



BUREAU COUNTY
BUREAU COUNTY BOARD
MINUTES • OCTOBER 13, 2015

Regular Meeting

Bureau County Courthouse

6:30 PM

700 South Main Street, Princeton, IL 61356

CALL TO ORDER

- Mr. Dale Anderson

ROLL CALL

- Mrs. Hieronymus

PRESENT: Albrecht, AndersonD, AndersonR, Baracani, Dobrich, Donarski, Entwistle, Humpage, Kohr, Lilley, Mangrich, Marini, Piccato, Rabe, Rediger, Robinson, Stetson, Thompson, Volker, Warren, Whited

ABSENT: Feeney, Maynard, McCook, Thacker

INVOCATION

- Ralph Anderson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVING OF MINUTES

- September 8, 2015 - A motion was made by Mr. Dobrich, seconded by Mr. Baracani, for approval of the minutes from the September meeting. On vote, motion carried.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

- Mrs. Hieronymus read the following communications:

1. A letter from Ameren Illinois advising of tree trimming in and around the Princeton and Bureau areas in the near future. Maps and common addresses of the areas affected were included. A notice will be mailed to customers affected by the tree trimming work, and a public notice put in the newspapers covering the area.
2. The Regional Superintendent of Schools quarterly report was received for the period of July 1, 2015, through September 30, 2015. Mr. Dobrich moved to place the report on file, seconded by Mr. Robinson. On vote, motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Ohio Fire District Appointment of Trustee due to resignation of Steve Forristall.
Appoint Greg Albrecht to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Forristall.

Mr. Anderson made the appointment of Greg Albrecht to serve as Trustee to the Ohio Fire District to fill the unexpired term of Steve Forristall, who resigned, and asked for the Board's approval. On vote, motion carried.

Ohio Fire District Appointment

Order for Appointment of Trustee

PUBLIC COMMENT

E911- Diana Stiles, Administrator of BUECOMM
Consolidation of E911 districts.

Ms. Stiles explained that the ETSB is a board created as a result of the passage of the 911 referendum in 1988. It was created by Board Resolution, but is a separate entity that has its own budget. State statute dictates its roles and responsibilities. The ETSB is the employer, not the City or County. The County, however, has provided things like health insurance and payroll and bill processing for BuEComm for the last nine years. When BuEComm was established, ETSB agreed to be 100% financially responsible for their facility and its employees.

Since 2008 the number of landlines has significantly decreased and consequently the income. The landline surcharge is \$1.95 per line, which they get 100% of, and the wireless surcharge is \$.73, which they get \$.54 of under current legislation, which will change effective January 1, 2016. For every landline they lose, even if it is replaced with a wireless line, they still lose \$1.41 per line. The yearly income loss is exceeding \$150,000 a year. They have been decreasing their budget and doing their best to cut expenses, including staff and many yearly maintenance programs. They have some reserves in the bank. They thought they had time to find a solution to their issue, but the State decided to make mandatory changes of its own with the passing of new 911 legislation. The new legislation will be effective January 1, 2016, which will change the way BuEComm receives its 911 monies and will further decrease the amount received from the surcharge. (Bureau County surcharge is \$1.95 per landline, while LaSalle County's is \$.32. The plan is to equally disburse funds to create a balanced financial picture of 911 centers across the state and consolidate services to minimize costs.)

Under the new legislation, Bureau County is in a very good position to retain and continue to be the only PSAP within Bureau County. The only changes they would be required to make is that their secondary PSAP's (Bureau County Sheriff's Office, and the Princeton and Spring Valley police departments) would need to bring their dispatching services to BuEComm or the 911 trunking and positions that the ETSB is currently paying for will go away. The County and City of Spring Valley would be responsible for running their own trunking and phone lines. 911 is no longer able to pay for anything outside of the primary PSAP.

The most efficient plan to help with 911 costs would be for the County and Princeton and Spring Valley PD dispatching services to come to BuEComm and those entities would pay a fee for 911 services. The County could also assess dispatching fees to the EMS and fire agencies as most municipalities do. That would require hiring additional staff which would put them in a financial negative.

