



WILL COUNTY BOARD

302 N. CHICAGO ST.
JOLIET, IL 60432

OCTOBER 17, 2024

County Board Room

Recessed Meeting

9:30 AM

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
Executive Bertino-Tarrant called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.
- II. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**
Executive Bertino-Tarrant led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. **INVOCATION**
Pastor Herbert Brooks led the Invocation.
- IV. **ROLL CALL**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Katie Deane-Schlottman	District 1 (R - Joliet)	Present	
Joe VanDuyne	District 1 (D - Wilmington)	Present	
Judy Ogalla	Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)	Present	
Frankie Pretzel	District 2 (R - New Lenox)	Present	
Daniel J. Butler	District 3 (R - Frankfort)	Present	
Sherry Newquist	District 3 (D - Steger)	Present	
Steve Balich	District 4 (R - Homer Glen)	Present	
Jim Richmond	District 4 (R - Mokena)	Present	
Annette Parker	District 5 (R - Crest Hill)	Present	
Sherry Williams	District 5 (D - Crest Hill)	Present	
Janet Diaz	District 6 (D - Joliet)	Present	
Denise E. Winfrey	District 6 (D - Joliet)	Present	
Natalie Coleman	District 7 (D - Plainfield)	Late	9:45 AM
Vince Logan	District 7 (R - Joliet)	Present	
Mica Freeman	District 8 (D - Plainfield)	Present	
Mark Revis	District 8 (R - Plainfield)	Present	
Raquel M. Mitchell	District 9 (R - Bolingbrook)	Present	
Destinee Ortiz	District 9 (D - Romeoville)	Present	
Julie Berkowicz	District 10 (R - Naperville)	Present	
Meta Mueller	District 10 - (D - Aurora)	Present	
Elnalyn Costa	District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)	Present	
Jackie Traynere	District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)	Present	

- V. **DECLARING QUORUM PRESENT**
- VI. **MOTION TO PLACE ON FILE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION**

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
SECONDER:	Mark Revis, District 8 (R - Plainfield)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
ABSENT:	Coleman

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**1. Will County Board - Regular Meeting - Sep 19, 2024 9:30 AM**

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
SECONDER:	Elnalyn Costa, District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
ABSENT:	Coleman

2. Approval of Executive Session Minutes from September 19, 2024 Board Meeting

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Raquel M. Mitchell, District 9 (R - Bolingbrook)
SECONDER:	Denise E. Winfrey, District 6 (D - Joliet)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
ABSENT:	Coleman

VIII. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ELECTED OFFICIALS AND MEDIA PRESENT

Elected officials present: County Executive Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant; Auditor, Duffy Blackburn; Recorder of Deeds, Karen Stukel

Media present: Michelle Mullins, Daily Southtown

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Ms. Elizabeth Bilotta expressed her opinion in support of the 708 Community Mental Health Board funding.

Ms. Diane Scruggs expressed her opinion in support of the 708 Community Mental Health Board funding.

Dr. Kathleen Burke expressed her opinion in support of the 708 Community Mental Health Board funding.

Mr. Paul Lauridsen expressed his opinion in support of the 708 Community Mental Health Board funding.

Ms. Paula Ekstrom expressed her opinion in support of the 708 Community Mental Health Board funding.

Several emails were read into the record.

X. OLD BUSINESS

Status of September 19, 2024 Resolutions/Ordinances

All resolutions and ordinances from the September 19, 2024 Board Meeting have been returned. Resolutions 24-250, 24-251, and 24-252 have been returned unsigned.

Member Butler stated what exactly does it mean when you return something unsigned?

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated it goes into action.

Assistant State's Attorney Tatroe stated they go into effect. If she does not sign them in a certain amount of time, they automatically take effect. So, she returned them, did not sign them, they are in effect.

Chair Ogalla stated is she going to act on them? If they are in effect that's great, but is she going to act on them?

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated there was a conversation regarding 14 W. Jefferson Street and some of those need dollars allocated to it. It was just authorizing me to basically do something that I have the authorization to do; and we know we're looking at that space.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XII. LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - F. PRETZEL, CHAIR

Open Public Hearing for all Land Use Cases

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER:	Mark Revis, District 8 (R - Plainfield)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

PLEASE BE ADVISED: ABSOLUTELY NO NEW EVIDENCE OR INFORMATION WILL BE ALLOWED ONCE THIS LAND USE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED.

Close Public Hearing for all Land Use Cases

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER:	Katie Deane-Schlottman, District 1 (R - Joliet)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

1. **Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for For Case ZC-24-045, Michael McDonald & Partrick McDonald, Owner of Record (Each 50% Owner) Ryan McCune of Nexamp Solar, LLC D/B/A Moon Shoal Renewables LLC & Summer Stone Renewables LLC, Agent and Nicholas Standiford of Schain Banks, Attorney, Requesting Special Use Permit for a Commercial Solar Energy Facility (Applies to 68.24 Acres), Variance for Number of Required Mowings from Five Times to One Time, Variance for Maximum Ground Cover Plant Height from 13 Inches to 36 Inches for PIN # 30-07-34-300-003-0000 & 30-07-34-300-002-0000, in Joliet Township, Commonly Known as 2618 S Chicago Street and Vacant Property at the NEC of S Chicago Street and W Schweitzer Road (West of Chicagoland Speedway), Joliet IL.**

RESULT:	APPROVED [21 TO 1]
MOVER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER:	Jackie Traynere, District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Balich

PZC: 5-0 Appr SUP for Commerical Solar Energy Facility w/ 5 conditions

PZC: 5-0 Appr Variances for Required Mowings from 5 to 1 time & Max Ground Cover Height from 13in to 36in

LUDC: 7-0 Appr SUP for Commerical Solar Energy Facility w/ 5 conditions

2. **Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case, ZC-24-046, Patrick McDonald and Joann McDonald, Owner of Record, Ryan McCune of Nexamp Solar, LLC, Agent and Nicholas Standiford of Schain Banks, Attorney, Requesting (M-24-008) Map Amendment from A-2 to A-1, (S-24-063), Special Use Permit for a Commercial Solar Energy Facility, (V-24-189) Variance for Number of Required Mowing from Five (5) to One (1) Time and (V-24-190) Variance for Maximum Ground Cover Plant Height from 13 Inches to 36 Inches, for PIN # 30-07-34-101-003-0000, 30-07-34-101-004-0000, 30-07-34-101-014-0000, in Joliet Township, Commonly Known as 116 Zipf Road, Joliet IL, County Board District #6**

Chair Ogalla stated unfortunately I was not able to make the Land Use meeting this month. My question is why are we giving a variance from five to one for mowing?

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated with regard to the variance request, the planning and zoning recommended approval for both variances. Regarding the ground cover, plant height and the mowing more specially, it's to allow for (inaudible). I believe they either would like to elect to use animal grazing to help to keep the plant height down but also using the native pollinator mixes that the state strongly encourages with solar programs. It allows them to propagate and develop efficiently on the site. If they mow, then it reduces the quality of the plantings.

Chair Ogalla stated if they're going to use (inaudible) that's one thing, if they're going to use animals they're going to eat it all, so your pollinators become a moot point unless it's fenced off from a separate section of it. If you're using pollinators, pollinator is a nice key word that makes everyone happy. Again, I'm assuming pollinators with a nice grass mix that will actually retain the soil and everything like that, because the pollinator does not do that. My further concern is, and maybe I need to go talk to everybody on PZC, because we put these in place because we've had issues with previous solar facilities in Eastern Will County, which is where they first existed. Solar company after solar company comes up and says hey we don't

want to do this, we don't (inaudible) them all. That's easy for you but when you're in the surrounding area you have this disaster because it takes a long time for this to come in. And in the meantime, you have to mow to keep the bad weeds out. The biggest problem that I see is, as Land Use operates, it's a complaint based. So, if a neighbor doesn't complain that there's a problem at this facility, and they don't typically know that they can or they should, or if a County Board member doesn't ride past then it's a problem. That's why we originally went from two or three mowings to five because it just got out of control. The weeds got taller than everybody in the room no matter what they were planting. This is a problem. We really need to look at it, address it and think about it when we're voting for this because this is open soil, it was farmland. Seeds drop everywhere and in the process from the beginning to the end there can be problems. I am going to be a no on this because I don't like the fact that we're going continuously from five to one. I will have to go to PZC because they need to understand why we put these conditions in place that they continue to override. Thank you.

Member Traynere stated I am a little confused. Is it going to be animal grazing or is it going to be pollinators? Did they actually state this? We have pollinators well over 36 inches high in our forest preserves. They're wonderful. If that's what they plan on doing, I could totally support that. We don't require the forest preserve to mow the areas that are where the pollinators are because that would be just kind of dumb. I have them in my front yard. My Rattlesnake Master is about five feet tall. I would be in favor of the pollinator's, I'm not in favor of just weeds because that is detrimental to neighboring farms. The neighboring farms, if they're growing corn, the corn is five feet high. I don't really care so much about the height, it's just are you mowing with the animals or are you growing with native plants?

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated typically the (inaudible) takes the grazing planting are going to be under the panels. They would use native pollinators in the rows or along the fence line on the exterior along with any additional landscaping if they choose.

Member Traynere stated are they going to put some kind of fence along the panels so the animals don't get out?

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated yes. There's usually a security fence around the exterior of the facility.

Member Traynere stated so they would be eating clover or whatever little grasses are under there and then around the outside if I'm understanding it correctly it would be bordered with native plants that would be as high as three feet, maybe even a little higher and those would not be mowed. Or would they because it says one?

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated with the variance being approved for one, they would have to mow one time. Often within their operation maintenance plans it's going to be more (inaudible) mow as frequently as they need to, but they don't want to be structured to have to mow if the plants are thriving and they don't want to cut off the heads if they're seeding or propagating.

Member Traynere stated I don't want anyone cutting off the heads of my Butterfly Weed or my Rattlesnake Master or my Goldenrod. That stuff spreads so now we got rid of all the grass. I'm trying to really get an understanding for this, because I could support the pollinators. We put mulch over our entire front yard. We no longer mow grass; we're going to let the native plants take over. I'm in favor of that. But I just don't get the mowing. That's my concern.

Member Butler stated so they're going to allow animals to graze but if it gets over a certain height they're going to at least mow it once a year. Is that the idea? Would that require there be paddocks for the grazing animals so they're not constantly eating where...

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated my understanding with the animal grazing is they would work with a local farmer who has most likely sheep, who would then come to the site and would work through the facility to graze. They most likely would not let the plantings go all the way to the ground, so they would continuously move the sheep across the facility, and they would remove them after a couple days.

Member Butler stated so they could graze for a week and then would go to another field?

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated correct.

Member Newquist stated I don't think they talked about this at the Land Use meeting, but I know that we've had a number of other cases that have requested mowing variances where there is specific following of the guidelines of the Illinois Pollinator Program, and that does require fewer mowings to conform with that program. Maybe that's something we might want to ascertain from people going forward, are they actually following the Illinois Pollinator Program? If that's the case I have no problem with the variances. Thank you.

RESULT:	APPROVED [19 TO 3]
MOVER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER:	Raquel M. Mitchell, District 9 (R - Bolingbrook)
AYES:	VanDuyne, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Deane-Schlottman, Ogalla, Balich

PZC: 5-0 Appr Map Amendment from A-2 to A-1 w/ 3 conditions

PZC: 5-0 Appr SUP for Commerical Solar Energy Facility w/ 5 conditions

PZC: 5-0 Appr Variances for Required Mowings from 5 to 1 time & Max Ground Cover Height from 13in to 36inStatement

LUDC: 7-0 Appr Map Amendment from A-2 to A-1 w/ 3 conditions

RESULT:	APPROVED [19 TO 3]
MOVER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER:	Denise E. Winfrey, District 6 (D - Joliet)
AYES:	VanDuyne, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Deane-Schlottman, Ogalla, Balich

LUDC: 7-0 Appr SUP for Commerical Solar Energy Facility w/ 5 conditions

RESULT:	APPROVED [19 TO 3]
MOVER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER:	Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
AYES:	VanDuyne, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Deane-Schlottman, Ogalla, Balich

3. **Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case # ZC-24-049, James M Powell, Owner of Record, Requesting (M-24-010) Map Amendment from C-6 to A-1, (V-24-192) Variance for Lot Frontage from 300 Feet to 0 Feet, and (V-24-193) Variance for Minimum Street Setback from the Centerline of the Road from 100 Feet to 60 Feet, for PIN #23-15-24-300-036-0000 (Part Of), 23-15-24-300-037-0000 (Part Of), 23-15-24-300-038-0000, 23-15-24-300-039-0000, in Crete Township, Commonly Known as Vacant Property on S Rincker Rd, Crete, IL, County Board District #3**

Chair Ogalla stated I just want to ask the question why we are going from a lot frontage from 300 feet to zero feet?

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated I believe the only variance request for this property was for a street setback and not for frontage. But, with regard to this request, this area consisted of parcels owned by one entity that has then sold off several parcels. The applicant of this zoning case basically consolidating all the lots into a 26-acre parcel and then wishes to basically have a single-family residence built on the property. It is landlocked off of Ricker Road and abuts the Forest Preserve District.

Chair Ogalla stated so they're not asking for lot frontage from 300 feet to zero?

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated yes that variance was approved at Planning & Zoning.

Chair Ogalla stated that's my question. Why is that variance from 300 feet to zero?

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated because it is technically landlocked. It does have the easements to get access, but it's not directly onto a public road.

Chair Ogalla stated sorry about that Marguerite, I wasn't able to make Land Use, so I usually know these answers. Thank you.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER:	Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

PZC: 6-0 Appr Map Amendment from C-6 to A-1

PZC: 6-0 Appr Variances for Lot frontage from 300 ft to 0ft and Minimum Street Setback from Centerline from 100 ft to 60ft

LUDC: 7-0 Appr Map Amendment from C-6 to A-1

4. **Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case ZC-24-050, Trust 21631 Dated January 13, 2024 C/O James Ketelaar, Owner of Record, (James Ketelaar, 50% Beneficiary (Karen Ketelaar, Beneficiary); Roy Ketelaar, 50% Beneficiary (Lorraine Ketelaar, Beneficiary), Joseph Hammer of TWiG Technologies, Agent, Requesting (M-24-009) Map Amendment from A-1/C-2 to I-1, for PIN # 16-05-16-300-029-0000 & 16-05-16-300-012-0000, in Homer Township, Commonly Known as Vacant Property East of 14928 W 159Th Street and Along S. Cedar Road, Homer Glen, IL, County Board District #4**

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated before we discuss it, I want to let everyone know that the Village of Homer Glen filed valid objections, therefore, a three-fourths majority is needed. We will need 17 votes to pass this.

Member Balich stated this is a problem that the county actually created. About two years ago we approved a storage unit to go in on 159th Street changing the zoning. If everybody remembers, I said it was going to cause problems with all of the cities, and we had a discussion. One of the County Board members from Homer Glen said it was a good project and we should just pass it. Most of the people on this Board passed it because it was a good project, but they didn't look at the zoning which I did. I said it would change the zoning from Parker going all the way into Lockport because we would set a precedent. I want to say within a year, the County Board changed the zoning back to where it was where you can get that type of zoning for a storage unit in A-1 or commercial with a special use. Once that happened, now the precedent is gone because we changed our zoning back. This person wants to have I-1 because there is I-1 there, but we changed the zoning back to the way it should be with a special use so that other people aren't going to be affected. Otherwise, if we vote to change the zoning, it's going to get to be a nightmare because I think it was in Frankfort and one in Mokena where they wanted to change the zoning and then they withdrew it because we were talking about going back to a special use. So, all these cities are going to be affected by doing this again. We screwed up the first time, we don't need to screw up again. We have to vote no on this to keep it commercial.

Member Traynere stated I have a question for Land Use staff again. I want to know what the property to the left where basically these trailers are parked. A few of them have fringed over into this other case, and then the property to the right. I just want to know what those were zoned.

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated the surrounding area pretty much is C-2 which is a local commercial zoning district that is east of the subject property. The subject property is currently A-1 and C-2. The property where all the violations or the trucks parking, the garbage, and those concerns that were addressed today is zoned I-1 and was rezoned I believe from 1978 and to the west is more commercial districts, and then further out, about a mile away is the other I-1 property that's a self-service storage. To the south it's more commercial.

Member Traynere stated the (inaudible) self-service storage, have they actually moved forward?

Ms. Marguerite Kenny stated it's basically under construction at the moment.

Member Berkowicz stated I don't know if we should be referencing a different zoning case. Anyway, Ms. Marguerite Kenny, today, and at Land Use, we heard public comment from a neighbor who indicated the pictures that he provided did

show violations on the adjoining properties which are zoned commercial. Is that not true? He stated the pictures were on his property and the adjoining parcel is not the industrial zoned, but the commercial or maybe the (inaudible) is that true?

Mr. David DuBoise stated I know at the committee there were concerns brought to our attention. There have been complaints on this property. Based upon comments made at committee I had staff go out there again as late as three-o'clock yesterday. There are three parcels. The main alleged violations are on the existing uses, and then there are the two parcels under question for the rezoning. They are in the process of rectifying some of the complaints with regard to some of the activity migrated over on the eastern two properties, including (inaudible) barriers trying to keep equipment materials on the existing property. The decision today is based upon the criteria in the zoning ordinance and not the alleged violations. But I want to make sure everyone is clear that we have been responsive to complaints and we currently (inaudible) as late as three-o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Member Berkowicz stated just to clarify, Marguerite just indicated that all of the violations were on the industrial parcel, however, the people who came here for public comment indicated that these violations were occurring on the adjoining parcels which are not currently zoned industrial. Is that correct?

Mr. David DuBoise stated that's my point. Particularly with some of the equipment that's migrated over to the eastern property, it's my understanding the owner of record is installing jersey barriers to keep that equipment on the property where it is permitted and has the appropriate zoning. We are working to get that equipment back.

Member Berkowicz stated I will repeat the question. The adjoining parcels zoned industrial, is there garbage and violations on those adjoining parcels?

Mr. David DuBoise stated I can't speak to refuse, but there have been vehicles and tractor trailers that have migrated to that eastern property. Again, what I am trying to advise you though, too, our staff has been out there as late as three-o'clock yesterday afternoon trying to rectify the situation. It is my understanding; the owner of record is installing jersey barriers to keep that equipment on the property that's not subject to the zoning.

Member Berkowicz stated this public comment was disclosed to us last week at Land Use Committee. We were given pictures, tangible proof, that there is debris deposited along these other parcels. We were given the proof again, today, in this meeting for all of the commissioners that are not on Land Use & Development, when your staff went out there yesterday at three-o'clock. Did you take those pictures with you that we were provided last week and get that garbage cleaned up off of that commercial property?

Mr. David DuBoise stated I can't speak to the pictures that were provided to staff, but I can assure you that staff were, as of yesterday, addressing the issues with the property owner to address the concerns and complaints. Any assertion that our staff is not doing what they're supposed to be doing is inaccurate.

Member Berkowicz stated that was not the question. The question was, was this addressed?

Member Butler stated I think what we're trying to clarify is, there was a statement made there were no open violations, and what you're saying is that there were violations that are in the process of being resolved. So, it's just important for some of the members to determine whether or not that statement was true or false so we can form our opinions on what's happening here. Is it an ongoing process that your department is handling now?

