

**PROCEEDINGS
OF THE COUNTY BOARD
ADAMS COUNTY, ILLINOIS
SPECIAL MEETING**

**COUNTY OF ADAMS)
STATE OF ILLINOIS)**

The County Board of Adams County, Illinois held a special meeting at the Courthouse, Quincy, Illinois, on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 7:00P.M., pursuant to recess.

PRESENT: Les Post, Chairman
Chuck Venvertloh, County Clerk

Mr. Davis gave the invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Chairman Post called the meeting to order. The County Clerk called roll and the following members were present: Theresa Bockhold, Duane Venvertloh, Joe Zanger, Richard Reis, Todd Duesterhaus, Sam Franklyn, Randall Reis, Rebecca Weed, Ryan Niekamp, Dave Bellis, Marvin Kerkhoff, Todd Degitz, John Heidbreder, Kent Snider, Lyle Nichols, Rick Gengenbacher, Mark Peter, Matt Obert, John Brady, Seldon Totsch and Les Post. Total present: 21.

Chairman Post declared a quorum present.

Office holders, department heads, and/or their representatives also present were: Mr. Dave Bockhold from the Highway Department, Mr. Gary Farha from the State's Attorney's Office, Mr. Brian Vonderhaar from the Sheriff's Department, Mr. John Simon from Emergency Management, Ms. Wendy Venvertloh from Adams County Probation, Ms. Holly Henze from Adams County Public Defender, Mr. Paul Davis from the Ambulance Department and Mr. John Frankenhoff from the IT Department. Also present were Kyle Moore and representatives from the City of Quincy and Mr. Larry Perrine and Brent Fischer from the Jail Committee.

Mr. Snider moved to suspend the rules to allow the public to speak.
Mr. Niekamp seconded the motion.

Motion to suspend the rules approved.

Judge Mark Drummond spoke regarding the location of the new Adams County Jail and the possible agreement between the City and the County. Judge Drummond appreciated everyone's willingness to speak to him as he tried to reach all board members this past week. No issue has impacted law enforcement in Quincy and Adams County as much as

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the jail. Thanks to the Board for their willingness to listen to everyone in respect to the jail issue. He appreciated the interest in locating the jail downtown. Judge Drummond spoke of the partnership between the County and the City in the jail system. We can move forward by moving backward. He also appreciated and understands Mr. Venvertloh looking at the financial side and understands that he is not in favor of the deal as is. Judge Drummond understands the desire to gain additional money from the city. He asked that the board not stop the deal for \$300,000.00. Judge Drummond relayed that the deal was off with any changes. This is two governing bodies in a cooperative effort to benefit the citizens of Adams County and Quincy. Judge Drummond listed some of the benefits. Safety: building will be much safer with both forces located here. Years ago a Judge received threats. That was sent to the secret service and FBI. The story of that threat appeared in the papers. With two law enforcement agencies here, people will think twice about doing something here and that safety is worth the extra cost. Efficiencies: efficiencies will occur that cannot be measured in dollars. QPD will benefit from this. QPD won't have to wait at the court house to see what happens with a newly arrested individual and can keep working and improve efficiency. These efficiencies are worth the 20 year deal. The city would like a longer deal. The county would like more dollars. Judge Drummond urged the County Board to pass the deal. Judge Drummond that both Sheriff Vonderhaar and Chief Copley would like the deal to happen.

Mr. Heidbreder made a motion to return to regular session.

Ms. Weed seconded the motion.

The Board voted to return to regular session

Transportation, Building & Technology

Committee Report (Mr. Snider)

None

Legislative & Judicial

Committee Report (Mr. Niekamp)

None

Public Health & Safety

Committee Report (Mr. Peter)

None

Jail Sub-Committee

Committee Report (Mr. Peter)

Report – The committee met before the special board meeting this evening.
The committee voted to recommended the courthouse as the jail site.

Mr. Peter made a motion to approve the Courthouse site as the new jail site location.
Mr. Totsch seconded the motion.

The site consists of the courthouse site and east across 6th street for the design of the new jail building.

John Heidbreder asked for clarification.

Mr. Venvertloh stated that this recommendation is to use the courthouse site whether QPD is involved or not.

Motion to approve the HOK recommendation for sight selection approved.

Mr. Peter made a motion to go into executive session.
Mr. Richie Reis seconded the motion.

Motion to move to executive session approved.

The County Board returned to regular session after the executive session.

Mr. Nichols made a motion for a roll call vote on the motion to approve the HOK recommendation for sight selection.

Mr. Franklyn seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken to approve the HOK sight recommendation.

All in Favor: Theresa Bockhold, Duane Venvertloh, Joe Zanger, Richard Reis, Todd Duesterhaus, Sam Franklyn, Randall Reis, Rebecca Weed, Ryan Niekamp, Dave Bellis, Marvin Kerkhoff, Todd Degitz, John Heidbreder, Kent Snider, Lyle Nichols, Rick Gengenbacher, Mark Peter, Matt Obert, John Brady, Seldon Totsch and Les Post. Total in favor: 21.

HOK sight recommendation unanimously approved.

Mr. Peter made a motion to approve the intergovernmental agreement.
Ms. Weed seconded the motion.

Mr. Nichols requested a roll call vote.

A roll call vote was taken to approve the intergovernmental agreement.

All in Favor: Theresa Bockhold, Richard Reis, Todd Duesterhaus, Sam Franklyn, Rebecca Weed, Ryan Niekamp, Dave Bellis, Marvin Kerkhoff, Kent Snider,

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Mark Peter. Total in favor: 10. Opposed: Duane Venvertloh, Joe Zanger, Randall Reis, Todd Degitz, John Heidbreder, Lyle Nichols, Rick Gengenbacher, Matt Obert, John Brady, Seldon Totsch and Les Post. Total opposed: 11.

The intergovernmental agreement was not approved..

Finance

Committee Report (Mr. Venvertloh)

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Correspondence

None

Mr. Heidbreder made a motion to adjourn.
Mr. Snider seconded the motion

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.