

APPROVED 4/24/23
MINUTES
Ways and Means Committee
March 27, 2023
@ 3:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Betty Duncan – Chairperson; Matt Windish -Vice Chairperson; Daniel Kelch, Terry Ruhland, Sharon Williams
MEMBERS ABSENT:	
STAFF PRESENT:	Scott Sorrel – County Administrator; Shauna Musselman – Assistant County Administrator; Jennie Cordis Boswell - State's Attorney's Office; Heather McCord – Chief Financial Officer; Gretchen Pearsall – County Administration; Rachael Parker – County Clerk; Dave Ryan – Supervisor of Assessments; Staci Raker – Treasurer; Mike Brooks - VAC
OTHERS PRESENT:	

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Duncan at 3:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of January 3, 2023 was made by Mr. Kelch and seconded by Mr. Ruhland. The motion carried (5-0).

Informational Items/Reports/Other Minutes/Updates

County Clerk

➤ **Collections and Transactions Report**

Ms. Parker directed committee members to the submitted report and stood for any questions. She noted that calculation of tax information is on schedule.

Peoria County Election Commission

No report.

Supervisor of Assessments/Board of Review

• **Tax Cycle**

Mr. Ryan advised that the Board of Review hearings for complaints filed in 2022 have been completed. He stated that the information was sent to the Department of Revenue to review values, and after receipt of results from the Department of Revenue, it was determined that the factor will remain “1”.

Mr. Ryan advised that 2023 reassessments for all Peoria County properties have begun. He stated that an increased housing market and decreased inventory will be reflected in the 2023 assessments.

Mr. Ryan advised that a Chief Deputy has been hired and began today.

Veteran's Assistance Commission

Mr. Brooks advised that the VA is currently serving 1,512 active disability claims, and \$2.3 million in new benefits for veterans and \$16.4 million in total benefits have been secured in 2023 to date.

Mr. Brooks advised that the “Hero For a Day” promotion, whereby a veteran will be honored at a Peoria Chiefs game, will kick-off Friday, May 5, 2023 and will be held at every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday Peoria Chiefs home games to the end of the regular season.

Mr. Brooks advised that the traveling “Wall that Heals” Vietnam Veterans Memorial replica and mobile education center will be located at Maple Lawn Homes in Eureka, Illinois and open to the public from July 13, 2023 through July 16, 2023.

Mr. Brooks read aloud an email received from a veteran thanking the VAC and the Supervisor of Assessments Office for their exceptional assistance and service.

Treasurer

Ms. Raker advised that mobile home tax bills have been distributed and the office is readying real estate tax bills.

Resolution

- Monthly Delinquent Taxes

A motion to approve was made by Ms. Williams and seconded by Mr. Ruhland. The motion to approve carried (5-0).

Public Comment

Chairperson Duncan called for any public comment. There were no public comments.

Miscellaneous

Chairperson Duncan expressed her thanks to the Peoria Fire Department for their efforts to provide smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors to Peoria residents via application.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Duncan at 3:46 p.m.

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