BuEComm could join with other 911 centers, involving all of Bureau County and four LaSalle County municipalities, but the grant to build the facility has not come through due to State budget issues. If Bureau County consolidates with another county, we would move our 911 services to that county and our ETSB would dissolve and 911 cease to exist. All of the 911 funds collected would then go to the new 911 Authority, which would be LaSalle County ETSB. Another option would be that Bureau County contract with another agency to take over 911 services, which would require finding an agency willing to do that.

Ms. Stiles said she was appealing to the Bureau County Board to work with the ETSB to find a way to help fund the 911 Center and keep the services and funding in Bureau County. They are currently struggling since they have not received funds from the state for over two months. They have some reserves in the bank that can help them survive, but the reserves are needed for system upgrades and maintenance needs. Ms. Stiles asked that a committee be put together with members from both Boards to determine: 1. What staffing levels are needed and where; 2. Develop a backup plan; 3. Determine what is in the best interest of our residents; and 4. Determine what the costs will be. She said consolidation will take place, and state legislation mandates that the consolidation plan be presented by July 1, 2016.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

EMA AND ZONING - MS. LILLEY

Summary of Zoning Hearings

1. Charles and Jane Shipps; Rezone from Ag to Rural Estate
Bureau Twp, Sec. 23, 3 lot Subdivision

Ms. Lilley presented the Resolution for a rezone from Agriculture to Rural Estate, the common location being the east side of 1650 E Street, approximately 3/4 mile South of 2100 N Avenue, It was approved by all committees and Ms. Lilley moved for approval, seconded by Mrs. Piccatto. On vote, motion carried.

2. Charles and Jane Shipps; Subdivision Plat
Bureau Twp., Sec 23, Plat for 3 lot subdivision

Ms. Lilley moved for approval of the preliminary final plat of the three-lot subdivision, seconded by Mr. Baracani. On vote, motion carried.

Resolution to Grant a Rezone

3. Robert Miller Et Ux, Conditional Use
Vlg of Dover, Dover Twp., Sec 25, Conditional use to bring mobile home into compliance.

Ms. Lilley presented the conditional use to bring an existing 2012 Skyline 72' x 16' mobile home into compliance, located on Lot 8 and the South half of Lot 9 Block 11. The common location is the East side of S. Main Street, approximately 100' South of W. Central Street, Dover. Ms. Lilley moved for approval, seconded by Mrs. Stetson. On vote, motion carried.

Resolution to Grant a Conditional Use, R. Miller

EMA Report

Zoning Committee Report

HEALTH DEPT - MRS. VOLKER

Mrs. Volker reported that the Health Department has money problems without payments from the state; however, they do have various grants and some savings. She had previously talked about Marshall County being serviced by the Bureau County Health Department. They have had successful negotiations and will be included. They had previously been served by Peoria County. There was some uncertainty with the dental clinic, but back-to-school checkups were done on time. The County will now have increased numbers which could be useful in the future with grants.

ANIMAL CONTROL - MS. LILLEY

Animal Control Report

FEES AND SALARIES/LABOR RELATIONS - MRS. ENTWHISTLE

1. 2016 Budget Discussion
Approve/Accept 2016 Budget and Appropriations and 2016 Tax Levy
Place on file for review

Ms. McLaughlin said she started with the County at budget time, and it has been an interesting process. She gets a lot of information and enters it into spread sheets to look at trend analysis. The current budget is a deficit budget. The General Fund is \$543,000 in the red, and we are drawing on our unreserved fund balance. The County is currently relying on \$1 million in public