Mr. David DuBoise stated yes.

Member Butler stated so that would make it an open ticket?

Mr. David DuBoise stated I do have an open case in e-court. (Inaudible) inspector going to close it today based upon their inspections from yesterday.

Member Butler stated I just wanted you to understand that it's not against you. There was a statement made and we just wanted to clarify.

Mr. David DuBoise stated but also the Board needs to understand too, that the decision made today is based upon the criteria in the zoning ordinance, not the alleged violations that may be occurring on the property.

RESULT:	FAILED [0 TO 22]
MOVER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER:	Julie Berkowicz, District 10 (R - Naperville)
NAYS:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

PZC: 0-5 Appr Map Amendment from A-1/ C-2 to I-1 THEREBY DENYING

LUDC: 0-7 Appr Map Amendment from A-1/ C-2 to I-1 THEREBY DENYING

5. **Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case , ZC-24-055, Rafael Martinez, Owner of Record, Requesting (M-24-011) Map Amendment from R-1 to E-2, (V-24-198) Variance for Animal Units from 3 to 6, (V-24-199) Variance for Animal Confinement Setback from 50 Feet to 30 Feet and (V-24-200) Variance for Maximum Accessory Building Area from 3,000 Square Feet to 3,200 Square Feet for PIN # 14-12-01-401-002-0000 , Located in Manhattan Township, Commonly Known as 23532 S Scheer Rd, Frankfort, IL., County Board District #2**

Chair Ogalla stated I am aware of the neighbor to this neighbor and other neighbors. They are concerned with the size of this property as well as the animals on this property because there's a pond in this area and they're worried about manure run-off into the pond and contaminating the pond. I just wanted to let you guys know that. That is the concern out there. Just because of that I'm going to be a no.

Member Pretzel stated the applicant did address that in committee and has voluntarily agreed to put up a berm along that pond just to address some of those concerns. I will say the neighbor closest to this property has written a letter of support of this. He is trying to be a good neighbor. He just wants to build a healthier lifestyle for his family. He lost a child to cancer and just wants to grow his own food. The additional farm animal is a cow for milking.

RESULT:	APPROVED [21 TO 0]
MOVER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER:	Katie Deane-Schlottman, District 1 (R - Joliet)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY:	Diaz

PZC: 5-0 Appr Map Amendment from R-1 to E-2

PZC; 5-0 Appr Variances for Animal Units from 3 to 6, Animal Confinement Setback from 50ft to 30ft, and Max Accessory Building Area from 3000 sq ft to 3200 sq ft

LUDC: 7-0 Appr Map Amendment from R-1 to E-2

6. **Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case #ZC-24-060, Leland and Coleen Gates, Owner of Record, Robert Briggs of Modern Midways Inc., Agent and Jeffrey Cernek of Cernek Legal Services, Attorney, Requesting (M-24-013) Map Amendment from R-2 to C-4 (Part of Property), (S-24-071) Special Use Permit for Similar or Compatible Use to a Permitted Use in the District (Vehicle Storage and Towing and Light Equipment Sales/Rentals) and (V-24-246) Variance for Minimum Street Setback from 80 Feet to 71.86 Feet., for PIN # 21-14-29-402-005-0000 & 21-14-29-402-006-0000, in Monee Township, Commonly Known as 27007 and Garage Governors Hwy, Monee, IL., County Board District #3**

RESULT: APPROVED [21 TO 0]
MOVER: Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER: Julie Berkowicz, District 10 (R - Naperville)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Diaz

PZC: 6-0 Appr Map Amendment from R-2 to C-4

PZC: 6-0 Appr SUP for Similar or Compatible Use to a Permitted Use in the District (Vehicle Storage and Towing and Light Equipment Sales/Rentals) w/ 3 conditions

PZC: 6-0 Variance for Minimum Street Setback from 80 ft to 71.86 ft

LUDC: 7-0 Appr Map Amendment from R-2 to C-4

RESULT: APPROVED [21 TO 0]
MOVER: Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER: Julie Berkowicz, District 10 (R - Naperville)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Diaz

LUDC: 7-0 Appr SUP for Similar or Compatible Use to a Permitted Use in the District (Vehicle Storage and Towing and Light Equipment Sales/Rentals) w/ 3 conditions

RESULT: APPROVED [21 TO 0]
MOVER: Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER: Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Diaz

7. Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case ZC-24-070, Apres', LLC, Owner of Record, (William F. Burfeind, 50% Interest; Kara B. Burfeind, 50% Interest) Tenant of Benton Plaza, LLC (Chris Ohlrogge, 33.33% Interest; Lorraine Ohlrogge, 33.33% Interest; Roderick Ohlrogge, 33.33% Interest), Michael Pascarella of Wennlund & Associates, Agent and Michael Pascarella of Wennlund & Associates, Attorney, Requesting (S-24-079) Special Use Permit for Wine Bar/Tavern, PIN # 19-09-12-409-003-0000, in Frankfort Township, Commonly Known as 7238 W Benton Drive, Frankfort, IL, County Board District #4

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
SECONDER:	Raquel M. Mitchell, District 9 (R - Bolingbrook)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

PZC: 6-0 appr SUP for Wine Bar/ Tavern w/ 3 conditions

LUDC: 7-0 appr SUP for Wine Bar/ Tavern w/ 3 conditions

XIII. LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS

Next Land Use & Development Committee Meeting is Scheduled for Tuesday, November 12, 2024

XIV. FINANCE COMMITTEE - J. RICHMOND, CHAIR

1. Reports to be Placed on File

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jim Richmond, District 4 (R - Mokena)
SECONDER:	Julie Berkowicz, District 10 (R - Naperville)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

24-151 - Amend to \$53,020

Member Williams stated I would like to make an amendment to the resolution. In the third paragraph where it says is requesting the funds of \$50,020. I would like to amend that to \$53,020. And in the "now therefore be it resolved" same thing as far as the amounts from \$50,020 to \$53,020. Also, strike the language "as prepared by the Will County State's Attorney's Office" and add "Pursuant to the

program authorized by the Will County Board and reviewed by the State's Attorney's Office."

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Sherry Williams, District 5 (D - Crest Hill)
SECONDER:	Mark Revis, District 8 (R - Plainfield)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

24-151 - Amend Language

Member Berkowicz stated Assistant State's Attorney Tatroe this is a question for you. If you have a question regarding that last sentence, do we even need that? Can we just remove as Member Williams brought forward, "as prepared by the Will County State's Attorney" and just end it there? So, it reads, "Therefore be it resolved the Will County Board hereby authorizes the payment of \$53,020 to heroin epidemic relief organizations for operation costs subject to submission of a fully executive agreement outlining the use of said funds." Can we just leave it at that?

Assistant State's Attorney Tatroe stated no, it has to be subject to the state's attorney's review.

Member Berkowicz stated can we just add "subject to the State's Attorney's review"?

Assistant State's Attorney Tatroe stated it doesn't mean it's already prepared. It could be that it's going to be prepared. There's nothing attached that you're saying you're approving. You're saying that the agreement will be as prepared by the State's Attorney's Office. You want the agreement to be in conformance with the program, which you're going to communicate to me. Is that correct?

Member Williams stated yes.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Sherry Williams, District 5 (D - Crest Hill)
SECONDER:	Katie Deane-Schlottman, District 1 (R - Joliet)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

2. 24-151 Authorizing Payment to HERO

RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
TO: Will County Board
MOVER: Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
SECONDER: Elnalyn Costa, District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

3. **24-256 Authorizing County Executive to Execute Necessary Documents for Delinquent Tax Program**

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO: Will County Board, Will County Executive Committee
MOVER: Jim Richmond, District 4 (R - Mokena)
SECONDER: Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

4. **24-257 Appropriating Grant Funds in Coroner's Budget**

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO: Will County Executive Committee
MOVER: Jim Richmond, District 4 (R - Mokena)
SECONDER: Mark Revis, District 8 (R - Plainfield)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

5. **24-258 Transferring Appropriations within Various County Budgets**

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO: Will County Board, Will County Executive Committee
MOVER: Jim Richmond, District 4 (R - Mokena)
SECONDER: Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

6. **24-259 Transferring Appropriations within Various County Budgets**

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO:	Will County Board
MOVER:	Jim Richmond, District 4 (R - Mokena)
SECONDER:	Mark Revis, District 8 (R - Plainfield)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

7. **24-260 Authorizing Use of Contingency Funds for Security Services**

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO:	Will County Executive Committee
MOVER:	Jim Richmond, District 4 (R - Mokena)
SECONDER:	Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

24-261 - Motion to Amend to 2% CPI

Member Traynere stated I am going to make a motion to amend that resolution to adjust the 2024 levy with the 0.75% CPI and new property to 2% CPI and new property.

Member Richmond stated point of order. I get to at least bring up my points, because not everybody was in the Finance Committee meeting. I wrote up some documentation because it appears as though there's some confusion on how we're getting to this.

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated I would have given it to you, but I just follow the formal process with a motion and a second, and her button was up first.

Member Richmond stated my button has been on.

Member Traynere stated I'm making a motion to amend. I've got a second from Member Costa.

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated any discussion on the amendment? Member Richmond I'm sorry your light is not on. There must be a glitch in the system because I can tell when lights are on, that's why.

Member Richmond stated here is the challenge. First off, we've had discussion before about the different ways money is spent and I do take an approach as though it is my money because it's the citizen's money that we're dealing with. Let's go through some of the facts. The difference between a 2% levy increase and

a 0.75% (inaudible) is a decrease of \$1.9 million dollars. Since the budget was presented in August, the following things have happened: I believe it was a Thursday afternoon, PPRT income was reportedly to be \$2 million dollars less than in the draft budget. However, we gained \$2.2 million dollars from FEMA money carryover from the ICT and maintenance projects that will be completed in fiscal year 2025. Anser then notified us that there would be a balance of \$1.9 million dollars that needed to be reallocated, and on their recommendation, we are consolidating those pillar balances to be spent by the county. The draft budget had \$1.5 million allocated in Capital Improvement budget for the WDOT underground fuel storage tank. However, the bid came in less than the Capital Improvement budget only needing to allocate \$945,000. Those changes equal the \$2.6 million gain in the budget. We were then able to move some projects out of the corporate budget, which is where the levy money goes, and put them into the ARPA funds and the Capital Improvement funds. The new ARPA money allowed us to not only fund the remaining beds for Sunny Hill Nursing Home that were needed, but also it allowed us to provide an additional \$369,500 in other furniture, chairs, tables and dressers for Sunny Hill that is also needed. That furniture was not in the draft budget. We've given them additional things that are needed for those residents, which I think is a very valuable and valent thing for us to do. The balance of the ARPA money we had proposed then, there was needed kitchen equipment at the ADF, they requested that, as well as the previous suggested purchases from ARPA money from leadership. However, those were all put into the capital budget in the draft that was presented. These couple of changes have allowed us to move more of the capital projects from the corporate budget into the capital improvement fund, and it also allowed us to also set aside \$300,000 for the old courthouse site. The draft budget does not have any money allocated for that in the budget. Capital Improvement funds spend is \$6.8 million dollars, which is the same as the draft budget. All we've done is shifted the dollars on these projects. The other capital improvement fund for the facilities equipment replacement is \$125,000 less than the draft budget. By moving capital improvement projects out of the corporate fund and into these three special funds and making a couple of cuts to the County Board budget, as well as the Executive budget, we can fund the budget with only a 0.75% increase in the budget. With all that said, I believe the citizens need to keep more of their hard-earned dollars. I have yet to hear one person tell me "Please charge me more in property taxes." To those that want to pay more property taxes, feel free to write an additional check. I'm sure the county would be happy to accept it as well as any other taxing body that's on your tax bill. I know that last year we were at four percent. It's amazing, it's an election year and now all of the sudden we're at two percent. I know we can do a better job here at the county. I know we can do a good job with this proposed budget, the levy at 0.75.

Member Revis stated I guess mine is a point of order, here. I just did a quick Google search of the Robert's Rules of Order, and it looks like we did not follow the

proper motion process. Chair Richmond moved, and Member Butler seconded, so the discussion was in his court.

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated I am the Chair.

Member Revis stated you are correct. The Chair gets to decide if it's a valid point of order or not. We saw what happened. Are you going to decide what...

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated I am the Chair of this meeting. I consulted with the attorneys to make sure that I was accurate. I am sorry, like I said, his light is malfunctioning, it is not on. Even when I press it, the light is not on. It wasn't malicious as we're trying to...

Member Revis stated but I guess I need to know because...

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated you're talking now about the amendment that has been passed out.

Member Revis stated I guess I'm just trying to understand where we are at, what we are debating on. What I think what we are seeing here is what happens with government. They want to spend and spend and spend and continue to spend despite whatever the residents say. Earlier this year at the Forest Preserve, I know it's a different unit of government, we had 300 people tell us that they are sick of out-of-control spending. We have seniors writing in to this meeting saying that they cannot afford their property taxes. They are probably going to get bullied out of their homes. That's what's happening. The United States debt is \$35.7 trillion dollars. The state of Illinois is \$156.5 billion dollars. Will County, I think we're somewhere north of \$400 million dollars. Who pays for this? The taxpayer. The answer cannot continue to be to take more from the taxpayer to fund our services, widespread shotgun, and I know we provide good services compared to other units of government. This is a very modest budget and levy request compared to last year and compared to other units of government. But, at some point we need to ask who is paying for all of this. I talk to a lot of people. I don't have any resident say, "I don't get the mental health services that I need, and we need the county government to step up and provide more services." But I do talk to a lot of people that say "my property taxes are breaking my back. I can't afford my basic needs. I can't afford to live where I'm living, and I need to consider moving states." But I hear the other side doesn't want to listen to these concerns. They want to talk over during our discussions. They want to dismiss us. When we have an item debated on the floor, immediately make a motion to get that money from the residents, because that's their only focus. I think we need to have a major re-evaluation around the philosophy of county government here. It can't be every single year we ask for more money and say it's a modest request and we're trying to do what we can. At some point we have to be firm and say no more, we're not going to take more. We're going to live within our means. We're going to reduce

the size of government. We're going to increase the efficiencies of our services and try and save money where we can. I admit, at least from my person, I know Member Richmond would say differently because he's worked very hard on this, I couldn't find areas in the budget to edit. The ones I found there wasn't a lot of money. There were some things I think I was able to discover that we could talk about into the next year, the food contracts with the ADF, the Juvenile Detention Center, and Sunny Hill Nursing Home. Maybe we could try and consolidate those food contracts and save money. Other than that, I couldn't find alternatives but that doesn't mean I'm not qualified to identify the concerns of our people which is spending more money, and we must stop and draw a line somewhere. I'm a no on that. It's a shame that debate and rules were not followed prior to this.

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated that's not true.

Member Butler stated we know that one of the main concerns for all people, but especially the people of Will County, are the higher taxes. We don't want to overburden the people. We also know it is our job to manage this county and to provide services. As I advised my Republican members on the Board, rather than taking a knee-jerk response to what Democrats do, we need to embrace some of these ideas, and we need to make them our own and make them fiscally responsible. Member Richmond is head of the Finance Committee and has been working very hard, not just this month, but for many months in just trying to do that. What he has done is to provide money for our programs while saving the taxpayers money. We're not taking more than what we need. It was careful consideration. This amendment goes to take away that effort completely. The very idea of embracing what the other side is doing but making it fiscally responsible. I don't envy you, Madam Chair, because I'm sure you know that this will rest in your lap because there will be a tie vote. I'm just asking that people understand the amount of effort that went into doing this and to make all people involved happy. I would strongly oppose this and hope that we can get back to our original resolution. Thank you.

Member Balich stated when I heard this just now, I thought to myself we have a huge spending problem. Member Revis, you did a good job explaining that. I agree 100 percent with you. I'm looking at it from a different perspective. We have a lot of people in Will County that are senior citizens or people that are on a fixed income. What do you think is going to happen to them? You raise the taxes and they're going to lose their house if they can't sell it because they can't pay the taxes. The government really owns your house, you don't really own it yourself because if you don't pay the property tax, they take it away. What happens to these people that don't have enough money to pay the property tax anymore because we raise it all the time? Every time we raise that tax someone has got to pay and people on fixed incomes really suffer. I don't want to be part of saying I don't care about the people that are seniors or the people on fixed incomes. That's ridiculous to be put into a predicament where our Board is going to vote for

something that's garbage, utterly stupid and utterly hurtful to a lot of people and then I've got to take the yells and screams from all the people that tell me they can't pay their taxes. I'm going to be voting no, and I still have to hear it because they don't care about us that vote no, they care about the Board voting yes. God bless everybody that votes yes. You're hurting a lot of innocent people.

Member Newquist stated first of all I want to say that being on the Finance Committee, I know that Member Richmond spent a lot of time on this budget, and I really want to compliment him on the work that he put into it. But the reason I am voting for the two percent is because we have a number of union contracts coming up for negotiation this year and those people that are part of that bargaining unit are going to expect raises, and in many cases, we are going to need to provide significant increases in order to maintain our staffing levels. We have greatly improved over the last couple of years but we're still lagging in certain areas. I am very concerned that we are not going to be able to do that if we stick with the 0.75. It's not because I want people to pay more property taxes. I'm a senior; I am going to be paying more property taxes as are we all. But I just really, truly think that we need to give ourselves some negotiating room in order to be able to provide the services that our residents expect. Thank you.

Member Berkowicz stated going back to this amendment, Member Traynere's amendment, I had no clue this was happening. This was pushed through so quickly. We didn't even have the language of what was being voted on. The language for her amendment was put on my desk after it all transpired. I don't believe that's appropriate. I believe in the past even if we take a break, the language has had to be provided to every board member because how can you vote on something you haven't read? Executive Bertino-Tarrant I am asking you a question. I understand you are the Chair, and you can do what you want to do but why wouldn't you have at least given Member Richmond, who is the Chair of Finance, the courtesy of providing all the County Board members with the facts and the details of this budget?

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated this was my draft. This is not my amendment. And Member Richmond, despite his concern, you still had the same opportunity to say exactly what you said (inaudible) her amendment. In regard to this, this is not my amendment. This is a County Board member...just like you made an amendment, like Member Williams did, amendments happen at this Board. I don't know if there's any indication of when they have to provide it. I never saw anything that Chair Richmond proposed. We can't complain about something at one time...you can't have it both ways.

Member Berkowicz stated my question specially addresses Member Traynere's amendment, not Chairman Richmond's. So, going back, my question is why wouldn't you have at least allowed him the courtesy? In the future, the Chairman of the committee, let's make a special attempt to give them the courtesy of

presenting the other County Board members with the facts. The facts that we need to make a vote. Also, in the future, I know we have had the amendments read out loud before the vote. It didn't happen this morning. I'd like to have that happen again in the future, please. How can people vote on something when they haven't had a chance to read it? The second question I have is we need to be more cognizant of the people who are either watching the recordings of our minutes or listening live. This is mass confusion for those people. They're watching our meetings and trying to follow what's happening, and if we are not specific and we don't provide the details, they have no idea what's going on. I want to share some comments regarding our budget. I have been getting feedback from people of all walks of life; private business owners, families, they are all my neighbors. They are struggling right now. They are struggling to pay their property taxes. Every levy on their property tax bill is having a great impact on their security, their mental health, their quality of life. Many people I've met, even last night, I met half a dozen people who told me, we go to the grocery store and we have to figure out what we can buy, what we need to give up this week. I think we have to remember that we all need to tighten our belt. The county needs to focus on county government. We don't need to grow county government. Everyone likes to say, "Oh people want services." People don't want services that aren't required by county government from us. They don't want us spending money that we don't need to be spending. Thank you for your time.

