

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

APRIL 10, 2007

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-three members present and four absent.

PRESENT

Bacon, Judy
Bellm, Darrell
Coatney, Raymond
Goodman, Frances
Harding, Bill
Herschelman, Lyndal
Jubelt, Lance
Kiel, Bernie
Long, Frank

Manar, Andrew
Nichelson, Glen
Novak, Joe
Pomatto, Ruth
Pratt, Vera
Quarton, Robert
Quirk, Paul
Schwallenstecker, O.
Thomas, David

ABSENT

Vojas, Robert
Watson, Julia
Wieseman, Francis
Yowell, Chris
Zirkelbach, Jim
Fraser, Morrie
Lux, Larry
Wiggins, Tony
Zippay, M. A.

Board Member Vera Pratt requested a Moment of Silence for the recent death of Kathy Handy, a nineteen year employee of Macoupin County. Chairman Manar honored her request and the Board observed a Moment of Silence for Kathy.

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Motion by Coatney, seconded by Vojas, to approve the **amended** minutes of the March 13, 2007 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Judge Kenneth Deihl, requested the Board consider increasing the fee collected on cases using the Law Library from \$8.00 to \$10.00 to keep up with the rising costs of operating the Law Library. Motion by Thomas, seconded by Pratt, to refer the issue to the Judicial Committee with the **power-to-act**. All in favor, motion carried.

The second topic Judge Deihl discussed with the County Board was the Traffic Violation Fee Account. Deihl addressed the Board concerning the Traffic Violation Fees Fund and the Circuit Court Budget of the General Fund. Motion by Thomas, seconded by Pratt, to refer to the Finance Committee. All in favor, motion carried.

Kent Tarro, Public Health Department, announced that it was National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Tarro explained the first Annual Commitment to Child Abuse Award is to honor two people dedicated to helping children throughout Macoupin County. The first person is Robert

Weise, Blackburn College Counselor. Rob counsels mental as well as physical needs of his students. The second honoree is Margie Thomae, RN, who has probably worked with most foster children placed throughout our County. Tarro congratulated them on their continued dedication to children.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The **Emergency Management Committee** met on March 22, 2007. Joan Schoen, Administrator of the Mt. Olive Area Ambulance, reviewed and discussed the Annual Audit. The Committee agreed to recommend approval of the Audit to the full Board. Pitchford, EMA Coordinator, updated the Committee on the Disaster Declaration that has been awarded to Macoupin County. Pitchford and Chairman Manar are working on a permanent home for the EMA office and discussed repairs to the EMA vehicle. Motion by Nichelson, seconded by Harding, to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2007, Emergency Management Committee meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Legislation/Technology Committee** met on March 27, 2007. Kevin Walker and Economic Development Coordinator Nora Feuquay gave an update on the County's Website. There are still a few Office Holders/Department Heads who have not forwarded necessary information for the website. A visual presentation was made of the County's Home Page and a lengthy discussion was held regarding necessary information to be available for this site. Shawn Blobaum of Bruce Harris and Associates discussed the status of the parcel mapping project and the status of the new aerial photography. Joe Novak addressed the Committee regarding re-assessments in Gillespie Township. He does not feel it is fair that Gillespie gets reassessed when other townships won't get reassessed for years. There was a lengthy discussion, but no solution to the problem. The Committee agreed to recommend to the full Board the hire of Mari Scheiter for the open position in the Supervisor of Assessments Office. Motion by Pratt, seconded by Wieseman, to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2007, Legislation/Technology Committee meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Animal Control Committee Meeting** was held on March 27, 2007. The property located on the South edge of Benld on Rt. 4 was discussed. This facility was determined not to be suitable to meet the needs of the Animal Control Department. Further discussion was held regarding other options for location of the Animal Control Department, and Administrator Buzie Bertagnolli will obtain facts and figures to present to this Committee next month. The Animal Control Ordinance was reviewed and discussed and there were no revisions. Bertagnolli provided an update of the operations of the Department. Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Novak, to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2007, Animal Control Committee meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Ad-Hoc Building Committee Meeting** commenced on April 2, 2007 at 4:30 p.m. The Committee discussed the property purchase contracts presented by Mr. Goodman. Several scenarios were addressed and the County Board is proceeding with the purchase of the property. Watson suggested the easement be adjusted and the motion was: to approve the amended purchase contracts from Mr. Goodman containing the new easement definition: the uniform width of 20ft on the east and south sides of lot 3 and the uniform width of 20ft on the east side of lot 4. The Committee also discussed Architect Dennis Schuette's design for this building and agreed to recommend it to the full Board in the amount of \$8,900.00 to house Regional Office of Education and other offices. Three

members voted yes and two voted no. Motion by Harding, seconded by Quirk, to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2007, Ad-Hoc Building Committee meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

