

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 13, 2007**

The adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, November 13, 2007, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. A moment of silence was observed in honor of Veteran's Day. There were twenty-five members present and two absent.

**PRESENT**

Bacon, Judy  
Fraser, Morrie  
Herschelman, Lyndal  
Lux, Larry  
Novak, Joe  
Quarton, Robert  
Thomas, David  
Wieseman, Francis  
Zirkelbach, James

Bellm, Darrell  
Goodman, Frances  
Kiel, Bernie  
Manar, Andrew  
Pomatto, Ruth  
Quick, Paul  
Vojas, Robert  
Wiggins, Tony

Dragovich, Mark  
Harding, Bill  
Long, Frank  
Nichelson, Glenn  
Pratt, Vera  
Schwallenstecker, Ollie  
Watson, Julia  
Zippay, M.A.

**ABSENT**

Coatney, Raymond  
Yowell, Chris

**MINUTES**

Motion by Nichelson, seconded by Bacon, to approve the minutes of the October 9, 2007 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

**GUESTS**

Kent Tarro, Macoupin County Public Health Department, advised the Board that the drive thru vaccine clinic was successful with approximately 400 participants. Tarro thanked Jim Pitchford and Tom Reinhart for their assistance for the clinic. The clinics held at the Girard High School, Carlinville High School and Gillespie Middle School resulted in 800 participants for flu vaccines. Tarro is seeking volunteers to assistance for emergencies.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The **Agriculture Committee** met on October 16, 2007. The purpose of the meeting was to re-write the newspaper advertisement for the County Farmland Lease and discuss the Conservation Reserve Program ground. The Committee discussed the solicitation of bids for the cash farm rental and due to a current lease will not advertise for a new lease until next year. Harding informed the Committee that the County is not eligible to receive the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) money and the County had withdrawn from the program. An update was given on Stults Cemetery and the Committee discussed the landfill outside Carlinville. Motion by Herschelman, seconded by Harding, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Sheriff, Building and Grounds Committee** met on October 17, 2007. The Committee met to discuss the selection of an architectural firm for the Courthouse restoration/preservation project, security issues and the budget. The Committee approved for recommendation to the full board for approval the selection of White Borgognoni to apply for a study grant for the Courthouse restoration/preservation. Sheriff Albrecht reported that upgrades in the camera system and a new computer system had been purchased out of last years budget has been very useful. The Sheriff reported a fee will be implemented to pay a Security Officer for private use of the Courthouse other than during working hours. The Sheriff informed the Committee he is working within his temporary budget. Motion by Quirk, seconded by Keil to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Finance Committee** meeting was held on October 17, 2007. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss health insurance/retirement; power-to-act regarding Worker's Comp; Power-to-Act regarding Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) recycling grant; review Christian County budget suggestions; establish Fiscal Year 2007-2008 budget amount for the Traffic Fee Violation Fund; finalize the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 General Fund Budget and discuss Vital Records Automation Fund. The action on the health insurance and retirement was table until a later date when Dan Snodgrass had all information available for the Committee. Power to act on the worker's comp insurance was tabled to allow additional information on rates to be compiled. The Committee tabled the recycling grant until further information was available. Lux reported to the Committee a list of items Christian County had to implement or act on due to the a mine closure in their County, such as reduction of the County Board, increase in fees, budget reductions for two years, pay salaries from special funds, no union raises for one year and no raise for Elected Officials. The Committee approved for recommendation to the full board a special fund Budget for the Traffic Fee Violation Account for \$53,000 for Fiscal Year 2007-2008. Action on the County Clerk's Special Fund was tabled until the next meeting. The Committee discussed the revenue for the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 as well as some of the line items in the General Fund Budget. Manar will get information on the grant to help offset expenses for Economic Development. Motion by Thomas, seconded by Lux to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Road and Bridge Committee** met on October 18, 2007. /The Committee approved a contract in the amount of \$103,035.19 for the construction of the Quarton Road bridge repairs to Sangamo Construction Company of Springfield. Motion by Goodman, seconded by Wieseman to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Finance Committee** meeting was held on October 25, 2007. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss copy room fees; Vital Records Automation Fund; Consolidate the Geographical Information System (G.I.S.) funds; County Board Committee proposals; Finalize FY 2007-2008 General Fund Budget; Finalize 2007-2008 Special Funds Budgets, Power-to-Act regarding Worker's Comp and power-to-act regarding the (DCEO) recycling grant. Matt Gazda, Bertinetti and Gazda and Jeff Weber, Illinois Counties Risk Management Trust (ICRMT) addressed the County regarding Workman's Compensation Insurance. The Committee recommended to the full Board for approval an increase in the charge for copies to .50. The Committee approved for recommendation to the full Board the County Clerk Vital Records Automation Fund and consolidating the Assessor GIS and the County Clerk GIS fund into one GIS Fund for the County. It

