

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
KNOX COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**Special Meeting
November 25, 2009**

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COUNTY OF KNOX) SS

Proceedings of the regular meeting of the Knox County Board held at the Knox County Annex conference room, Galesburg, Illinois on November 25, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Greg Bacon and upon roll call the following members reported present:

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| District 2 | Greg “Chops” Bacon |
| District 3 | Barbara Foster |
| District 4 | Lowell Mannhardt |
| District 5 | Jeff Jefferson |
| District 1 | Cheryl Nache |
| District 2 | Paul Stewart |
| District 4 | George Knapp |
| District 5 | Ricardo “Rick” Sandoval |
| District 1 | Lyle Johnson |
| District 2 | William Abel |
| District 3 | Jan Occhi |
| District 4 | Wayne Saline |
| District 5 | David Serven |

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| And those absent: | District 1 | Allen Pickrel |
| | District 3 | Tim Hasten |

Also present was County Clerk Scott Erickson.

Motion by Member Johnson, seconded by Member Occhi, to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Refunding Bonds. Chairman Bacon said this was the main reason for the Special meeting. All the details were discussed previously. Roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Bacon, Foster, Mannhardt, Jefferson, Nache, Stewart, Knapp, Sandoval, Johnson, Abel, Occhi, Saline, and Serven (13). Noes – (0). Motion carried.

Motion by Member Sandoval, second by Member Abel, to go into Closed session to discuss personnel and pending litigation. Roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Bacon, Foster, Mannhardt, Jefferson, Nache, Stewart, Knapp, Sandoval, Johnson, Abel, Occhi, Saline, and Serven (13). Noes – (0). Motion carried and into Closed session at 6:02PM.

6:12PM – Return to open session.

Motion by Member Johnson, second by Member Occhi, to remove from the table the request for a special audit in the Recorder’s office. Roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Bacon, Foster, Mannhardt, Jefferson, Nache, Stewart, Knapp, Sandoval, Johnson, Abel, Occhi, Saline, and Serven (13). Noes – (0). Motion carried and the action item was removed from the table and is available for action.

Motion by Member Occhi, second by Member Abel, to conduct an “accelerated audit” in the Recorder’s office. Chairman Bacon said that this will include the auditors starting the regular audit early and beginning their work in the Recorder’s office. If any concerns are found, they will come back to the Board for direction on how to proceed. The cost of this extra work will not exceed \$1,000 and should start soon. Roll call vote as follows: Ayes – Bacon, Foster, Mannhardt, Jefferson, Nache, Stewart, Knapp, Sandoval, Johnson, Abel, Occhi, Saline, and Serven (13). Noes – (0). Motion carried

The next regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 30, 2009, 6:00 p.m., at the Knox County Courthouse, Galesburg, Illinois.

Motion by Member Foster, seconded by member Nache, to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote as follows: Ayes – (13). Noes – (0). Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 6:45PM.

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6:02PM – Chairman Bacon said he talked to the auditors about the options for a special audit in the Recorder’s office. He talked to them today and gave them an idea of how the office is run. Carol Hallam has been doing the bookkeeping for years. Treasurer Davis had talked to them prior to our meeting and it has been decided that the County Clerk’s office will not be included in the special audit unless something is found in the Recorder’s office. Since there has been an audit already since Mrs. Monzo has left the Clerk’s office, there is no real pertinent reason to include the Clerk’s office. Their suggestion is to start the regular audit next week and to start in the Recorder’s office. They will do a sampling of the records and see if any concerns arise. If problems look like they may exist, then they will come back to the Board and set up an in-depth audit. By doing a little extra work, they will know fairly quickly if there is reason for concern. The additional charges would be around \$500 to \$1,000. Carol Hallam and Robin Davis will help with the record gathering and this will just be like a jump start into the regular audit.

Dan Ribordy and matt Schueler from Lindgren Callihan VanOsdol addressed the Board. Mr. Ribordy said this was more of a look at the internal controls process. Mr. Schueler added that this is something they will do for all offices for the regular audit; they are just starting early and looking for flags. Chairman Bacon said that they will just look for problems and set parameters for searching and a cost if something is found that does not look correct. Member Saline said we could have agreed upon procedures in place by next meeting, but does not see that this will be necessary. It is a minimal amount of money to do this extra look. Chairman Bacon thanked the auditors for being willing to start so soon and to include this in the regular audit. Gary Tomlin said we should call it an “accelerated audit”. Member Abel wanted to make sure that the public is informed about our actions.

Motion by Member Occhi, second by Member Sandoval to return to open session. Voice vote as follows: Ayes – (13). Noes – (0). Motion carried and return to open session at 6:12PM