

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2008
NINE THIRTY A.M.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF WILL

Executive Walsh called the meeting to order.

Member Singer led in the Pledge of Allegiance to our Flag.

Member Singer introduced Mr. Vincent Ritchey, Minister of First Christian Church on Laraway Road, in Joliet who delivered the invocation.

Roll call showed the following Board members present: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-five.

Absent: Wisniewski. Total: One.

THE EXECUTIVE DECLARED A QUORUM PRESENT.

Member Adamic made a motion, seconded by Member Wilhelmi, the Certificate of Publication be placed on file.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-five.

No negative votes.

THE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION IS PLACED ON FILE.

Member Babich made a motion, seconded by Member Weigel, to approve the February 21, 2008 County Board Minutes.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-five.

No negative votes.

THE MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 21, 2008 COUNTY BOARD MEETING ARE APPROVED.

Elected officials present were: Auditor, Steve Weber; Circuit Clerk, Pam McGuire; County Clerk, Nancy Schultz Voots; County Executive, Larry Walsh; Recorder of Deeds, Laurie McPhillips; Sheriff, Paul Kaupas; State's Attorney, James Glasgow; and Treasurer, Pat McGuire.

News media present were: Michael Cleary, Farmers Weekly Review; Lee Provost, Kankakee Daily Journal.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

County Executive Walsh stated we do have some citizens who wish to be heard on some zoning cases. We will address those at the appropriate time.

HONORARY RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Member Dralle asked four members of the Joliet Elks Lodge #296 and State's Attorney Glasgow to come forward. Member Dralle introduced the representatives present from the Joliet Elks Lodge #296 -- Carol Voights, Vice President of the Ladies Auxiliary; Ron Clotis, retired from one of the largest distributors in the US as Vice President, now trustee at Joliet Elks, and also Chairman of our Food for Needy Families and his wife, Pat Clotis, Secretary of the Ladies Auxiliary at the Joliet Elks; and Bill Voights, a CTA and Chairman of the Trustees, Joliet Elks, past State President of the Illinois Elks Association and Grand Lodge Committeeman. Member Dralle gave each member a county pin from the County Executive. Member Dralle read from the Elks note, "It is our pleasure to present to James W. Glasgow, Will County State's Attorney, a check in the amount of \$1,000 to be used for his program in the Will County Juvenile Drug Court. This is becoming an annual contribution from the Joliet Elks and we sincerely hope that it can and will be continued. The Elks nationally have their own drug awareness and have dedicated a huge amount of money and hours to keep it going. The Elks feel this must be and will remain to be our number one priority." In looking on the internet at the Elks Club, the one thing that I was not aware of was their total commitment to the drug awareness program and that the Elks have the largest volunteer drug awareness program in the United States and they certainly have shown us that by their presentation here today with a monetary donation to the Juvenile Drug Court Program of Will County. I certainly on behalf of the Will County Board would like to thank them.

Mr. Clotis said it's such a great program, and we're very proud for another year, our third year to present this check for \$1,000 for this juvenile drug program. I hope we can keep it going. The youth are the future and we have to be sure that we do everything we can to help them get there. Thank you so much; it's a pleasure for us to be here and we appreciate what you do.

State's Attorney Glasgow thanked the Elks. They've always been there for the Juvenile Drug Court. They're hoping to continue this; that's a fantastic idea. Julie McCabe Sterr, I wish she could be here today. There's more goodness in that woman than I can tell you and she has the worst luck of any person on the planet. She fell skiing and broke her leg, a compound fracture. She's home nursing that back. She's working from home. I have fond memories of the

Elks. When I was a little kid, we used to come downtown, my Dad was a member, and we'd have fish.

OLD BUSINESS

STATUS OF UNSIGNED OR RETURNED RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Executive Walsh stated that all resolutions from the February 21, 2008 County Board Meeting have been signed by the County Executive.

NEW BUSINESS

Member Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Brandolino that the rules be suspended for the purpose of moving up the appointment of Mr. Baltz to fill the District #6 vacancy.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-five.

No negative votes.

RULES WERE SUSPENDED.

Member Moustis presented the Appointment by the County Executive of Mr. Joseph D. Baltz to fill the vacancy in County Board District #6.



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APPOINTMENTS BY THE WILL COUNTY EXECUTIVE

March 2008

Will County Board District 6

Joseph D. Baltz
705 Ravinia Dr., Shorewood, IL

New appointment – Replaces Kerry Sheridan

*Mr. Baltz is a resident of County Board District 6 in Will County and is qualified to serve.

Note:

Mr. Baltz was recommended by Will County Republican Chairman Richard J. Kavanagh

Member Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Singer, Appointment of Joseph D. Baltz to Will county Board District #6 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-four.

No negative votes.

APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH D. BALTZ TO COUNTY BOARD DISTRICT #6 IS APPROVED.

Nancy Schultz Voots, Will County Clerk, swore in Joseph D. Baltz to County Board District #6 vacancy.

Member Baltz commented, it's a bittersweet way of returning to the Board with the passing of Kerry Sheridan. Kerry was very proud to serve on this Board, serving the citizens of Will County in District #6. I am equally as proud today to be taking that seat. I want to thank the entire County Board for the vote of confidence today, and especially Member Rozak and Member Gould from District #6 to help guide me through this process. I want to especially thank County Executive Walsh for bringing the appointment forward and the Committeemen of District #6 that supported me. I especially want to thank my friends and family in the gallery that came to see this today, especially my wife Nancy.

County Executive Walsh welcomed Member Baltz.

LAND USE PLANNING, ZONING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Jim Bilotta, Chairman

Member Bilotta made a motion, seconded by Member Baltz, to Open Public Hearing for all Land Use Cases.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR LAND USE CASES IS OPENED AT 9:55 A.M.

County Executive Walsh announced we are in open public hearing. County Executive Walsh stated that absolutely no new evidence or information will be allowed once this Land Use Public Hearing is closed. The cases before us today are Case 5708-S2V and 5720-S.

Speakers:

Member Bilotta clarified that Mr. Matthew Buell is here for Resolution 08-100, not one of the cases, that we'll be voting on as well.

Mr. Matthew Buell, 1225 New Lenox Road, Joliet, IL 60433. The case I'm here for is 5715-V for a fence height from four feet to six feet. I have a unique circumstance that I live in a t-stop. I have over an acre of land. People seem to want to use my property as their own personal party spots. The way it's situated is Herman's Lane runs north and south, ends at a t-stop at New Lenox Road. You're supposed to take a left or a right. They invite themselves to go straight through my driveway into my backyard. It's a liability to me. If they get hurt on my property, they can sue you. It's not right, but that's a problem that I have. The reason I want a six foot fence is to close a window of opportunity for people to see that at the stop sign. If they're at the stop sign, they can nonchalantly see the whole area. The six foot fence closes the window of opportunity for them to see the enormous backyard that I have that butts into a corn field. There's an empty lot to the east and to the west of me back there. So they have found a safe haven for themselves to create a liability for me. Also, the neighbors don't have a problem

with my fence. I produced a petition the last time I was here. I spoke to the neighbors before I put up the fence. I told them, please don't take it personal that I have this problem. They agreed with me; they support me; they support my fence. My district representatives the last time I was here supported me, District #8, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Travis supported my fence. To cut it short, I'm just trying to take a responsible action towards irresponsible people. Again, my neighbors support my fence.

Member Maher in the putting up of that size of fence, how will that block view of traffic?

Mr. Buell said there's no obstruction at all. It's set back, it's on a t-stop; there's no bordering roads on my property at all. North of me is a cornfield; east of me is an empty lot; west of me is another empty... there's a house that goes back, it's empty. There are no border roads on the property, it's just a road south of New Lenox Road. The fence is set back far enough into the – you have the county property 30 feet that is from the road.

Member Maher asked, so the fence is already up?

Mr. Buell replied yes. The fence is up.

Member Maher continued, But it's set back, there's no...

Mr. Buell answered there's no obstruction at all, none, not to emergency vehicles, pedestrians, anybody riding a bike, school buses, no obstruction whatsoever.

Member Adamic asked if this is approved today with this fence already being up, do you intend to cut the poles down?

Mr. Buell answered yes sir, I will do that today. The reason the polls are there are just in case for the slim chance that this variance would not be approved. I didn't cut those 4 x 4's so they can be reused, because without the six foot fence, it would be useless to me. A four foot fence, you would still have to manage. The north end of my property is a lot higher than the south end. At that stop sign, they can see the back of my property really well. It's higher, so they can see back into my back property into the corn field.

Member Konicki asked, have any of your neighbors expressed any objection to the variance you're requesting.

Mr. Buell responded no, none whatsoever. They're supportive of the fence for the reasons why I put it up there. And, before, during and after building this fence, I explained to the whole neighborhood not to take it personal and they understand why it's there. Across the street neighbors, I have none. I have a street, but I have two neighbors on the corners.

Mr. Dean Tuntland, 1221 New Lenox Road, Joliet, IL 60433. I live on the west side of Matthew. I have no objection with this fence at all. I have plenty of room, I can see past his

house. At the end of my driveway, I've got at least five or six feet past that. I have no reason to object to it at all.

Member Konicki said, so you're here today in support of Mr. Buell's request for the variance. Just for Board members, both of these speakers are on our Resolution #08-100.

County Executive Walsh asked three times if there is anyone else from the general public who wishes to speak on any of the zoning cases.

Member Bilotta made a motion, seconded by Member Rozak, to close the public hearing on Land Use Cases.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED AT 10:07 A.M.

Member Bilotta presented Case 5708-S2V, requesting a Special Use Permit for an Excavating Business in the A-1 District & Special Use Permit for Outdoor Storage in the A-1 District in Crete Township.



ORDINANCE AMENDING THE "WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS ZONING ORDINANCE"
Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as amended

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission of Will County, Illinois has recommended the reclassification of a certain area within the County as hereinafter described; and

WHEREAS, it appears that such recommendation was based upon a duly advertised hearing by said Planning and Zoning Commission of Will County affecting property located in Crete Township where such area is situated; and

WHEREAS, it appears that due notice of the time and place of such hearing was published in a paper of general circulation in Will County, Illinois; that such hearing was duly and properly held, and that report thereof has been made to this Board within thirty days after such hearing;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the County Board of Will County, Illinois that:

Section 1. That the “Will County Zoning Ordinance”, approved September 9, 1947, as amended, be and the same is hereby amended by reclassifying the area described as follows:

SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR AN EXCAVATING BUSINESS IN THE A-1 DISTRICT
SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR OUTDOOR STORAGE IN THE A-1 DISTRICT
BOTH SPECIAL USE PERMITS HAVE SIX (6) CONDITIONS

1. At no time can off-site generated waste be brought back to the site. All waste must be disposed of at an IEPA permitted facility.
2. All oil containers from maintenance of vehicles must be stored on asphalt or concrete base. Any spillage of oil must be rectified immediately with oil dry.
3. Any fuel tanks on the property must be registered with the State Fire Marshall.
4. The applicants shall comply with the current Will County Building Ordinance and Codes.
5. A landscape plan depicting the current or proposed screening of the outdoor storage shall be submitted to the Will County Land Use Department for review.
6. The two Special Use Permits will remain with the property owners.

SEE ATTACHED FOR LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Section 2. That the County Clerk shall alter the map of said territory described in Subsection 3.1, Section 3 of said Will County Zoning Ordinance to indicate such revised classification and shall certify such alteration by her signature and the date thereof, file the same and make available for public reference.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law (or passage, approval and publication as provided bylaw).

