

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

February 8, 2023

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Proceedings of the Special Public Meeting of the Knox County Board held in person at the Knox County Courthouse on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Due to the coronavirus precautions, this meeting was presented via teleconference in order to alleviate the need for the public to be in person at the meeting and still participate. The zoom code used tonight will stay the same for future meetings and can be found on the County website.

The Meeting was called to order by County Board Chair Jared Hawkinson and upon roll call the following Members reported present:

District 1	Cheryl Nache
District 2	Greg Bacon
District 3	Pamela Davidson
District 4	Jared Hawkinson
District 5	Ricardo “Rick” Sandoval
District 2	Erin Pugh
District 3	Kimberly Thierry
District 5	Brian Friedrich
District 1	Amanda Smith
District 3	Samuel Cohen
District 4	Todd Olinger
District 5	Patty Boone

And those absent:	District 1	Anthony Weiss
	District 4	Joshua Kramer
	District 2	Bob Bondi

Also present was County Clerk Scott Erickson.

Clerk Erickson delivered the Proclamation and Chair Hawkinson led the Members in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. In lieu of a formal invocation, Chair Hawkinson asked that a moment of silence be observed.

Chair Hawkinson asked for additions to the agenda. There were no additions.

Chair Hawkinson asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion was made by Member Friedrich and seconded by Member Nache for the Board to go into Closed Session at 6:02 p.m. for Personnel. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Nache, Bacon, Davidson, Hawkinson, Sandoval, Pugh, Thierry, Friedrich, Smith, Cohen, Olinger and Boone—(12). Noes— (0). Motion carried.

Returned to Open Session at 6:15 p.m.

Motion was made by Member Cohen and seconded by Member Olinger to approve Personnel Settlement with Sheriff Department Union.

Member Bacon said that he does not like this. He never got \$5,000.

Member Cohen said he hopes we learned our lesson.

Member Davidson said that as we enter our contracts that the elected officials understand the full contract, what it says, and not just assume.

Member Nache said that she is voting no because in the end this is taxpayers' money. We have had a few too many that we have had to bite the bullet. This is taxpayers' money not ours.

Member Thierry says that the buck starts at the top. She was true to herself and knew the contract.

Chair Hawkinson said that modifications in process soon. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Bacon, Davidson, Hawkinson, Sandoval, Pugh, Thierry, Friedrich, Smith, Cohen, Olinger and Boone—(11). Noes—Nache-- (1). Motion carried.

The next Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., at Galesburg City Hall Council Chambers. The Zoom option will be available to the viewing public only. Board Members will be present in person for this meeting.

Motions was made by Member Friedrich and seconded by Member Sandoval to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote is recorded as follows: Ayes—Nache, Bacon, Davidson, Hawkinson, Sandoval, Pugh, Thierry, Friedrich, Smith, Cohen, Olinger and Boone—(12). Noes— (0). Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.