



**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD
LABOR COMMITTEE**
County of Champaign, Urbana, Illinois
Tuesday, June 21, 2022 – 5:00 p.m.

Shields-Carter Meeting Room
Brookens Administrative Center
1776 E. Washington St., Urbana

MINUTES – Approved as Distributed on July 13, 2022

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Stephanie Fortado, Stan Harper (Vice Chair), Jim McGuire, Emily Rodriguez, Steve Summers (Chair)
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** None
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Kyle Patterson (County Board Chair), Mary King (County Board Member), Beth Vanichtheeranont (County Board Member), Jenny Lokshin (County Board Member), Chris Stohr (County Board Member), Barb Mann (Legal Counsel), Matt Banach (Assistant State’s Attorney – Chief of Civil Division), Peter Ladwein (Assistant State’s Attorney), Darlene Kloepfel (County Executive), Judge Randall B. Rosenbaum (Presiding Judge), Julia Rietz (State’s Attorney), Bill Colbrook (Director of Administration), Tami Ogden (Director of Finance), Megan Robison (Recording Secretary)
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Agenda Items

I. Call to Order

Chair Summers called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

A verbal roll call was taken, and a quorum was declared present.

III. Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Ms. Rodriguez to approve the agenda; seconded by Mr. Harper. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes

A. December 14, 2021

MOTION by Mr. Harper to approve the minutes of December 14, 2021; seconded by Mr. McGuire. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

V. Public Participation

Rita Carr, County Clerk employee, has worked for the County for eighteen years. She stated that inflation is up 9% and cited a Bloomberg Economics article stating Americans will spend an additional \$5,200 this year. Using the typical raise that is given each year, she gave some figures to show how that raise will not cover the additional costs this year and explained that many employees are forced to work two or three jobs to make ends meet.

Laura Clark, Circuit Clerk employee and AFSCME Treasurer, has worked for the County for four and a half years. She explained how she has had to take on a second job and what her typical week looks like, working about fourteen hours a day. She explained how her job is important to keep the County running and requested the Committee show that they value the employees' labor.

VI. Closed Session Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)2 to Consider Collective Negotiating Matters Between the County and its Employees or their Representatives

MOTION by Ms. Rodriguez to enter into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c) 2 to consider collective negotiating matters between Champaign County and its employees or their representatives. She further moved that the following individuals remain present; Kyle Patterson, Mary King, Beth Vanichtheeranont, Jenny Lokshin, Chris Stohr, Darlene Kloepfel, Barb Mann, Matt Banach, Peter Ladwein, Bill Colbrook, Tami Ogden, Judge Rosenbaum and Megan Robison and seconded by Mr. Harper. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

The committee entered into closed session at 5:13 p.m.

The committee resumed open session at 6:09 p.m.

VII. Other Business

A. Semi-annual closed session minutes review

MOTION by Ms. Rodriguez to follow the State's Attorney's recommendation for all closed session minutes to remain closed; seconded by Ms. Fortado. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

B. Approval of closed session minutes
1. December 14, 2021

MOTION by Mr. Harper to approve the closed session minutes of December 14, 2021; seconded by Ms. Rodriguez. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED** unanimously.

VIII. Adjournment

Chair Summers adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.