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**Committee of the Whole Minutes
Wednesday, July 13th 2022 5:30 PM**

The Committee of the Whole of the Rock Island County Board met at the above date and time in the County Board Chambers on the third floor of the County Building;
1504 Third Avenue, Rock Island, IL. Per section 7(e) of the State of Illinois Open Meetings Act, Members of the County Board may attend the meeting remotely, if they prefer. The public may attend in person or call into the meeting by dialing 312-626-6799 and entering Meeting ID 942 592 50168 when prompted.

Minutes as follows:

Call to order and roll call

Chairman Vyncke called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM

A roll call was established

Members Present: R. Morthland, D. Cremeens, M. Burns, M. Moreno, L. Burns, L. Moreno, C. Enburg, B. Vyncke, J. Deppe, P. McNeil, L. Thompson, D. Adams. R. Brunk, A. Normoyle, E. Sowards, E. Langdon, R. Simmer, L. Boswell-Loftin, J. Woods, D. Beck, D. Mielke, K. Bogdonas, B. Westpfahl

Members Absent: K. Swanson, D. Clevenger

Public Comments

Vice-Chair Vyncke made three calls for public comment. There were no requests for public comment

Approval of the minutes from the June 15th, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting

Motion to approve L. Moreno. Seconded

Condition of Funds Report

Auditor A. Palmer stated all the reports for her condition of funds were emailed to the members. She noted the tax anticipation warrants from Hope Creek were to be paid in full with the interest.

Schedule H state of Illinois payments were higher by about 7.237 million. Cannabis tax revenue was also increased by about \$19,400. Probation officer salaries were about \$2.300 more than March of 2021.

She also noted that the general fund balance was now at the highest growing fund balance in the County history as far back as 1939. Total cash was about three times what it was as of June 30, 2021. She noted no general fund offices appeared to be over budget.

July and December were the three paycheck months in 2022 with payroll averaging about \$782,200 since the beginning of the fiscal year.

Staff Reports

Ms. Ewert was unavailable to present her reports, but the documents were available in the packet.



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Finance & Personnel Committee Report
Given by Chairman L. Moreno

Johnson Controls presented on the County Office Building upgrades; To summarize, Johnson Controls was very happy with the challenge and thanked Mr. Grafton, Mr. Davis, Mr. Pilichowski for their work and presented a final scope of work. The scope of work was presented, highlighting about a 6 million dollar project, with the leadership of the County, there were cost decreases. Ceiling replacement in main areas, and HVAC changes were highlighted with about 7,500 square ft. to be replaced, but the new figure was about 12,000 from an aesthetic, and HVAC changes. Generator for IT equipment would be added and the roof over the rear county entrance. The equipment that was existing would be stretched if possible, replaced and add some air handling units for areas not tied into the major systems. The final design would include hot water in all the restrooms and install 15 new lavatories that would be ADA compliant and a new water cooler with a bottle fill station that would be ADA compliant and add value. The chiller would be replaced with a 98-ton chiller with new piping.

Lighting would be retrofit and it was looked at replacing around 50 percent of the fixtures, new lenses and provide more cost effective with new ceilings providing better light and reduced energy expenses.

Carpet replacement was looked at and structured cabling for IT.

The project initial scope with revised scope of work was at about \$4.9 million with carpeting and cabling at the County's discretion.

A timeline was presented for implementation with financial commitments, looking at breaking ground in September and wrap up around 12 months to completion of the scope of work..

Ms. Beck asked about the hot water in the lavatories; it was stated it made sense financially to replace the pump with new continuous hot water.

Dr. Simmer addressed fluctuations in material prices.

Governance, Health and Administration Committee Report
Given by Chairman J. Deppe

Nevada Lemke, City administrator of Silvis presented an overview of a request to extend the special Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District #8 in Silvis. She stated there were 9 TIF districts, two of which expired in 2021 and were back on the tax rolls. There were currently 7 active TIF with two expiring in 2025 and 2030. Two in 2036 and 2039 both which have significant development projects and three on the Avenue of the Cities. She presented an extension of TIF 8 to redevelop before the TIF expires. TIFs 4 and 5, expired in 2021 brought an additional 1.4 million to the tax rolls to distribute and she stated they were performing well. The current expiration for TIF 8 was 2030, but stated there were several residential developments and development projects. The water distribution was a concern. The extension 12 years would be an expiration of 2042 in alignment with the 2 adjacent TIFs set to expire in 2039 and 2043. The hope would be to redevelop along the

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avenue of the Cities and a redevelopment coach was hired to do market analysis. Hospital Road, west of TIF 8 would be redeveloped as well, along Illini Drive.

There was a current development was contingent on the extension of the TIF. The revenue generated would help with infrastructure upgrades, and water mains, purchasing water from the City of Moline as a water source. Water and sewer lines would be looked at for redevelopment, along with some of the commercial retail strip along Avenue of the Cities, and preserve the TIF district as a whole.

The impact to the County tax year payable 2022 \$130,371 for TIF 8 to extend for the 12 years. There were other taxing bodies in support; Blackhawk College being one of them.

Vice Chair Vyncke thanked Ms. Lemke and gave kudos to Silvis and encouraged the support of the development.

Public Works & Facilities Committee Report

Given by Chairman L. Burns

Approval of the County Board Agenda

Motion to approve as presented: A. Normoyle. Seconded P. McNeil

Motion carried

The Committee of the Whole may entire into Closed Session for the following:

- 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (1) – The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.
- 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (2) – Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.
- 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (11) – Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probably or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

There were no items for Closed Session

Committee Member opportunity for brief comment (*no decisions will be made*)

Chairman Moreno recognized both Ms. Normoyle and Mr. Deppe for the courage and conviction to run for higher office, although the turnout was not what was hoped for, but congratulated them on clean run campaign races.

Chairman Brunk congratulated the Board members after hearing the County Auditor state the finances were better than they've been since 1939 and offered around of applause for current and former board members



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making decisions and helped to put the county in good financial standing.

Dr. Simmer stated that Unity Point had terminated contracts for several members including member A. Normoyle's husband's contract and praised their work, stating Unity Point looked to be headed in a sad direction.

Adjourn

No further business, the Committee of the Whole adjourned at 6:22 PM with motion by D. Adams. Seconded P. Moreno

Future meetings of the Committee of the Whole scheduled for

August 10th, and September 14th 2022.