Member Coleman stated I just have a few comments and one specific question. What is the actual dollar amount that the property taxes will be raised based on our levy at the two different, the 0.75 versus...Does anybody have that answer? The dollar amount per \$300,000 home will be this, \$250,000 home will be that...

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated I don't know if Ms. ReShawn Howard is here. I don't know if we have that information. Sometimes it's too difficult to come up with an exact science with that.

Member Coleman stated if she doesn't have the numbers that's okay. This isn't a gotcha moment. The reason I bring that up is because we keep talking about increasing people's taxes, people are struggling to eat, people are struggling to go here, go there, and in the four years that I've been on the County Board I have not had one person in my district complain about property taxes. You can check my email, you can check my phone logs, they don't call about that. But what we have had is several people who need some mental health help. If you've been paying attention, the high schools and the junior highs were on lockdown a couple of weeks ago. Why? Because there are young people who think it's funny to comment and call in and put on social media that there's going to be a shooting. Now you have them, and you have the parents involved, and you have the community involved. You have people who have been killing children. So, you don't think we have a mental health epidemic? Not just in Will County, but across the nation. There's also major concerns, and we don't control a lot of this, but in

the education system. I really think if we take the funding and put it into proactive measures, we would be in a better place. We've seen so many people come in here for opioid rehab clinics, mental health for people 40-plus. But if some of these programs that we're trying to decrease and reduce, and I even heard the Juvenile Detention Center come up, but it was in regard to food, not programming. I've done some extensive research on what that looks like over there when students and young people are released, and they receive nothing to help them get back to what we call the real world. With that said, we're hung up on this protocol and who gets to talk first, and some people have been promoting on social media that they are specifically responsible for cutting taxes in Will County. I think it's very sad that we are lying to people. The other piece is we are talking about people who are fed up with paying property taxes. I've been paying property taxes for 12 years. If there comes a point in time I can't afford that, I'm going to downsize. That might be the option for some people. But the option for others that are currently working and trying to pay their bills making \$4,000 a month and rent is \$2,000 a month and they might have a child or a parent that they're taking care of, and we don't have the funds to actually give them a living wage. We have people coming in getting paid more because they're temporary workers than the people who actually go to the job every day. You have people working with those that have mental illnesses. What do you think that does to them and their families and what they need to do in their own household? So, I'm not in favor of raising taxes, but I am in favor of taking care of the people in Will County and that's going to cost money. I don't think there's some new program that we're trying to throw a whole bunch of money that is not needed, but the Mental Health Board is needed. If you've never worked in a school, a hospital, a senior care facility...If you've never tried to start up a business, you don't know what it takes to do those things. You don't know the mental anguish that teachers are going through, nurses, doctors, and mental care experts. I want to conclude here that we have a lot of county employees who work with vulnerable populations, who work with populations that could become violent, that may have been on drugs, and they need to be paid appropriately or they are going to be leaving and we'll have the people here complaining about property taxes still. That goes for the Sheriff's Department, the nursing care facilities, the Mental Health Board, all those things need to be funded so we can improve the quality of life for everyone in Will County.

Member Deane-Schlottman I know we talk a lot about needing to fund the services. Member Richmond's budget funds the services for this fiscal year. There are no people being cut from any positions within this budget, including Union contracts that include increases. As the wife of a deputy, I know that he'll get an increase, and I know that comes from a Union contract. This budget absolutely funds that. When we start talking about pay raises going forward, we can't start levying today for things that are going to happen four years from now...We were all quite when Member Coleman was speaking. Do I need to pull the same teacher garbage here and be quiet?

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated I'm trying to be the teacher up here, too. You will all have time to talk. Press your button, I'm trying to get through everyone.

Member Deane-Schlottman stated that is not being short sided, that is taking things as they come. We do not know what is going to happen in the next four years. We do not know how things might financially play out and what differences the county's needs will be at that time. That being said, we don't want to take away services from people, but we also need to make sure that we are not telling people "Sorry you've worked somewhere, and you planned to be in this home for your whole life. Tough. We want to take more of your money, so you need to change your life because that is what the county sees fit." These people deserve to stay in their homes. These people are on fixed incomes. Year after year we talk about it being a small percentage we're asking people. Well over the course of 10 or 15 years those two, three, four lattes become a lot more than that. They become a car payment, half of a mortgage payment. We can talk about people who are renting as well. So, we don't care about those people who are paying on their mortgages and paying their taxes? They have children just as well as everyone else who are paying for their kids to do things. I also want to know why at the last minute we're receiving this two percent when after Member Richmond's report shows exactly where this money is going to go. What are we going to do with this extra \$1.9 million that we're going to suddenly need? Out of nowhere. Is there a place for it? Is there a special spot for it? Is it going to something specific? We can talk about mental health, but that is a completely different pile of money that we're asking people for, so that's another topic we'll be talking about. This is a budget that gives out the services, that does not cut any jobs from the County's budget, that funds Union contracts, and we're going to just up the ante even more? We have to start being smart. We've tightened our budgets in my own house, and we have stopped buying certain things or pulled back on certain subscriptions because we have to. The county needs to do the exact same thing. I think Member Richmond's plan that was proposed is the right way to go here.

Member Freeman stated I believe that a two percent budget with new property was originally brought forth. I also believe that the Chair of the Finance Committee had said that at one point this was good, and then all of the sudden we had a little extra money so we were going to work everything around. There were cuts to some requests in the Sheriff's Department. If those requests for the masks are not provided, then we have to lease them out. We also have the contracts coming forth. I was sitting here listening to Member Coleman and she echoed everything I wanted to say so I'm just adding a couple of extras. We do have contracts coming forth. I believe it was somewhere between three or five contracts coming up. How do we approve a contract and say, "we can't really give you the money until 2026." That's not how that works. We have people at Sunny Hill Nursing Home who are making \$15.00 an hour. They're caring for their loved

ones and our seniors. They deserve to be acknowledged. I don't want to say a pittance, but it's not a livable wage. With those things being said, I will be in support of this and it's not because I want to kick someone out of their house, and it's not because I am evil, it is because I am providing for the services of this county, including our seniors and Sunny Hill Nursing Home. Thank you.

Chair Ogalla stated I think some clarification needs to be made. Today we will be voting on two different levies. One is the Corporate Fund Levy, and one is the Mental Health Levy. Everyone was talking about mental health during this conversation, and it probably needs to be talked about at resolution 24-262. We need to understand is the fact it was very easy to get to 0.75 percent of CPI plus new construction. I'll tell you why. Unfortunately, as Member Richmond mentioned, we did find out that the personal property replacement tax went down by about two million dollars. So, he had to go through the budget and find out where we are going to get this two million dollars from. What he did was he took capital projects that were in some departments' budget and move those to the capital fund. So, he's paying for all those. All those are paid for. In addition to that, he cut only two budgets; County Board, and a little out of the Executives. Not impacting anybody. In addition to that fact, we were originally expecting that we would have \$436,000 dollars that were unspent in ARPA. We found out we had an initial \$1.9 million dollars. So, with that fact we can fund these other things that we weren't funding, or were being funded in the budget using those dollars. Therefore, all that we need to fund this budget without cutting anything, without cutting an employee, is 0.75 percent. We've got Union contract negotiations coming up. Will they all be solved next year? We have no idea. We have no idea what the agreement will be for any of those Union contracts. We can't just bump it up for the possibility of some increase that we don't know about. We will raise the taxes for that increase when it becomes appropriate. That's the way we should be taxing. I heard people mention about mortgages and people mentioning about rents. It's really hard to pay your mortgage because it's gone so high. But you know what? The rents have gone up because property taxes have gone up. The person who owns the home or the apartment building or whatever somebody is renting has to pay more in property taxes, therefore, they're increasing the rent. Their insurance has gone up for the same reasons. Therefore, the rent increases. So, if we want to make things affordable, we do have to do something about lowering property taxes. Last year we saw the largest levy increase in Will County's history of \$8 million dollars. Five million was proposed for a building that we're not even going to plan to use. With this change, the \$8 million, which was a very large amount last year, and this modest 0.75, we're able to fund everything. I don't understand why that isn't seen or why that isn't heard. I'll tell you one thing that Mr. Jim Moustis said when he was Speaker, now called the Chair, that if we do not do something about the amount of employees that we hire, we will have a problem in the future of being able to pay their salaries and fund their pensions. So, we do have to worry about how many employees get hired, and how much we grow, because that is another issue that we have to think

about. This seems pretty easy. No cuts in anything except the County Board budget and the County Executive's budget. Funding everything that was in the proposed budget and additional things that were not in the proposed budget. I don't understand why one side of the aisle can see that and the other doesn't. I think it's a shame that we continue to have this, and we can never have a decent compromised conversation. When I sit in these meetings, I only hear a certain side of the aisle listening and asking questions and the other side remains quiet. Why is that? Because they can't tax enough.

Member Costa stated first I want to apologize to Member Deane-Schlottman for my short-handed comment when she was speaking. I really should have waited in my moment to say that those comments were shortsighted. I want to acknowledge and appreciate our Finance Chair's work to try to find and explore ways to bring down the originally proposed budget percentage. This is not a last-minute change. I think all of the work that was done, and that came through the Finance Committee to bring forward a 0.75 percent, to identify where those dollars could continue to pay for capital projects was good work. So clearly, to me we've got 0.75% plus new construction to pay for capital projects. I will be voting, as I seconded the amendment, for the two percent because I want to ensure that we've got dollars for the people who are working. Capital projects are absolutely important, but when we think about people deserving to stay in their homes, I also think about people deserving to stay in their jobs. When taxes go up it hurts all of our wallets. We all have to make adjustments, but if wages aren't going up and keeping up with the cost of living, that's going to continue to hurt. We don't know what the outcome of negotiations is going to be, but I do believe that people deserve to have a living wage. When Sunny Hill workers and CNA's have agency workers coming in, getting paid three times their base salary, that might force people to find a job elsewhere and to also move out of Will County. We have government workers, employees of the county, who are getting recruited by neighboring counties because they pay more. I'm concerned about our public defenders. I need to make sure that we have our first responders and our front-line staff here taking care of and providing the services for our own constituents. Public defenders, correctional officers, our CNA's. It is a struggle. As Member Berkowicz stated, the struggle creates mental health issues, which is why we are talking about mental health. We're weaving that into this conversation when it comes to what percentage are we going to tax. My vote is going to be ensuring that people have good paying jobs here so that we can negotiate fairly and we can be a good employer and a good steward of this county. Again, I want to appreciate all of the commentary that was raised today despite the fact that our Democratic Leader Traynere raised this amendment. It doesn't stop us from having this very important conversation. Let's continue to hear each other out. Thank you.

Member Mitchell stated I will not be voting for this two percent amendment. I appreciate that our employees need to have a livable wage. The problem is, the reason why it's not livable is because we continually increase their property taxes,

because they have homes, too, in Will County. Our policies are the reason why their wage is not livable. That's basically what I'm saying. If Chair Richmond has taken the time to go through all of the budget and find us a way where we can continue to provide services, and not raise the taxes on our employees who live in Will County, as well as those who do not work for Will County, then why is that not an option we can consider? Why is it two percent? I don't know what the Union's are going to come back with as far as contract negotiations. Why two percent? Where does that come from? Why is it not one percent? Why is it not 1.25 percent? Why two? I'm just wondering, what is it? Is it that you just want to do what you want to do? And you haven't met a tax increase that you didn't like? I went to an event not too long ago and somebody else mentioned that I was on the County Board and a person who was not a part of anything else, just a normal citizen, and I didn't even know what that person's politics was, said to me, "Oh you're on the County Board? Lower my property taxes." That was the first thing. That's what people ask. So, I'm just telling you, even though you might not get a call, I don't get calls for property taxes, but certainly, everybody I talk to if they know that I'm in government and they know that I'm on the County Board, the first thing they're going to ask me is about the property taxes. I get it, we want people to have a nice life and all of that, but think about our taxpayers. We also want them to have a nice life. The idea that our taxpayers should downsize their lifestyles, and that the government doesn't have to downsize its spending, is unconscionable. So, no to this two percent.

Member Richmond stated what we have to realize is not only will people be voting in November, but they'll also be voting with their feet over the course of the next several years. I know many people that are in my age group. The way they are voting with their feet is they are selling their house and abandoning Illinois. Just look at the statistics from U-Haul. Illinois is at the top of the worst list for people leaving the state. We have a great state, we are in the middle of the country. The problem is the taxes. I also want to address a couple of things, too. The public defenders did get a raise. They got the same raise that was provided to the state's attorney's office. Trust me, they're not suffering. There's a lot of people with student debt and based on government programs, they can have that waived if they serve 10 ten years, I believe it is, in government. It was also mentioned the contractors make a lot more money than what our staff does. I've owned multiple businesses, and when you're working as a contractor for somebody you do get paid more, absolutely. The things that you're burdened with is you have to pay both sides of your FICA. You have to pay your own Medicare, your own business insurance, you have to pay your own workman's compensation, you have to make quarterly payments to the state for any other additional taxes that are owed. You are also responsible for your own health insurance, too. So, there's all those burdens. It's like being your own small, little business. So, yes, contractors do make more. But by the same token, contractors don't get vacation pay, holiday pay, sick pay, they don't get pensions or mental health days. I tell my family own your own business...but in the right place. It's getting challenging for any business

owner out there. Ask them about the regulations, the tax burdens, the inflations and everything like that. I am looking at this from the perspective of we cut no services, everyone got their pay raises, and to me this seems like a very sound 0.75 percent. I don't know what else to tell people to convince them, but all the numbers are here. We've had conversations and I've tried to outline it again today. Everyone is getting what they asked for. I think that the only thing I missed was the Sheriff's Department was shorted \$22,000 and change for a respirator thing, but they've got some special funds so hopefully they can find it in that. We're not taking away police cars, or bullets, or any services that our community desires or needs. Maybe it's about time we get some government out of our lives and let's go back to the days of neighbors help neighbors and friends help friends. Ronald Reagan's quote, "I'm from the government and I'm here to help." Those are probably the last words that a lot of people don't want to hear. Let's allow our communities to be more active and involved in our lives in that. I will be here afterwards. I'll be happy to address any citizen's questions, anyone on the Board who has questions as to how we got to this. Incrementally year over year, this budget is increasing. It's not decreasing. We did not make cuts. If we want to start talking about how we can cut and do a better job on the budget, I'd be more than happy to share that with you too. Thank you for the time.

Member Revis stated I just wanted to say that it's possible we all confuse what the real enemy is at times. I just went through looking at each member of the Democrat side of the aisle and I actually like you guys. You are all very likeable people, very friendly, we have a good working rapport. I will criticize myself a little bit. I think we need to make a better effort to speak with each other and learn where everybody stands and what is motivating each other, but the real enemy is, at least in my eyes, is the spending that we have to debate over at the county. Some groups might think we need to spend more, and other groups think we need to spend less. I'm in the camp that thinks we need to spend less. I talk to a lot of people that think we need to spend less. I don't want to beat that point home, but to my colleagues across the aisle, don't take it personally. It's the spending, not you guys. Thank you.

Member Berkowicz stated in summary what I have been hearing over all of my years on the County Board, from my neighbors, is that they want county government to do what county government should do. When I ask them about services, they don't want us to add services, they want us to do what county government is supposed to do. Don't grow your services, don't hold social events and the administrative costs and things that go into providing these events that are not related to county government. We have a dynamic group of community organizations that provide these very same services. Let's be diligent and go back to our roots of county government and be the best county government that we can be. Get rid of the excess, be frugal, and let our homeowners have more money at the end of the day in their pocket so they can raise their families and pay their bills. I cannot support this two percent increase because of that reason.

Every other levy is holding their hands out for more money. At the end of the day, look back and see what we really are supposed to be doing, and be the best at that. Member Richmond did that. He went back and looked at each line item and we are doing what we need to be doing. We are doing government business and providing the support to every department, every unit of county government that needs support. I am asking each one of you to please remember what the people in our homes are so often saying to us. If there are some districts where they don't have concerns over property taxes, that's awesome, but I have not seen that. Thank you.

Member Traynere stated while I did make an amendment to the tax levy agenda item that is here, I have not even spoken on my own amendment. I just want to say thank you to Member Revis. I really appreciated his comments. It isn't us versus them. I do think, though, sometimes it seems like it because there is no dialogue. There is no time in this part-time job to have the kind of dialogue that might bring us to a consensus, but I do listen. Last year, the opposite side of the aisle proposed a two percent tax levy increase. I thought it was great that we could have gone to 3.4 percent this year and you offered two percent. That has been on the agenda for several weeks now. This was not a surprise. This wasn't like something for the first time that anybody has seen. What was a surprise and the first time seeing with no pre-notification was at Finance Committee when the 0.75 percent was brought to us. In fact, the vice chair didn't even see the documents before the committee meeting started. I think we need to work harder on communicating as committees and as vice chairs and chairs and as leadership. I really appreciated your remarks, Member Revis. I think our tax system is unfair. I'll be the first person to say it's regressive. Taxing senior citizens is not a great thing. They've finally gotten to the golden years of their life, and they still have to pay property taxes. Hopefully most of them have paid off their mortgages, so it's not as horrible as it really could be. Our tax system is unfair and regressive, but we don't have the power to change that. When I talk to people who tell me they hate their property tax, I remind them that over 70 percent of their tax is not a county issue. We don't have any say so over it and I think that's an important thing to remember. I've been a business owner, I owned my business for 19 years, we always looked at what was coming in the future years, what were going to be the new expenses. We planned ahead. I know here at the county we do that with our capital improvement program. We look ahead to try and plan ahead for what we're going to need so we don't get surprises like a request for an \$8 million voting system when we had no idea it was coming. We know now that there are going to be at least six contracts that are going to be at the beginning of their negotiations this year and some will complete this year. I think it's important for us to be responsive to that and take a look at what's going on in the economy nationally. Inflation is starting to slow; it's actually going down. We may not have an opportunity to levy next year for the amount of money that we would need to pay for the raises that are coming in these contracts. I can't say that for sure, nobody can. But what I can say for sure is what happened in the past. We had

five years in a row with a zero increase in the tax levy. That's what put us in a really hurting situation. I hate to say this but thank goodness for COVID-19 and ARPA because it certainly took care of a lot of needs here at the county, and we're about to take up the last bit of the ARPA money here at the county for needs and services that somehow, we don't levy enough to take care of. The federal government basically bailed us out. They paid for all the stuff at the new morgue. So, I really do think we need to look ahead and be responsible. People stay in this community because there are great schools. I saw an ad about somebody wanting to find a resident in the Nequa Valley School District that would rent them rooms for their family so they could move their kids into the Nequa school district. We have good schools and good paying jobs, and we want to keep it that way and improve the ones that maybe aren't where they need to be. I think we're going to have some opportunities to do that with this next round of negotiations. I am supporting this, which is why I made the amendment. Those are some of the reasons. I hope that the Board members take some of those thoughts into consideration and that we move forward and approve a levy today. Thank you.