safety sales tax and a half-million dollar liability insurance transfer which is set up in our risk management plan. Stagnant property tax revenues are status quo at this point. There is a proposed bill currently in the legislature to freeze property taxes, but there is a provision that it could be increased for police and fire but to be conservative it has been left as is. There is a \$350,000 reduction in income tax revenue. The County was supposed to get 10% but is getting 8%. There is a small reduction in personal property replacement tax. There are no substantial increases in expenditures. She did a four-year analysis and said expenditures are going up and revenues are going down. There is elastic revenue, which is dependent on people spending money. It includes sales tax and income tax. It's a good thing that it is a small amount because a lot of the other is not. When you add in public safety sales tax, elastic revenue is about 40%. Ms. McLaughlin said she made an observation. A lot of fees are statutory but are dropping off, which affects revenue. The Sheriff had a \$15,000 a year drop in a revenue account for the last four years. General Fund expenditures have gone up almost a million dollars in the last four years, most of which are fixed costs. The biggest chunk includes public safety, which is the Sheriff and EMA, and the judicial, which is the state's attorney and circuit court, and customer service which is everything else. She went back to 2011 and noticed a pattern. We have a structural deficit in our General Fund Budget, which means that we are balancing the budget with non-recurring revenues. We have a fund balance that is fairly large, but are dipping into it for operating costs, which is a no-no. She did a comparison for years 2011 - 2016. It showed deficiencies of expenditures over revenue, which means that we are spending more than we are taking in. We are making it up then with the transfers. Wages represent about half of the expenditures. Sheriff's salaries in 2011 were \$1.5 million, and for this year they have budgeted \$1.7 million because they have an expired contract.. She said the Sheriff's overtime is staying fairly level. It was \$74,000 in 2011 and is projected to be \$80,000 this year. The Supervisor of Assessment's Office had an increase from \$50,000 to \$80,000 in five years. The group health insurance is increasing, and a 3-5% increase is expected in January. She said transfers are 25% of the revenue, and the County has been increasing public safety sales tax transfers each year. It has dropped to \$1 million from the \$1.4 million it was at. She said by 2018 the County would be out of money. The transfers are what are saving us, and that is why it is a structural deficit. It is before any other changes that we are making. We should not be using fund balance for operating; it is not a one-time capital thing. Bureau County is blessed to have 150% fund balance which is a combination of \$5 million unrestricted in the General Fund and \$3 million assigned in the investment fund. She said GFOA has a policy that we should have 16-25% fund balance for a rainy day. We should have strategic uses of the fund balance. The County needs policy that drives decision making. A fund balance policy will set up our financial good standing with credit ratings. The County does not have any debt, so does not have a bond rating. The County should have a policy if it plans to spend money and for what. We have a structural deficit so we need policy. Personnel is the largest percentage of the budget. We need to analyze fees and look at expenditures. Health insurance keeps going up. Some counties have a wellness program to encourage reduced insurance costs. Other suggestions were one website, buying paper in bulk, and looking at service charge fees. Looking at a capital improvement policy was also mentioned that will be taken to the Fees and Salaries Committee. It includes investments and capital improvements. Ms. McLaughlin said she could email the power point presentation to anyone interested.

Mrs. Entwistle moved to place the budget on file for public display for the next 30 days, seconded by Mr. Ralph Anderson. On vote, motion carried.

2. Approve of Increasing the IMRF levy to the maximum

Ms. McLaughlin said it was discussed at the Fees and Salaries Committee that there is \$1.5 million unfunded liability in the ECO Fund. When the prior States Attorney left, there was about \$19,000 in reserves. His retirement cost \$1.6 million and left \$1.5 million unfunded liability. Mr. Anderson asked her to see what she could find out in terms of options to address the debt. She made a presentation with options. The first column shows that if we do nothing they will charge 7.5% interest. If we pay by the end of 2016, we do not get charged that. It is based on a 26-year payoff; it's about \$3.2 million. The current tax levy includes paying it over a 26-year period. We

had room in the IMRF tax levy that kept us within the half percent cap. It was about \$300,000; we can capture that money and pay it off sooner. If it is paid online, a box is checked for additional pension contribution to the ECO fund. Another possibility would be a short-term loan and Ms. McLaughlin is trying to get information from Heartland Bank. She drew out a five-year, 5.5% loan for discussion purposes. Another option was Fund Balance. There is about a \$1.4 million balance in the IMRF Fund. There is no statutory requirement that we have that fund balance. She would not recommend taking a million dollars out of any fund balance. She said they could do any mix of things. They could max the IMRF levy, take some fund balance out of IMRF, and/or take some fund balance out of the General Fund. She thought they should stick with the IMRF because we are levying for IMRF, and it is an IMRF debt. If we took out of the IMRF account, she suggested not taking more than a half million dollars to keep us at a balance of about a million. She spoke with a rep from IMRF, and they are willing to have someone come to meet with the Fees and Salaries Committee.