CASE NO: 5708-S2V

APPELLANT: Ronald J. Van Kalker and Nancy Van Kalker
Thomas J. Knuth, Attorney at Law

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th **day of** March, **2008**

Vote: Yes _____ *No* _____ *Pass* _____

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ **day of** _____, **2008**

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

CASE NO: 5708-S2V

SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR AN EXCAVATING BUSINESS IN THE A-1 DISTRICT
SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR OUTDOOR STORAGE IN THE A-1 DISTRICT
BOTH SPECIAL USE PERMITS HAVE SIX (6) CONDITIONS

THAT PART OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH CENTERLINE OF SAID SECTION 24 AND A LINE 2296 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST ¼ OF SAID SECTION 24; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE, A DISTANCE OF 207.37 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE 33 FEET EAST OF AND PARALLEL TO THE CENTERLINE OF PUBLIC HIGHWAY (NOW KNOWN AS STONEY ISLAND AVENUE); THENCE NORTH 7 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 37 SECONDS EAST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE, A DISTANCE OF 10.096 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE 2306 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST ¼ OF SAID SECTION 24; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 45 SECONDS EAST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE, A DISTANCE OF 226.00 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE 20.0 FEET EAST OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH CENTERLINE OF SAID SECTION 24; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE, A DISTANCE OF 81.11 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE 760.00 FEET SOUTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 10 ACRES OF THE WEST ½ OF THE NORTHEAST ¼ OF SAID SECTION 24; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 21 SECONDS EAST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE, A DISTANCE OF 980.01 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE 1000.00 FEET EAST OF AND PARALLEL TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH CENTER LINE OF SAID SECTION 24; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE, A DISTANCE OF 898.26 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTH ½ OF THE SOUTHEAST ¼ OF SAID SECTION 24; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 14 SECONDS WEST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE, A DISTANCE OF 500.00 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE 500 FEET EAST OF AND PARALLEL TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH CENTERLINE OF SAID SECTION 24; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE A DISTANCE OF 887.84 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE 770 FEET SOUTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 10 ACRES OF THE WEST ½ OF THE NORTHEAST ¼ OF SAID SECTION 24; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 43 MINUTES 21 SECONDS WEST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE A DISTANCE OF 490.0 FEET TO A POINT 10.0 FEET EAST OF THE NORTH AND SOUTH CENTERLINE OF SAID SECTION 24; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE A DISTANCE OF 81.13 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE 2296 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTH LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST ¼ OF SAID SECTION 24 EXTENDED EASTWARD; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 45 SECONDS WEST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE A DISTANCE OF 10.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALL IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS , CONTAINING 10.489 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

Member Bilotta made a motion, seconded by Member Singer, Special Use Permit for an Excavating Business in the A-1 District be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR AN EXCAVATING BUSINESS IN THE A-1 DISTRICT WITH 6 CONDITIONS IN CRETE TOWNSHIP IN CASE 5708-S2V IS APPROVED.

Member Bilotta made a motion, seconded by Member Singer, Special Use Permit for Outdoor Storage in A-1 District with 6 conditions in Case 5708-S2V be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR OUTDOOR STORAGE IN A-1 DISTRICT WITH 6 CONDITIONS IN CASE 5708-S2V IS APPROVED.

Member Bilotta presented Case 5720-S, Special Use Permit to Remain A-1 in Will Township.



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WHEREAS, it appears that such recommendation was based upon a duly advertised hearing by said Planning and Zoning Commission of Will County affecting property located in Will Township where such area is situated; and

WHEREAS, it appears that due notice of the time and place of such hearing was published in a paper of general circulation in Will County, Illinois; that such hearing was duly and properly held, and that report thereof has been made to this Board within thirty days after such hearing;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the County Board of Will County, Illinois that:

Section 1. That the “Will County Zoning Ordinance”, approved September 9, 1947, as amended, be and the same is hereby amended by reclassifying the area described as follows:

SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO REMAIN A-1
WITH TWO (2) CONDITIONS

1. The subject property shall meet the E-2 permitted uses as listed in the Will County Zoning Ordinance.
2. The subject parcel shall meet the R-2A site and structure requirements as listed in the Will County Zoning Ordinance.

The South 217.0 feet of the West 201.0 feet of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 31, Township 33 North, Range 13 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Will County, Illinois.

Section 2. That the County Clerk shall alter the map of said territory described in Subsection 3.1, Section 3 of said Will County Zoning Ordinance to indicate such revised classification and shall certify such alteration by her signature and the date thereof, file the same and make available for public reference.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law (or passage, approval and publication as provided bylaw).

CASE NO: 5720-S

APPELLANT: Daniel A. and Venita D. Bisping
Steven Tongren, Attorney at Law

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008

Vote: Yes No Pass

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this day of , 2008

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Bilotta made a motion, seconded by Member Piccolin, Case 5720-S be approved with two conditions.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-five.

Negative votes were: Konicki.

CASE 5720-S IS APPROVED.

Member Bilotta presented Resolution #08-100, Resolution Appealing Decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission (Matthew Buell, Case #5715-V). Member Bilotta noted it was a variance request for a fence height from four feet to six feet. On your desk, there was an Attachment B, Variance Criteria. That's what was submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission as well as the Land Use Committee. The one you have in your packet was what Mr. Buell originally submitted, but it was changed before it did hit the Planning and Zoning Commission. On this particular case, the City of Joliet, there's a letter in there opposing the variance. It was unanimously objected by the Planning and Zoning and also the Land Use Committee. I am going to make a motion for approval and voting negatively.



Land Use, Planning, Zoning &
Development Committee
Resolution 08-100

RESOLUTION OF THE WILL COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Resolution Appealing a Decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission
Case 5715-V Buell

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 8.5-7(f) of the Will County Zoning Ordinance, maximum fence requirements have been established for all zoning districts, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 14.8-4 of the Zoning Ordinance, the Planning and Zoning Commission may grant variances from the established requirements for fence height to increase not more than two (2) feet the maximum fence height allowed, and

WHEREAS, the owner of a parcel in the R-4 Zoning District, identified by permanent index number 30-07-14-400-016 and commonly known 1225 New Lenox Road, submitted a variance application to increase fence height, and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission heard the application, identified as Case Number 5715-V, and voted to deny the variance for fence height from four (4) feet to six (6) feet, and

WHEREAS, the applicant, in accordance with Section 14.9-5 of the Zoning Ordinance, has appealed the decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission, and

WHEREAS, the Land Use, Planning, Zoning, and Development Committee of the Will County Board has considered the appeal from the decision of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of Will County, Illinois that Case Number 5715-V is hereby approved granting the following variance for the parcel identified by permanent index number 30-07-14-400-016 and commonly known 1225 New Lenox Road:

- 1. Variance for fence height from four (4) feet to six (6) feet.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Pass _____

 Nancy Schultz Voots
 Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

 Lawrence M. Walsh
 Will County Executive

Member Bilotta made a motion, seconded by Member Moustis, Resolution #08-100 be approved.

Member Maher asked, is there anything in the zoning that talks about quality of the fence. As I was looking at the pictures here, I'm not sure that this, it doesn't look like a fence that I've ever seen. It looks more like lattice that I'd use for putting in my rose garden.

Member Bilotta responded there is nothing that identifies...inaudible.

Member Maher continued, because are we talking about the height or are we actually getting into ...inaudible.

Member Bilotta replied we're talking about the height only, not the materials used.

Member Maher said, that would bother me a little bit, the materials and the quality of the fence. I see a safety issue with that kind of – I mean, I've had those fences up before. You get a good wind through some that, and that lattice or that quality of that particular fence that the gentleman was putting up, looks like it could come down fairly easy and cause other problems by just a visual.

Member Moustis said I'm also going to be supporting the Land Use and Planning and Zoning's decisions. I think a six foot fence in most cases is extreme. Certainly I sympathize if there was people going on these properties and causing a nuisance, but there is other remedies, and the remedy is law enforcement and that they would come out and make sure the nuisance was removed. I think six foot fences on residential properties is a bad precedence and I'm also going to be voting no.

Member Konicki questioned Mr. Bilotta or staff. I thought we do allow six foot fences on the side, so we do allow six foot fences on residential property. We just don't allow them on frontage. Am I correct on that?

Member Bilotta responded that is correct. We just do not allow them on the front yard. Also, since this is an appeal, it will take a three-quarter vote to override the decision.

Member Konicki stated I don't feel we're setting a precedent by – we would be setting a precedent, a six foot fence on residential property. We do allow them; we just don't allow it on the front. I personally feel he's got a particular, unique situation, a hardship situation. In terms of the quality, a lattice is a very fine fence to plant some of a vine or something to cover so it's aesthetic at the grow up. So, I'll be supporting the variance.

Member Rozak stated I voted no at the Land Use hearing, and I will vote no today. Someone else said there might be some better options. I would think a gate would take of – it's still open there. But if people still want to get on the property, the driveway is still open. I would think a gate would be a better option.

Member Blackburn said I was wondering since District 8 votes towards the end, how they feel about this.

Member Stewart said I don't see anything wrong with it. For safety protection, that's what he really wants it for.

Member Woods responded the only thing I see is I'm not voting against it, but I would have liked to see a better material used than the lattice.

Voting affirmative were: Woods, Anderson, Blackburn, Gould, Baltz, Konicki, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi. Total: Eleven.

Negative votes were: McMillan, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Gerl, Goodson, Rozak, Bilotta, Svara, Moustis. Total: Fifteen.

RESOLUTION #08-100 FAILS.

Member Bilotta presented Resolution #08-101, Resolution Authorizing County Executive to Enter into Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, Fiscal Year 2008 Certified Local Government Grant Program to Continue Will County Rural Structural Survey in Joliet & Troy Townships. The Grant is in the amount of \$20,000.00 and the County match will be \$8,570.00, totaling \$28,570.00.



Land Use, Planning, Zoning &
Development Committee
Resolution #08-101

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

AUTHORIZING COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO IL HISTORIC PRESERVATION
AGENCY, FISCAL YEAR 2008 CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT PROGRAM TO
CONTINUE WILL COUNTY RURAL HISTORIC STRUCTURAL SURVEY IN
JOLIET AND TROY TOWNSHIPS

WHEREAS, Will County is in receipt of a grant from the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency (IHPA), Fiscal Year 2008 Certified Local Government Program (CLG) in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the period from the date of final execution to September 30, 2009, and

WHEREAS, the Will County Land Use Department Director has requested that the County accept the grant award and authorize the County Executive to enter into said grant agreement, and

WHEREAS, the CLG Grant was awarded on a matching basis with the federal share being at 70% and the local share calculated at 30%; and

WHEREAS, the total grant project cost is \$28,570.00; and

WHEREAS, the IHPA notice of the grant award for the County of Will is \$20,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the local share of the grant project is \$8,570.00; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use, Planning, Zoning and Development Committee concurs with the request that the County accept the grant award and authorizes the County Executive to enter into said grant agreement with the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency for the 2008 Certified Local Government Program; and

WHEREAS, if the IHPA \$20,000.00 grant award is not appropriated and spent within this fiscal year it will be lost creating a disservice to the citizens and taxpayers of Will County and thereby creating an immediate emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby authorizes the acceptance of the grant award in the amount of \$20,000.00 and also authorizes the County Executive to enter into said grant agreement with the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, Fiscal Year 2008 Certified Local Government Grant Program for the continuance of the Will County's Intensive Rural Structures Survey.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Board increases the budgetary line item 101-41-165-3080 an additional \$8,570.00 upon the County Executive entering to the grant agreement with the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, Fiscal Year 2008 Certified Local Government Grant Program for the continuance of the Will County's Intensive Rural Structures Survey in Joliet and Troy Townships.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March. 2008.

Vote: Yes____ No____ Pass____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Bilotta made a motion, seconded by Member Riley, Resolution #08-101 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-101 IS APPROVED.

Member Bilotta presented Resolution #08-102, Ordinance Authorizing Text Amendments to the Will County Zoning Ordinance (Sections 14.85-and 14.10-8)



Land Use Planning, Zoning
& Development Committee
Ordinance #08-102

ORDINANCE OF THE WILL COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Amending Sections 14.8-5 and 14.10-8 of the Will County Zoning Ordinance

WHEREAS, in accordance with Sections 14.8-5 and 14.10-8 of the Will County Zoning Ordinance, certain requirements have been established for extensions of effective periods of variances and special use permits, and

WHEREAS, there have been instances where applicants have been unable to implement approved variances and special use permits within the initial effective periods and subsequent extensions, and

WHEREAS, following a review of Sections 14.8-5 and 14.10-8 of the Will County Zoning Ordinance, it has been determined that amendments are necessary to permit second extensions, and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Planning, Zoning, and Development Committee of the Will County Board held a public hearing on March 11, 2008, regarding amending Sections 14.8-5 and 14.10-8 of the Zoning Ordinance, and recommends to the County Board approval of said amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Board of Will County, Illinois, that Sections 14.8-5 and 14.10-8 of the Will County Zoning Ordinance are hereby amended as described in the attachment to this Ordinance (See attached Attachment A).

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law and applies to extension requests pending at the date of its approval and future extension requests.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass ___ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultzs Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Bilotta made a motion, seconded by Member Brandolino, Resolution #08-102 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-102 IS APPROVED.

FINANCE COMMITTEE
John Gerl, Chairman

Member Gerl yielded floor to Will County Auditor, Steve Weber for the Auditor's Fiscal Responsibility Awards.