Chair Ogalla stated I heard a lot of comments here today. One being we need to communicate more. Communication is a two-way street, and everyone should be attending certain meetings to hear what's going on. I don't see people coming to all their meetings. I don't see them showing up to all their own committee meetings. The County Board was presented with a budget that no one had seen prior, nor in a conversation was given prior to the County Executive providing the budget. So, she provided the budget. Thank goodness she wasn't thinking much like the Democrat Leader and tax at 3.4 percent CPI. She didn't think that way, she gave a budget that was less, so that's good. I know that the Democrat leader is always excited to tax as much as she possibly can. As far as planning for the future, this budget is planned for the future which is next year. We budget one year at a time, not a million years at a time. The tax system not being fair...here's the thing. We have an opportunity to do something about it because we can start right here and set an example that we look at the budget that's prepared and see how we can pay for everything within the money that we have on hand, the money that we have in the corporate capital fund and things like that, the money we have available from the additional funds that were left over from ARPA, and we did that. Everybody should have been at the Finance Committee and asked those questions. It is the privilege of the Chair to present his proposed budget at that meeting. That's when questions should happen. I typically hear questions from one side of the aisle while the other side of the aisle remains silent. They don't ask any questions; they just sit there and wait until moments like today and then they will say all that they say. Some members I don't ever see and some members I don't ever talk to because they are simply never here. The additional thing, which is a shame because people are not present, and they do not talk to other elected officials. I chaired the IT Ad Hoc Committee for years and our former Clerk, Lauren Staley Ferry, was my vice chair. We had long conversations about IT for a long time. When she became the Clerk, she made it well aware, and she told

me about all the problems we were facing with our voting system and how old some of the equipment was and was only running on Windows 95. We were fortunate enough to find \$8 million to replace that so this year's election would not have any problems. If you didn't know about that, that's because you're not talking to anybody else and not hearing anybody else. There's nothing surprising about it. It was a conversation that was had for a very long time. It's unfortunate that the one side of the aisle is proposing something that the other side will never see, never agree to, even though there isn't a cut in service, there's not a cut to an employee, there's not a cut in a program, there's not a cut in anything, and we can provide our residents with a levy increase of only 0.75 percent plus CPI. It's unfortunate we can't have that agreement. Thank you.

RESULT:	APPROVED [11 TO 11]
MOVER:	Jackie Traynere, District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)
SECONDER:	Elnalyn Costa, District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)
AYES:	VanDuyne, Newquist, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Freeman, Ortiz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Deane-Schlottman, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Logan, Revis, Mitchell, Berkowicz

Vote is a tie, 11 affirmative and 11 negative. County Executive Bertino-Tarrant breaks the tie as a yes vote. Vote is 12 affirmative, 11 negative. Motion passes.

8. **24-261 Estimate of the Annual Aggregate Levy - Corporate Fund**

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated resolution 24-261 to adjust the 2024 levy with 0.75% CPI and new property to 2% CPI and new property (to a readjusted rate of 0.5101%). You are now voting as amended.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [11 TO 11]
TO:	Will County Board
MOVER:	Jackie Traynere, District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)
SECONDER:	Sherry Newquist, District 3 (D - Steger)
AYES:	VanDuyne, Newquist, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Freeman, Ortiz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Deane-Schlottman, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Logan, Revis, Mitchell, Berkowicz

Vote is a tie, 11 affirmative and 11 negative. County Executive Bertino-Tarrant breaks the tie as a yes vote. Vote is 12 affirmative, 11 negative. Motion passes.

Motion to Recess for six minutes

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
SECONDER:	Vince Logan, District 7 (R - Joliet)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

24-262 - Amend \$2 million

Member Richmond stated I don't think anyone on this Board doesn't agree that there are some mental health issues and concerns out there in the community. I'm not going to go back and rehash how it was voted on and the language on it and all that kind of stuff. This program has been in place for almost two years. It was brought to Finance Committee...the fact that there was a report due, and we were not provided with the documentation. From there we made the decision to at least try and follow the rules for that. Statutory requirement is that they do have a three-year plan and it's only been mentioned in the minutes (inaudible) on June 10th. What I'd like to do is make sure that we see the creation of that three-year plan and get that information. I invite every department to come forward at the Finance Committee meeting. Many of the elected officials come forward, many departments, and they provide us with insight and information on how things are going. I think our committee is very open and receptive to having people come out and provide us with information. I have not attended any of the mental health meetings. Work has prevented me from doing that. Then again, they've only been in front of the Finance Committee once and provided us with insight and information. If I'm fortunate enough to be the chair of Finance Committee next year, I'll look to make sure that I put them on the calendar. We have a rolling calendar where we've tried to take and spread out the different departments, so this way we're not spending two or three hours in a meeting. We're trying to provide everybody with the opportunity to present their information in a format so everybody can see and understand what's going on. The mental health group has had legal counsel and all that, and I'm surprised if it's such an urgent need, that they didn't have their grant program figured out and lined up and be able to start distributing these funds a lot sooner than that. I guess I look at it from a business perspective. This shouldn't be like trying to turn a battleship around. You should be able to quickly act and get things done. They say they haven't had their money, but that's a little bit misleading because they've had the money, they knew what the purpose was, and they should have been getting it out into the community. There's really nothing that's stopping them from moving forward with the applications and making awards because they knew the money was coming. They knew the payments were going to be in May, they knew that they were going to be in September, and those monies have been sitting there. Yes, they did give money to the Health Department. The Health Department initially asked for \$2 million and were given \$4 million. So, I know the

Health Department has been able to fast track and take some action to start doing things out in the community. We also have other entities like (inaudible) that came before us and they're out there doing good work. We put together agreements with them and they go out and do things the county isn't going to do, like go out in the middle of the night to some areas that I'll call dangerous and provide services that I believe are needed within the community to try and help get people on the right track and get them moving forward. I don't think anybody on this Board is opposed to mental health. It's just that we need to try and start running it more like a business. I've been told we can't run government like a business, but we really need to start looking at it as a business, because the information that I proposed on the last resolution was based on trying to run things as a business. Where and when your money is coming in and also to allocating funds for things that are going to be happening in the future. I don't know what else to say, but that's why we came up with that \$5 million figure. That's all I have, thank you.

Member Balich stated I want to amend the motion to \$2 million.

RESULT:	DEFEATED [10 TO 12]
MOVER:	Steve Balich, District 4 (R - Homer Glen)
SECONDER:	Katie Deane-Schlottman, District 1 (R - Joliet)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Balich, Richmond, Logan, Revis, Mitchell, Berkowicz
NAYS:	VanDuyne, Newquist, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Freeman, Ortiz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

24-262 - Amend \$8 million

Member Parker stated I would like to make an amendment to the resolution. In light of the levy that we just passed, I would request to reconsider an amendment to \$8 million, and I would like to explain before it goes out. Ten million seems to be the target number that's been thrown out there quite a bit. If we levy at \$8 million and we give \$4 million to the Health Department, that leaves \$4 million to the Mental Health Board. There's \$6 million already from 2024 that hasn't been spent, so the \$4 million plus the \$6 million would still give the Mental Health Board \$10 million. Again, the Health Department would get their \$4 million, Mental Health Board \$10 million and we would save the taxpayers \$2 million. Or, if you want to look at it in the big picture, Mental Health Board would have \$14 million as opposed to the \$16 million that some are requesting. I would ask for you all to reconsider and amend it to \$8 million.

Member Revis stated I am leaning towards supporting Member Parker's amendment. That sounds like a healthy compromise. Obviously, this isn't a winner takes all game. I think we sacrifice some things on the Republican side of the aisle and the Democrats would sacrifice some things as well. I think it's a good compromise, so thank you Member Parker. Now, I would like to transition into the

mental health levy as a whole. I think this is government asking for more, more, more. But I don't think more funding necessarily equals a better quality of service. Feelings and emotions that surround the very sensitive topic of mental health and mental health services. While those feelings and emotions are very valid, that doesn't equal a proof of concept, or a proof of a sound organizational structure that can execute the mission of why the residents of Will County voted on it. I have an anecdote that I think is very relevant to this discussion and it's an experiment that was conducted. I was fortunate to learn about this at one of Will County's great institutions, Lewis University, I also went to Joliet Junior College, two great schools that we offer for people here in the county. I learned about this at Lewis University, it's called Rat Park Experiment. Basically, they took rats and put them in regular cages. One group of rats had an option of regular water or water laced with morphine. Those rats, 19 times more of the time chose the morphine laced water than the rats that were put in cages with a lot of toys to play with and colorful features that any rat would dream of. They were able to conclude through this experiment that one of the reasons why these rats were choosing the morphine instead of the regular water was because they weren't getting any fulfillment. There was nothing giving them the value to live, so they found themselves getting addicted to this morphine. The rats in the cage with all the toys and colorful items that a rat would like didn't choose the morphine-based water because they were getting fulfillment from these other items. How does this relate? I think this relates because we, as a County Board, can't just throw money at an issue and think that's going to solve it. It's a more all-encompassing thing. We absolutely have a mental health crisis in this country and in our county, but we have an equally significant property tax crisis. When you look at the fact that property taxes are largely regressive that Member Traynere conceded to earlier, because that's what they are. What does that mean? That means that \$12 latte that this costs people impacts the person who makes less money, more. A mother who only makes \$40-50,000 a year struggles to pay that \$12.00 more than a person living in a multi-million-dollar home and has a good income, and can afford that \$12.00. We can't be dismissive of that action and the impact that voting on something like this has on property taxes. I know we had a full debate on property taxes earlier. Anyway, that's just a little of my perspective on it. I am going to support Member Parker's motion for \$8 million. I hope there's some on the other side of the aisle that are willing to compromise at least once.

Member VanDuyne stated before this discussion started, Leader Traynere leaned into me and said there may be a motion to amend to \$8 million, would you support that? I said, I would not necessarily like to, but in the efforts to try to work together I would be willing to consider it if that's the direction you want to go. Which this is the case now. But, prior to that there was a figure thrown out at \$2 million and about half of this Board was willing to support that severe of a cut. I think mental health is something that this County Board and this County needs to invest in. I think it's super important. Maybe we can go without certain things, but these folks that are addicted to drugs and mental health, I don't believe they

asked for those issues. I think as the adults in the room, that we need to try and help with those certain circumstances. I guess what I'm trying to say, is after that \$2 million dollar budget was pretty close to being split, now I'm reverting back to \$10 million and I'm not budging on that. You had me, but now you don't. Thank you.

Member Berkowicz stated there was a public comment that wasn't read that I want to share with my Board members.

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated you can't read public comments at this time.

Member Berkowicz stated I can't read comments that were emailed to me?

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated not at this time, no.

Member Berkowicz stated but it's relative to this item.

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated does someone want to suspend the rules to allow for public comment at this time?

Member Berkowicz stated let me put it this way, this is what I have learned while walking about, ringing doorbells, from the people who live in our districts. Will County taxpayers expect the members of the Board to research all financial options for agencies that provide our citizens services. Proposed tax levy 24-261 Will County Corporate Fund places undue burden on our community with this increased tax. We have regularly seen our County Executive, our county, raise taxes without notifying the public of the intentions or the exact use or need of this increase. Citizens are struggling to live within their means in this inflation-driven economy. All of the individuals I have spoken to are upset and will remember this action during their elections. The proposed levy has been used to justify increasing taxes. For those reasons, many residents in my district defeat that belief and are hoping that the County Board will not pass and raise these two levies. This is the message I'm hearing in the community. We can say it's only \$2 million, it's only \$5 million, it's only \$10 million. But at the end of the day if these people can't pay their property taxes there's no mercy for them. They don't get free housing. Eventually, their interest and their property may be sold, and they will be escorted out of their homes. Homes that they may have paid their mortgage off. They may have paid their equity every month, but it doesn't matter because if they can't pay their property tax bill, this property that should be theirs will no longer be theirs, and they will be out on the street or wherever. For that reason, I am not going to support this tax increase. Thank you.

Member Costa stated I have assumptions about why an amendment was made to reduce the levy from the \$5 million that was proposed to the \$2 million. I feel that's rather insulting to the residents of Will County. I think it was punitive action

to members of the county that harms the voters who have authorized us. It was their will and direction to us to be able to tax for the new Mental Health Board up to .05 percent, and instead it was shot down even further because we gained a two percent on the budget levy. That is so unfair, that is so petty. I really do appreciate Member Parker looking for a compromise that both sides can work on. I came in today both as a County Board member and serving as Vice President of the Community Mental Health Board. Knowing what the needs are based on the progress that we have made on the Community Mental Health Board to come in at the same levy we had last year at the \$10 million dollars. I was going to hold firm on that knowing there is so much need for services. We have already funded the Health Department, the \$4 million dollars that was distributed as soon as we got the first distribution, and we are now in the process of putting the grants out in January, making decisions to support community-based organizations in February and releasing the additional funds in March. At that point we're not going to have any additional funds until the next levy distribution cycle occurs in the middle of 2025. It's tight and it takes a long time to build up a new Board. We've made a lot of progress and I see some of my counterparts on the other side of the aisle willing to see that, willing to hear that, and willing to fund this. Maybe not at the level of .05 percent, but at a level that we can actually see improvement and change and getting our partners in these community-based organizations involved. There is a line, we already know this, and too bad we couldn't do this sooner to Member Richmond's point. I wish that we could have been quicker, but sometimes quick creates mess that we have to fix later. We are trying to create a system and a process that works from the start all the way through and that takes vision and that takes time, and so here we are. Voters told us what to do and I think that we need to do that. I heard Member Berkowicz talk about the struggle and the suffering that's occurring because of property taxes. There is a sea of suffering that we all have to put our arms around and that we have been asked and delegated to do. Again, it's insulting that we don't want to give that money to the amount that the voters told us we can. There's a number of substance abuse disorder organizations that want to come forward and help. I think about people who are struggling in their homes, paying their taxes. We're talking about the Mental Health Board. What about the homeless who don't have a property tax to pay? There is so much more that we can do. I want to thank and appreciate Member Parker in proposing the \$8 million dollars. I will be supporting it. I came in here wanting the \$10 million dollars, but I will be supporting it. I hope that we can do this in a bi-partisan fashion, because mental health is not a partisan issue. It affects all of us. We all know somebody who is struggling with alcoholism and other substance abuse issues. Our frontline workers are struggling. I could go on and on, but we all know somebody who is being impacted, so let's do our job as a human being under the power and delegation that we have as County Board members to approve the \$8 million dollar levy. Thank you.

Member Diaz stated I don't speak very often; however, this issue is important to me. As everybody on the Board knows, I drive a bus for special education District

202. We go through training every year on what to do if we have an active shooter on our school buses. They have told us it is not if, it is when. That is mental illness. We have had many schools in the Will County area where kids are threatening and/or bringing guns to school. We had one that luckily got stopped before the kid got to the school. That did not make the paper. I also have a family member with severe mental illness. She is bipolar, schizophrenic, and I hope she forgives me for talking about this. When she had her last crisis, they could not find anywhere in the local area. There were four beds in the entire state that could treat her. It took her six months to get the help. In the meantime, it was paralyzing for the family. My brother was out of his mind about what he was going to do. This Board has the opportunity to rectify that from happening, that's why I am really struggling. Member Parker, I greatly appreciate the compromise you're making. That's a real option, but I am struggling and I'm going to need a little time to think, but thank you.

Member Coleman stated I want to thank Member Parker for bringing up a number that makes sense. As Member Parker said, there are some things that are going to be personal to everybody on the Board depending on if you're a parent, what you do for a living, if something's happening in your family, and so mental illness and mental health is very important. I'm a recipient of services because I'm a combat veteran, it took me years to get to the place where I am right now. It wouldn't have been possible without mental health and therapy. I want to bring this back to ARPA dollars. I thought we got \$87 million, but we got \$134 million. About \$50 million, and this is a rough number, went to food stabilization, health care, mental health, non-profit, so that money was divided up across a lot of areas. The request superseded \$134 million but I don't want to misspeak, but I swear someone said \$100 million in request with the ARPA dollars. One hundred million dollars. We received \$134 million, approximately \$50 million went to what could have been some mental health services, but that was divided up with some other programs. Now, with Member Parker's number, the number that's still there, ready to be distributed, it comes to \$10 million dollars now. I think that makes a lot of sense for the place that we are in right now. I have relatives that refuse to get services because sometimes services are so generic, it's not specific to their needs. But this could be an opportunity where there is some very specific and intentional programs for certain individuals that don't fit into the cookie cutter standard of what health of what maybe mental health services had looked like. Finally, I want to go back to what Member Diaz had said, children. There's a six-year-old that stabbed his own relative to death. You can say all you want to say, but there's no way you can convince me that a six-year-old understood what the consequence is going to be. I've also been informed this child had nowhere to go, so he's in the house where the murder occurred. Yes, that's a very individualized, very specific case, but we've been giving cases about property taxes and other specific things. There's no way we can say we do not need to fund the Mental Health Board. I was coming in with \$10 million as well. It was an insult to put up \$2 million. But now

that Member Parker has put up an appropriate and great suggestion as to the amendment, I will be in favor of it. Thank you.

Member Butler stated I know there's probably tempers rising on both sides, and I would like everyone to make this vote thinking rationally and to be calm. It's a very good proposal. I think it satisfies the fiscal responsibility of the Republicans and it's also a good number for the Mental Health Board to provide services. I would also like to take the time because it doesn't happen very often, but I agree with Member Costa. We don't always see eye to eye, but this is one time we do. I'm asking everybody to let go of some of their anger and think about it and let's get a unified vote here. Thank you.

Member Balich stated I understand why Member Parker is making a motion for \$8 million, but I look at it as this is more. We just raised the levy a lot of money. Last year the thing was \$10 million dollars and they didn't spend all of it. They gave \$4 million to the Health Department, which to me was absurd. The County Board funded the Health Department. When they needed something, they came to us and asked us and we gave them money. Now we give the Mental Health Board money, and they give them a portion of their money and then they ask for more money. To me, this is just another way of taxing people more money. I'm not going to vote for it. I think it's dumb.

Member Freeman stated I have to say that I remember the Health Department coming forward and asking for an increase in a levy and they were denied, that's why they had to go to the Mental Health Board and rework some things to get support for their behavioral health services. My question is, with this proposal, of the \$8 million, will the Health Department still be able to meet all of their required needs at this point?

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated I don't know if we have anyone here to answer that for you. It's a separate Board. We can't predict what the Board is going to do with the funding. My guess is the Mental Health Board is going to have to revisit what they're looking at within their budget and make a decision. We can't answer that here. We are just doing the levy. The Mental Health Board would make the decision of how the distribution goes, so we can't answer that.

Member Freeman stated as Chair of Public Health and Safety, I see so many needs and so many people have come forward with their needs. Yes, we all have personal stories, but to assume that they have money and because they haven't spent it, we shouldn't provide them more when we know that the number is going to far reach their ask. I am having a hard time with this. Thank you.