On April 2, 2007, the Macoupin **County Economic Development** Committee met at 7:00 p.m. The Committee met to discuss the intergovernmental cooperative agreement between the County and the ITS Trail Committee. Also on the Agenda for this meeting was the Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement. The Committee voted to accept the changes to the Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement and recommend the changes to the full Board for approval. The second part of the agreement pertains to deleting 214 South Macoupin Street from the Enterprise Zone as it was brought into the Zone for the Gillespie Eye Care and the project fell through and this was also included in the Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement. The Committee voted to change the Macoupin County Tourism Grant Program and to recommend a stencil for the Route 66 designated historic areas and both were recommended to the full Board. Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Zirkelbach, to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2007, Economic Development Committee meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Road and Bridge Committee Meeting** was held on April 3, 2007. Claims were approved for payment. One 50/50 Petition was approved in Dorchester Township in the amount of \$9,000.00. Two Supplemental Salary Resolutions were approved for recommendation to the full Board for Engineer Reinhart's salary from January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007. Applications were reviewed for summer employment and six names were approved for hire and one alternate. Mr. Schwallenstecker discussed painting Route 66 shields on pavement of Macoupin County roads to help identify the road and its local icons. The Committee also reviewed the Highway Department's new petty cash procedures. Motion by Herschelman, seconded by Goodman, to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2007, Road and Bridge Committee meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Finance Committee** met on April 4, 2007. The Committee discussed and recommended approval by the full Board of the 2005-2006 Audit and they also recommended the Audit be placed in all Macoupin County Libraries. The Committee also recommended the approval of the re-payment of the IMRF loan to the General Fund in the amount of \$69,000.00 from the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Account; approval of transferring \$3,000.00 from the Health Insurance Line Item to the Appellate Prosecutor Line Item of the General Fund; and increasing the Treasurer's Automation Special Fund from \$7,000.00 to \$20,000.00 to purchase software for the remainder for the 2006-07 fiscal year. The Finance Committee also discussed the current balance of \$163,792.00 in the Traffic Violation Fees Special Fund, and is seeking direction from the States Attorney as how to handle the balance of this fund as deposits for several years may have not been made in accordance with state statute. Motion by Thomas, seconded by Coatney, to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2007, Finance Committee meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

None.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Pratt, seconded by Kiel, to reappoint Allen Mortimer and Donald Clark to the Virden Cemetery Association for another six-year term beginning January, 2007 – January, 2013. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Vojas, seconded by Zirkelbach, to reappoint Bart Yakos to the Staunton Fire Protection District for another three-year term beginning the first Monday in May, 2007 and ending the first Monday in May, 2010. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Zirkelbach, seconded by Pomatto, to reappoint Don Gibson and Edward Dippold as Trustees to the Unit 7 Fire Protection District effective the first Monday in May, 2007 and ending the first Monday in May, 2010. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Nichelson, seconded by Pratt, to reappoint David Fitzgerald to the Girard Fire Protection District effective the first Monday in May, 2007 and ending the first Monday in May, 2010. All in favor, motion carried. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Motion by Long, seconded by Quarton, to place the following correspondence on file in the County Clerk's Office:

- a. Thank you from Orville Albrecht family.
- b. Thank you letter from the Macoupin County Center for the Developmentally Disabled.
- c. Correspondence from Linda Stewart regarding employee insurance co-pay.
- d. Correspondence from Dale Kasten regarding rental dates for County Fairgrounds.
- e. Letter from IDNR regarding Monterey Coal Co. No. 1 Mine.

All in favor, motion carried.

PETITIONS

Motion by Goodman, seconded by Wieseman, to approve a 50/50 Petition for Dorchester Township #28. Roll Call Vote: 23 ayes and 4 absent. Motion carried.