Auditor Steve Weber stated this morning, I'd like to present the fifth annual Fiscal Responsibility Awards. Being a good steward of the taxpayers' money should definitely be one of the aims of a governing body. For those of you new to this award, we do this annually and we reward the department heads or elected officials that don't spend their entire budget. One of my watchdog duties is to monitor that budget and make sure that nobody overspends. The use it or lose it mentality should not apply to our public funds here. This year, we did it a little different. We teamed up with our budget guru, Paul Rafac, to make sure the savings were solid. We really looked at these winners. Paul knows better than anybody what's built into that budget. Keep in mind all the departments are eligible for this award. To win the award, the department must have the highest percentage of unspent appropriations or budget. That way, the small departments have an equal footing on this. The unspent budget money goes into our reserves, and we need that reserve money to keep us viable during our float period, which is now. Winning isn't easy. Once the County Board passes that budget, the department head or elected official can spend every penny. They can spend 100%. Dealing with the growth in this county, and the tax cap, and the request to keep spending at the same level as last year in our departments, creates a unique challenge.

The first award belongs to Recorder of Deeds, Laurie McPhillips. Her long term experience within the county and the budget must have given her the tools to manage this office correctly. Everybody is aware of the housing market troubles right now. The economy is very difficult. Laurie's office is directly linked to this downturn, more than any other office. She experienced a 19% reduction in her revenues; those include filing fees, transfer fees, automation money, GIS dollars. What do you do when this happens? You should tighten your belt; well that's what she did. Also, I wanted to mention of shifting costs out to her special funds, and taken the load and burden off our general fund. She returned a whopping 13.5% or \$172,000 of the budget. When we looked at it, the majority of these savings were in payroll and fringe benefits. Auditor Steve Weber presented the award to Recorder of Deeds, Laurie McPhillips.

Recorder of Deeds Laurie McPhillips said I just want to reiterate what Steve had said that I do practice what I preached all those years in doing the budget. When I saw that our revenues were down and our productivity was down as far as the recordings went down, we decided to hold off on hiring people. But I'll be back for that as soon as the market gets back up.

The second award, and when I looked at it this morning, I wanted to make sure I was doing my homework. This is the second time they've received a trophy. It was back in 2004. This goes to our Subdivision and Engineering Department. Our County Executive Larry Walsh is in charge of that Department and Curt Paddock. They manage this department quite well. This department deals with final plats, letter of credit filings, among other things. They deal with a lot of the builders. We see they don't miss very much, because they returned 13% or \$84,000 of the 2007 budget. Once again, they did it in salaries and fringes, too.

Curt Paddock said Subdivision and Engineering is a division within the Land Use Department. As I think most of you are aware, the Land Use Department a couple of years ago adopted a set of service ideals that we try to have characterize all we do and our relationships with public, with elected officials and between each other. One of those service ideals that I think relates to this situation is competence. We define competence in our Service Ideals as efficient and effective use of those resources which have been entrusted to us. So when that occurs through the appropriation process, the folks in the Subdivision and Engineering Division of the Department, as well as the Department as a whole, makes a real concerted effort that even though it's been appropriated, to think carefully about can we do it a better way so that we can return funds to the general fund. Because Subdivision and Engineering did such a fine job in this area this past year, when we gave out awards as exemplars of our service ideals, this particular year it was the Subdivision and Engineering Division that received the exemplar award for competence within our Department.

Auditor Steve Weber mentioned we didn't have a third place this year, because the winners were so close, but I did want to at least mention four more departments that returned significant dollars. Merit Commission, Stormwater Management Department, Jury Commission and Juvenile Detention. They all did an above and beyond job. Once again, I appreciate it.

Member Gerl stated it is very important, as Steve mentioned earlier, just because when we pass the budget, it seems to become sometimes practice that department heads feel that they're allocated money in their budget, that they have to spend it. This goes to show that you'll be recognized if you're able to save the county money. We do appreciate those departments who've strived to do that.

Member Gerl presented Resolution #08-103, Resolution Transferring and Increasing Appropriations in Various County Budgets to Fund Year End Shortfall.



Finance Committee
Resolution #08-103

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

***Transferring and Increasing Appropriations in Various County
Budgets to Fund Year End Shortfalls***

WHEREAS, as preparation begins to close the fourth quarter books of Fiscal Year 2007, various departmental budgets are experiencing line item shortfalls, and

WHEREAS, in an effort to fund these shortfalls, the Executive’s Office has requested to fund said shortfalls with transfers from other departmental budgets that are experiencing surpluses at this time, and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee has recommended approval of this request, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/6-1003,... budget amendments may be made at any meeting of the board by a two-thirds vote.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby amends its 2007 Budget, by transferring and increasing appropriations in the various departmental budgets as described fully in the attached Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Auditor and Treasurer are directed to make the necessary line item and fund adjustments, in accordance with the above-referenced statutory authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes___ No___ Pass_____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Gerl made a motion, seconded by Member Maher, Resolution #08-103 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-103 IS APPROVED.

Member Gerl presented Resolution #08-104, Resolution Authorizing County Executive to Execute an Agreement of Intent to Abate Property Taxes for Panduit Corp.



Finance Committee
Resolution #08-104

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Re: Authorizing the County Executive to Execute an Agreement of Intent to Abate Property Taxes for Panduit Corp.

WHEREAS, Panduit Corp. is relocating its corporate headquarters to Will County; and

WHEREAS, as an incentive to come to Will County, it was offered a fifty (50%) percent abatement of their taxes for a five (5) year period; and

WHEREAS, an Agreement has been negotiated with Panduit Corp. relating to this development; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County of Will that this abatement provision be honored.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the County Board of Will County that the Agreement of Intent to Abate Property Taxes for Panduit Corp., as set forth in the Agreement attached hereto, is approved and the County Executive is authorized to execute the Agreement for and on behalf of the County of Will.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes:_____ No:_____ Pass:_____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Gerl made a motion, seconded by Member Adamic, Resolution #08-104 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-104 IS APPROVED.

Member Gerl presented the following correspondence:

1. Report from the Illinois Department of Revenue showing sales tax remitted to Will County for the month of January, 2008 to be \$1,992,101.51.
2. Will County Monthly Treasurer Report from Will County Treasurer, Pat McGuire, dated February 29, 2008.
3. Will County Treasurer Quarterly Report for period 12-01-07 thru 02-29-08, from Will County Treasurer, Pat McGuire.

Member Gerl made a motion, seconded by Member Piccolin, to place the foregoing correspondence on file.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

CORRESPONDENCE IS PLACED ON FILE.

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Cory Singer, Chairman

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-105, Resolution Granting a Variance to Watermark Investment, LLC on Center Road (CH 19) for Veridian Subdivision Development, County Board District #1.



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-105

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION GRANTING VARIANCE TO WATERMARK INVESTMENT, LLC ON CENTER ROAD (C.H. 19) FOR ITS VERIDIAN SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS the County of Will is in receipt of a request for a variance to section 2.1.6-8 of the Will County Department of Highways Permit Regulations and Access Control Regulations from Watermark Investment, LLC for its Veridian Subdivision development on Center Road (County Highway 19) – County Board District #1; and

WHEREAS the request to use an 800 lineal foot or greater storm sewer to enclose the east ditch along Center Road in lieu of acquiring the right-of-way necessary to maintain the existing open ditch cross section as required in section 2.1.6-8 of the Permit Regulations was presented, reviewed and considered by the Public Works and Transportation Committee on March 11, 2008; and

WHEREAS the said Committee finds conditions appropriate and necessary for granting the requested variance; and

WHEREAS the said Committee recommends the granting of the requested variance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Will County approves the requested variance described above and heretofore recommended by the Public Works and Transportation Committee and hereby directs the Will County Engineer to execute an Access permit once all other requirements of the Will County Freeway and Highway Access Regulation Ordinance are met.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass ___ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this ___ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Maher, Resolution #08-105 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-105 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-106, Resolution Granting Variance to Ridge Property Trust on Lorenzo Road (CH 80) for Ridgeport Logistics Development, County Board District #6



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-106

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION GRANTING VARIANCE TO RIDGE PROPERTY TRUST ON LORENZO ROAD
(CH 80) FOR RIDGEPORT LOGISTICS DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS the County of Will is in receipt of a request for a variance to sections 1.7.6 and 2.1.6-5 of the Will County Department of Highways Permit Regulations and Access Control Regulations from Ridge Property Trust for its Ridgeport Logistics Development on Lorenzo Road (County Highway 80) – County Board District #6; and

WHEREAS the request to use an asymmetrical widening along Lorenzo Road in lieu of acquiring the right of way necessary to provide for a symmetrical widening as required by sections 1.7.6 and 2.1.6-5 of the Permit Regulations was presented, reviewed and considered by the Public Works and Transportation Committee on March 11, 2008; and

WHEREAS the said Committee finds conditions appropriate and necessary for granting the requested variance; and

WHEREAS the said Committee recommends the granting of the requested variance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Will County approves the requested variance described above and heretofore recommended by the Public Works and Transportation Committee and hereby directs the Will County Engineer to execute an Access permit once the roadway plans have been approved by the Will County Engineer and all other requirements of the Will County Freeway and Highway Access Regulation Ordinance are met.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass ___ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Gould, Resolution #08-106 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-five.

No negative votes.

Abstain votes were: Singer. Total: one.

RESOLUTION #08-106 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-107, Resolution in Support of Demolition – 1215 Pawnee Street, Joliet Township, County Board District #8.



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-107

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

A Resolution In Support of Demolitions
1215 Pawnee Street, Joliet Township

WHEREAS, the Will County Land Use Department has been working on a demolition program funded in part by block grant money; and

WHEREAS, the properties located at P.I.N. 07-23-302-033 & 034, commonly known as 1215 Pawnee Street in Joliet Township has been declared a public nuisance and a final decree of demolition has been issued by the court; and

WHEREAS, bids have been received and reviewed for demolition of the properties; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee has reviewed the bids for the demolition contract and recommended it to be awarded to M.E.P. Excavations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby authorizes the Will County Executive to execute a contract with M.E.P. Excavations for the demolition of

the property location at 1215 Pawnee Street in Joliet Township for an amount not to exceed \$4,460.00.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes___ No___ Pass_____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz-Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Stewart, Resolution #08-107 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-107 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-108, Resolution in Support of Demolition – 23100 Stripmine Road, Wilmington Township, County Board District #6.



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-108

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

A Resolution In Support of Demolitions
23100 Stripmine Road, Wilmington Township

WHEREAS, the Will County Land Use Department has been working on a demolition program funded in part by block grant money; and

WHEREAS, the properties located at P.I.N. 17-26-300-024, commonly known as 23100 Stripmine Road in Wilmington Township has been declared a public nuisance and a final decree of demolition has been issued by the court; and

WHEREAS, bids have been received and reviewed for demolition of the properties; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee has reviewed the bids for the demolition contract and recommended it to be awarded to Grosshening, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Will County Board hereby authorizes the Will County Executive to execute a contract with Grosshening, Inc. for the demolition of the property location at 23100 Stripmine Road in Wilmington Township for an amount not to exceed \$3,700.00.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes____ No____ Pass_____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz-Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Rozak, Resolution #08-108 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-108 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-109, Resolution Authorizing Approval of an Illinois Department of Transportation County Joint Agreement for Design Engineering Services (Phase I) on Manhattan-Arsenal Road (CH 17), Baseline Road to Brandon Road, County Board District #6.



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-109

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

**Authorizing Approval of an Illinois Department
Of Transportation – County Joint Agreement**
For Design Engineering Services (Phase I)

WHEREAS, the State and the County, in order to facilitate the free flow of traffic and insure safety to the motoring public, are desirous of making improvements for the reconstruction of County Highway 17 (Manhattan-Arsenal Road), Baseline Road to Brandon Road, Section 00-00117-13-FP, County Board District #6; and

WHEREAS, the County is desirous of said improvement in that same will be of immediate benefit to the county residents and permanent in nature.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board enter into an agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation for funding of the design engineering services (Phase I) for the improvement County Highway 17 (Manhattan-Arsenal Road), Baseline Road to Brandon Road.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement, subject to the review and approval by the Will County State’s Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the clerk is hereby directed to transmit five (5) certified copies of this resolution and agreement to the regional office of the Illinois Department of Transportation through the office of the County Engineer.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass ___ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this ___ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Gould, Resolution #08-109 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-109 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-110, Resolution Authorizing Approval of the Expenditure of County Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Design Engineering Services (Phase I) on Manhattan-Arsenal Road (CH 17), Baseline Road to Brandon Road, County Board District #6, (\$272,403.00).



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-110

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

**Authorizing Approval of the Expenditure of
County Motor Fuel Tax Funds**

WHEREAS, the State and the County, in order to facilitate the free flow of traffic and insure safety to the motoring public, are desirous of making improvements for the reconstruction of County Highway 17 (Manhattan-Arsenal Road), Baseline Road to Brandon Road, Section 00-00117-13-FP, County Board District #6; and

WHEREAS, the County is desirous of said improvement in that same will be of immediate benefit to the county residents and permanent in nature.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board enter into an agreement for funding of the design engineering services (Phase I) with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the reconstruction of County Highway 17 (Manhattan-Arsenal Road), Baseline Road to Brandon Road.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there is hereby approved from the County Motor Fuel Tax funds the sum of \$272,403.00 as the County's share of the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk is hereby directed to transmit four (4) certified copies of this resolution to the regional office of the Illinois Department of Transportation through the office of the County Engineer.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes____ No____ Pass____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Gould, Resolution #08-110 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-110 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-111, Resolution Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Design Engineering (Phase II) with Willett, Hofmann & Associates, Inc. for the Replacement of the Dralle Road Structure over Branch of Forked Creek, Green Garden Township Road District, County Board District #1.



