



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  
Monday, July 8, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.**

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

Committee Members Present: D. Campbell, J. Deters, J. Douthit, T. Ellis, S. Rich, D. McCain

This meeting was called to order by Chair David Campbell.

**1. Approve Minutes**

- Member J. Deters made a motion to approve the minutes. Member S. Rich seconded. Unanimous ***Motion carried.***

**2. Unfinished Business**

- None

**3. New Business**

- Decennial Reports- Banner, Liberty, Moccasin Multi-Township Assessing Dist. Member J. Deters made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the Decennial report for Banner, Liberty and Moccasin Multi-township Assessing District. Member J. Douthit seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***
- Discussion and Addition of a Question on November 5, 2024 Ballot Prohibiting Use of Tax Dollars in Relation to the Immigration Crisis  
Dave Habbe was present and voiced his concerns about the illegal immigrant crisis. He stated this is about the security and safety of the citizens. Dave wants the citizens of Effingham County to have a voice in the matter of taxpayer funds being used to support, aid and assist illegal immigrants. He would like to present a question on the November 5, 2024 General Election ballot inquiring if the voters are in favor or oppose any tax based funding for illegal migrants. This question would be a non-binding advisory question in which would have no legal effect. Chairman D. Campbell read the proposed ballot question and stated Effingham County passed a resolution in February 2024 in regards to this issue. Gary Reed spoke in support of this question on the ballot. The proposed ballot question will be reviewed

by Aaron Jones, States Attorney. There was discussion about this being a non-binding question with no legal effects, state and federal funding, the previous resolution passed by the board, emergency exceptions and what happens with the outcome from the election. Member J. Deters made a motion to recommend to the full board to place the Tax Funding for Illegal Immigrants public question on the ballot for a vote. Member T. Ellis seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**

- Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement (Extreme Emergency Situations) with City of Effingham and Lake Land College  
Paul Kuhns, Sheriff, informed the board that Lake Land College will have a police officer at Effingham facility daily. He stated this proposed agreement is the same mutual aid agreement the County has with other agencies. Member T. Ellis made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement with City of Effingham and Lake Land College. Member J. Deters seconded. Members S. Rich and J. Douthit abstained from the vote. **Motion carried.**
  - Election Judges Certification  
Michelle Kollmann, County Clerk, informed the board of a State Statute requirement to have the Judges of Election certified every two years. The list of judges was selected by the Republican and Democrat Central Committees. She asked the board to approve the submitted lists. Michelle noted both parties worked hard on the list and it was much appreciated. Member J. Deters made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the Election Judge Certification list. Member D. McCain seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**
  - Resignation of Elizabeth Huston from Effingham County Board  
Member J. Douthit stated Elizabeth Huston submitted a letter to resign from the Effingham County Board District F. The Republican Central Committee will start the process to find a replacement for Elizabeth Huston. Member J. Douthit made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the resignation. Member S. Rich seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**
4. **Appointments**
- None
5. **General Information/Public Comments**
- Courtney Yockey reminded the board that Elizabeth Huston was on the Childcare Research Committee.
6. **Closed Session**
- None
7. **Adjourn**
- Member D. McCain made a motion to adjourn this meeting. Member T. Ellis seconded. Unanimous. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle M. Kollmann  
Effingham County Clerk