AYES

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Jubelt, Lance
Kiel, Bernie
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Manar, Andrew
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Pratt, Vera
Quarton, Robert
Quirk, Paul
Schwallenstecker, O.
Thomas, David

Vojas, Robert
Watson, Julia
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Yowell, Chris
Zirkelbach, Jim

ABSENT

Fraser, Morrie
Lux, Larry
Wiggins, Tony
Zippay, M. A.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Vojas, to approve a Supplemental Resolution to appropriate County Engineer's salary from motor fuel tax fund for a period beginning January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007 in the amount of \$1,425.00 (Section 07-00000-00-CS). Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Harding, seconded by Herschelman, to adopt a Supplemental Resolution to transfer \$712.50 of the County's Federal Surface Transportation Funds to the State in exchange for an equal amount State (MFT) Funds. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Vojas, seconded by Novak, to approve the 2005-2006 Macoupin County Audit. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Wieseman, to approve making the 2005-2006 Macoupin County Audit available at all Macoupin County Public Libraries. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Nichelson, seconded by Pratt, to adopt a Resolution making a transfer within the general fund to the Appellate Prosecutor Line for expenses from the Health Insurance Line Item in the amount of \$3,000.00. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Kiel, seconded by Bellm, to approve a Resolution increasing the Treasurer's Automation Fund, a Special Fund Budget, from \$7,000.00 to \$20,000.00 for the remainder of the 2006-2007 Fiscal Year. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Coatney, seconded by Novak, to approve a Resolution authorizing repayment of the loan of \$69,000.00 from the IMRF Special Fund to the General Fund. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

ORDINANCE

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Wieseman, to adopt an Ordinance Amending the Macoupin County Enterprise Zone and the Intergovernmental Agreement by and Between the City of Gillespie, Illinois, City of Carlinville, Illinois and Macoupin County, Illinois. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

Motion by, Schwallenstecker, seconded by Thomas, to approve the Claims and Officers report. All in favor, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Quirk, seconded by Vojas, to execute the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement to support the efforts of the ITS Trail Committee and act as its Fiscal Agent, at no cost to Macoupin County. Roll call vote: 23 ayes and 4 absent: motion carried.

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Quirk, Paul
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Thomas, David

Vojas, Robert
Watson, Julia
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Yowell, Chris
Zirkelbach, Jim

ABSENT

Fraser, Morrie
Lux, Larry
Wiggins, Tony
Zippay, M. A.

Motion by Vojas, seconded by Goodman, to approve hiring the following summer employees at the Highway Department: Christopher Saracco, Ashley Harding, Anthony Pomatto, Brian Snodgrass, Jacob Caveny, Tyson Probst, and Anthony Lubrant is the alternate. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

There was some discussion about the possibility of another architect taking a look at the building that was purchased for county offices. Larry Pfeiffer, Regional Superintendent of Schools discussed his space issues and then there was a motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Zirkelbach, to execute a contract with Schuette Design. Roll call vote: 20 ayes, 3 nays, 4 absent, motion carried.

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Pratt, Vera
Quarton, Robert
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Thomas, David
Vojas, Robert
Watson, Julia
Wieseman, Francis
Yowell, Chris
Zirkelbach, Jim

NAYS

Bellm, Darrell
Kiel, Bernie
Novak, Joe

ABSENT

Fraser, Morrie
Lux, Larry
Wiggins, Tony
Zippay, M. A.

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Schwallenstecker, to approve the amended contract for the purchase of the building across the street from the courthouse with the easement on the Westside of the apartment building. Roll call vote: 22 ayes, 1 abstention, 4 absent: motion carried.

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ABSENT

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Lux, Larry
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Zippay, M. A.

ABSTAIN

Goodman, Fran

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Schwallenstecker, to approve a Route 66 Road Shield Stencil. All in favor, motion carried. These are to be placed where the Turkey Tracts are on Donaldson Road and the Route 66 Bridge just a few miles outside of Carlinville, IL.

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Watson, to approve the Guidelines for the Macoupin County Tourism Grant Program. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Kiel, seconded by Harding, to hire Mari Scheiter in the Supervisor of Assessments Office effective April 16, 2006. Roll call vote: 23 ayes and 4 absent. Motion carried.

AYES

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ABSENT

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Motion by Quirk, seconded by Zirkelbach, to approve the Annual Report and Audit for the 2005-2006 Mt. Olive Ambulance Services, Inc. All in favor, motion carried.

Buzie Bertagnolli advised Lance Loveless had donated **\$500.00** and Steve and Pat Gorley **\$1,000.00** to the new Animal Control Building Fund.

The next Sheriff's, Building and Grounds Committee meeting will be April 25, 2007, at 9:00 a.m.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Wieseman, to allow Mileage and Per Diem. All in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by, Pratt, seconded by Kiel, to adjourn at 3:05 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

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