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-111

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Resolution Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Design Engineering (Phase II)

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee requested design engineering services (Phase II) for the preparation of contract plans for Green Garden Township Road District, Dralle Road structure over Branch of Forked Creek, existing structure number 099-4603.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of Will enter into an agreement for design engineering services (Phase II) with Willett, Hofmann & Associates, Inc., 809 East Second Street, Dixon, Illinois, for the replacement of the Dralle Road structure over Branch of Forked Creek, Green Garden Township Road District, Section 07-07102-01-BR, County Board District #1.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the compensation for design engineering services (Phase II) be according to the schedule of cost as listed in the agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized to execute said agreement subject to the review and approval by the Will County State’s Attorney.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Clerk is hereby directed to transmit four (4) certified copies of this resolution to the regional office of the Illinois Department of Transportation through the office of the County Engineer.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Anderson, Resolution #08-111 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-111 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-112, Resolution for Design Engineering Services (Phase II) by County under the IL Highway Code with Willett, Hofmann & Associates, Inc., for the Replacement of the Dralle Road Bridge over Branch of Forked Creek, Green Garden Township Road District, County Board District #1, using County’s Bridge Tax Funds (\$30,000).



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-112

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION FOR DESIGN
ENGINEERING SERVICES (PHASE II) BY COUNTY
UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County of Will, Illinois that the following described Green Garden Road District road be designed under the Illinois Highway Code:

Dralle Road over Branch of Forked Creek, Green Garden Township Section 07-07102-01-BR, County Board District #1.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the design engineering services (Phase II) shall consist of all required contract plans and associated work for the replacement of the Dralle Road Bridge over Branch of Forked Creek, Green Garden Township Road District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the compensation for design engineering services (Phase II) be according to the schedule of cost as listed in the agreement with Willett, Hofmann & Associates, 809 East Second Street, Dixon, Illinois, Section 07-07102-01-BR.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$30,000.00 from the County's Bridge Tax funds be used for the design services.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes___ No___ Pass_____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this ___ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Piccolin, Resolution #08-112 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-112 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-113, Resolution Confirming Award of Contract to P.T. Ferro Construction Co. (\$139,539.36) let on February 20, 2008 – Laraway Road (CH 74) from Brandon Road west to IL Route 53, County Board District #8.



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-113

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING AWARD OF CONTRACT

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2008 bids were received and opened for public highway improvements under the jurisdiction of the County of Will; and

WHEREAS, the improvement shall be constructed using County's allotment of County Highway Tax funds; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2008 the Public Works Committee of the County Board of Will County met to consider the bids; and

WHEREAS, the said committee determined that the following qualified bidder submitted the low bid as listed below for the work herein described and did award the bid subject to the confirmation of this County Board.

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>JOB</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
P.T. Ferro Construction Co. P.O. BOX 156 Joliet, IL 60434- 0156	Section 08-00138-27-GM CH 74 (Laraway Road) County Board District # 8	\$139,539.36

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Will County confirms the award of the foregoing contract heretofore awarded by the Public Works Committee subject to the confirmation hereby enacted.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

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Section 08-00138-27-GM
CH 74 (Laraway Road)

P.T. Ferro Construction Co.	\$139,539.36 – LOW
“D” Construction, Inc.	\$145,376.18
Gallagher Asphalt Corporation	\$151,032.21
K-Five Construction Corporation	\$167,971.65

NO BID

Alpha Construction
Iroquois Paving

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Rozak, Resolution #08-113 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-113 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-114, Resolution for Improvements by County under the IL Highway Code, Laraway Road (CH 74) from Brandon Road west to IL Route 53, County Board District #8, using County’s Allotment of County Highway Tax Funds (\$160,000.00).



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-114

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

STATE OF ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS BY COUNTY
UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE

BE IT RESOLVED, by the County of Will, Illinois that the following described County Highways be improved under the Illinois Highway Code:

County Highway 74 (Laraway Road) from Brandon Road west to Illinois Route 53.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the type of improvement shall consist of removing portions of HMA Surface, an application of Bituminous Materials (Prime Coat), Aggregate (Prime Coat), Leveling Binder, HMA Surface Course, Aggregate Shoulders, Raised RPMs, and other items as designated in the Special Provisions, and shall be designated as Section 08-00138-27-GM, County Board District # 8.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the improvement shall be constructed by contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the improvement shall be constructed using the sum of \$ 160,000.00 from the County's allotment of County Highway Tax funds.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes___ No___ Pass___ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this ___ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Gould, Resolution #08-114 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-114 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-115, Resolution Confirming Award of Contract to P.T. Ferro Construction Company (\$116,556.77) let on February 20, 2008 – Manhattan Road District, County Board District #6.



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-115

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING AWARD OF CONTRACT

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2008 bids were received and opened for public highway improvements under the jurisdiction of the County of Will; and

WHEREAS, the improvement shall be constructed using Township's allotment of Motor Fuel Tax funds; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2008 the Public Works Committee of the County Board of Will County met to consider the bids; and

WHEREAS, the said committee determined that the following qualified bidder submitted the low bid as listed below for the work herein described and did award the bid subject to the confirmation of this County Board.

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>JOB</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
P.T. Ferro Construction Co. P.O. BOX 156 Joliet, IL 60434- 0156	Section 08-12000-01-GM Manhattan Road District County Board District # 6	\$116,556.77

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Will County confirms the award of the foregoing contract heretofore awarded by the Public Works Committee subject to the confirmation hereby enacted.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

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Section 08-12000-01-GM
Manhattan Road District

P.T. Ferro Construction Co.	\$116,556.77– LOW
“D” Construction, Inc.	\$132,330.51
Gallagher Asphalt Corporation	\$139,550.21
Iroquois Paving Corporation	\$132,222.32

NO BID

Kankakee Valley Construction Company
K-Five Construction

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Baltz, Resolution #08-115 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-115 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-116, Resolution Confirming Award of Contract to Gallagher Asphalt Corporation (\$184,899.05) let on February 20, 2008 – Monee Road District, County Board District #1.



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-116

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING AWARD OF CONTRACT

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2008 bids were received and opened for public highway improvements under the jurisdiction of the County of Will; and

WHEREAS, the improvement shall be constructed using Township’s allotment of Motor Fuel Tax funds; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2008 the Public Works Committee of the County Board of Will County met to consider the bids; and

WHEREAS, the said committee determined that the following qualified bidder submitted the low bid as listed below for the work herein described and did award the bid subject to the confirmation of this County Board.

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>JOB</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Gallagher Asphalt Corporation 18100 S. Indiana Avenue Thornton, IL 60476	Section 08-13000-01-GM Monee Road District County Board District # 1	\$184,899.05

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Will County confirms the award of the foregoing contract heretofore awarded by the Public Works Committee subject to the confirmation hereby enacted.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

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Section 08-13000-01-GM
Monee Road District

P.T. Ferro Construction Co.	\$191,169.06
"D" Construction, Inc.	\$190,563.25
Gallagher Asphalt Corporation	\$184,899.05 – LOW
Iroquois Paving Corporation	\$195,237.06
Alpha Construction Company	\$203,709.50
Kankakee Valley Construction Co., Inc.	\$236,764.29
K-Five Construction Corporation	\$220,100.20

NO BID

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Piccolin, Resolution #08-116 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-116 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-117, Resolution Confirming Award of Contract to Glenn McCann Company (\$67,200.00) let on February 20, 2008 – Florence Road District, County Board District #6.



Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-117

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING AWARD OF CONTRACT

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2008, bids were received and opened for public highway improvements now coming under the jurisdiction of the County of Will; and

WHEREAS, the improvement shall be constructed using Township's allotment of Motor Fuel Tax funds; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2008, the Public Works Committee of the County Board of Will County met to consider the bids; and

WHEREAS, the said committee determined that the following qualified bidder submitted the low bid as listed below for the work herein described and did award the bid subject to the confirmation of this County Board; and

WHEREAS, the said committee recommends the confirmation of award of contract as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>JOB</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Glenn McCann Company P.O. BOX 11 Ransom, IL 60470	Section 08-05000-01-GM Florence Road District County Board District #6	\$67,200.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Will County confirms the award of the foregoing contract heretofore awarded by the Public Works Committee subject to the confirmation hereby enacted.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schults Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Rozak, Resolution #08-117 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-117 IS APPROVED.

Member Singer presented Resolution #08-118, Resolution Confirming Award of Contract to VCNA Prairie Aggregates IL, Inc. (\$5.25 per Ton) let on February 20, 2008 – Will Road District, County Board District #1.

Public Works & Transportation Committee
Resolution #08-118



RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING AWARD OF CONTRACT

WHEREAS, on February 20, 2008, bids were received and opened for public highway improvements now coming under the jurisdiction of the County of Will; and

WHEREAS, the improvement shall be constructed using Township's allotment of Motor Fuel Tax funds;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2008, the Public Works Committee of the County Board of Will County met to consider the bids; and

WHEREAS, the said committee determined that the following qualified bidder submitted the low bid as listed below for the work herein described and did award the bid subject to the confirmation of this County Board.

WHEREAS, the said committee recommends the confirmation of award of contract as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>JOB</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
VCNA Prairie Aggregates IL, Inc. 8215-C US 45/52 Manteno, IL 60960	Section 08-22000-00-GM Will Road District County Board District #1	\$5.25 per Ton

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Will County confirm the award of the foregoing contract heretofore awarded by the Public Works Committee subject to the confirmation hereby enacted.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Anderson, Resolution #08-118 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-118 IS APPROVED.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE, LAW & JUDICIAL COMMITTEE
Anne Dralle, Chairman

Member Dralle said today we've asked Sheriff Paul Kaupas to come before us to County Board to explain his new procedure that he'll be implementing at the ADF. This discussion has been taking place at the Judicial Committee for about the last year and a half. The Sheriff has finally reached a decision as to his new policy.

Sheriff Paul Kaupas stated I want to explain to you the Reader's Digest version of the delayed intake they're going to do at the Adult Detention Facility, that I'll refer to as the ADF. You know the remodeling and reconstruction is going on. Phase I has been completed, where we have a video visitation, a separate building across the street, where anybody who comes to the establishment to see loved ones, they go to that building. They're no longer in the institution. We're not worrying about any domestic fights, we're not worrying about contrabands coming into the place. Now we're at Phase II. Phase II is the north end. It's the new booking area between the tracks and the old building. In Phase II, you have all the booking, all the transportation stations for movement of prisoners. On the second floor, we have four rooms that contain ADF beds dorm style. If you recall, during the construction phase here, we wanted the dorm style to be used for drug court or work release or weekenders, that kind of stuff. Before we can do that, we have to do the interior gutting and reconstruction or remodeling. Once booking is out of there, that's going to be turned into the new kitchen. The tenders, which are workers in the establishment, they have to be moved. New administration officers, medical, all that is going on right now in the interior. On the very south end, over the new pods being built, they won't be done until '09. You know recently we had that deal with the Supreme Court that until they see the judge they don't want anybody strip searched. So you can't put them in general population. We have to put them in a spot that we term as dirty pod. And in that dirty pod, that's A Pod, and in there is also going a new video arraignment establishment. So they'll go straight from that pod to video arraignment; they'll see the judge on TV and it's either yea or nay if they stay. In order to get that done, we have to move everybody out of A Pod while they do the reconstruction. Where do we put them from A Pod. We're going to have to put them in those four dorms, but those four dorms only hold 88 people. We're going to be 33 beds short, the minute we move everybody out of A Pod. Starting in April, the spike that we call it, where the population starts to rise naturally because of summertime – June, July, August, September. It's going to put a burden on us. We've been talking to all the municipalities since about a year and a half, two years ago, telling them the possibility could occur. It almost occurred four times this last summer when the population hit 750. We were fortunate; we didn't have to do it. At this point and time, it looks like we're going to have to do it. The tenders, once their remodeling is done, we'll move them out of the dorm and that's going to be somewhere in mid April. Somewhere around mid April is when I'm going to have to do the delayed intake. Now, we're trying to make it as user friendly as possible. The municipalities that have their own holding facilities will drop their personnel off at the old jail in the courthouse. We're trying to find parking for them because we all know there's a parking problem downtown. We'll take them up to court forum; the judge will say yea or nay and then we keep them to transport them back. On weekends and holidays, the jail is looking at a spot in booking where we're going to temporarily put another video arraignment center, where the municipalities can bring their people to the

booking area. They can take their business there at the establishment and then yea or nay we keep them or they leave. This way, for security purposes, it won't inundate the courthouse on weekends and holidays because they do a lot of other things there, like weddings. We're trying to make it as user friendly as possible. We've talked to the Chief Judge about it. We've talked with State's Attorney Jim Glasgow about it. Are we going to incur some problems in the very beginning? Possibly, but we'll just have to work through them. We explained to the municipalities; they know it. It's one of these things where the old saying is the sandwich is there; now they all got to take a bite out of it until we can get past this problem. So, basically I wanted to just inform you what's happening. I've been asked until what date? My response is until further notice, because we don't know how long it's going to take for the new construction.

