DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS County Board Meeting

Thursday, February 23, 2023 – 5:45 p.m.

Meeting Room 3

Brookens Administrative Center

1776 E. Washington St.

Urbana, IL 61801

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

1. Call to Order: 5:50 pm

2. Approval of the Agenda-

- a. Moved by Lokshin, second Thorsland, unanimous approval.
- 3. Approval of the Minutes from January 19. 2023.
 - a. Locke and Stohr, unanimous approval
- 4. Public Participation none
- 5. Announcements/Communications
 - a. Stohr–Economic Development is going to do a presser talking about their program.
 - b. Straub and Hanauer-Friedman, will not be at the March COW, Fortado will not be at the July Full Board Meeting, Lokshin won't be at October Facilities
 - c. Wayne Williams is resigning effective 3/1/23.

6. Review and Discussion of the Full Board Agenda

- a. Consent Agenda
 - i. A. 5. Pulling off the CA because of an amendment and putting it at XI. B. on the regular agenda.
- b. Policy Personnel, and Appointments
 - (XII. A. I.) –this measure will commit us to keeping this secretarial position as a budgetary issue going forward.
- c. Finance
 - i. (XII. B. 1& 2) Need 15 votes— if they don't pass it will affect the audit, but the money has already been spent.
 - ii. (XIII. A.) Payment of Claims-paying our bills
 - 1. Claims not following purchasing policy reflect end-of-year

bookkeeping—one of which (item B) is that the Illini Union will not provide the Clerk's office with an itemized bill.

- d. (XIII.C.) This is the bridge going into St. Joseph. It can't be shut down.
- e. (XIV. A.) Letter of Support for TIF District
 - Champaign is restructuring all its TIFs. Extending this TIF is part of their plan to complete the Garden Hills Drainage project. The length of this TIF is 12 years.

iii. ARPA Updates-

- 1. (XIV. B. 2.) Urbana Park District: Urbana is giving them \$2.3 million. They're asking us for \$1.3 million.
- 2. (XIV. B. 3.) The Supervisor of Assessments has asked for \$25,000 for a homestead exception database. This is the only request she's made.
- 6. Next Caucus Meeting: March 14, 2023
- 7. **Adjournment** 6:15 pm