RESULT:	APPROVED [20 TO 2]
MOVER:	Annette Parker, District 5 (R - Crest Hill)
SECONDER:	Daniel J. Butler, District 3 (R - Frankfort)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	VanDuyne, Balich

Motion to Call the Question

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
SECONDER:	Elnalyn Costa, District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

9. **24-262 Estimate of the Annual Aggregate Levy - Community Mental Health Fund**

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [19 TO 3]
TO:	Will County Board
MOVER:	Denise E. Winfrey, District 6 (D - Joliet)
SECONDER:	Daniel J. Butler, District 3 (R - Frankfort)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Ogalla, Balich, Berkowicz

Member Richmond stated I feel like I'm coming in at game seven of the World Series, ninth inning, two outs. The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13th at 11:00 a.m.

Next Finance Committee Meeting is Scheduled for Tuesday, November 5, 2024

XV. **PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - J. VAN DUYN, CHAIR**

24-217 - Amend Language

Member VanDuyne stated I would like to make a motion to amend the body of the ordinance itself, including the following language and just to let everyone know that there are copies at their desks that they can read, since that is usually the request. The following language would start in A2 to include notification by the Will County Division of Transportation, and under A3, under the definition of road projects to change the word Four to Two categories. That is my motion to amend.

Member Richmond stated Member VanDuyne and I worked very well together on getting this done. I think it's going to be a benefit, not only for staff but for citizens. Member VanDuyne thank you and for whoever caught those two things, t-o-o and t-w-o makes a big difference.

Member VanDuyne stated I would also like to give credit where credit is due. It was the State's Attorney and our Chief of Staff that found the amendments that should be brought forward.

RESULT:	APPROVED [21 TO 0]
MOVER:	Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER:	Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY:	Mitchell

1. **24-217 Creating an Ordinance Requiring Notification by the Will County Division of Transportation on Road Projects**

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [21 TO 0]
TO:	Will County Board
MOVER:	Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER:	Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY:	Mitchell

2. **24-263 Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Village of Homer Glen, Gallagher & Henry, and the County of Will for Maintenance and Energy of Traffic Signals at the Intersection of Bell Road (Ch 16) and Founders Crossing in the County of Will, County Board District #4**

RESULT:	APPROVED [21 TO 0]
TO:	Will County Board
MOVER:	Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER:	Mica Freeman, District 8 (D - Plainfield)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY:	Mitchell

3. **24-264 Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Village of Homer Glen and the County of Will for Maintenance and Energy of Traffic Signals at the Intersection of Bell Road (Ch 16) and Martingale Lane in the County of Will, County Board District #4**

RESULT:	APPROVED [21 TO 0]
TO:	Will County Board
MOVER:	Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER:	Mica Freeman, District 8 (D - Plainfield)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY:	Mitchell

4. **24-265 Authorizing Approval of the Establishment of Altered Speed Zone 694 Along Garfield Avenue Within the New Lenox Township Road District, County Board District #2**

RESULT:	APPROVED [21 TO 0]
MOVER:	Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER:	Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY:	Mitchell

5. **24-266 Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Right-Of-Way Acquisition Services (Appraisals) with Shonkwiler & Shonkwiler Appraisers for Several Parcels of Property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements Over the Canadian National Railroad, County Board District #2**

RESULT: APPROVED [21 TO 0]
TO: Will County Board
MOVER: Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER: Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

6. **24-267 Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Right-Of-Way Acquisition Services (Appraisals) with Hampton, Lenzini, and Renwick, Inc. for Several Parcels of Property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements Over the Canadian National Railroad, County Board District #2**

RESULT: APPROVED [21 TO 0]
TO: Will County Board
MOVER: Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER: Mica Freeman, District 8 (D - Plainfield)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

7. **24-268 Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Right-Of-Way Acquisition Services (Review Appraisals) with Chicago Metro Realty Valuation Corp. for Several Parcels of Property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements Over the Canadian National Railroad, County Board District #2**

RESULT: APPROVED [21 TO 0]
TO: Will County Board
MOVER: Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER: Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

8. **24-269 Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Right-Of-Way Acquisition Services (Negotiations) with Swanson and Brown, Ltd., for Several Parcels of Property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements Over the Canadian National Railroad, County Board District #2**

RESULT: APPROVED [21 TO 0]
TO: Will County Board
MOVER: Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER: Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

9. **24-270 Authorizing Approval of Agreement for Purchase of Wetland Banking Site Credits (\$119,700.00) with Mill Creek WB, LLC for Laraway Road (CH 74) at the US Route 52 Intersection, County Section 20-00138-43-CH, County Board Districts #2 and #6**

RESULT: APPROVED [21 TO 0]
TO: Will County Board
MOVER: Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER: Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

10. **24-271 Authorizing Approval of Agreement for Purchase of Wetland Banking Site Credits with Mill Creek WB, LLC for West River Road (CH 26) from Coal City Road North to IL Route 53, Section 20-00174-06-PV, County Board District #1**

RESULT: APPROVED [21 TO 0]
TO: Will County Board
MOVER: Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER: Denise E. Winfrey, District 6 (D - Joliet)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

11. **24-272 Authorizing Approval of Supplemental Professional Services Agreement for Right-Of-Way Acquisition Services (Negotiations) with Hanson Professional Services Inc. for Several Parcels of Property for the Laraway Road (CH 74) and US Route 52 Intersection Improvements, County Board Districts #2 and #6**

RESULT:	APPROVED [20 TO 1]
TO:	Will County Board
MOVER:	Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
SECONDER:	Mica Freeman, District 8 (D - Plainfield)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Ogalla
AWAY:	Mitchell

Member VanDuyne stated with the candidates in mind for this year's election on November 5th, the Public Works & Transportation Committee would like to schedule their meeting the following day on November 6th. Good luck to all the candidates and that concludes our report.

Next Public Works & Transportation Committee Meeting is Scheduled for November 5, 2024

XVI. PUBLIC HEALTH & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - M. FREEMAN, CHAIR

Member Freeman stated I have nothing to bring forward, but I would like to mention that our Sunny Hill Nursing Home, again, was ranked third out of 1,050 nursing homes by Newsweek as being one of the best nursing homes for 2025. We can't publicize that, but I can mention it. Between October 23rd and October 25th you can take baked goods to Sunny Hill Nursing Home for their Friends of Sunny Hill Holiday Gift Bizarre, barbecue lunch and bake sale, please do so.

Next Public Health & Public Safety Committee Meeting is Scheduled for Tuesday, November 12, 2024

XVII. LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE - J. BERKOWICZ, CHAIR

Member Berkowicz stated the Legislative Committee is working on our State Legislative Agenda.

Next Legislative Committee Meeting is Scheduled for Tuesday, November 5, 2024

XVIII. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE - M. MUELLER, CHAIR

Member Mueller stated we do not have anything to bring forward. As usual, we covered our facilities reports that you're welcome to look at on our agenda. Also, due to November 5th being the election, our next Capital Improvements and IT Committee meeting will be at 10:00 a.m. on November 6th in the Committee Room. It's normally scheduled after the Executive meeting, so it could be 11:00 a.m., could be noon, could be 12:30 p.m.

Next Capital Improvements Committee Meeting is Scheduled for Tuesday, November 5, 2024

XIX. LANDFILL COMMITTEE - K. DEANE-SCHLOTTMAN, CHAIR

Member Deane-Schlottman stated we are bringing forward the adoption of the Solid Waste Plan. Just so everyone is aware, this is a fluid document, so as the needs of the county change, if we need this document to change, we can amend it any time.

1. 24-273 Authorizing Adoption of the Solid Waste Management Plan 2017-2024

RESULT:	APPROVED [20 TO 0]
MOVER:	Katie Deane-Schlottman, District 1 (R - Joliet)
SECONDER:	Frankie Pretzel, District 2 (R - New Lenox)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING:	Butler
AWAY:	Mitchell

Next Landfill Committee Meeting is Scheduled for Thursday, November 7, 2024

XX. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - J. OGALLA, CHAIR**24-274 - Amend Language**

Member Traynere stated we discussed this last night at our caucus. We know that anything that we direct to have done with finances, that you actually execute, and we are of the understanding that you will be working on making sure there's a written agreement that goes along with these funds so that there's some sort of accountability. We haven't really come up with anything everybody could agree on, so I just want to make sure that that's going to happen.

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated this money will be distributed to Family Guidance. We will consult with the State's Attorney's office to make sure that it is being properly allocated and reported.

Member Freeman stated does a motion need to be made to make the payment contingent upon a signed agreement?

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated you can do that if you request that.

Member Freeman stated we did that with the HERO's, correct? I think it should be the same with this as well.

Assistant State's Attorney Tatroe stated I think you amended it to be in conformance with the program brought forward by County Board. Let me look and see if we have the...Authorizes the payment or costs subject to submission of a fully executed agreement outlining the use of said funds pursuant to the

program authorizing by the Will County Board and reviewed by the State's Attorney's Office.

Member Freeman stated thank you. I just wanted to make sure that is there because that is contingent upon my vote.

Assistant State's Attorney Tatroe stated it is not in the resolution for Family Guidance Center. So, if you want that language in, you have to make a motion.

Member Freeman stated I would like to make a motion to add that language.

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated Member Freeman made an amendment to have the same language that we voted on the previous resolution regarding ensuring that it is reviewed by...so, I'm understanding that you're amending so the agreement has a program authorized by the Will County Board, reviewed by the Will County State's Attorney.

Member Freeman stated yes. I just really feel an agreement needs to be in place. This is a lot of money, and I just want to be sure that we have all our ducks in a row. I love the program, I think it's a great program, but I do want to make sure that we have the agreement.

(Inaudible)

Member Freeman stated I would like to make a motion to amend the resolution to include, "Pursuant to the program authorized by the Will County Board and reviewed by the Will County State's Attorney's Office", just as it was with HERO's.

Assistant State's Attorney Tatroe stated so just to be clear, you would like to add another paragraph of Be It Further Resolved. Does everyone understand what the motion is?

RESULT:	APPROVED [16 TO 5]
MOVER:	Mica Freeman, District 8 (D - Plainfield)
SECONDER:	Denise E. Winfrey, District 6 (D - Joliet)
AYES:	VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Deane-Schlottman, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Mitchell
LEFT MEETING:	Butler

1. **24-274 Authorizing Payment to Family Guidance Centers, Inc. for Operations Costs of Their Mobile Outreach Services**

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [20 TO 1]
TO:	Will County Executive Committee
MOVER:	Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
SECONDER:	Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Balich
LEFT MEETING:	Butler

Chair Ogalla stated I never had the opportunity to speak on that particular issue. I just want to make it clear to everybody, the dollars that we are spending for the opioid settlement are much different than those from ARPA and CARES. There are no federal requirements or anything. The requirements are specific to the opioid agreement settlement fund. That's the agreement fund that we are agreeing to. I just want to clarify that for anybody in the stratosphere who wasn't sure what we were doing.

2. **24-275 Amending the Parameters for the Expenditure of American Rescue Plan Funds**

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO:	Will County Board
MOVER:	Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
SECONDER:	Jackie Traynere, District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING:	Butler

3. **24-276 Authorizing the County Executive to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with Steger Estates Fire Protection District to Provide Access to the Countywide Radio System**

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO: Will County Board
MOVER: Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
SECONDER: Mica Freeman, District 8 (D - Plainfield)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING: Butler

4. **24-277 FY24 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with City of Joliet**

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO: Will County Board
MOVER: Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
SECONDER: Meta Mueller, District 10 - (D - Aurora)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING: Butler

Next Executive Committee Meeting is Scheduled for Thursday, November 7, 2024

XXI. **APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

1. **24-278 Approving County Executive Appointments to the Black Walnut Drainage District of Will County**

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO: Will County Board
MOVER: Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
SECONDER: Mica Freeman, District 8 (D - Plainfield)
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING: Butler

2. **24-279 Approving County Executive Appointments to the Florence-Wesley Union Drainage District #1 of Will County**

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO:	Will County Board
MOVER:	Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
SECONDER:	Joe VanDuyne, District 1 (D - Wilmington)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING:	Butler

3. 24-280 Approving County Executive Appointments to the Workforce Investment Board of Will County

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
TO:	Will County Board
MOVER:	Judy Ogalla, Chair, District 2 (R - Monee)
SECONDER:	Jackie Traynere, District 11 (D - Bolingbrook)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING:	Butler

XXII. PUBLIC COMMENT RELEVANT TO MATTERS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE COUNTY
Ms. Julie Connor expressed her opinion requesting an audit of the policies and procedures of the Supervisor of Assessment's office.

Mr. Jim O'Connor expressed his opinion in support of the 708 Mental Health Board.

XXIII. COMMENTS BY COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS

Member Freeman stated I went on a tour yesterday at the old Joliet Prison. The Director from the Joliet Historical Museum, mentioned they are having flashlight tours that are self-guided, and they need security help if anyone would like to go stand in a building at night at the old prison with a flashlight and keep people out of areas they're not supposed to go into, he would be appreciative. His name is Greg, and you can reach him at the Joliet Historical Museum. Thank you.

Member Parker stated I have three comments. One, thank you all for the reconsideration of the Mental Health Board. I know some of you are not happy with it, but I am glad we all came to a compromise. Two, I want to clarify, the County Board did not deny the Health Department additional levy requests. I just confirmed with Ms. Elizabeth Bilotta, and she did confirm that. Three, I wish the public comment person was in this room right now, I want to thank her for her public comment because I have been trying to get answers to my questions on that particular property owner that she brought up and bring awareness to other officials and other departments about what this property owner has been doing. I am so happy that she actually dug deeper than I did, and got more

answers, and I am looking forward to speaking with her about more information that she has. Thank you.

Member Mitchell stated I just want to bring this up before next month. There is a young gentleman who, at 10 years old, took it upon himself to raise money so that he can put flags out for Veteran's Day. He was at the top of the list for raising money, but then some older people came in and brought him down on the list. I want to help him get back to the top of the list for raising money. Please come see me after and let's help this young man with his wish to put flags out for the veterans.

XXIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE REPUBLICAN LEADER, DEMOCRATIC LEADER AND COUNTY BOARD CHAIR

Member Balich stated when we argue about budgets and levies, it's not a personal thing, it's an ideology. Republicans typically want small government, less taxes, less regulations, and we don't want the government sticking their nose in our business. Democrats, on the other side, want big government, more taxes, more regulations, because they believe in big government. That's why we fight like hell over here, because we don't agree. We have completely polar opposite ideologies. That's what the problem is. The other stuff that isn't with budgets, levies and new rules, and bigger government, we can probably get along 90 percent on the other stuff. I've been on the Board for 12 years and every single year it's the same thing. With that said, it should be more like how the Italians do things. We argue with ourselves. We had a float in the Columbus Day parade, and I am the Chair for the Will County Italian American Association, and I want to get out and walk on the street with the people, so my crew tells me I can't do it. They put me on top of the float, gave me a mic, and had me singing a songs. If you've ever heard me sing, my voice is not good. And then we have a guy singing a song walking the street where I wanted to be, and then we argue. After we argue I realize I'm wrong. So, now I'm sitting there and this guy from ABC News jumps up and says where's Steve? I say that's me and he says I want an interview. We have an interview for three minutes. Everyone in the world should wish they're Italian because we have good food, we like to have fun, and we're very happy most of the time. Just think about most of the Italians you know. Most of them are happy. Most of them love life. With that, God bless everyone in this room.

Member Traynere stated I believe it's government's job to do what those individuals on their own cannot do. I don't believe we should run like a business. A business is a for-profit entity. In those regards, we do have very fundamentally different views. But I do think some of the issues that we have with communication are just due to the lack of time we actually spend with one another to actually have a discussion. Frequently things are brought up as a surprise. The two percent levy...I've been accused of springing that on people. That was on the agenda. That's been talked about, it's been in writing. It wasn't a surprise. Perhaps the surprise was reducing it to 0.75 percent. Regardless, it's done, it's over, we need to move on. I want to thank everyone who pays attention and shows up and does what they can do to help make government a better place to be here in Will County. I want to urge everyone, especially women, to make sure you get your mammograms. This is breast cancer month. Take care of your health, your health comes first, because if you're healthy you can take care the rest of your family and loved ones.

Please urge everyone in your family to make sure that they're taking care of their personal health. With that I want to say thank you very much. Everybody have a happy, safe Halloween and don't run over any trick-or-treaters.

Chair Ogalla stated this is just to piggyback to what Member Mitchell said. The little guy's name is Henry. You have all been emailed the email which gives you information and how if you would like to donate for a flag for disabled vets, you can do that. The deadline is tomorrow. So, if you're thinking about helping this little guy making that goal and beat the older group, you'll find an email where you can do that. I want to say thank you to Finance Chair Richmond for all the time that he has put in, two years in a row, to try and state the case of what we have in our budget and where we can make some very positive changes. I think it's unfortunate that we can never come to a compromise. It's presented by the County Executive, and it's voted in a bi-partisan manner. There's never a compromise, it's unfortunate, because the people who end up paying are the taxpayers. While we are all taxpayers, it's still a burden to us. I know there have been conversations in the past that if you get older then maybe you need to downsize so you can afford to live where you live, just like you did when you were young. It's really a disregard for residents who have paid their home off and now have a tax burden for their property tax. Regardless of where it comes from and what percentage ours is, every taxing body needs to look at what they do and how they tax and make things affordable for people, because it's not affordable and continues to not be affordable. With that, I want to close by saying I hope everyone has a great Halloween. I'm looking forward to spending time with my grandkids as they go trick-or-treating. The littlest one will have his first Halloween and plans on being a rooster. I'm sure he'll be happy looking at all the kids running around and having a good time. I hope you enjoyed your cookies today. I try once a year to bring in something to lighten the load, and that was my treat for you guys for Halloween. Thank you.

Executive Bertino-Tarrant stated thank you very much and thank you for the cookie. Thank you, as always, to our Will County staff.

XXV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

XXVI. RECESS TO THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2024

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Raquel M. Mitchell, District 9 (R - Bolingbrook)
SECONDER:	Janet Diaz, District 6 (D - Joliet)
AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING:	Butler

Terri Cooke

From: Laurie Walker <walks3@cbglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2024 7:32 PM
To: County Board
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Up Coming Budget Meeting

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Hi,

My comments must be read at the full County Board meeting, October 17, 2024.

I am a resident of District #10. Will County has extremely high taxes. It is difficult for residents to afford the property taxes on their homes. If taxes keep increasing, people will chose to either NOT buy a home in Will County, or they will decide to move OUT of Will County. The neighboring counties don't have property taxes anywhere near as high as what Will County does. I am against the following tax levies:

#24-261 Will County Corporate Fund Levy
#24-262 Community Mental Health Levy

Sincerely,
Laurie Walker

Terri Cooke

From: thomas Egan <eganlaw2001@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2024 10:38 AM
To: County Board
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Additional Will County tax levies on residents 2025 Property Tax bill

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Please note the following:

My comments on the following agenda items must be read at the full Will County Board meeting, October 17, 2024:

Each agenda item:

- * #24-261 Will County Corporate Fund Levy
- * #24-262 Community Mental Health Levy

I understand the county board seeks further increases in property tax for 2025 on the above agenda items. While few people object to fair taxes for legitimate needs, seeking further tax increases after a nearly 10% increase on our property tax bill for last year appears exorbitant.