Member Babich asked would you have to be transferring any of the prisoners out of Will County into other facilities?

Sheriff Kaupas responded we will not. Some municipalities have made arrangements with other counties to house during the evening. You see what's going to happen here is the ones that come in immediately from being arrested, they're going to have to be held in the municipalities. Now these municipalities are going to have to have somebody stand by 24/7 to watch them in jail and feed them and then transport at 1:30 in the afternoon. Some don't want to take that responsibility. This is something we've been doing since I've been here for 30 some years. So they've made arrangements with other counties to house during the evening and then they'll transport back in the afternoon. But we won't be holding anybody at no other place.

Member Dralle thanked Sheriff Paul Kaupas. She commented, I think one of the things that maybe some of us as County Board members didn't realize is that with the municipalities throughout the county, we have almost 100 cells in various municipalities that will now be used. I think this was a difficult decision for the Sheriff to make, but in listening to some of the presentations over the last year, I certainly commend him and his staff for moving forward with this new policy.

Member Dralle presented the River Valley Juvenile Detention Center's Accreditation Report and made a motion, seconded by Member Riley that it be placed on file. This report is prepared by the Commission on Accreditation for Corrections in the American Correctional Association. They evaluate our Juvenile Detention Facility on 435 standards. Of the 435 standards, River Valley scored 100% on both the mandatory and non-mandatory portions of the evaluation. It certainly is a feather in our cap. This is a three-year accreditation. I believe that the County Board, as well as the County Executive, everyone certainly owes congratulations to the staff at River Valley for their commitment to excellence.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RIVER VALLEY JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER'S ACCREDITATION REPORT IS PLACED ON FILE.

Member Dralle presented Resolution #08-119, Resolution Setting the Number of Assistant State's Attorneys from 59 to 60.



Criminal Justice, Law & Judicial Committee
Resolution #08-119

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Resolution Setting the Number of Assistant State's Attorneys

WHEREAS, 55 ILCS 5/4-2003 provides that the number of Assistant State's Attorneys are determined by the County Board; and

WHEREAS, via Resolution #05-489, the County Board previously approved the number of Assistant State's Attorneys at fifty-nine (59); and

WHEREAS, due to existing grant funds ceasing this year and the opening of additional court rooms, the State's Attorney has requested to make the existing Assistant State's Attorney previously assigned to the Cold Case Grant a permanent assignment. In order to accomplish this, the State's Attorney has requested the County Board increase the number of assistant state's attorneys from 59 to 60; and

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice, Law and Judicial Committee has reviewed the request and has recommended that the County Board should confirm and set the number of Assistant State's Attorneys at sixty (60).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the number of Assistant State's Attorneys shall be hereby set at sixty (60).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes___ No___ Pass_____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Dralle made a motion seconded by Member Riley, Resolution #08-119 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-119 IS APPROVED.

HEALTH, AGING & EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Don Gould, Chairman

No Report.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
Lee Goodson, Chairman

Member Goodson presented Resolution #08-120, a Resolution Supporting the Concepts of HB4992. This House Bill provides that a \$2 charge that is currently being charged by the County Clerk's office may be used to develop, maintain and improve technology in the office. Previously that money was segregated for another purpose and this allows the money that was segregated for the purpose of addressing vital record storage, but that is no longer needed. Now it frees the money up to be used for other purposes.



**Legislative Committee
Resolution #08-120**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

SUPPORTING THE CONCEPTS OF HB4992

**Amends the County Codes Re: \$2.00 Charge Imposed by County Clerk for
Certified Copies of Vital Records**

WHEREAS, there is pending in the General Assembly House Bill 4992, which essentially amends the County Codes to provide that a \$2.00 charge imposed by the County Clerk in a first or second class county for certified copies of vital records may be used to develop, maintain, and improve technology in the office of the County Clerk (instead of defraying the cost of converting and maintaining the County Clerk's document storage system for vital records), and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has been diligently monitoring legislation affecting Will County, and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has reviewed the proposed legislation and **SUPPORTS the concepts of HB4992**, as written today.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby **SUPPORTS the concepts of HB4992**, as written today, which essentially amends the County Codes to provide that a \$2.00 charge imposed by the County Clerk in a first or second class county for certified copies of vital records may be used to develop, maintain, and improve technology in the office of the County Clerk (instead of defraying the cost of converting and maintaining the County Clerk's document storage system for vital records).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Goodson made a motion, seconded by Member Kusta, Resolution #08-120 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-120 IS APPROVED.

Member Goodson presented Resolution #08-121, Resolution Supporting the Concepts of HB 4936. This is a resolution that was introduced by Representative Kosel. It addresses cell phone towers and the need to notify residents that are in the area 15 days prior to a hearing. Currently the Land Use Department notifies voluntarily the residents and this bill should specify that the cell phone tower company needs to notify the residents. We are working with Representative Kosel to clarify that in the bill. Because she did introduce this on our behalf, I thought it was important to get behind it and support it, so that she knows we support her efforts.

**Legislative Committee
Resolution #08-121**



**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

SUPPORTING THE CONCEPTS OF HB4936

***Amends the County Codes that with Respect to Public Hearings Concerning
Telecommunications Facilities and AM Broadcast Towers***

WHEREAS, there is pending in the General Assembly House Bill 4936 which amends the County Codes. Provides that with respect to public hearings concerning telecommunications facilities and AM broadcast towers, notice must be sent by certified mail at least 15 days prior to the hearing to the owners of record of all residential property that is adjacent to the lot upon which the facility is proposed to be sited. Effective immediately, and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has been diligently monitoring legislation affecting Will County, and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has reviewed the proposed legislation and **SUPPORTS the concepts of HB4936**, as written today.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby **SUPPORTS the concepts of HB4936**, as written today, which essentially amends the County Codes to that

with respect to public hearings concerning telecommunications facilities and AM broadcast towers, notice must be sent by certified mail at least 15 days prior to the hearing to the owners of record of all residential property that is adjacent to the lot upon which the facility is proposed to be sited. Effective immediately.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes___ No___ Pass_____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Goodson made a motion, seconded by Member Moustis, Resolution #08-121 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-121 IS APPROVED.

Member Goodson presented Resolution #08-122, Resolution Supporting the Concepts of SB2146. This Senate Bill provides that no mobile home park owners shall finally accept any offer for the sale, lease or transfer of a mobile home park without first giving 60 days notice to the tenants and all notice to the Illinois Housing Development Authority. This was introduced by Senator Halvorson, similar to a bill she introduced last year that we were supportive of.



**Legislative Committee
Resolution #08-122**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

SUPPORTING THE CONCEPTS OF SB2146

Amends the Mobile Home Landlord and Tenant Rights Act

WHEREAS, there is pending in the General Assembly Senate Bill 2146, which amends the Mobile Home Landlord and Tenant Rights Act. Provides that no mobile home park owner shall finally accept any offer for the sale, lease, or transfer of a mobile home park without first giving 60 days' notice to each tenant and to the Illinois Housing Development Authority. Provides that, during the notice period, the park owner shall consider any offer received from the tenants or a tenants' association and negotiate in good faith with the tenants concerning a potential purchase or lease, and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has been diligently monitoring legislation affecting Will County, and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Committee has reviewed the proposed legislation and **SUPPORTS the concepts of SB2146**, as written today.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby **SUPPORTS the concepts of SB2146**, as written today, which essentially amends the Mobile Home Landlord and Tenant Rights Act. Provides that no mobile home park owner shall finally accept any offer for the sale, lease, or transfer of a mobile home park without first giving 60 days' notice to each tenant and to the Illinois Housing Development Authority. Provides that, during the notice period, the park owner shall consider any offer received from the tenants or a tenants' association and negotiate in good faith with the tenants concerning a potential purchase or lease.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes___ No___ Pass_____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Goodson made a motion, seconded by Member Riley, Resolution #08-122 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-122 IS APPROVED.

Member Goodson presented Resolution 08-123, Resolution Opposing the Acquisition of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railroad by Canadian National Railway Company.



Legislative Committee
Resolution #08-123

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**OPPOSING THE ACQUISITION OF THE ELGIN, JOLIET & EASTERN RAILROAD BY CANADIAN
NATIONAL RAILWAY COMPANY**

WHEREAS, on October 30, 2007, the Canadian National Railway Company along with its wholly owned U.S. subsidiary, the Grand Trunk Corporation, filed an application with the U.S. Surface Transportation Board seeking approval to acquire the EJ & E West Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Elgin, Joliet, and Eastern Railway Company; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of EJ & E is not a component of the Chicago Regional Environmental and Transportation Efficiency (CREATE) program, a public-private partnership between Chicago, the State of Illinois, the United States Government, and the nation's largest rail carriers; and

WHEREAS, CREATE will invest \$1.5 billion in critically needed improvements to increase the efficiency of the region's rail infrastructure without rerouting massive train traffic through small towns, residential neighborhoods, and unimproved, at-grade grade crossings; and

WHEREAS, the proposed acquisition by Canadian National Railway Company (CN) would involve shifting a significant amount of train traffic that currently moves over CN rail lines in the City of Chicago to sections of the EJ & E rail lines west and south of the City of Chicago, including a major segment that runs through the County of Will; and

WHEREAS, Will County, Illinois has been consistently listed as one of the fastest-growing counties in terms of population growth in the nation for the past seven years; and

WHEREAS, with this exceptional population growth come concerns ranging from traffic congestion to emergency services to environmental safety; and

WHEREAS, the proposed EJ & E purchase would add to these concerns by bringing to certain Will County communities increased freight train traffic every 35 minutes causing significant increases in congestion and safety issues; and

WHEREAS, Will County, Illinois has addressed future traffic congestion and environmental concerns by adopting its 2020 Transportation Framework Plan which advocates public transportation upgrades such as the STAR Line, a commuter rail corridor providing rail passenger service around the outer circumference of the greater Chicago metropolitan region which will utilize a portion of the EJ & E right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the proposed acquisition could threaten implementation of the STAR Line; and

WHEREAS, the proposed acquisition plan, as outlined in the Draft Scope of the Environmental Impact Study, will not include space for the STAR Line right-of-way unless significant capital improvements are planned, approved, and funded; and

WHEREAS, some Will County communities will experience a more than 700% increase in the amount of hazardous material routed through their municipalities if the acquisition is approved; and

WHEREAS, routing hazardous material through one of the fastest growing Counties in the United States increases the potential for acts of terrorism and the potential for harm to large population centers, whether from terrorism or other unforeseen events; and

WHEREAS, the EJ & E line within Will County has a total of 52 public highway grade crossings that may require improvements if the proposed acquisition is approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board opposes the application of Canadian National Railway Company along with its wholly owned U.S. subsidiary, the Grand Trunk Corporation, filed with the United States Surface Transportation Board, seeking approval to acquire the EJ & E West Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Elgin, Joliet, and Eastern Railway Company as the impacts of the proposed acquisition are hazardous to the health, safety, public welfare, environment and quality of life of the citizens of Will County, Illinois so as to cause irreparable harm.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Clerk shall send a copy of this resolution to the Will County State and Federal legislative delegations, the Chairman of the Surface Transportation Board, the President of the Canadian National Railway Company, the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Chairman of the Illinois Commerce Commission, and the Governor of the State of Illinois.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Board urges the United States Surface Transportation Board **to not approve** the sale of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Company (EJ&E) to the Canadian National Railroad.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the preamble of this resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Goodson stated we have been discussing this for sometime now. There is a Will County group that meets fairly regularly to discuss the issues that this is going to cause for our communities in Will County. Recently a meeting was held here in our County Board office, with DuPage County, similar representatives, the mayors, the County Board, representatives from the fire and police department. There were also representatives at this meeting from Cook County and Lake County. Will County has always come from the perspective that this is an acquisition that's going to take place. There's no point in spending energy and fighting it; that we might as well go along with it and ask for what we need for CNN in order to mitigate the issues regarding our crossings, environmental issues, etc. At this meeting with DuPage, Lake, Cook and Will County, there was an overwhelming desire to actually come out and oppose this acquisition. I guess the reason being that we didn't want to send the incorrect message to the Service Transportation Board that we were okay with it. We wanted them to know that we were very opposed to it and that we absolutely have to have mitigation of our issues along with any approval that would help. So, there's a resolution in your packet that is opposing the acquisition of the CNN. There is an amendment on your desk. In your amendment on Page 2, it was amended to read, "Will County communities will experience a 500% increase in the amount of hazardous materials". That has been amended to read more than 700%. That was a recommendation from our Legal Counsel, Ed Gower. Also on Page 3, we wanted the resolution to very strongly send our message and so the section was added, "Be it further resolved, that the Will County Board urges the United States Surface Transportation Board to not approve the sale of the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway Company (EJ&E) to the Canadian National Railroad."