Mrs. Entwhistle moved to increase the IMRF levy to the maximum, seconded by Mrs. Marini. On vote, motion carried. It was asked how many dollars that will bring in, which is expected to be \$304,000.

3. Approve of revision of Regional School Office Budget for 2016

New amount is \$70,905. Mrs. Entwhistle moved for approval of the revision to the Regional School Office Budget for 2016 in the amount of \$70,905, seconded by Mr. Dobrich. On vote, motion carried.

4. Approve county policy in regards to credit card use for County departments

Mrs. Entwhistle moved for approval of the county policy on credit card use, seconded by Mr. Baracani. The Board members and department heads were provided with a draft copy of a credit card policy. On vote, motion carried.

5. Authorize/provide credit card for County Administrator

It was moved by Mrs. Entwhistle, seconded by Mr. Thompson, for approval of a credit card for the administrator for County business. There were no questions or limits given. On vote, motion carried.

6. Statement of Taxes Received

Transfer Public Safety Sales Tax to General Fund

The Statement of taxes received were included in the Board packet. Mrs. Entwhistle moved for approval as presented, seconded by Mr. Ralph Anderson. On vote, motion carried.

Mrs. Entwhistle moved to transfer \$66,375.34 from Public Safety Sales Tax to the General Fund, seconded by Mrs. Piccato. On vote, motion carried.

7. Resolution to Sell County Property

Approve of selling Parcel 14-34-333-007 in Concord Twp to Thomas Roberts
Approve of selling Parcel 04-09-333-025 in Ohio Twp to Al Bremer

Mrs. Entwhistle moved to approve the sale of property in Concord Township to Thomas Roberts, seconded by Mr. Baracani, which sold for \$783.00. On vote, motion carried.

Mrs. Entwhistle moved to approve the sale of property in Ohio Township to Al Bremer, seconded by Mrs. Stetson, which sold for \$2001.00. On vote, motion carried.

Resolution for Sale of Property

8. Accept Delinquent Tax Report from Tax agent for August and September

Mrs. Entwhistle moved to accept the delinquent tax reports for August and September, seconded by Mr. Robinson. On vote, motion carried.

Resolution to Sell Property

9. Handbook for Discrimination and Harassment Policy

Mrs. Entwhistle presented the discrimination and harassment policy which must be in place by December 1, 2015.

10. Place on file - Circuit Clerk Report, Sheriff Report, County Clerk Report

Mrs. Entwhistle reported that the Sheriff received a check through CIRMA in the amount of \$13,231.58 to be deposited in the Police Vehicle Fund by the Bureau County Treasurer. This is an insurance payment for a totaled squad car. She moved to place the report on file, seconded by Mr. Dobrich. On vote, motion carried.

Mrs. Entwhistle reported that the Sheriff's earnings for September were \$4664.04. She moved to place the report on file, seconded by Mrs. Piccato. On vote, motion carried.

Mrs. Entwhistle reported that the Circuit Clerk's Receipts and Disbursements report for September showed earnings of \$14,316.37, Interest Traffic/Criminal/Civil checking of \$21.19, Interest/Savings of \$.10, Interest/Savings of \$.02, and September Passport fees of \$300.00. She moved to place the report on file, seconded by Mrs. Piccato. On vote, motion carried.

Mrs. Entwhistle presented the County Clerk's Earnings and Expenditures Report for September in the amount of \$23,517.43 and moved to place it on file, seconded by Mrs. Stetson. On vote, motion carried.

Circuit Clerk, Sheriff, County Clerk Reports

Fees and Salaries Report

TRANSPORTATION (HIGHWAYS, ROADS & BRIDGES, WEEDS) - MR. RABE

1. Resolution for Engineering for Bridge Replacement

Approve resolution for preliminary Engineering for County Line Bridge Replacement in Neponset Twp.

Mr. Rabe announced that Bureau and Henry Counties have agreed to replace a bridge over the west Fork of Spoon River, located on the County line between Neponset and Kewanee Townships. The bridge is the jurisdiction of Neponset Township making Bureau County the lead agency for the project. Bureau County has entered into a Preliminary Engineering Agreement with Willett, Hofmann and Associates for performing this engineering at a cost not to exceed \$44,637.88. Eighty percent of the preliminary engineering cost shall be borne by the Bureau County Township Bridge Program Fund, and the remaining 20% shall be divided equally between Bureau and Henry Counties. Mr. Rabe moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Thompson.

