



Effingham County Board
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**Legislative/Personnel Committee
of the Whole of the Effingham County Board
3rd Floor Board Room, Effingham County Building
Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 2:30 p.m.**

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: David Campbell; Chairman, Jeremy Deters; Vice Chair, Josh Douthit, Tim Ellis, Chris Keller, Sandi Gillet, Norbert Soltwedel, Doug McCain, Elizabeth Huston

Committee Members Present: D. Campbell, J. Deters, J. Douthit, T. Ellis, S. Gillet, N. Soltwedel, D. McCain

This meeting was called to order by Chair David Campbell.

1. Approve Minutes

- Member N. Soltwedel made a motion to approve the minutes. Member T. Ellis seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***

2. Unfinished Business

- None

3. New Business

- SCIRP-DC – Grant Opportunities and Updates
Luke Eastin, SCIRP-DC executive director, was present at the meeting to update the board on grants. He reviewed the Business Resiliency Grant and the OSLAND grant in which the County applied for each grant and was awarded grant funds. The amount awarded for the OSLAND grant will be \$118,300.00. It was noted the County Board Chairman will be meeting with Illinois Preservation and Historical Society about the concern on the obstruction and view of the courthouse for the pavilion project. Luke informed the board there is a reimbursable grant available for electrical vehicle car charging stations thru Rebuild Illinois Capital Program funding. The deadline to apply is May 10, 2024 and to qualify certain criteria must be met.
- Resolution Supporting Illinois House Bill 4512
Pam Braun, Assessor, presented info on HB 4512 and property assessment changes. The proposed change to House Bill 4512 would amend the law to allow county government to meet property assessment publication mandate by either publishing the information on a county website or in a newspaper. The amendment would save taxpayer dollars. However,

Pam stated this bill will not be promoted and will die. It was noted a resolution supporting Illinois House Bill 4512 may not be necessary. It was suggested for the county to advocate or support HB 4512 thru a letter. Member T. Ellis made a motion to table the resolution as presented. Member J. Deters seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**

- Ordinance – Salary Schedule for Effingham County Coroner
The salary schedule for the County Coroner is presented six months before the new term begins. The ordinance which takes effect on December 1, 2024 includes a \$2,500.00 yearly increase. Member J. Douthit made a motion to recommend to the full board approval of the salary schedule for the Effingham County Coroner. Member S. Gillet seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**
 - Converting Assistant Airport Manager to Full-time
Member J. Deters, who is on the Airport Commission, stated a part-time employee will be moving to a full-time position. This is a recommendation of the Airport Commission, funding is in the budget and it will help this employee with training and the potential transition to become the airport manager. Member J. Deters made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve converting the Assistant Airport Manager to full-time. Member J. Douthit seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**
 - Resolution and Proclamation Declaring Law Day 2024
The annual Law Day will take place on Thursday, May 2, 2024. Member J. Douthit made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the resolution for Law Day 2024. Member D. McCain seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**
 - Decennial Committee Reports
 - Lucas Township and Road District
Member N. Soltwedel made a motion to recommend to the full board approval of the Lucas Township Decennial Committee report. Member J. Deters seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**
 - Bishop-Lucas Multi-Township
Member J. Douthit made a motion to recommend to the full board approval of the Bishop-Lucas Multi-Township Decennial Committee report. Member J. Deters seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**
4. **Appointments**
- Altamont Fire Protection District – Kyle Willenburg (05/1/2024 – 05/2027)
Member D. McCain made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the appointment of Kyle Willenburg to the Altamont Fire District. Member N. Soltwedel seconded. Unanimous. Motion **carried.**
 - Ethics Commission – Tom Freeman (05/01/2024 – 04/30/2026)
Member J. Douthit made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the appointment of Tom Freeman to the Ethics Commission. Member T. Ellis seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**
5. **General Information/Public Comments**
- None

6. **Closed Session**

- None

7. **Adjourn**

- Member J. Deters made a motion to adjourn this meeting. Member J. Douthit seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle M. Kollmann
Effingham County Clerk