Member Goodson continued first I want to tell you about the other resolutions that were also introduced at our state level. There was a resolution the House introduced, HR 1002; that is a resolution that also backed us up just not asking for the acquisition to be opposed, but just that we are requiring mitigation. I spoke with Representative Kosel on this bill. It's in the Rail Safety Committee and the Chairman of the Rail Safety Committee told her that unless we soften

the language in that resolution it will not be moving forward. So, it's suggested that we come forward with another resolution from the House from Representative Cross and tried to make sure that it gets put in the Local Government Committee, where it will have a little friendlier reception because the chairman of that committee is Linda Chaplavia. She's in Aurora, where they're also experiencing these issues. There's also a Senate Resolution introduced, Senate Resolution 581, at the state level opposing the acquisition.

Member Goodson made a motion, seconded by Member Maher, to place Resolution #08-123 on the floor.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-123 IS ON THE FLOOR.

Member Goodson made a motion, seconded by Member Riley to amend Resolution #08-123.

Member Moustis commented on the acquisition by the CNN Rail of the EJ&E. We did meet with some of our fellow counties and communities in other counties along with Will County communities. As Lee mentioned, there was a strong opposition to this acquisition. I know at first we all started sitting around and talking about there's not much we can do; let's go along, let's see what we can get out of the rail. I think they make it pretty clear, they're going to give you nothing. That's really their response. And our response is we say no. This may seem like a David and Goliath type of situation, but we have a lot of pebbles in our sack that we can perhaps bring Goliath down with. We should not think that this is a task that we cannot take on. We owe it to the citizens of our community. This brings on a lot of hazardous materials to our communities. It disrupts our transportation system. It disrupts people's way of life and quality of life. We need to stand firm with this resolution of denial. We need to stand firm with all our sister counties and communities. Let's give a firm no to the rail. I'm going to also mention that I don't think this is something that can go in the public hands. I do think the RTA on behalf of the collar counties, on behalf of the star line, should take a look at the possible purchase. I understand that the star line might not be viable today, but you need to secure that right of way. I think it's available at a pretty reasonable price. They can keep run freight across it; they can get the revenue from that freight; and we can keep those freight lines to a reasonable level. But I do think the RTA needs to step up and take a look at this. It's a little diversion, but nevertheless that's another way of saying no. We need it for public purposes. I'm going to ask every County Board member, the County Executive's office, every elected official in this county, step up, let's say no, and let's stick together.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-four.

No negative votes.

Abstain votes were: Anderson, Weigel.

RESOLUTION #08-123 IS AMENDED.

Member Goodson made a motion, seconded by Member Kusta, Resolution #08-123 be approved as amended.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-four.

No negative votes.

Abstain votes were: Anderson, Weigel.

RESOLUTION #08-123 IS APPROVED AS AMENDED.

Member Goodson said the next three resolutions all have to do with property taxes. I just want to review them very briefly. HB4916, basically this raises the exemption for our senior citizens from \$4,000 to \$5,500 in the next taxable year, 2008. HB4917, lowers the age from 70 to 65, and raises the income level for the property tax freeze from \$30,000 to \$35,000. HB4918, basically requires that the county publish the property tax data from each parcel on the website. SB2820 requires certain disclosures regarding the assessed valuation of homestead property. In theory, I think all of these bills are very good and they're worthy of support. Our Will County Supervisor of Assessments, Rhonda Novak, contacted our Senator Wilhelmi and Representatives McGuire, Hassert and Cross and met with all of them to discuss some of her issues with the bills. I think what came out of that meeting was an agreement that there's some amendments that could take place that would not take away from the validity of these bills, but would be workable for the Assessor's office. We have a speaker on these bills today, Mr. John Randall, who is the Assessor from DuPage County. He would like to speak to these bills.

Mr. John Randall, 531 Cottonwood Circle in Bolingbrook, IL 60440. I'm here as a representative of the Will County Assessor's Association. President Karen Szykowski of Homer Township asked me to address you today. I'm the DuPage Township Assessor. We have some assessors in the gallery today. I'd like to acknowledge their presence: Kelly Lord from Wheatland Township; Karen Szykowski from Homer Township, Aaron Parker, Deputy Assessor from Plainfield Township; Sandy Drolet from Crete; JoAnne Bettenhausen from Green Garden; Pat Gabrielson from Troy; and Carol Ann Blume from Washington. Censored issues arise out of Senate Bill 2820, sponsored by Mr. Bond of Lake County. The Will County Assessor's Association is opposed to 2820 for several reasons. Implementation would cost excessive amounts of money and new software in a time for redundant legal meddling. I

represent DuPage Township with 27,000 residential parcels. We don't have square footage on some houses because we are principally a track built subdivision township. We don't use square footage to assess some subdivisions; we assess by model. Why should the county be held responsible for getting the square footage on my properties, when square footage is not the basis for the assessment. Will County is already consumer and taxpayer driven. The Supervisor of Assessments and local representatives have conducted public open house informational meetings. They have been well attended by the public. The assessors are polite and answer taxpayer questions at length. All of the assessors are accessible. We get our name and phone number published on every assessment revision notice. We are accessible. Some taxing bodies are not. Calculations of annual percentage variations can easily be done by the citizen taxpayer. I ask a rhetorical question. Because one homeowner doesn't know how to do it, should the whole system of reporting be changed to accommodate a single taxpayer? I think not. Furthermore, expression of assessment square footage of site may be misleading. Not all assessors use square foot methodology in estimating assessed land value. Some use buildable site area. Some use net buildable area. Because the language of the proposed bill affects homestead property, condominium units and townhouse units would be included. Frequently these properties are assessed on a per dwelling unit basis. Recitation of these values converted to a square foot could be misleading to the public. The Department of Revenue already sends to each county assessing officer an annual report card of all sales during the prior year. The idealic level of assessments of course is 33.33%. Keep in mind the goal is always the same among the assessors, get to 33.33. In Will County, house total sales per year per township range from as few as 6 sales in the township to as many as 1,200. Two years ago that number was 1,800. In short, this proposed legislation puts an undue and unnecessary burden on the Chief County Assessment Officer and indirectly the local township assessors who are really responsible for the assessment models. That is not the function of the Supervisor of Assessments. It's the local assessors. We have 188 different subdivisions in our township and while some of them have no sales for three years, others have dozens of sales per year. The assessment model varies to fit the available database. For example, sometimes we have to go outside the subdivision to support an assessment change. Sometimes we don't. It's a perfectly good and legal and valid assessment technique, but it leads to misgivings among the public. The Department of Revenue already monitors each county and each township and each and every single residential sale to determine the accuracy in assessing. There's a state report card for every single township and every single county with information relating to the accuracy of the assessors and the supervisor of assessments. It already gets published regularly in the newspapers with the information about a township's multiplier or a county's multiplier. The subject matter relative to this proposed legislation has come up extremely rarely in conversation with property owners. Perhaps twice in nine years. Furthermore, the local assessors don't supply the chief county assessment officer with model samples for their respective townships. In conclusion, the Will County Assessor's Association believes this bill is expensive, believes it would provide confusing information to the public, and believes it would be a duplication in part of the work of the Department of Revenue already. A worse case scenario would be to pass this legislation unchanged. The least the Will County Assessor's Association would ask for is a clause allowing the separate counties a chance to enable the statute at its local option much like the Property Tax Cap Limitation Law in the early 1990's. The best thing to happen is for your local board to reject the whole thing.

Member Svava stated the way these resolutions are worded is that we're opposing the concepts. I'm in favor of the concepts. I think the problem is the process, and I think we ought to distinguish between those two that okay the ideas that are put forth may be good ideas, but the method of implementation is problematic. I think that will be our position, not opposing the concepts.

Member Riley asked why are we opposing the property tax senior freeze. It looks like they're increasing it. Why are we doing that against our seniors.

Mr. Randall stated I'm here as a representative of the Will County Assessor's Association.

Member Goodson said I think we all understand that this is a very complicated area. If Rhonda Novak wants to address any of the technical questions. Mr. Svava, I don't agree with what you're saying though, that the concept is good, that it's actually the process that's flawed.

Supervisor of Assessor Rhonda Novak stated the reason that we're opposed to the increase in the senior freeze exemption or the increase in income and the decrease in age is because what you're going to end up doing is, you're going to qualify every senior in the county to obtain a freeze. When you do that, most who understand the levy understand that if you give somewhere, you have to get back somewhere else. So if you increase the exemption amount, then you're going to drive the rate up. So the senior citizen widow who's living in a brick bungalow who can't afford her taxes, whose been getting the freeze since 1993, if you open this up and decide that social security is not going to be part of the income, you're going to raise the income from \$55,000 to \$75,000 and you're going to allow people that are 55 years of age to now apply to get the senior freeze, that we've done is you've just driven the rate up on that senior widow who was barely hanging on to that bungalow, and you've driven the rate up on everybody else. So, you have to take into consideration, although these things sound good and you're going to give more, you're really just driving the rate up again; you're not ultimately giving more. That's the opposition to – I understand doing for the seniors and maybe doing that in the senior homestead exemption, which legislatively has been done. Those are going to increase over the next couple years.

Member Goodson added, that was not the intent of the sponsor. So, when that was explained then that's where I think the conversations began that these bills to be amended to make them better.

Supervisor of Assessor Rhonda added and clearly what we're asking for is for you to oppose them in their current form. I am continually working with Senator Bond, Senator Wilhelmi, Representative Cross, Representative Hassert. They have all agreed that there are things that need to be changed or tweaked in these bills. I'm just asking for your opposition in their current form.

Member Moustis stated many things come out of committee and very often it gets here and it's a little more confusing, and people don't quite understand. I'm going to make a motion to remove all these resolutions of opposition. Quite frankly, I have some difficulty with them

myself and if they were going to be going forward, I'd be voting no. So, rather than do that, I'm going to suggest we pull them off, send them back to committee for further discussion and maybe bring them back at a later date when we can define, or the legislation gets tweaked and amended that perhaps we look at it again in maybe a little closer to a final form. Member Moustis asked if we can do them all at one time, or do we need to do them individually?

Counsel Frank Burkey responded you can make a motion to table all.

Member Moustis said I'm not going to make a motion to table, I'm going to send them back to committee. Mr. Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Konicki to send Resolutions #08-124, #08-125, and #08-126 back to Committee.

Member Dralle commented I concur with Member Moustis. I certainly don't want to make it appear that the County Board is against any senior programs.

Member Konicki commented I'm very glad we're sending these back to Committee because I also was going to be a no vote, particularly on Resolution #08-126. I strongly concur that their concepts are good. There may be some flaw in the process or some amendments that are needed. I'm supporting sending them back to committee. These are my concepts. That is a very progressive piece of legislation that's in our Resolution #08-126. It will render a process that right now is substantially unfair to our tax appellants. It will make it much more fair, more transparent, and give them some information they need to be on equal the average appellant of their property tax bill. The information they need to be on equal footing with the more sophisticated taxpayers and those who can hire professional counsel. Excellent legislation.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTIONS #08-124, #08-125, #08-126 ARE SENT BACK TO COMMITTEE.

Member Bilotta said I'm one of those people that use the Assessors' websites on a daily basis. I do a lot of work in Will County. I want to thank the assessors that do have an up and running website. It saves me, as an appraiser a lot of time. It saves the taxpayers in the township a lot of time to put it out there. To the assessors that don't have one up and running, shame on you. You really need to get with the times and you know who you are. Mr. Randall has a phenomenal website; Mr. Roolf has a phenomenal website and I just want to say thank you.

Member Riley said I just want to make a point. The assessors always get a bad rap in the County and you know I work with the township. The last assessment, you know the taxpayers are coming in complaining and complaining. I just didn't want us by supporting these resolutions to go forward that we were against the seniors in our county. I understand they're under tax constraints, like we are too and property taxes keep escalating. So that's the reason why I spoke up against supporting these oppositions.