AYES: Albrecht, AndersonR, Baracani, Dobrich, Donarski, Entwhistle, Humpage, Kohr, Lilley, Mangrich, Marini, Piccato, Rabe, Rediger, Robinson, Stetson, Thompson, Volker, Warren, Whited, and AndersonD; ABSENT: Feeney, Maynard, McCook, and Thacker.

Resolution for County Line Bridge Replacement

Transportation Committee Report

INSURANCE - MR. KOHR

1. Carpet in Assessments needs replacing due to flooding.

Approve Wyanet Carpet bid. Insurance coverage/deductible of \$1,000. Total bid - \$4752.

It is planned to replace the carpet with carpet tiles at the bid price of \$4752. Mr. Kohr moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Rabe. On vote, motion carried.

2. Recommend drawing up an agreement with BuEComm on Insurance coverage on E911 towers

Mr. Kohr said 911 covers the insurance on the towers. It is being recommended that an intergovernmental agreement be prepared. The County would pay, but an agreement needs to be worked out with BuEComm. Mr. Kohr so moved, seconded by Mrs. Entwistle. On vote, motion carried.

3. Approve of offering multiple Health Insurance plans for Employees

Mr. Kohr said the committee had discussed offering multiple health insurance plans so employees could choose if they wanted a plan with a higher deductible, etc. Open enrollment will begin December 1, 2015, with the new plans in effect at the beginning of the year. Mr. Kohr moved for offering six choices, seconded by Mr. Rabe. On vote, motion carried.

Health Insurance Options

4. Recommend that the Fees and Salaries Committee looks at increasing the Defined Contribution Level

Insurance committee recommends raising the defined contribution level for employees insurance coverage to \$500 from current \$440.

The Fees and Salaries Committee looked at increasing the defined contribution level to \$500 from the current \$440 per County employee. It was thought the County had \$97,000 in the fund. It was felt that the money is not there. The Committee did consider it, but it was not acted on.

Insurance Committee Report

LAW, MEMORIALS & RULES/ASSESSMENTS - MRS. MARINI

1. Place on file Coroner's Report, Public Defender Report, Assessor's Report

Mrs. Marini presented the coroner's report which showed 29 coroner's cases, 3 death investigations, 3 autopsies, 19 cremations, and \$200 income. She moved to place the report on file, seconded by Mr. Baracani. On vote, motion carried.

Mrs. Marini reported that the Supervisor of Assessments had income of \$1,370 and moved to place the report on file, seconded by Mr. Donarski. On vote, motion carried.

Mrs. Marini reported that the number of cases opened for the Public Defender's Office was 47 and moved to place the report on file, seconded by Mrs. Piccatto. On vote, motion carried.

Assessor Report

Law Committee Report

BUILDING AND GROUNDS, PRINTING AND STATIONERY - MRS. WARREN

1. Courthouse Roof Replacement

Approve of replacing Courthouse roof by Tremco using Alpha Guard Roof System. Estimated cost between \$320,000 - 350,000.

2. Approve contract with Willett Hofmann for Courthouse Roof Project

Willett Hofmann to manage construction of courthouse roof project for \$17,500.

The Building and Grounds Committee unanimously approved hiring Willett Hofmann to manage the courthouse roof project for \$17,500. The contract includes preparation of bids and construction documents for the replacement of the courthouse roof. It includes the design phase, the bid phase, and the construction phase and the fees for managing the project. Mrs. Warren so moved, seconded by Mrs. Entwhistle.

AYES: Albrecht, AndersonR, Baracani, Dobrich, Donarski, Entwhistle, Humpage, Kohr, Lilley, Mangrich, Marini, Piccato, Rabe, Rediger, Robinson, Stetson, Thompson, Volker, Warren, Whited, and AndersonD. ABSENT: Feeney, Maynard, McCook, and Thacker.

3. Still Radio issues with repeaters in the cars

Mrs. Warren reported there are still radio issues with the repeaters in the cars, and they may have to bring Jim Eatock in to finish the job. The two-year warranty is about up. The County is still withholding \$6,000 from Starved Rock Communications.

