

Minutes approved 5.22.2024



Executive Committee Meeting

Jury Commission Room – McKenzie Building
Wednesday, April 17, 2024 – 4:01 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Presiding Chairman Mike Harris, Bill Atkins, Nick Graff, Jay Hall, Kim Joesting, Greg Menold, Dave Mingus, Nancy Proehl, Tammy Rich-Stimson, Treasurer Clark

Committee Members Absent: Chairman Zimmerman, Greg Longfellow, Max Schneider, State’s Attorney Representative Mike Holly, Auditor Grimm

Others Attending: Mike Deluhery, County Administrator

MOTION **MOTION BY MEMBER MENOLD, SECOND BY MEMBER RICH-STIMSON** to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2024 meeting and March 27, 2024 in-place meeting

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION
E-24-37 **MOTION BY MEMBER JOESTING, SECOND BY MEMBER HALL** to recommend to approve Decommissioning Plan for Dragon’s Breath, LLC

Community Development Administrator Jaclynn Workman stated that this is for a solar farm east of Hopedale. She stated there was no opposition to the project. She stated this is in line with other Decommissioning Plans.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION
E-24-45 **MOTION BY MEMBER ATKINS, SECOND BY MEMBER PROEHL** to recommend to approve amendments to the Tazewell County Board Rules

Member Atkins that they are proposing two changes. He stated that the first change is regarding frequent absences. He stated that the chairman of the board and the chairman of the committee has the discretion to remove members from a committee for what they deem to be insufficient attendance.

Member Atkins stated that the second change is regarding reimbursements. He stated that a couple times recently individuals had waited well beyond the 60 day period that we ordinarily allow. He stated that the language is being changed to say that in the month the board member has the per diem or mileage, the board member has 60 days from the end of that month to request it or else the board member waives their right to be reimbursed. He stated that the board will have the ability to grant these past 60 days, but it would require a motion to suspend our rules, which would require a super majority.

Member Graff voiced his concern regarding the frequent absences and asked what would happen if the board chairman or the committee chairman were the perpetrator. He stated that he is not sure why the change is necessary.

Presiding Chairman Harris stated that there have been issues in transportation and health services.

Member Atkins stated that he trusts the discretion of the board chairman and committee chairman.

Member Graff questioned how this change would affect Russ Crawford's current claim for reimbursement.

Member Atkins stated that he would like to do away with reimbursements entirely. He stated if this is passed before Russ' request is addressed, he thinks we would have to operate under the rules that are in effect at the time that his request comes before us for action. He stated that he believes we would have to suspend the rules to approve Russ' request.

Member Menold stated that the members should be responsible enough to turn their reimbursements in.

Member Graff voiced his concern regarding new board members not knowing that they could turn a reimbursement in and not realizing it until after 60 days. He stated that the board has established the salary parameters for this board and whether members want to turn in per diems, that is their choice. He stated that he supports the first amendment regarding removing members from committees, however, he does not support the change for the amount of time to turn in a reimbursement.

MOTION BY MEMBER GRAFF, SECOND BY MEMBER ATKINS to recommend to separate the two amendments to the Tazewell County Board Rules to be able to rule on each separately

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Administrator Mike Deluhery stated that there is a new board member orientation where he provides them with per diem forms.

MOTION to recommend to approve amendment as presented to the Tazewell County Board Rules regarding absenteeism of board members

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION BY MEMBER GRAFF, SECOND BY MEMBER MINGUS to recommend to amend the Resolution regarding per diem reimbursement requests submitted following the last day of the month during which the meeting/travel occurred from 60 days to two years

Member Graff stated that he has not turned in a per diem for 12 years. He stated that changing it to two years would prevent someone from turning in a reimbursement from more than two years ago.

On roll call vote, **MOTION FAILED**

Presiding Chairman Harris and Members Atkins, Hall, Joesting, Menold, Proehl, and Rich-Stimson voted nay

MOTION to recommend to approve amendment as presented to the Tazewell County Board Rules regarding time limit to turn in reimbursements for per diems and mileage

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION
E-24-48

MOTION BY MEMBER RICH-STIMSON, SECOND BY MEMBER MENOLD to recommend to approve agreement for a Hearing Officer for the Tazewell County Code Hearing Unit

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION
E-24-49

MOTION BY MEMBER GRAFF, SECOND BY MEMBER PROEHL to recommend to approve agreement for a substitute Hearing Officer for the Tazewell County Code Hearing Unit

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION
E-24-50

MOTION BY MEMBER JOESTING, SECOND BY MEMBER HALL to recommend to approve acceptance of resignation of District 3 County Board member

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION
E-24-52

MOTION BY MEMBER PROEHL, SECOND BY MEMBER RICH-STIMSON to recommend to approve 2nd quarter 2024 payment to Greater Peoria Economic Development Council

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION
E-24-41

MOTION BY MEMBER HALL, SECOND BY MEMBER GRAFF to recommend to approve reappointment of James Campbell to the Northern Tazewell Fire Protection District

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION
E-24-42

MOTION BY MEMBER HALL, SECOND BY MEMBER GRAFF to recommend to reappointment of John Spinder to the East Peoria Sanitary District

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION
E-24-43

MOTION BY MEMBER HALL, SECOND BY MEMBER GRAFF to recommend to approve reappointment of Brad Zimmerman to the Morton Area Farmers Fire Protection District

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION

E-24-44

MOTION BY MEMBER HALL, SECOND BY MEMBER GRAFF
to recommend to approve reappointment of Thomas Bessler to
the Northern Tazewell Public Water District

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION

E-24-46

MOTION BY MEMBER HALL, SECOND BY MEMBER GRAFF
to recommend to approve reappointment of Donald DuBois to
the Tremont Fire Protection District

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION

E-24-47

MOTION BY MEMBER HALL, SECOND BY MEMBER GRAFF
to recommend to approve reappointment of Robert Lehmkuhl to
the Greater Creve Coeur Sanitary District

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

MOTION

E-24-51

MOTION BY MEMBER HALL, SECOND BY MEMBER GRAFF
to recommend to approve reappointment of Doug Stewart to the
Deer Creek Fire Protection District

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Chairman Zimmerman recessed the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

(transcribed by S. Gullette)