RECESSED SEPTEMBER

MARCH 20, 2008

INSURANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
Susan Riley, Chairman

Member Riley presented Resolution #08-127, Resolution Authorizing the Renewal of “Wrap Around” Professional Liability Insurance for the Will County Community Health Center.



Insurance & Personnel Committee
 Resolution #08-127

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RE: Authorizing Renewal of "Wrap Around" Professional Liability Insurance for the
 Will County Community Health Center

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Will County Board to retain the services of insurance providers for various property and casualty and liability insurance coverage within the County; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Board wishes to obtain liability insurance for all premises of the County, all roads maintained by the County, and those employees and departments operating under the jurisdiction of Will County; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Board authorized the County Executive to take action to put in place a comprehensive insurance program of property, casualty and liability coverage; and

WHEREAS, The Will County Community Health Center has been named a “deemed facility” under the Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA) granting them certain levels of tort immunity; and

WHEREAS, as a part of that program the County purchased “wrap around” professional liability coverage to provide gap protection, which expired on March 1, 2008; and

WHEREAS, a favorable renewal was received with a premium in the amount of \$81,505.00 (*plus* \$2,935.00 *IL Surplus Lines Taxes & Stamping Fees*), which represents a 4.2% increase over the expiring policy’s annual premium; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing this renewal, the Insurance & Personnel Committee has recommended that the County accept this proposal for “wrap around” professional liability insurance for the Will County Community Health Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute a contract for the renewal of this coverage for the period of March 1, 2008 through March 1, 2009.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Executive, is hereby authorized and directed to take such other and further action as necessary, to effectuate the intent of the foregoing resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

VOTE: Yes _____ No _____ Pass _____ (SEAL)

NANCY SCHULTZ VOOTS
WILL COUNTY CLERK

Approved this _____ day of _____ 2008.

LAWRENCE M. WALSH
WILL COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Member Riley made a motion, seconded by Member Blackburn, Resolution #08-127 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-127 IS APPROVED.

Member Riley presented Resolution #08-128, Resolution Regarding Adoption of Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement between the County of Will, the Will County Sheriff and Metropolitan Alliance of Police Will County Sheriff's Police Management Association Chapter #123.



Insurance & Personnel Committee
Resolution #08-128

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**RE: ADOPTION OF SUCCESSOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF WILL, THE WILL COUNTY SHERIFF AND
METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE OF POLICE WILL COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE
MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER #123**

WHEREAS, the County of Will and the Will County Sheriff are "Co-Employers" and parties to an existing collective bargaining agreement with METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE OF POLICE WILL COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER #123 (the "Union"); and

WHEREAS, the Co-Employers and the Union have reached tentative agreement for a successor collective bargaining agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Insurance and Personnel Committee concurs with this agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the successor collective bargaining agreement between the County of Will and the Will County Sheriff with METROPOLITAN ALLIANCE OF POLICE WILL COUNTY SHERIFF'S POLICE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION CHAPTER #123, in accordance with the tentative agreements between the parties which are summarized in Exhibit I hereto, are hereby adopted, subject to the final approval of the Co-Employers' negotiating team.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Sheriff and the Will County Executive, on behalf of the Will County Board, are hereby authorized and directed, to execute said successor collective bargaining agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

VOTE: Yes _____ No _____ Pass _____ (SEAL)

NANCY SCHULTZ VOOTS
WILL COUNTY CLERK

Approved this _____ day of _____ 2008.

LAWRENCE M. WALSH
WILL COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Member Riley made a motion, seconded by Member Brandolino, Resolution #08-128 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-128 IS APPROVED.

Member Riley presented Resolution #08-129, Resolution Regarding Adoption of Bright Start Illinois 529 College Savings Plan.

Insurance & Personnel Committee
Resolution #08-129



**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

RE: ADOPTION OF BRIGHT START ILLINOIS 529 COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN

WHEREAS, the Illinois State Treasurer's Bright Start 529 College Savings Plan provides a smart, tax-advantaged way for families to invest money to help pay for a child's college education; and

WHEREAS, with tuition costs on the rise, it's more important than ever to start saving early; and

WHEREAS, recent improvements to Bright Start have resulted in lower fees, higher rated investments and new portfolios; and

WHEREAS, the changes are designed to save participants money, provide greater flexibility and inspire more families to start saving for their children's future; and

WHEREAS, the Insurance and Personnel Committee deems it appropriate to offer County employees the opportunity to participate in Bright Start through voluntary payroll deductions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board authorizes the Human Resources department to implement voluntary employee payroll deductions for employees who wish to enroll and participate in the Bright Start Illinois 529 College Savings Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Human Resources department is authorized to establish appropriate policies and procedures necessary to effectively administer the voluntary payroll deduction program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

VOTE: Yes _____ No _____ Pass _____ (SEAL)

NANCY SCHULTZ VOOTS
WILL COUNTY CLERK

Approved this _____ day of _____ 2008.

LAWRENCE M. WALSH
WILL COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Member Riley made a motion, seconded by Member Kusta, Resolution #08-129 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-129 IS APPROVED.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE
Charles Maher, Chairman

Member Riley commented, as the Sheriff said, we're up and running with our jail. In May, we will bring a video historical perspective on the building of the jail. Also at our last meeting, we had a couple companies come in and do presentations on their ability to help guide us with a vision and mission statement here in the County. It was the decision of the Committee to look at putting out an RFP to see if we can't get a couple more folks to come in and share with us some of their techniques in helping guide us in that process. That RFP should be coming out in the next month or so and we will keep you updated.

POLICY & RULES COMMITTEE
Richard Brandolino, Chairman

Member Brandolino presented Resolution #08-130, Resolution Updating Business/Travel Reimbursement Regulations.



Policy and Rules Committee
Resolution #08-130

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Updating Will County Business/Travel Reimbursement Regulations

WHEREAS, on November 21, 1996, the Will County Board established its Business & Travel Expense Policy for elected and appointed officials and County employees who are required to incur business expenses, travel to receive training, continuing education on government regulations and to exchange ideas or accomplish certain tasks on behalf of the County, and

WHEREAS, the County Board has updated the 1996 Business & Travel Expense Policy from time to time, the last revision being June 1, 2005, and

WHEREAS, based on direction from the Policy & Rules Committee, the Will County Board has updated the existing Business/Travel Reimbursement Regulations and has suggested replacing it with the attached updated Will County Business/Travel Reimbursement Regulations, and

WHEREAS, such Business/Travel Reimbursement Regulations are to become effective on April 1, 2008, and will apply to all elected or appointed officials, and all employees of Will County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby replaces the current Business/Travel Reimbursement Regulations with the attached updated Will County Business/Travel Reimbursement Regulations for all elected or appointed officials, and all employees of Will County, effective on April 1, 2008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Brandolino made a motion, seconded by Member Piccolin, Resolution #08-130 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-130 IS APPROVED.

BUDGET REVIEW COMMITTEE
Ron Svara, Chairman

Member Svara stated the data for '07 is in. We can start on '09.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
James Moustis, Chairman

Member Moustis presented Resolution #08-131, Replacement Hires for Sunny Hill Nursing Home.



Executive Committee
Resolution #08-131

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**REPLACEMENT HIRES FOR
SUNNY HILL NURSING HOME**

WHEREAS, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009, the County Executive shall "appoint, with the advice and consent of the Board, such subordinate deputies, employees, and appointees for the general administration of county affairs as considered necessary, except those deputies, employees and appointees in the office of an elected county officer", and

WHEREAS, the Will County Executive has presented the attached list for the Sunny Hill replacement hires to the Executive Committee of the County Board, and

WHEREAS, that list has been approved by the Will County Executive Committee in the appropriate manner and now the committee recommends the list to the full Will County Board for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009, does hereby concur with the action of its Executive Committee and the County Executive and gives its consent to the list of names attached to this resolution for the Sunny Hill Nursing Home.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes___ No___ Pass_____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Gould, Resolution #08-131 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-131 IS APPROVED.

Member Moustis presented Resolution #08-132, Replacement Hire for Human Resources.



**Executive Committee
Resolution #08-132**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

REPLACEMENT HIRE FOR HUMAN RESOURCES

WHEREAS, in accordance with the 55 ILCS 5/2-5009, the County Executive shall "appoint, with the advice and consent of the Board, such subordinate deputies, employees, and appointees for the general administration of county affairs as considered necessary, except those deputies, employees and appointees in the office of an elected county officer", and

WHEREAS, the Will County Executive has presented a list of appointments to the Executive Committee of the County Board, and

WHEREAS, that list has been approved by the Will County Executive Committee in the appropriate manner and now the committee recommends the list to the full Will County Board for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009, does hereby concur with the action of its Executive Committee and the County Executive and gives its consent to the list of names attached to this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Woods, Resolution #08-132 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-132 IS APPROVED.

Member Moustis presented Resolution #08-133, Resolution Regarding Exxon Mobil.

**Executive Committee
Resolution #08-133**



**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**RE: Authorizing County Executive to Execute a Tax Assessment
Settlement Agreement with Exxon/Mobil**

WHEREAS, 35 ILCS 200/9-45 provides that parties may enter into an agreement to assess the value of property, and

WHEREAS, upon due deliberation and consideration of all facts involved the Will County Board hereby finds that attached settlement agreement is in the best interests of the citizens; the governmental administration of Will County; and the taxpayers thereof, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby authorizes the Will County Executive to execute on behalf of the County the attached Exxon/Mobil Property Tax Assessment Settlement Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this ___ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Brandolino, Resolution #08-133 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-133 IS APPROVED.

Member Moustis presented Resolution #08-134, Resolution Opposing the Closing of Stateville Correctional Center.



Executive Committee
Resolution #08-134

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Opposing the Closing of Stateville Correctional Center

WHEREAS, Stateville Correctional Center located in Will County, Crest Hill, Illinois, is a Level 1 maximum security prison, the highest of each security level designations. There is also a minimum security unit at Stateville, commonly referred to as the Stateville Farm, and

WHEREAS, Stateville was built in 1925 to hold approximately 1,506 inmates and is presently at that capacity. However, Governor Blagojevich is considering closing the Stateville Correctional Center and relocating over 1,500 inmates as part of an effort to cut the State's spending, and

WHEREAS, Stateville Correctional Center is one of Will County's largest employers with over 1,100 employees, and is a viable economic resource for many communities in Will County, and

WHEREAS, at present some would say our economy is in the midst of a recession. Instead of adding to the individuals potentially losing their jobs in Illinois, the State should be entertaining proposals to stimulate and create jobs for our residents – not add to our unemployment lines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby strongly opposes any proposal to close Stateville Correctional Center as this would have a devastating economic impact on many Will County communities and their residents.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby urges our local and State Legislators to work closely with Governor Blagojevich to explore other budget cuts that would not impact the local economy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Clerk transmit copies of this Resolution to Governor Blagojevich and all local and State Legislators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes ___ No ___ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Konicki, Resolution #08-134 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-134 IS APPROVED.

Member Moustis presented Resolution #08-135, Resolution for the CDBG and Home Investment Partnership Grant Program Policies and Funding for the 2008 & 2009 Program Years October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2010.



**Executive Committee
Resolution #08-135**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

For the Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnership Grant Program Policies and Funding for the 2008 and 2009 Program Years October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2010

WHEREAS, the Will County Board enacted prior resolutions agreeing to participate in and administer the Will County CDBG and HOME programs, in accordance with Federal regulatory requirements, and

WHEREAS, the Will County Executive has appointed a CDBG/HOME Advisory Board to recommend program policies and the funding of projects based on the HUD approved five-year Consolidated Plan, and

WHEREAS, Will County is projected to receive in Program Year 2008 \$1,450,153 in CDBG, \$453,338 in Home Investment Partnership Entitlement funds, and \$3,700 in American Dream Down payment (ADDI) Home funds, which is a 2.5% reduction from previous year funding, and

WHEREAS, the CDBG/HOME Advisory Board desires to continue to utilize these funds with existing multi-year multi-phased CDBG/HOME funded eligible projects which are consistent with the HUD National Objectives of: 1.) Benefiting Low and Moderate Income Persons; 2.) Aiding in the prevention or elimination of slum and blight and 3.) Meeting other Community Development Needs having a particular urgent need, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in compliance with statute and regulations, the CDBG/HOME Advisory Board, received comments from the public at its February 25, 2008 Public Hearing, hereby desires to amend the existing program policies and suspend the competitive grant application process for the 2008 and 2009 Program Year in an effort to fund and complete said projects, which are currently underway and require additional funding for completion and/or to sustain.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF WILL COUNTY ILLINOIS, THAT:

SECTION 1: The Will County Board hereby approves the amendments to the CDBG/Home Program Policy and Procedures manual.