Illinois is a high tax state. Illinoisans pay the second-highest property tax rate in the U.S. --about double the national rate. That's to go along with a flat 4.95 percent individual income tax rate, a 9.5 percent corporate income tax rate, a 6.25 percent state sales tax rate and an average combined state and local sales tax rate of 8.86 percent.

To paraphrase an old McDonald's ad: "Will County taxpayers deserve a break today!"

As I understand the situation:

1. The Mental Health Board (MHB) is **holding \$6 million** which will not be distributed until March, 2025
2. The MHB feels 6% of your tax dollars should go to Administrative fees and benefits
3. The MHB believes that they need **\$10 million more taxpayer dollars** for the calendar year 2025
4. The MHB did not file their Annual Fiscal Report to the Will County Board, as they were required to do.

The history reported in the newspaper is that the MHB was first created in 2022 by a vote which included a new .05 percent tax as dedicated funding for that board. It was supposed to be a dedicated revenue stream and now that is not enough?

If the board is sitting on a reserve of at least \$6 million, is that not enough?

Why aren't spending cuts, prudent and contemporaneous use of existing funds and transparent fiscal reporting the priorities instead of tax increases for the mental health levy and the corporate fund levy?

Will Co. residents, especially lower income and fixed income senior citizens who have paid high taxes for decades, need relief from the ever more burdensome tax system in this state and county.

Thank you for your consideration.

Tom Egan

Terri Cooke

From: DIANE LEONARD <leonardiane@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2024 10:33 AM
To: County Board
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Up Coming Budget Meeting

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Hello

My comments must be read at the full County Board meeting, October 17, 2024.

I am a senior citizen and resident of District #10. Will County has extremely high taxes. It is difficult for senior residents to afford the property taxes on their homes now. If taxes keep increasing, people will chose to either NOT buy a home in Will County, or they will decide to move OUT of Will County. The neighboring counties don't have property taxes anywhere near as high as what Will County does. I am against the following tax levies:

#24-261 Will County Corporate Fund Levy
#24-262 Community Mental Health Levy

Please reconsider adding this increase, seniors are already strúggling with the current taxes.

Sincerely,
Diane Leonard



**ZONING CASE OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for ZC-24-045, Michael McDonald & Patrick McDonald, Owner of Record (Each 50% Owner) Ryan McCune of Nexamp Solar, LLC D/B/A Moon Shoal Renewables LLC & Summer Stone Renewables LLC, Agent and Nicholas Standiford of Schain Banks, Attorney, Requesting (S-24-062) Special Use Permit for a Commercial Solar Energy Facility (Applies to 68.24 Acres), (V-24-188) Variance for Number of Required Mowings from Five Times to One Time and (V-24-208) Variance for Maximum Ground Cover Plant Height from 13 Inches to 36 Inches for PIN # 30-07-24-300-003-0000 & 30-07-34-300-002-0000, in Joliet Township, Commonly Known as 2618 S Chicago Street and Vacant Property at the NEC of S Chicago Street and W Schweitzer Road (West of Chicagoland Speedway), Joliet IL., County Board District #6

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

WHEREAS, due notice of the time and place of such hearing was published in a paper of general circulation in Will County, Illinois; 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, is and the same is hereby amended by reclassifying the area described as follows:

Special use permit for a Commercial Solar Energy Facility (applies to 68.24 acres) with five (5) conditions

- Upon fourteen (14) days of written notice to the owner of record and/or operator at their last known address, Will County Land Use Department and Will County Sheriff's Department employees are hereby granted the right of entry in and upon the premises for the purpose of inspecting the premises and uses thereon for compliance with the terms and conditions of this special use permit.
- The special use shall be transferrable to subsequent property owners.
- On-site power lines and utility connections will be allowed above ground if required by the electrical utility provider.
- The applicant shall provide copies of the executed Interconnect Agreements with ComEd at time of permit submissions.
- The owner/operator shall provide a copy of the final emergency action plan as well as any amendments to said plan to the Will County Emergency Management Agency

and East Joliet Fire Protection District, and City of Joliet Fire Protection District.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: for Special Use Area (68.24 acres):

Part of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section 34, Township 35 North, Range 10 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Joliet Township, Will County, Illinois more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast Corner of said Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section 34; thence North 01° 51' 27" West along the East line of said Quarter Section 25.00 Feet to the North Right-of-Way line of West Schweizer Road and the Point of Beginning; thence South 87° 59' 58" West along said Right-of-Way line, 260.00 Feet; thence North 01° 51' 27" West, 1291.91 Feet to the South line of the North Half of afore said Southwest Quarter (SW1/4); thence South 88° 05' 51" West along said South Quarter-Quarter line, 1500.00 Feet; thence North 01° 50' 18" West, 915.00 Feet; thence South 88° 09' 36" West, 779.39 Feet to the East Right-of-Way line South Chicago Road (aka Illinois Route 53) as described as tract 50A to the United States of America for Federal Aid Route #5 as shown by instrument recorded in Book 961, Page 253 as document number 559409; thence North 01° 45' 16" West along said East Right-of Way line, 405.06' to the North line of the Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of said Section 34; thence North 88° 09' 36" East along said North line, 2538.35 Feet to the Northeast Corner of said Southwest Quarter (SW1/4) of Section 34; thence South 01° 51' 28" East along the East line of said Southwest Quarter (SW1/4), 2609.61 Feet to the Point of Beginning.

Said Lease Parcel Contains +/- 2972421.86 Square Feet, or +/- 68.24 Acres.

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 by law).

CASE NO: ZC-24-045

APPELLANT: Michael McDonald & Partrick McDonald, Owner of Record (Each 50% Owner)
Ryan McCune of Nexamp Solar, LLC D/B/A Moon Shoal Renewables LLC &
Summer Stone Renewables LLC, Agent
Nicholas Standiford of Schain Banks, Attorney

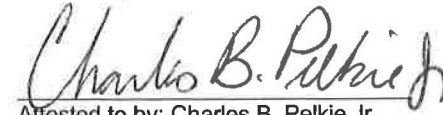
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Richmond, Parker,
Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz,
Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS: Balich

Result: Approved -. [21 to 1]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



**ZONING CASE OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case, ZC-24-046, Patrick McDonald and Joann McDonald, Owner of Record, Ryan McCune of Nexamp Solar, LLC, Agent and Nicholas Standiford of Schain Banks, Attorney, Requesting (M-24-008) Map Amendment from A-2 to A-1, (S-24-063), Special Use Permit for a Commercial Solar Energy Facility, (V-24-189) Variance for Number of Required Mowing from Five (5) to One (1) Time and (V-24-190) Variance for Maximum Ground Cover Plant Height from 13 Inches to 36 Inches, for PIN # 30-07-34-101-003-0000, 30-07-34-101-004-0000, 30-07-34-101-014-0000, in Joliet Township, Commonly Known as 116 Zipf Road, Joliet IL, County Board District #6

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

WHEREAS, due notice of the time and place of such hearing was published in a paper of general circulation in Will County, Illinois; 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, is and the same is hereby amended by reclassifying the area described as follows:

Map amendment from A-2 to A-1.

Special use permit for a commercial solar energy facility.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Parcel 1: (30-07-34-101-014-0000)

The West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 34, Township 35 North, Range 10 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Will County, Illinois, excepting therefrom the North 16 feet; also excepting the West 208.7 feet of the North 417.4 feet; also excepting the North 208.7 feet of the East 417.4 feet of the West 626.1 feet, in Will County, Illinois.

Parcel 2: (30-07-34-101-004-0000, 30-07-34-101-003-0000)

The East 1/2 (excepting the North 16 feet thereof) of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 34, Township 35 North, Range 10 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 by law).

CASE NO: ZC-24-046

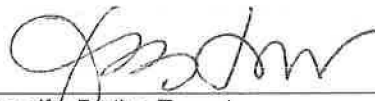
APPELLANT: Patrick McDonald and Joann McDonald, Owner of Record
Ryan McCune of Nexamp Solar, LLC, Agent and
Nicholas Standiford of Schain Banks, Attorney

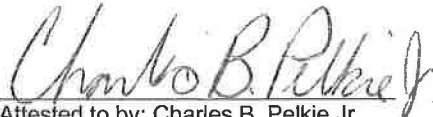
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: VanDuyne, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS: Deane-Schlottman, Ogalla, Balich

Result: Approved - [19 to 3]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



**ZONING CASE OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case # ZC-24-049, James M Powell, Owner of Record, Requesting (M-24-010) Map Amendment from C-6 to A-1, (V-24-192) Variance for Lot Frontage from 300 Feet to 0 Feet, and (V-24-193) Variance for Minimum Street Setback from the Centerline of the Road from 100 Feet to 60 Feet, for PIN #23-15-24-300-036-0000 (Part Of), 23-15-24-300-037-0000 (Part Of), 23-15-24-300-038-0000, 23-15-24-300-039-0000, in Crete Township, Commonly Known as Vacant Property on S Rincker Rd, Crete, IL, County Board District #3

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

WHEREAS, due notice of the time and place of such hearing was published in a paper of general circulation in Will County, Illinois; 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, is and the same is hereby amended by reclassifying the area described as follows:

Map Amendment from C-6 to A-1.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: THAT PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER, 659.72 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH THREE-QUARTERS OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER; THENCE EASTERLY AT AN ANGLE OF 89°32'20" MEASURED CLOCKWISE FROM SAID WEST LINE, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, 147.85 FEET; THENCE SOUTHERLY AT AN ANGLE OF 89°41'52" MEASURED COUNTERCLOCKWISE FROM SAID NORTH LINE, PARALLEL WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID NORTHWEST QUARTER, 790.00 FEET; THENCE EASTERLY AT AN ANGLE OF 89°41'52" MEASURED CLOCKWISE FROM THE LAST DESCRIBED COURSE, PARALLEL WITH SAID NORTH LINE, 326.80 FEET; THENCE NORTHERLY AT AN ANGLE OF 90°18'08" MEASURED CLOCKWISE FROM THE LAST DESCRIBED COURSE, PARALLEL WITH SAID EAST LINE, 1450.39 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER, THENCE WESTERLY AT AN ANGLE OF 89°36'54" MEASURED CLOCKWISE FROM SAID PARALLEL LINE, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, 472.82 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALL IN CRETE TOWNSHIP, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

ALSO

ALL OF THAT PART OF LOTS 14 AND 15 IN THE SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTHWEST ¼ AND THE WEST ½ OF THE SOUTHWEST ¼ OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 14, AFORESAID, THENCE SOUTH ON THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT 14 TO A POINT 134.4 FEET NORTH OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID LOT 14; THENCE WEST ON A LINE 134.4 NORTH AND PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 14 A DISTANCE OF 642.0 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTH ON A LINE 642.0 FEET WEST AND PARALLEL WITH THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOTS 14 AND 15, TO A POINT 484.0 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 15; THENCE WEST ON A LINE 484.0 FEET SOUTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 15, A DISTANCE OF 200.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH ON A LINE 842.0 FEET WEST OF AND PARALLEL WITH THE EAST LINE OF LOTS 14 AND 15, AFORESAID, TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 14; THENCE EAST ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 14, A DISTANCE OF 842.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALL 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 by law).

CASE NO: ZC-24-049

APPELLANT: James M Powell, Owner of Record

Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 28th day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



**ZONING CASE OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case , ZC-24-055, Rafael Martinez, Owner of Record, Requesting (M-24-011) Map Amendment from R-1 to E-2, (V-24-198) Variance for Animal Units from 3 to 6, (V-24-199) Variance for Animal Confinement Setback from 50 Feet to 30 Feet and (V-24-200) Variance for Maximum Accessory Building Area from 3,000 Square Feet to 3,200 Square Feet for PIN # 14-12-01-401-002-0000 , Located in Manhattan Township, Commonly Known as 23532 S Scheer Rd, Frankfort, IL., County Board District #2

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

WHEREAS, due notice of the time and place of such hearing was published in a paper of general circulation in Will County, Illinois; 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, is and the same is hereby amended by reclassifying the area described as follows:

Map Amendment from R-1 to E-2.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT 2 OF MARSHALL SUBDIVISION, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE EAST ½ OF THE SOUTHEAST ¼ OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 11, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, MANHATTAN TOWNSHIP, WILL COUNTY, IL., RECORDED BY DOCUMENT NO. R75-28190, DATED OCTOBER 16, 1975, 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 by law).

CASE NO: ZC-24-055

APPELLANT: Rafael Martinez, Owner of Record

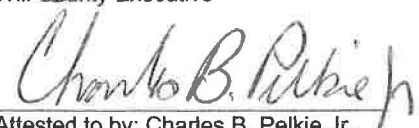
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Diaz

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



**ZONING CASE OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case #ZC-24-060, Leland and Coleen Gates, Owner of Record, Robert Briggs of Modern Midways Inc., Agent and Jeffrey Cernek of Cernek Legal Services, Attorney, Requesting (M-24-013) Map Amendment from R-2 to C-4 (Part of Property), (S-24-071) Special Use Permit for Similar or Compatible Use to a Permitted Use in the District (Vehicle Storage and Towing and Light Equipment Sales/Rentals) and (V-24-246) Variance for Minimum Street Setback from 80 Feet to 71.86 Feet, for PIN # 21-14-29-402-005-0000 & 21-14-29-402-006-0000, in Monee Township, Commonly Known as 27007 and Garage Governors Hwy, Monee, IL., County Board District #3

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

WHEREAS, due notice of the time and place of such hearing was published in a paper of general circulation in Will County, Illinois; 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, is and the same is hereby amended by reclassifying the area described as follows:

Map amendment from R-2 to C-4 (part of property).

LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR MAP AMENDMENT: THAT PART OF LOT 3 OF OGDEN'S SUBDIVISION OF RACCOON GROVE RESERVE, IN SECTIONS 28, 29, 32 AND 33 IN TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, AND IN RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JUNE 25, 1851, IN BOOK "U", PAGE 285 AS DOCUMENT NO. 11280, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ILLINOIS STATE HIGHWAY ROUTE 50 AND A LINE 790.33 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 3; THENCE EASTERLY ON THE LAST NAMED PARALLEL LINE, TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH A LINE 792 FEET WEST OF AND PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF LOT 11 OF SAID OGDEN'S SUBDIVISION; THENCE SOUTHERLY ON THE LAST NAMED PARALLEL LINE, 460.33 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE WESTERLY ON A LINE 330 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 3, 132 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE NORTHERLY ON A LINE 924 FEET WEST OF AND PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF LOT 11, 100 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE

WESTERLY ON A LINE 430 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 3 TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ILLINOIS STATE HIGHWAY ROUTE 50; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; EXCEPT THAT PART DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE EASTERRLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ILLINOIS STATE HIGHWAYROUTE 50 WITH A LINE 430 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 3; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ON SAID RIGHT OF WAYLINE OF ILLINOIS STATE HIGHWAY ROUTE 50, 390.65 FEET TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH A LINE 790.33 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 3; THENCE EASTERLY ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE, 300 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ON A LINE PARALLEL TO THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ILLINOIS STATE HIGHWAY ROUTE 50, TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH A LINE 430 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 3, SAID POINT 300 FEET EAST OF SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ROUTE 50 (AS MEASURED ON THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE); THENCE WEST ON THE LAST DESCRIBED PARALLEL LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

**Special use permit for similar or compatible use to a permitted use in the district
(vehicle storage and towing and light equipment sales/rentals) with three (3)
conditions**

- . Upon fourteen (14) days of written notice to the owner of record at their last known address, Will County Land Use Department and Will County Sheriff's Department employees are hereby granted the right of entry in and upon the premises for the purpose of inspection of the premises and uses thereon for compliance with the terms and conditions of this special use permit.
- . The applicant is required to submit an updated EcoCAT and work with IDNR to verify no impact to identified protected resources.
- . The special use permit shall be transferrable to subsequent property owners.

Legal Description for Special Use Permit: THAT PART OF LOT 3 OF OGDEN'S SUBDIVISION OF RACCOON GROVE RESERVE, IN SECTIONS 28, 29, 32 AND 33 IN TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, AND IN RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JUNE 25, 1851, IN BOOK "U", PAGE 285 AS DOCUMENT NO. 11280, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ILLINOIS STATE HIGHWAY ROUTE 50 AND A LINE 790.33 FEET NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 3; THENCE EASTERLY ON THE LAST NAMED PARALLEL LINE, TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH A LINE 792 FEET WEST OF AND PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF LOT 11 OF SAID OGDEN'S SUBDIVISION; THENCE SOUTHERLY ON THE LAST NAMED PARALLEL LINE, 460.33 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE WESTERLY ON A LINE 330 FEET NORTH OF AND

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27007 Governors Hwy., Monee, IL 60449 PINs: 14-29-402-005-0000 and 14-29-402-006-0000

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 by law).

CASE NO: ZC-24-060

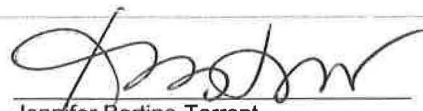
APPELLANT: Leland and Coleen Gates, Owner of Record
Robert Briggs of Modern Midways Inc., Agent
Jeffrey Cernek of Cernek Legal Services, Attorney

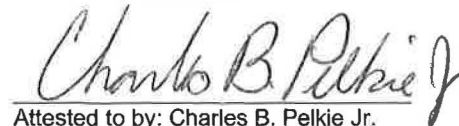
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY:	Diaz

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



**ZONING CASE OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Ordinance Amending the Will County, Illinois Zoning Ordinance Adopted and Approved September 9, 1947 as Amended for Zoning Case ZC-24-070, Apres', LLC, Owner of Record, (William F. Burfeind, 50% Interest; Kara B. Burfeind, 50% Interest) Tenant of Benton Plaza, LLC (Chris Ohlrogge, 33.33% Interest; Lorraine Ohlrogge, 33.33% Interest; Roderick Ohlrogge, 33.33% Interest), Michael Pascarella of Wennlund & Associates, Agent and Michael Pascarella of Wennlund & Associates, Attorney, Requesting (S-24-079) Special Use Permit for Wine Bar/Tavern, PIN # 19-09-12-409-003-0000, in Frankfort Township, Commonly Known as 7238 W Benton Drive, Frankfort, IL, County Board District #4

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

WHEREAS, due notice of the time and place of such hearing was published in a paper of general circulation in Will County, Illinois; 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, is and the same is hereby amended by reclassifying the area described as follows:

Special use permit for wine bar/tavern with three (3) conditions

1. Upon fourteen (14) days of written notice to the owner of record and/or operator at their last known address, Will County Land Use Department and Will County Sheriff's Department employees are hereby granted the right of entry in and upon the premises for the purpose of inspecting the premises and uses thereon for compliance with the terms and conditions of this special use permit.
2. The special use permit shall be transferrable to subsequent owners of the subject property.
3. The applicant and future owners must receive and maintain a liquor license in accordance with the Alcoholic Beverages Ordinance (Chapter 110) of the Will County Code, also referred to as the Liquor Control Ordinance.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOTS 65 & 66, IN THE HIGHLANDS OF FRANKFORT, UNIT NO. 1, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE SOUTH ½ OF THE SOUTHEAST ¼ OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 12 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT

THEREOF RECORDED OCTOBER 30, 1986, AS DOCUMENT NO. R86-51203, 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 by law).

