
**PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS,
HELD IN CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2000, AT 10:00 A.M.
R. DAVID TEBBEN * MAYOR * PRESIDING**

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS, ORRICK, BARRA, JONES, AND RICHMOND

ABSENT: NONE

Notice of a special meeting of the City Council to discuss Real Estate was posted and received by Council on June 13, 2000.

Mayor Tebben called the special meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.. the Mayor acknowledged that all Council members were present.

Representatives of Tazewell County Board District #1 made a presentation to the Council concerning the jail issues facing the County. Jim Von Boeckman initially spoke on behalf of the members of District #1. In addition, County Board Members Antonini, Berardi, Meisinger and Eubanks informed the Council of their commitment to have the jail facility located in Pekin. Mr. VonBoeckman indicated that Larry Noreuil and Steve Saal were also in favor of the jail being located in Pekin, but were unable to attend the meeting because of personnel matters.

A general discussion was held concerning the benefits of maintaining the jail in Pekin. Mayor Tebben and each of the Commissioners responded with their feelings regarding the location of the jail and the need for the County to follow the previous study that had been co-funded by Tazewell County and the City of Pekin.

The Mayor and Commissioner indicated they still would be willing to sell the 8-10 acre parcel of land in the business park RWBP to the County for \$1.00 and other considerations and have the jail facility located there. The representatives of the County also indicated their desire to have the building located on a 2 block parcel southwest of the existing courthouse.

A general review of the study for a joint law enforcement facility between the County and the City was also discussed.

County Board Member Meisinger asked the Commissioners if the Council would be interested in exchanging the existing County property including the Tazewell Building and other parking lots located east of the courthouse for the two parcel block southwest of the County building. The Council questioned whether the County had also considered the possibility of locating the jail facility in the block where the Tazewell Building is located and Commissioner Richmond asked if anyone from the County has ever followed up the inquiries from local businessmen who stated they would be interested in selling their properties to the County so that the County would have the entire block.

Mayor Tebben summarized the comments made and stated the City of Pekin is willing to work with the County and reiterated the feelings of the other Commissioners that the City is interested in keeping the County jail facility in the City of Pekin.

The Mayor stated that there was no need to adjourn into executive session and asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Com'r. Jones, seconded by Com'r. Richmond, that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 11:05 A.M.