SECTION 2: The Will County Board recognizes ongoing Community Development initiatives and supports the suspending of the competitive grant application process for the 2008 and 2009 Program Year in an effort to fund said projects, which are currently underway and require additional funding.

SECTION 3: This Resolution and every provision thereof shall be separable and the invalidity of any portion shall not affect the validity of the remainder.

SECTION 4: All Resolutions or parts thereof, in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5: This Resolution shall take effect following its passage, approval, adoption, recording, inspection and publication, as may be required by law.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes___ No___ Pass_____(SEAL) _____
Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this ___day of _____, 2008. _____
Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Woods, Resolution #08-135 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-135 IS APPROVED.

Member Moustis presented Resolution #08-136, Resolution Reallocating Program Income Funds to Joliet Twp 2005 & 2007 Grants & Authorizing County Executive to Execute Amendments to the Existing Agreements Associated with those Grants.



**Executive Committee
Resolution #08-136**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Reallocating Program Income Funds to Joliet Township 2005 & 2007 Grants in the Amount of \$20,000 and Authorizing the County Executive to Execute Amendments to the Existing Agreements Associated with those Grants

WHEREAS, the County has previously established a Reallocation Policy as part of the County's CDBG Policies and Procedures; and

WHEREAS, the request for use of residual grant funds meets the established criteria set forth in the Reallocation Policy; and

WHEREAS, a request for additional CDBG Grant funds in the amount of \$20,000.00 has been received from Joliet Township for the combined Fair Acres/Shawnita Water System project; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG/HOME Advisory Board has reviewed the request and has voted to recommend approval of the reallocation request.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Will County Board:

Section 1: That the previously approved aggregated grant allocation to Joliet Township in the amount of \$487,000.00 be increased by \$20,000.00 from reallocated program income funds.

Section 2: That the Community Development Division of the Will County Land Use Dept. be directed to make the necessary amendments to the existing agreements.

Section 3: That the Will County Executive be authorized to execute such amended agreements.

Section 4: This Resolution and every provision thereof, shall be separable and the invalidity of any portion shall not affect the validity of the remainder.

Section 5: All Resolutions or parts thereof, in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.

Section 6: This Resolution shall take effect following its passage, approval, adoption, recording, inspection and publication, as may be required by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Pass _____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Woods, Resolution #08-136 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-136 IS APPROVED.

Member Moustis presented Resolution #08-137, Resolution Authorizing County Executive To Execute Lease Agreement for Pitney Bowes Mail Machine Equipment



**Executive Committee
Resolution #08-137**

**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**Authorizing County Executive to Execute Lease Agreement
for Pitney Bowes Mail Management System**

WHEREAS, the current lease for the existing DM1000 digital mailing system will expire in June, 2008, and

WHEREAS, the County Executive's Office has requested to move forward and lease another DM1000 Digital Mail System and SendSuite Basic software shipping solutions for \$2,467.00 per month, annual cost of \$29,604.00, for a duration of 39 months, and

WHEREAS, based upon the recommendations made at Committee, the Executive Committee recommends approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby authorizes the Will County Executive to execute a lease agreement in substantially the format attached with Pitney Bowes, subject to the approval of the State’s Attorney’s office, for \$2,467.00 per month, at an annual cost of \$29,604.00, for a total duration of 39 months.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 20th day of March, 2008.

Vote: Yes__ No__ Pass_____ (SEAL)

Nancy Schultz Voots
Will County Clerk

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2008.

Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

Member Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Singer, Resolution #08-137 be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svara, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

RESOLUTION #08-137 IS APPROVED.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

County Executive Walsh announced we have a speaker, Jim Roof.

Mr. Jim Roof, stated I wanted to come before you this morning because I sat through the Executive Committee Meeting of last week wherein J. D. Ross was being considered for appointment to the RTA. There was a great deal of questioning going on. I’m glad my appointment to the tollway didn’t have to put me through that. But as I sat there, it made me think of a number of things. I appreciate the opportunity, County Executive Walsh, Chairman Moustis, to speak to you and the rest of the members of the County Board. J. D. Ross is an outstanding individual. I think as you went through the questioning last week, you found out

he's also a man of high intelligence and high integrity. J.D. and I have had an opportunity to work on a number of things over the years that I've been here in Joliet, which is now approaching it's eighth year. J.D. and I have worked together on the Will County CED Board and other things, United Way, etc. to further the quality of life for Will County, just as you are charged with and you do so day in and day out as you go through your deliberations here at the County Board. J.D. and I have had the opportunity since this idea first came up to talk about how can we coordinate the efforts of the Illinois Tollway in the form of your director, me, who represents Will County and J.D. who potentially will be Will County's representative to the RTA Board, how can we work together to make sure that we do the best job we can for Will County on transportation on all fronts. Had you asked me all those same questions you asked J.D. last week, you may not have been happy with my appointment to the Illinois Tollway Board, because this only thing I knew about roads at that time was I drove on them. Today, I think I've demonstrated that I can pick up the ball and run with it. I would encourage you as you give your deliberation to the consideration of Mr. Ross in that regard, that J. D. is a little quieter than I am, but he's no less hard charger. I would encourage you to similarly give J.D. the charge to help Will County in its transportation related objectives over the next 5, 10, 15, 20 years. We have a tremendous challenge; we're going to need to all work together. We're not always going to agree on everything, but we can make more good things happen than we will have things that will be negative against us. I appreciate the opportunity and hope for your support of J. D. as you give consideration this morning.

Member Moustis presented the Appointments by the County Executive.



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APPOINTMENTS BY THE WILL COUNTY EXECUTIVE

March 2008

**Oakwood Cemetery Association
70 ILCS 105/3**

Weidling, Robert

23115 McGuire Rd., Wilmington, IL 60481

New appointment

* Mr. Weidling is a resident of the district and qualified to serve

Board member information -- 805 ILCS 320/4

...Said trustees when so elected shall divide themselves by lot into two classes, the first of which shall hold their offices for and during the period of three (3) years, and the second of which shall hold their offices for and during the period of six (6) years, and that thereafter the term of office of said trustees shall be six (6) years, and that upon the expiration of the term of office of any of said trustees, or in case of the resignation or death or removal from the State of Illinois of any of said trustees, or their removal from office as provided in this act, the remaining trustees, or a majority of them, shall notify the presiding officer of the County Board in which said cemetery is situated, of such vacancy or vacancies; and that thereafter the presiding officer of the County Board in which said cemetery association is located shall always appoint some suitable person or persons as trustees...

Submitted to County Board February 19, 2008



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APPOINTMENTS BY THE WILL COUNTY EXECUTIVE

March 2008

Will County Board of Health

55 ILCS 5/5-25012 & Will County Board of Health Bylaws

William Offerman

600 Beattie, Elwood, IL 60421

New appointment – replacing Cathy Schley

Term expires June 1, 2010

Board member requirements

55 ILCS 5/5-25012

Note:

This fills a vacancy due to the previous resignation of Cathy Schley. The County Executive's office had been looking for a qualified candidate for this position. Mr. Jim Zelko, of the Will County Health Department suggested we consider appointing a first responder to bring some diversity to the board membership. The County Executive agreed and is bringing Mr. Offerman's name forward.

Mr. Offerman has been active in the Fire Service as a fire fighter/EMT for over 26 years. He currently serves as Fire Chief in the Village of Elwood.

**Submitted to Will County Board February 19, 2008*



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APPOINTMENTS BY THE WILL COUNTY EXECUTIVE

March 2008

Regional Transportation Board – Will County Appointment

PA 95-0708 -- 625 ILCS 5/12-102

J.D. Ross

119 Inwood Drive, Joliet, IL 60435

New appointment – First Will County Appointment to this board. Term will be 5 years.

Board member requirements

d) After April 1, 2008, 5 Directors appointed by the Chairmen of the County Boards of DuPage, Kane, Lake and McHenry Counties and the County Executive of Will County, as follows:

- (i) One Director appointed by the Chairman of the Kane County Board with the advice and consent of the Kane County Board. Such Director shall reside in Kane County.
- (ii) One Director appointed by the County Executive of Will County with the advice and consent of the Will County Board. Such Director shall reside in Will County.
- (iii) One Director appointed by the Chairman of the DuPage County Board with the advice and consent of the DuPage County Board. Such Director shall reside in DuPage County.
- (iv) One Director appointed by the Chairman of the Lake County Board with the advice and consent of the Lake County Board. Such Director shall reside in Lake County.
- (v) One Director appointed by the Chairman of the McHenry County Board with the advice and consent of the McHenry County Board. Such Director shall reside in McHenry County.

(f) Except as otherwise provided by this Act no Director shall, while serving as such, be an officer, a member of the Board of Directors or Trustees or an employee of any Service Board or transportation agency, or be an employee of the State of Illinois or any department or agency thereof, or of any unit of local government or receive any compensation from any elected or appointed office under the Constitution and laws of Illinois; except that a Director may be a member of a school board.

**Submitted to Will County Board March 7, 2008*

Member Moustis made a motion, seconded by Member Wilhelmi Appointments by County Executive be approved.

Voting Affirmative were: McMillan, Woods, Anderson, Piccolin, Singer, Brandolino, Weigel, Dralle, Riley, Kusta, Maher, Blackburn, Gerl, Goodson, Gould, Rozak, Baltz, Bilotta, Konicki, Svava, Stewart, Travis, Adamic, Babich, Wilhelmi, Moustis. Total: Twenty-six.

No negative votes.

APPOINTMENTS BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE ARE APPROVED.

County Executive recognized J. D. Ross in the audience and welcomed him to the RTA Board.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN James Moustis

Member Moustis stated I want to make comments on a couple things that are in the packet today and one is Stateville. Will County and specifically the Joliet community has hosted Stateville along with Joliet Correctional for many years. I believe Joliet and Will County have been very supportive of the State over these years. The State now, to consider closing Stateville at this point and time with an economy that perhaps is falling up and the Will County community is no different than any other community. I believe it is falling up. People are feeling not as confident. Even when they're working, they're still not feeling good. So the State to consider impacting the Will County economy by closing Stateville I think is irresponsible by the State, especially as supportive as Will County and Joliet has been. They closed Joliet Correctional and now they want to close Stateville. Certainly I think if new facilities are needed, we should have been considered here in Will County for a new facility. I would encourage the State to reconsider the closing of Stateville. I know it's not a done thing, so let's make sure it's not done. We need Stateville to stay open.

Member Moustis continued, another comment I wanted to make, sometimes you go through resolutions and as a whole, even though this Board may know what they mean, I don't think the general public always understands. You see a number of resolutions today that dealt with the Community Block Grant funds. You see some programs we're going to go over a few years. The reason I want to point this out is the ability of this Board, even though we come from different districts, to do what's best for the County. These series of resolutions really accomplish is Ridgewood, a community that's unincorporated in Joliet Township, it's in Will County, has a terrible problem with the sewer and water system and need to get on a central sewer and water system. This Board, CDBG Board, which is represented by a number of communities throughout Will County, have agreed that we should pool our funds and put it all into a problem that's in the Joliet area. And, we will bypass doing anything else in any other community for a couple of years to accomplish this. I think that shows the unselfishness by the Will County

communities, and this Board recognizing and putting our own personal agendas to the side to a problem in another district. We do work well together as a Board, regardless of what sometimes you see. We do work with the Executive's Office, and the Executive's Office works with us. Will County Government, despite little disputes that go on here and there, we make it work and will continue to make it work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY LEGISLATIVE MAJORITY LEADER
Wayne McMillan

Member McMillan said I've known J. D. Ross a long time, and let me say congratulations on your confirmation, J. D. I'm convinced you'll do a fine job. I think it's absolutely critical that we have sent this type of statement to the RTA, a unanimous statement that this is the gentleman we want representing our interests. Up until a couple days ago, I was hoping that we'd get to unanimous, but I wasn't absolutely sure. I'm glad it was a 25-0 vote, because that in itself sends a statement into the RTA Board that we are extremely serious about what our desires are. We have been paying a tax for the past 35 years to the RTA, and quite candidly received very little in return. Hopefully with the sales tax increase and the quarter point coming back to us, we'll be able to accomplish quite a bit on our infrastructure systems that are needed throughout the county. Welcome, as our representative, J.D. I look forward to working with you and I'm sure that you'll do a wonderful job.

LEGISLATIVE MINORITY LEADER
Marjorie Woods

Member Woods commented first, I'd like to say congratulations to Mr. Ross, and I know he'll do a fine job. The next group I would like to thank is CDBG for deciding to pool their monies and put all of their efforts toward Ridgewood, which is really needed.

NO EXECUTIVE SESSION TODAY

Member Singer made a motion, seconded by Member Gould, the meeting be recessed until April 17, 2008.

MOTION CARRIED BY VOICE VOTE.