



Observer Report

Observer(s): Carol Davis

Date: June 25, 2019

Government Body: DuPage County Board	
<i>Members</i>	Brian Krajewski (District 3)-- Present
Dan Cronin (Chair) -- Present	Robert Larsen (District 6)-- Present
Elizabeth Chaplin (District 2)-- Present	Sean Noonan (District 2)-- Present
Sadia Covert (District 5)-- Present	Mary Ozog (District 4)-- Present
Dawn DeSart (District 5)-- Present	Donald Puchalski (District 1)-- Present
Peter DiCianni (District 2)-- Present	Julie Renehan (District 3)-- Present
Grant Eckhoff (District 4)-- Present	Sheila Rutledge (District 6)-- Present
Tim Elliott (District 4)-- Present	Ashley Selmon (District 1)-- Present
Greg Hart (District 3)-- Present	Sam Tornatore (District 1)-- Present
James Healy (District 5)-- Present	James Zay (District 6)-- Present

General Observations	Yes	No	Comments
Did meeting start on time?		X	ETSB meeting ran late, affecting the start time of the County Board approximately 10 minutes
Were the facilities large enough? Could the audience readily hear the proceedings? Handicapped Access?	x		
Was there media coverage?			Unsure
Illinois Open Meeting Act requirements			
Was the agenda posted 48 hours before the meeting? If so, where?	X		
Did the agenda items clearly describe what was to be discussed	X		
Was background information available to the public?	X		
Were issues adequately discussed?	X		
Was public comment encouraged?	X		
Was the public treated respectfully?	X		

Agenda and supporting agenda items can be found at:

Meeting Agenda: [Meeting Agenda](#)

Supporting Packet: [Packet](#)

Meetings are streamed and archived at:

Video: [Video](#)



Public participation: (estimate of attendance excluding staff and elected officials)

Approximately 60

Public Participation Remarks:

11 members of the public spoke.

Nine people spoke, and three submitted a record of attendance opposing Agenda item 11 D (DC-0-0034-19 Ordinance Z19-009 Marino), concerning reduction in lot size for a multi-acre property in unincorporated Bartlett. No one, including the property owner requesting the variance, spoke in favor of the variance (video time 36:00). Later in the meeting, Board Member Tornatore brought this item up for approval. There was extensive discussion (video time 2:08:00). The board voted to send the item back to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

A member of the public spoke in favor of supporting agenda item 13A: (EN-R-0226-19) an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Naperville and the County of DuPage to provide funding for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility. This item had previously been on the agenda for approval at the last County Board meeting but was removed and sent to the Finance Committee for further discussion and clarification. At today's meeting, the item was submitted and approved during Board Member Chaplin's report.

Another member of the public spoke in favor of the Board's response to Sterigenics.

Presentations and discussion by elected officials, staff and/or administrators:

Chairman Dan Cronin gave his report which included, among other things, a Bike to Work Week Proclamation, ComEd Check Presentation, and County Administrator Recognition.

Informational Items presented by elected officials, staff and/or administrators:

In addition to the usual consent items, 11 committees gave presentations and presented items for approval.



Were any issues on the agenda relevant to any LWV state or local positions or programs?

The Ad-Hoc Adult Business Committee approved an amendment of Chapter 20, Article XV of the DuPage County Code of Ordinances regarding regulation of adult entertainment facilities. The amendment would require employees to be licensed (Agenda item 10). Current legislation only addresses location, not licensing. The complete ordinance can be found in the packet on pages 526-540. The requirement of all entertainers to have in their possession an identification card issued by the county will hopefully mitigate secondary negative activities while still respecting peoples’ constitutional freedoms. Owners, managers and employees will be required to take a human trafficking class. (Video: 2:00:00)

Two items came up that concerned issues of transparency:

- Board Member Elliott asked that Consent Item B, the approval of the previous board meeting minutes, not be approved because individual identities on a roll call vote to table the approval of the funding of a hazardous waste facility were not fully recorded. The item was removed and will be reviewed and posted for the next board meeting (Video: 1:10:00)

- Board Member Ozog requested that three names be removed from being placed on Payroll. Board Member Ozog expressed concerns regarding the reorganization of county leadership and the positions in question. There was a lengthy discussion involving many members of the board (Video 1:16:00).

Do you recommend local League action on any of these issues? If “yes” what action do you recommend?

Meetings are long (this one went over three hours) and, at times, contentious.

It is recommended that the League of Women Voters continue to send observer(s) to all County Board meetings.

Additional Comments/Concerns –

The board takes particular care to ensure that Roberts Rules of Order are followed.

Observation Report filed by _Carol Davis_____ Date July 2, 2019
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