell Y N A

Cari West-Monson Y N A

Joe Bird Y N A

RESOLUTION _____