CASE NO: ZC-24-070

APPELLANT: Apres', LLC, Owner of Record, (William F. Burfeind, 50% Interest;
Kara B. Burfeind, 50% Interest) Tenant of Benton Plaza, LLC
(Chris Ohlrogge, 33.33% Interest, Lorraine Ohlrogge, 33.33% Interest;
Roderick Ohlrogge, 33.33% Interest)
Michael Pascarella of Wennlund & Associates, Agent and
Michael Pascarella of Wennlund & Associates, Attorney

Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES:

Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Creating an Ordinance Requiring Notification by the Will County Division of
Transportation on Road Projects***

WHEREAS, the Will County Division of Transportation (DOT) controls road projects within Will County; and

WHEREAS, the road projects go through multiple phases of development prior to construction taking place; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide early and continuing opportunities for the public to be involved in the identification of social, economic and environmental impacts regarding Will County DOT road projects, an ordinance requiring notification is needed; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this ordinance is to provide County Board members with a quick reference and update as to Will County Division of Transportation projects taking place countywide and within a specified county board district; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee approves the creation of the Ordinance Requiring Notification by the Will County Division of Transportation on Road Projects as set forth in the attached ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, that the Will County Board authorizes and directs that the Will County Division of Transportation (DOT) establish a procedure to comply with the Ordinance Requiring Notification by the Will County Division of Transportation on Road Projects.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Will County Board authorizes the creation of the Ordinance Requiring Notification by the Will County Division of Transportation on Road Projects in the attached ordinance.

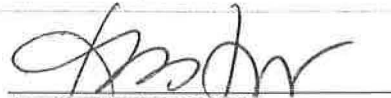
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Preamble of this Ordinance is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

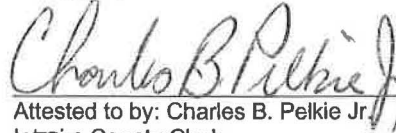
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved as Amended - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Authorizing Payment to HERO

WHEREAS, Heroin Epidemic Relief Organization (HERO) is a Federal and State licensed and funded not-for-profit Behavioral Healthcare Company providing Substance Use Disorder (SUD) and Mental Health Services; and

WHEREAS, HERO provides SUD and Mental Health Services countywide; and

WHEREAS, HERO is requesting funding of \$53,020 for operations costs; and

WHEREAS, Will County has received funds from the National Opioid Settlement Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee recommends the funding as requested by Heroin Epidemic Relief Organization; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Will County Board hereby authorizes the payment of \$53,020.00 to Heroin Epidemic Relief Organization for operations costs subject to submission of a fully executed agreement outlining the use of said funds pursuant to the program authorized by the Will County Board and reviewed by the Will County State's Attorney's Office.

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

Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES:

Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

Result: Approved as Amended - [Unanimous]

Approved this 13 day of November, 2024.

Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive

Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Authorizing County Executive to Execute Necessary Documents for Delinquent
Tax Program***

WHEREAS, the County of Will has undertaken a program to collect delinquent taxes and to perfect titles to real estate in cases where the taxes on the same have not been paid pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/21-90; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to this program the County of Will, as trustee for the taxing districts involved, has acquired an interest in the real estate in question; and

WHEREAS, it appears to the Will County Board that it would be to the best interest of the taxing districts of Will County to dispose of this interest in said property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby authorizes the Will County Executive to execute a deed of conveyance of the County's interest or authorize the cancellation of the appropriate certificate of purchase, as the case may be, on the real estate in question for the sums shown on the attachment and to be disbursed as shown and according to law.

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.

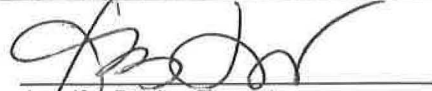
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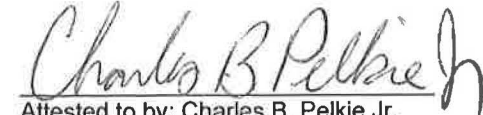
AYES:

Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Appropriating Grant Funds in Coroner's Budget

Appropriating Funds in the Coroner's Budget

WHEREAS, the Will County Coroner is in receipt of grant funds from SUDORS, Northwestern University and

WHEREAS, to expend such funds, pursuant to the terms of the grant, the Will County Coroner has requested an increase of appropriations, as indicated below, and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee concurs with this request, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/6-1003, 2024 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 2024 Budget as follows:

Revenue:

Decrease: Anticipated New Revenue	1010-498010-900-90000-10	\$8,020.50
Increase: SUDORS ILDPH	1010-433110-170-60000-10	\$8,020.50

Expense:

Decrease: Anticipated New Expense	1010-599010-110-10000-10	\$8,020.50
Increase: Operating Supplies	1010-541090-170-60000-10	\$8,020.50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Finance Department is 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 forth herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

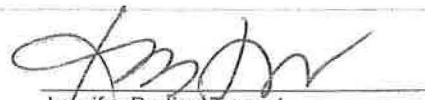
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AYES:

Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Transferring Appropriations within Various County Budgets

WHEREAS, after a mid-year review of Fiscal Year 2024, it was determined that it is necessary to transfer appropriations between numerous line items in various departmental budgets that requires County Board approval, and

WHEREAS, the Executive's Office has requested the attached transfers, and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby amends its 2024 Budget, by transferring appropriations within the various departmental budgets as fully described in the document attached hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Finance Department is directed to make the necessary line item and fund adjustments, in accordance to 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.

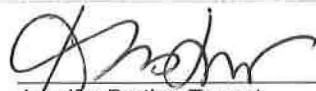
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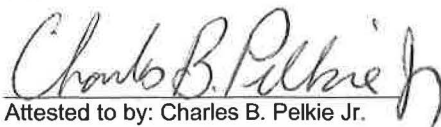
AYES:

Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 24 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Finance Department is directed to make the necessary line item and fund adjustments, in accordance to statutory authority.

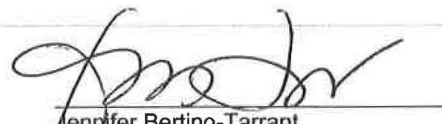
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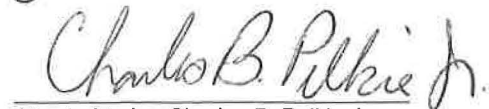
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AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Authorizing Use of Contingency Funds for Security Services

WHEREAS, the Finance Office is requesting use of contingency funds in the amount of \$125,000 to cover security service costs through the end of the fiscal year at the County Office Building, Problem Solving Courts, Probation, River Valley Detention Center, and State's Attorney office in the finance budget; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee concurs with this request and recommends the use of contingency funds for security services; 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 the FY2024 Budget as follows:

Decrease:

1010-547080-110-10000-10	County Board-Contingency	\$125,000.00
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Increase:

1010-543010-120-20200-10	Security Services	\$125,000.00
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Finance Department is 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 forth herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

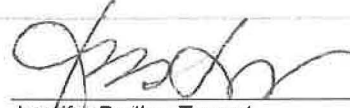
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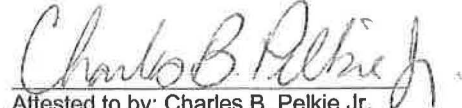
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Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.



Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive



Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Estimate of the Annual Aggregate Levy - Corporate Fund

WHEREAS, the County Executive of Will County has prepared and submitted to the Will County Board the 2025 Will County Budget, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009, and

WHEREAS the County Board is required to adopt an annual budget in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/6-1001, and

WHEREAS it is necessary at this time in the budget process to determine an estimate of the Annual Aggregate Levy to be levied upon the real property in the County of Will, in accordance with 35 ILCS 200/18-60, and

WHEREAS the amounts listed below are the amounts to be raised for each specified levy as indicated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby determines the following is its estimate of the 2024 Annual Aggregate Levy, and that the final levy must be adopted in compliance with the provisions of the Truth in Taxation Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Will does hereby recommend the following estimates for adoption of its 2024 Levy:

		Rate: 0.5481%	Rate: 0.5101%
	2023 Levy Request with 4.0% CPI & New Property	2023 Final Levy	2024 Levy with 2% CPI & New Property (Board Approved)
Corporate Fund	\$102,265,100	\$102,281,890	\$104,906,605
FICA	7,800,000	7,803,975	7,800,000
IMRF	16,200,000	16,216,772	16,200,000
Tort Immunity	3,175,650	3,182,472	4,600,000
Worker's Comp	2,250,115	2,269,241	2,539,922
TB Sanitarium	646,710	664,168	647,000
Health Department	11,000,000	11,014,121	11,000,000
Highway	7,550,000	7,554,912	8,050,000
County Bridge	626,000	636,494	626,000
Federal Aid Matching	55,089	55,347	55,089

Total	\$151,568,664	\$151,679,394	\$156,424,615

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.

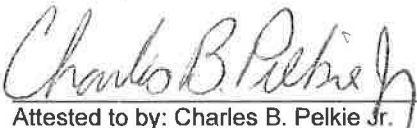
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES:	Bertino-Tarrant, VanDuyne, Newquist, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Freeman, Ortiz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Deane-Schlottman, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Logan, Revis, Mitchell, Berkowicz

Result: Approved as Amended - [12 to 11]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Estimate of the Annual Aggregate Levy - Community Mental Health Fund

WHEREAS, the County Executive of Will County has prepared and submitted to the Will County Board the 2025 Will County Budget, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009, and

WHEREAS the County Board is required to adopt an annual budget in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/6-1001, and

WHEREAS it is necessary at this time in the budget process to determine an estimate of the Community Mental Health Board Levy to be levied upon the real property in the County of Will, in accordance with 35 ILCS 200/18-60 and 405 ILCS 20/3a, and

WHEREAS the amounts listed below are the amounts to be raised for each specified levy as indicated

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby determines the following is its estimate of the 2024 Community Mental Health Board Levy, and that the final levy must be adopted in compliance with the provisions of the Truth in Taxation Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Will does hereby recommend the following estimates for adoption of its 2024 Levy:

		Rate: 0.0362%	Rate: 0.0261%
	2023 Levy Requested	Final 2023 Levy	2024 Proposed Levy
Community Mental Health Board	\$10,000,000	\$10,017,869	\$8,000,000
Total	\$10,000,000	\$10,017,689	\$8,000,000

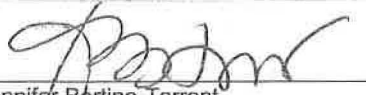
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS: Ogalla, Balich, Berkowicz

Result: Approved as Amended - [19 to 3]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Village of Homer Glen, Gallagher & Henry, and the County of Will for Maintenance and Energy of Traffic Signals at the Intersection of Bell Road (Ch 16) and Founders Crossing in the County of Will, County Board District #4

WHEREAS, in order to maintain safe and efficient access to Founders Crossing, the County requires the continued implementation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Bell Road (CH 16) and Founders Crossing in the County of Will, Illinois, County Board District #4; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Homer Glen, Gallagher & Henry, and the County continue to be desirous of said improvements in that the same will be of lasting benefit to the County residents and permanent in nature; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Homer Glen, Gallagher & Henry, and the County recognize the need for a new agreement pertaining to the maintenance of improvements at the intersection of Bell Road (CH 16) and Founders Crossing, as the previous agreement pertaining to said intersection expired on May 20, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Homer Glen and Gallagher & Henry will each hold one-half of the financial responsibility for all maintenance and energy costs of the traffic signal; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Homer Glen will be responsible for financing and conducting all maintenance of the signal elements specifically required to facilitate emergency vehicle preemption; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board authorizes the Will County Executive to enter into an agreement, with the Village of Homer Glen and with Gallagher and Henry, for the maintenance and energy costs of traffic signals at the intersection of Bell Road (CH 16) and Founders Crossing, a copy of which is attached hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk is hereby directed to transmit two (2) certified copies of this resolution and agreement to the office of the Village of Homer Glen, and to transmit two (2) certified copies of this resolution and agreement to the offices of Gallagher and Henry, through the office of the Director of Transportation / County Engineer.

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 17th day of October, 2024.

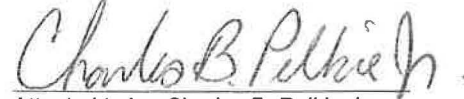
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.



Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive



Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the Village of Homer Glen
and the County of Will for Maintenance and Energy of Traffic Signals at the
Intersection of Bell Road (Ch 16) and Martingale Lane in the County of Will,
County Board District #4***

WHEREAS, in order to maintain safe and efficient access to Martingale Lane, the County requires the continued implementation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Bell Road (CH 16) and Martingale Lane in the County of Will, Illinois, County Board District #4; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Village of Homer Glen are desirous of said improvements in that the same will be of lasting benefit to the County residents and permanent in nature; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Village of Homer Glen recognize the need for a new agreement pertaining to the maintenance of improvements at the intersection of Bell Road (CH 16) and Martingale Lane, as the previous agreement pertaining to said intersection expired on May 20, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Homer Glen will be financially responsible for all maintenance and energy costs of the traffic signal; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Homer Glen will be responsible for financing and conducting all maintenance of the signal elements specifically required to facilitate emergency vehicle preemption; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board authorizes the Will County Executive to enter into an agreement with the Village of Homer Glen for the maintenance and energy costs of traffic signals at the intersection of Bell Road (CH 16) and Martingale Lane, a copy of which is attached hereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk is hereby directed to transmit two (2) certified copies of this resolution and agreement to the office of the Village of Homer Glen through the office of the Director of Transportation / County Engineer.

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.

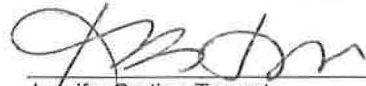
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Authorizing Approval of the Establishment of Altered Speed Zone 694 Along
Garfield Avenue Within the New Lenox Township Road District, County Board
District #2***

WHEREAS, the Will County Division of Transportation has caused an engineering and traffic investigation to be made along the highways or roadways listed below, for which the New Lenox Township Road District has maintenance responsibility, and which is not under the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation, State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Transportation Committee has determined that the basic statutory vehicular speed limits established by Section 5/11-601 of the Illinois Vehicle Code are greater or less than that considered reasonable and proper of the streets or highways listed below; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Transportation Committee in accordance with the Illinois Compiled Statutes has determined an altered speed limit upon the streets or highways listed below; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Board determined and declares reasonable and proper the absolute maximum speed limit upon those highways or roadways or portion thereof below pursuant to Section 5/11-604 of the Illinois Vehicle Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the County Board of Will County, Illinois, that approval is granted for the establishment of an altered speed zone as follows:

Zone 694 Garfield Avenue from the northern dead end to US Route 30.
Length 0.39 miles. Proposed Speed: 25 MPH.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Preamble of this Ordinance is hereby adopted as if fully set forth herein. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by Statute and when signs giving notice thereof have been erected in conformance with the standards and specifications contained in the Illinois Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Right-Of-Way Acquisition Services (Appraisals) with Shonkwiler & Shonkwiler Appraisers for Several Parcels of Property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements Over the Canadian National Railroad, County Board District #2

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer requested right-of-way acquisition services (appraisals) for property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer presented a request to the Public Works & Transportation Committee to enter into an agreement with Shonkwiler & Shonkwiler Appraisers, 4171 Royal Mews Circle, Naperville, Illinois for right-of-way acquisition services for parcel appraisals for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2; and

WHEREAS, the compensation for the right-of-way acquisition services (appraisals) shall be according to the actual costs all subject to an amount listed in the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Transportation Committee concurs with these requests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Will County Board authorizes the approval of a professional services agreement with Shonkwiler & Shonkwiler Appraisers, 4171 Royal Mews Circle, Naperville, Illinois for right-of-way acquisition services for parcel appraisals for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the compensation for the right-of-way acquisition services (appraisals) be according to the schedule of cost as listed in the agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there is approved the sum of \$73,800.00 from the County's allotment of County Motor Fuel Tax, County RTA Tax funds, County Highway Tax Funds, County Matching Tax Funds or County Option Motor Fuel Tax Funds.

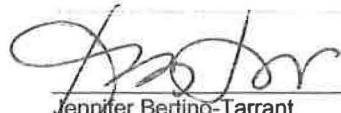
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized to execute the professional services.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Right-Of-Way Acquisition Services (Appraisals) with Hampton, Lenzini, and Renwick, Inc. for Several Parcels of Property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements Over the Canadian National Railroad, County Board District #2

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer requested right-of-way acquisition services (appraisals) for property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer presented a request to the Public Works & Transportation Committee to enter into an agreement with Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc., 1707 N. Randall Road, Suite 100, Elgin, Illinois for right-of-way acquisition services for parcel appraisals for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2; and

WHEREAS, the compensation for the right-of-way acquisition services (appraisals) shall be according to the actual costs all subject to an amount listed in the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Transportation Committee concurs with these requests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Will County Board authorizes the approval of a professional services agreement with Hampton, Lenzini and Renwick, Inc., 1707 N. Randall Road, Suite 100, Elgin, Illinois for right-of-way acquisition services for parcel appraisals for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the compensation for the right-of-way acquisition services (appraisals) be according to the schedule of cost as listed in the agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there is approved the sum of \$30,100.00 from the County's allotment of County Motor Fuel Tax, County RTA Tax funds, County Highway Tax Funds, County Matching Tax Funds or County Option Motor Fuel Tax Funds.

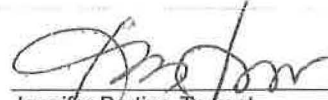
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized to execute the professional services.

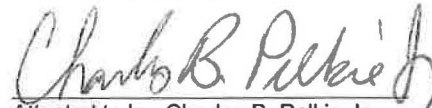
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Right-Of-Way
Acquisition Services (Review Appraisals) with Chicago Metro Realty Valuation
Corp. for Several Parcels of Property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements
Over the Canadian National Railroad, County Board District #2***

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer requested right-of-way acquisition services (review appraisals) for property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer presented a request to the Public Works & Transportation Committee to enter into an agreement with Chicago Metro Realty Valuation Corp., 1363 Shermer Road #334, Northbrook, Illinois for right-of-way acquisition services for parcel review appraisals for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvement over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2; and

WHEREAS, the compensation for the right-of-way acquisition services (review appraisals) shall be according to the actual costs all subject to an amount listed in the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Transportation Committee concurs with these requests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Will County Board authorizes the approval of a professional services agreement with Chicago Metro Realty Valuation Corp., 1363 Shermer Road #334, Northbrook, Illinois for right-of-way acquisition services for parcel review appraisals for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the compensation for the right-of-way acquisition services (review appraisals) be according to the schedule of cost as listed in the agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there is approved the sum of \$48,450.00 from the County's allotment of County Motor Fuel Tax, County RTA Tax funds, County Highway Tax Funds, County Matching Tax Funds or County Option Motor Fuel Tax Funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized to execute the professional services.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

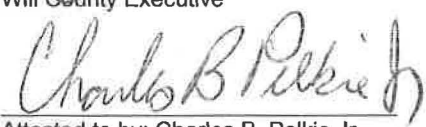
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Authorizing Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Right-Of-Way Acquisition Services (Negotiations) with Swanson and Brown, Ltd., for Several Parcels of Property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements Over the Canadian National Railroad, County Board District #2

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer requested right-of-way acquisition services (negotiations) for property for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer presented a request to the Public Works & Transportation Committee to enter into an agreement with Swanson and Brown, Ltd., 12602 S. Harlem Avenue, Palos Heights, Illinois for right-of-way acquisition services for parcel negotiations for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2; and

WHEREAS, the compensation for the right-of-way acquisition services (negotiations) shall be according to the actual costs all subject to an amount listed in the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Transportation Committee concurs with these requests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Will County Board authorizes the approval of a professional services agreement with Swanson and Brown, Ltd., 12602 S. Harlem Avenue, Palos Heights, Illinois for right-of-way acquisition services for parcel negotiations for the Gougar Road (CH 52) Improvements over the Canadian National Railroad, Section Number 21-00154-19-LA, County Board District #2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the compensation for the right-of-way acquisition services (negotiations) be according to the schedule of cost as listed in the agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there is approved the sum of \$119,000.00 from the County's allotment of County Motor Fuel Tax, County RTA Tax funds, County Highway Tax Funds, County Matching Tax Funds or County Option Motor Fuel Tax Funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized to execute the professional services agreement.

Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Authorizing Approval of Agreement for Purchase of Wetland Banking Site Credits (\$119,700.00) with Mill Creek WB, LLC for Laraway Road (CH 74) at the US Route 52 Intersection, County Section 20-00138-43-CH, County Board Districts #2 and #6

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer desires to widen and improve Laraway Road (CH 74) at the US Route 52 intersection, County Section 20-00138-43-CH, County Board Districts #2 and #6; and

WHEREAS, as part of the improvement it is necessary to obtain a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to purchase wetland banking site credits to compensate for wetland impacts from the project; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer presented a request to the Public Works & Transportation Committee to enter into an agreement with Mill Creek WB, LLC for the purchase of the wetland banking site credits for Laraway Road (CH 74) at the US Route 52 intersection, County Section 20-00138-43-CH, County Board Districts #2 and #6; and

WHEREAS, the compensation for the purchase of the wetland banking site credits shall be according to the actual costs all subject to an amount listed in the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Transportation Committee concurs with these requests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Will County Board authorizes the approval of an agreement with Mill Creek WB, LLC for the purchase of the wetland banking site credits for Laraway Road (CH 74) at the US Route 52 intersection, County Section 20-00138-43-CH, County Board Districts #2 and #6.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Will County Board authorizes the use of County Motor Fuel Tax, County RTA Tax funds, County Highway Tax Funds, County Matching Tax Funds, or County Option Motor Fuel Tax Funds (\$119,700.00) for the purchase of the wetland banking site credits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized to execute the 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.

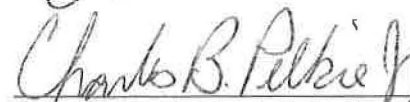
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Authorizing Approval of Agreement for Purchase of Wetland Banking Site Credits
with Mill Creek WB, LLC for West River Road (CH 26) from Coal City Road North
to IL Route 53, Section 20-00174-06-PV, County Board District #1***

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer desires to widen and improve West River Road (CH 26) from Coal City Road north to IL Route 53, Section 20-00174-06-PV, County Board District #1; and

WHEREAS, as part of the improvement it is necessary to obtain a permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to purchase wetland banking site credits to compensate for wetland impacts from the project; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer presented a request to the Public Works & Transportation Committee to enter into an agreement with Mill Creek WB, LLC for the purchase of the wetland banking site credits for West River Road (CH 26) from Coal City Road north to IL Route 53, Section 20-00174-06-PV, County Board District #1; and

WHEREAS, the compensation for the purchase of the wetland banking site credits shall be according to the actual costs all subject to an amount listed in the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Transportation Committee concurs with these requests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Will County Board authorizes the approval of an agreement with Mill Creek WB, LLC for the purchase of the wetland banking site credits for West River Road (CH 26) from Coal City Road north to IL Route 53, Section 20-00174-06-PV, County Board District #1.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Will County Board authorizes the use of County Motor Fuel Tax, County RTA Tax funds, County Highway Tax Funds, County Matching Tax Funds, or County Option Motor Fuel Tax Funds (\$48,960.00) for the purchase of the wetland banking site credits.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized to execute the 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.

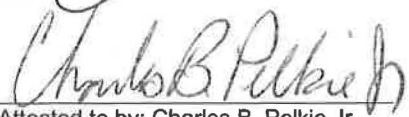
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Authorizing Approval of Supplemental Professional Services Agreement for Right-Of-Way Acquisition Services (Negotiations) with Hanson Professional Services Inc. for Several Parcels of Property for the Laraway Road (CH 74) and US Route 52 Intersection Improvements, County Board Districts #2 and #6

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer requested supplemental right-of-way acquisition services (negotiations) for property for the Laraway Road (CH 74) and US Route 52 Intersection Improvements, Section Number 20-00138-43-LA, County Board Districts #2 and #6; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Transportation/County Engineer presented a request to the Public Works & Transportation Committee to enter into a supplemental agreement with Hanson Professional Services Inc., 1525 S. Sixth St., Springfield, Illinois for right-of-way acquisition services for parcel negotiations for the Laraway Road (CH 74) and US Route 52 Intersection Improvements, Section Number 20-00138-43-LA, County Board Districts #2 and #6; and

WHEREAS, the compensation for the supplemental right-of-way acquisition services (negotiations) shall be according to the actual costs all subject to an amount listed in the supplemental agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works & Transportation Committee concurs with these requests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Will County Board authorizes the approval of a professional services agreement with Hanson Professional Services Inc., 1525 S. Sixth St., Springfield, Illinois for right-of-way acquisition services for parcel negotiations for the Laraway Road (CH 74) and US Route 52 Intersection Improvements, Section Number 20-00138-43-LA, County Board Districts #2 and #6.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the compensation for the supplemental right-of-way acquisition services (negotiations) be according to the schedule of cost as listed in the supplemental agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there is approved the additional sum of \$9,072.00 using any combination of the following funds: County's allotment of Motor Fuel Tax funds, County RTA Tax funds, County Highway Tax Funds, County Matching Tax Funds, County Option Motor Fuel Tax Funds; and.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the County Clerk of Will County are hereby authorized to execute the professional services agreement

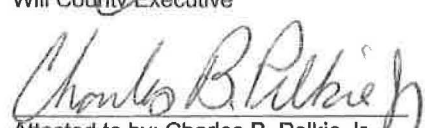
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Pretzel, Butler, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Ogalla
AWAY:	Mitchell

Result: Approved - [20 to 1]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Authorizing Adoption of the Solid Waste Management Plan 2017-2024

WHEREAS, in January 1991, the Will County Board adopted the Solid Waste Management Plan prepared pursuant to the Illinois Solid Waste Planning and Recycling Act (415, ILCS 15/1 et. Seq); and

WHEREAS, in March 1996, the Will County Board adopted its first five-year Solid Waste Management Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, in June 2001, the Will County Board adopted certain amendments to the Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, in November 2001, the Will County Board adopted its second five-year Solid Waste Management Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, in January 2006, the Will County Board adopted certain amendments to the Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, in December 2008, the County Board adopted its third five-year Solid Waste Management Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, in December 2017, the County Board adopted its fourth five-year Solid Waste Management Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Planning and Recycling Act requires that the County Solid Waste Management Plan be updated and reviewed, and that any necessary or appropriate revisions be submitted to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) for review and comment; and

WHEREAS, Will County discussed the Plan Update at Landfill Committee meeting in March and April 2024, presenting parts of the update, as part of public meetings; and

WHEREAS, Will County issued public notice for the May 2024 Landfill Committee meeting including a complete 2017-2024 Solid Waste Management Plan to supersede all previous Solid Waste Management Plans; and

WHEREAS, Will County issued a public notice for the July 2024 Landfill Committee meeting, including a complete 2017-2024 Solid Waste Management Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, Will County issued a public notice for the August 2024 Landfill Committee meeting including the complete 2017-2024 Solid Waste Management Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, Will County issued a public notice for the September 2024 Landfill Committee meeting including the complete 2017-2024 Solid Waste Management Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, Will County posted the 2017-2024 Solid Waste Management Plan Update on the www.WillCountyGreen.com <<<http://www.WillCountyGreen.com>>> website inviting public comment, sent notices to each community and township within Will County and gave electronic notice to groups that had expressed interest, encouraging comment; and

WHEREAS, Will County posted a notice of the 2017-2024 Solid Waste Management Plan Update on several social media platforms and through an electronic newsletter encouraging public comment; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 - 2024 Solid Waste Management Plan Update contains waste generation figures for the County and the Will County Service Area (which includes municipalities wholly or partially within Will County), waste diversion goals and recommendations for waste capacity; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Land Use Department, Resource Recovery and Energy Division received several public comments via electronic mail and social media; and

WHEREAS, the public comments received and the response thereto are included within the 2017 - 2024 Solid Waste Management Plan Update as Appendix F; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Board has reviewed and recommends approval of the attached 2017-2024 Will County Solid Waste Management Plan Update

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

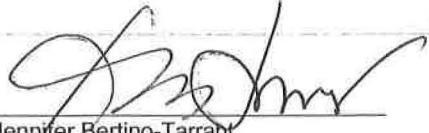
1. The 2017- 2024 Will County Solid Waste Management Plan Update (attached hereto) is hereby adopted.
2. The Resolution and every provision thereof shall be considered separable, and the invalidity of any portion of this Resolution shall not affect the validity of the remainder.
3. All Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed.
4. The Resolution shall take effect following its passage, approval, recording, and publishing, as may be required by law.

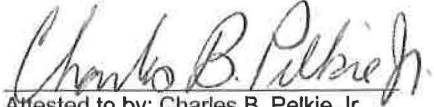
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AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING: Butler
AWAY: Mitchell

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Authorizing Payment to Family Guidance Centers, Inc. for Operations Costs of
Their Mobile Outreach Services***

WHEREAS, the County has received settlement funds from a number of cases involving national litigation against manufacturers, distributors, and pharmacies shown to be in whole or in part responsible for the national opioid pandemic, ("National Multistate Opioid Settlement"); and

WHEREAS, County Board desires to use the Settlement Funds to remediate the devastating impact of the opioid epidemic by establishing programs and providing services to residents and clients within Will County; and

WHEREAS the Family Guidance Centers Inc. is a Federal and State licensed and funded not-for-profit Behavioral Healthcare Company providing Substance Use Disorder (SUD) and Mental Health Services; and

WHEREAS, Family Guidance Centers Inc. provides SUD and Mental Health Services countywide; and

WHEREAS, Family Guidance Centers Inc. is requesting funding for Mobile Outreach Services in the amount of \$278,000 for operations costs for 1 year; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee desires to provide funds to Family Guidance Centers Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$278,000 from Opioid Settlement funds for the purpose of providing Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health Services more specifically described as attached in their request; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee recommends the funding as requested by Family Guidance Centers, Inc. in four (4) installments.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Will County Board hereby authorizes the payment of \$278,000.00 to Family Guidance Centers Inc. for operations costs for 1 year to provide Mobile Outreach Services in four (4) equal installments of \$69,500 for expenses from September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, there will be a fully executed agreement outlining the use of said funds pursuant to the program authorized by the Will County Board and reviewed by the Will County State's Attorney's Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Family Guidance Centers Inc. shall report monthly to the County Board Executive Committee, financial and performance reports with supporting documentation related to their request in the attached document.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, upon complete expenditure of the first installment of funds the second installment shall made to the Recipient subject to the reporting conditions listed

above. The same requirements shall apply to the third and fourth installments. The Funds provided shall be used for Eligible and Allowable Costs incurred by Family Guidance Inc. in the implementation of the projects and/or activities described in the attached request as related to the requirements of the List of Opioid Remediation Uses (see attached).

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

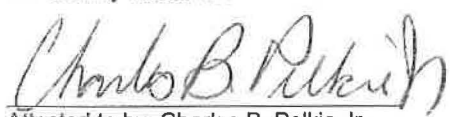
Adopted by the Will County Board this 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES:	Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
NAYS:	Balich
LEFT MEETING:	Butler

Result: Approved as Amended - [20 to 1]

Approved this 13 day of November, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Trenton~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

Amending the Parameters for the Expenditure of American Rescue Plan Funds

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 is a \$1.9 trillion Coronavirus rescue package designed to facilitate the United States' recovery from the devastating economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), has provided over \$134 million to Will County to address economic and social distresses created and exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Board has taken a deliberate and detailed review of the ARPA requirements and has considered many options to fund critical programs and services in Will County Communities; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Board has reviewed progress on the ARPA allocations and has determined it is necessary to amend the original ARPA pillar allocations; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Board Executive Committee recommends that the remainder of the allotments to the specific topic areas as listed below be allocated into a new pillar Will County Internal Projects:

Health	\$845,962.79
Economic Development	\$10,000.00
Unmet needs	333,052.55
Total	\$1,189,015.34

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby concurs with the recommendation of the County Board Executive Committee on the creation of the Will County Internal Projects pillar.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Will County Board approves the following amended allocation of ARPA funding into the Will County Internal Projects pillar from the following pillars:

Health	\$845,962.79
Economic Development	\$10,000.00
Unmet needs	\$333,052.55
Total	\$1,189,015.34

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby agrees any substantial changes to these funding allocations will come back to the Will County Board for further review.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there shall be no expenditure from any of the pillars until the County Board provides a directive for the pillar and then all expenditures shall be in compliance with such plans or directives as adopted by the Will County Board.

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 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES:

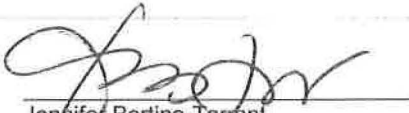
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LEFT MEETING:

Butler

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Authorizing the County Executive to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement
with Steger Estates Fire Protection District to Provide Access to the Countywide
Radio System***

WHEREAS, the County of Will owns and operates a Countywide Radio System for the purpose of providing highly reliable communications to all County Offices and Departments and many local agencies, and

WHEREAS, the Steger Estates Fire Protection District desires to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the County of Will to utilize the Countywide Radio System for their daily, operable communications, and

WHEREAS, the Radio System Manager recommends, and the executive committee concurs, that the County Executive be authorized to execute the attached Intergovernmental Agreement with the Steger Estates Fire Protection District, subject to the approval of the State's Attorney's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby authorizes the County Executive to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Will and the Steger Estates Fire Protection District for the use of the Countywide Radio System.

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 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING: Butler

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***FY24 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Intergovernmental Agreement
(IGA) with City of Joliet***

WHEREAS, the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program has been authorized by Congress for the purpose of prevention or reduction of crime and violence and to improve the fair administration of the justice system; and

WHEREAS, the County of Will and the City of Joliet are disparate partners of the FY2024 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program and have been awarded a Joint Allocation of \$75,851; and

WHEREAS, the County of Will and the City of Joliet have agreed to split the award equally in amounts of \$37,925.50, and the County Executive's Office recommends and the Executive Committee concurs that the Will County Executive be authorized to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Joliet; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Executive's Office has recommended, and the Executive Committee concurs that the FY2024 Justice Assistance Grant Program Funds, in the amount of \$37,925.50, be allocated and used in the Will County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) for the purchase of two (2) multipurpose canines and to off-set associated handler training costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby concurs with the recommendation of the Will County Executive's Office and authorizes the County Executive to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Joliet to distribute the 2024 JAG Joint Allocation in the total amount of \$75,851 equally between the City of Joliet and the County of Will.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Will County Board concurs with the recommendation of the Will County Executive's Office and the Executive Committee and hereby approves the FY2024 JAG Allocation in the amount of \$37,925.50, and its expenditure toward the Will County Sheriff's Office.

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.

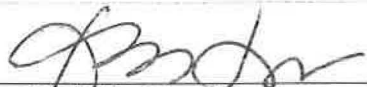
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LEFT MEETING: Butler

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
Interim County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Approving County Executive Appointments to the Black Walnut Drainage District
of Will County***

WHEREAS, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009(d), the County Executive shall "appoint, with the advice and consent of the Board, persons to serve on the various boards and commissions to which appointments are provided by law to be made by the board; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009(e), the County Executive shall "appoint, with the advice and consent of the Board, persons to serve on various special districts within the county except where appointment to serve on such districts is otherwise provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Executive has presented to the Executive Committee of the County Board the attached list of name(s) to be appointed to the Black Walnut Drainage District of Will County; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee now submits 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(d)(e), does hereby concur with the recommendation of the County Executive and gives its consent to the name(s) on the list attached to this Resolution for appointment to the Black Walnut Drainage District of Will County.

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.

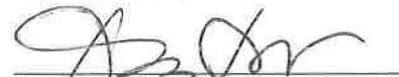
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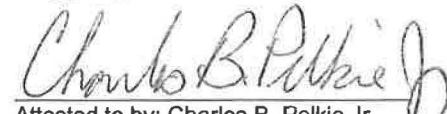
AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere

LEFT MEETING: Butler

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Approving County Executive Appointments to the Florence-Wesley Union
Drainage District #1 of Will County***

WHEREAS, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009(d), the County Executive shall "appoint, with the advice and consent of the Board, persons to serve on the various boards and commissions to which appointments are provided by law to be made by the board; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009(e), the County Executive shall "appoint, with the advice and consent of the Board, persons to serve on various special districts within the county except where appointment to serve on such districts is otherwise provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Executive has presented to the Executive Committee of the County Board the attached list of name(s) to be appointed to the Florence-Wesley Union Drainage District #1 of Will County; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee now submits 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(d)(e), does hereby concur with the recommendation of the County Executive and gives its consent to the name(s) on the list attached to this Resolution for appointment to the Florence-Wesley Union Drainage District #1 of Will County.

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 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES:

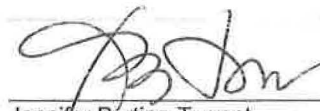
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LEFT MEETING:

Butler

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.



Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive



Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)



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

***Approving County Executive Appointments to the Workforce Investment Board of
Will County***

WHEREAS, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009(d), the County Executive shall "appoint, with the advice and consent of the Board, persons to serve on the various boards and commissions to which appointments are provided by law to be made by the board; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 55 ILCS 5/2-5009(e), the County Executive shall "appoint, with the advice and consent of the Board, persons to serve on various special districts within the county except where appointment to serve on such districts is otherwise provided by law; and

WHEREAS, the Will County Executive has presented to the Executive Committee of the County Board the attached list of name(s) to be appointed to the Workforce Investment Board of Will County; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee now submits 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(d)(e), does hereby concur with the recommendation of the County Executive and gives its consent to the name(s) on the list attached to this Resolution for appointment to the Workforce Investment Board of Will County.

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 17th day of October, 2024.

AYES: Deane-Schlottman, VanDuyne, Ogalla, Pretzel, Newquist, Balich, Richmond, Parker, Williams, Diaz, Winfrey, Coleman, Logan, Freeman, Revis, Mitchell, Ortiz, Berkowicz, Mueller, Costa, Traynere
LEFT MEETING: Butler

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 29 day of October, 2024.


Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant
Will County Executive


Attested to by: Charles B. Pelkie Jr.
~~Interim~~ County Clerk

(SEAL)