4. Police vests purchased with a 50/50 grant

Mrs. Warren reported that the Sheriff found a 50/50 grant for bullet-proof vests. These are vests that are worn on the outside. The grant will pay for half of the cost, and she commended the Sheriff's Department for finding the grant.

5. Recycling bids received

Current vendor is lowest bidder. Will save the county \$3,000 per year.

The current vendor is Illinois Valley Waste Service. They will do the recycling and the disposal. It is expected the County will save about \$3,000 a year.

6. Request for Approval for use of Soldiers/Sailors Park

October 17th event Salute to the Badge

Honoring Policemen around the County hosted by the Tea Party

The Tea Party requested the use of the Park for October 17 for honoring policemen around the County. Mrs. Warren moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Thompson. On vote, motion carried.

Printing and Stationery Committee Report

Building and Grounds Committee Report

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIQUOR LICENSE, DANCE HALLS, MOTELS - DALE ANDERSON

HOUSING AUTHORITY - MR. BARACANI

TOURISM - MR. REDIGER

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - MR. KOHR

Mr. Kohr announced there is an Economic Development North Central Illinois meeting tomorrow at Hometown Bank at 4:30 PM. He said the process is going well and nearly all of the public entities are in. They have a letter of commitment for \$13,243 from the City of Peru. He said they are currently going out and approaching private industry and asking for donations. If anyone has contacts in Bureau County, they should let Mike Kohr know. About two weeks ago a survey was done on nine villages; two of those in Bureau County were Ladd and Hollowayville.

PROBATION, CRIME - MRS. MARINI, MR. DONARSKI

River Valley Detention Center past invoices. Invoices from Oct Nov and Dec for 2014 and January, February, and April of 2015 have not been paid.

Mr. Donarski presented the Probation and Court Services Financial and Statistical Report for the period of December 1, 2014, through August 31, 2015, and moved to place the report on file, seconded by Mr. Robinson. On vote, motion carried.

It was reported that the invoices listed for the River Valley Detention Center were paid. They did an accounting for us and provided copies of those invoices. It was moved by Mrs. Marini, seconded by Mr. Baracani, to place the report on file, On vote, motion carried.

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION - MRS. ENTWHISTLE

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD (E911) - MR. RABE

E911 Stats for October

COMPUTER COMMITTEE - MRS. ENTWHISTLE

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Approve All Claims for Month of October

Mrs. Entwhistle moved for payment of all claims including payroll and an additional \$3113.68 for mileage and meetings, seconded by Ralph Anderson.

AYES: Albrecht, AndersonR, Baracani, Dobrich, Donarski, Entwhistle, Humpage, Kohr, Lilley, Mangrich, Marini, Piccatto, Rabe, Rediger, Robinson, Stetson, Thompson, Volker, Warren, Whited, and AndersonD.
ABSENT: Feeney, Maynard, McCook, and Thacker.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Anderson told the Board to think about the new committee with BuEComm. They would like a total of three to serve.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Litigation, negotiations, personnel

Mr. Dale Anderson moved the Board go into Executive Session according to 5 ILCS 2c11, seconded by Mr. Baracani.

AYES: Albrecht, AndersonR, Baracani, Dobrich, Donarski, Entwhistle, Humpage, Kohr, Lilley, Mangrich, Marini, Piccatto, Rabe, Rediger, Robinson, Stetson, Thompson, Volker, Warren, Whited, and AndersonD.
ABSENT: Feeney, Maynard, McCook, and Thacker.

Upon conclusion of the Executive Session, it was moved by Mr. Donarski, seconded by Mr. Albrecht, to return to regular session.

AYES: Albrecht, AndersonR, Baracani, Dobrich, Donarski, Entwhistle, Humpage, Kohr, Lilley, Mangrich, Marini, Piccatto, Rabe, Rediger, Robinson, Stetson, Thompson, Volker, Warren, Whited, and AndersonD.
ABSENT: Feeney, Maynard, McCook, and Thacker.

ADJOURN

- To Tuesday, November 10, 2015 - The motion was made by Mr. Donarski, seconded by Mr. Baracani, to adjourn. On vote, motion carried.