



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, April 14, 2025 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, Mike Buzzard

Committee Members Present: D. Campbell, J. Deters, J. Douthit, T. Ellis, C. Keller, S. Rich, N. Soltwedel, D. McCain, M. Buzzard

This meeting was called to order by Chair David Campbell.

1. Approve Minutes

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

2. Unfinished Business

- Wind/Solar Farms
There was no update on the Wind/Solar Farm ordinance. It was stated Effingham County is watching the Coles County Wind Ordinance Application hearing. Effingham County will wait on the outcome of this hearing and then proceed with their ordinance. It was noted Coles County has no zoning like Effingham County. There was some discussion on the required statutes governing Wind/Solar Farms.

3. New Business

- Law Day Proclamation and Resolution
The annual event sponsored by Elk's will take place on May 1, 2025. Member J. Douthit made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the Law Day Proclamation and Resolution. Member S. Rich seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***
- National Police Week Proclamation
- Effingham County will observe National Police Week May 11-17, 2025. Member J. Douthit made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the National Police Week Proclamation. Member D. McCain seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***

- Sexual Assault Awareness Month Proclamation
It was noted the month of April is Sexual Assault Awareness month. This is sponsored by S.A.F.E. This will be observed by Effingham County. Member J. Douthit made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the Sexual Assault Awareness Month Proclamation. Member J. Deters seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***
 - Hazardous Materials Emergency Planner Position
It was stated in the April meeting the federal funding for the HMEP was put on hold. However, it was confirmed the funding will now continue. As part of the grant funding, a part time position to assist with HMEP will be available thru September 30, 2025. The job posting for this position has been posted and the cost for this position has been budgeted for and is part of the grant. Member J. Douthit made a motion to recommend to the full board to fill the Hazardous Materials Emergency Planner part-time position. Member T. Ellis seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***
4. **Appointments**
The below appointments were submitted by the district's attorney.
- Dieterich Fire Protection District – Gary Horn (05/05/2025-05/01/2028)
Member S. Rich made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the appointment of Gary Horn to the Dieterich Fire Protection District. Member C. Keller seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***
 - Watson Fire Protection District – Steven L. Rudolphi (05/05/2025-05/01/2028)
Member D. McCain made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the appointment of Steven Rudolphi to the Watson Fire Protection District. Member J. Deters seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***
 - Tri-County Fire Protection District – William Evans (05/05/2025 – 05/01/2028)
Member N. Soltwedel made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the appointment of William Evans to the Tri-County Fire Protection District. Member J. Douthit seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***
 - Altamont Fire Protection District – L. Brian Lustig (05/05/2025 – 05/01/2028)
Member M. Buzzard made a motion to recommend to the full board to approve the appointment of Brian Lustig to the Altamont Fire Protection District. Member S. Rich seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***
5. **General Information/Public Comments**
None
6. **Closed Session**
None
7. **Adjourn**
Member C. Keller made a motion to adjourn this meeting. Member J. Douthit seconded. Unanimous. ***Motion carried.***

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle M. Kollmann

