

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS
Full Board Meeting
Thursday, 11/23/2023 – 5:45 p.m.
Jennifer Putman Meeting Room
Brookens Administrative Center
1776 E. Washington St.
Urbana, IL 61801

Present: Carter, Cowart, Fortado, Ingram, Locke, Lokshin, Patterson, Peugh, Rogers, Straub, Stohr, Taylor, Thorsland, Vanichtheeranont, Rodriguez

1. Call to Order: 5:48 pm

2. Approval of the Agenda–

- a. Moved by Locke, second Thorsland, unanimous approval.

3. Public Participation–

- a. Exec. Summers warns us to be ready for a long meeting due to ZBA members being replaced and the wind ordinance.

5. Announcements/Communications–

- a. Member Stohr spoke with member Cowart yesterday and she was doing well. However, this afternoon she was no longer up for tonight's meeting.

6. Review and Discussion of the Full Board Agenda

- a. (XI. C.) ELUC– Thorsland
 - i. (XI. C. 1.) – There were 3 municipal protests, but we are now down to just Philo. With Brett, we have 15 votes, but we need 17– meaning at least 2 Republicans to vote for this to pass it.
 - ii. (XI. C. 2 and 3) Solar– The reason there are two cases is because there are two parts on the same parcel.
- b. (Xli. A .) Finance
 - i. (XII. A. 1) Annual Tax Levy Vote –simple majority roll call
 - ii. (XII. A. 2) Annual Budget Appropriation Ordinance –simple majority roll call
- c. (XII. B) Policy, Personell and Appointments
 - i. (XII. B. 1 -3) ZBA appointments will be contentious again.
- d. (XIII. B) Purchases not Following Purchase Policy
 - i. Because one purchase was spread out in payments over 3 years, Sheriff's office didn't put scheduling program on RFP, but it was actually

over \$30K, so should have been. This language is ambiguous and needs to be clarified.

- e. (XIII.C.) Illinois State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor– this went up \$1K
- f. (XIII, E.) Holidays– don't conflict with major Jewish Holidays
- g. (XIII. G) Approving IGA with the City of Champaign, City of Urbana, and Champaign County for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Grant Program
- h. (XIV. A.1.) Labor– Corrections Sergeants Division Contract Agreement
- i. (XIV. B. 1) Sheriff– Memo on Phone Contract– will get cheaper calls for everyone, will get two free phone calls/day, new equipment– all at no cost to the county. This will take place February 1.
- j. (XIV. C. 1) Broadband Taskforce has already missed a whole funding cycle by moving too slowly. We need to get them to move on this or find companies who will.
- k. (XIV. C. 3.) Increased Revenue Options– this may be very late in the meeting and we may need to move this to December.
- l. (XIV. D. 2) Compensation Proposal will mean paying the consultants again.

6. Next Caucus Meeting: December 12, 2023

7. Adjournment 6:15 pm