was decided that the current committee structure is working fine and no additional savings would be achieved by making changes. The Committee approved for recommendation by the full Board a special fund budget for Fiscal Year 2007-08 for the County Farm Account in the amount of \$3,000. The DCEO Recycling Grant was tabled pending additional information. After much discussion regarding the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 General Fund Budget the Committee recommended for passage by the full Board in the amount of \$7,127,266 in expenditures and \$1,139,000 in estimated revenue. Motion by Zippay, seconded by Lux to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Economic Development Committee** met on October 30, 2007. The Committee met to discuss the Enterprise Zone Expansion, Revolving Loan Fund update and Route 66 Festival/Tourism Update. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board the expansion of the Enterprise Zone to include 6.967 acres on Herman Road near Staunton. Nora Feuquay, Economic Development Coordinator advised the Committee of the status of the Revolving fund account. Feuquay reported to the Committee on the table at the Mother Road Festival in Springfield. Motion by Bacon, seconded by Long to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Planning and Subdivision Committee** met on November 5, 2007. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board the vacation of a drainage easement on the final plat of Victoria Estates Subdivision in Staunton Township. The Committee discussed possible changes to the Planning and Subdivision Ordinance and the enforcement of the ordinance. The Committee voted to request the Finance Committee considers the hiring of a Plat Officer as coordinator of subdividing land in the County. Chairman Manar requested that Chief Assessment Officer McDaniel provide the Committee with a summary of what the Field Assessor position has accomplished since being hired a year ago. Motion by Bacon, seconded by Keil to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Road and Bridge Committee** met on November 6, 2007. The Committee approved claims totaling \$113,923.20 for October. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board a resolution to support a statewide capitol plan. Motion by Goodman, seconded by Long, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Harding, to appoint Lee Lobue, Carlinville, to fill the unexpired term of Bill Nichelson, as a member of the Macoupin County Housing Authority Board of Directors effective November 13, 2007 until August 16, 2011. All in favor, motion carried.

## **AYE**

Bacon, Judy  
Fraser, Morrie  
Herschelman, Lyndal  
Lux, Larry  
Novak, Joe

Bellm, Darrell  
Goodman, Frances  
Kiel, Bernie  
Manar, Andrew  
Pomatto, Ruth

Dragovich, Mark  
Harding, Bill  
Long, Frank  
Nichelson, Glenn  
Pratt, Vera

## **NAY**

Quarton, Robert  
Thomas, David  
Wieseman, Francis  
Zirkelbach, James

Quirk, Paul  
Vojas, Robert  
Wiggins, Tony

Schwallenstecker, Ollie  
Watson, Julia  
Zippay, M.A.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Motion by Wieseman, seconded by Keil, to place the following communications on file in the County Clerk's office:

- a. Letter from the Macoupin County Citizens Corps Council for the meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup> at Blackburn College
- b. Registration for the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity/Illinois Finance Authority Roundtable Discussion for "Financing Community Projects" to be held on November 29<sup>th</sup> in Winchester.
- c. Letter from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services regarding National Children's Study
- d. Central Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Return Newsletter
- e. Letter from AMEREN CIPS regarding tree trimming in and around the Palmyra, Hettick and Scottville areas
- f. Letter from AMEREN CIPS regarding tree trimming in and around the Girard area.

All in favor, motion carried.

## **PETITIONS**

None.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

1:20 p.m., motion by Pomatto, seconded by Zippay to go into Executive Session regarding personnel.

2:20 p.m. motion by Fraser, seconded by Vojas to arise from Executive Session.

Motion by Fraser, seconded by Wiggins to form an Ad Hoc Committee to review and set up guidelines for the Assessor's office to include all Committee Chairman. All in favor, motion carried.

## **RESOLUTIONS**

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Vojas, to adopt the General Fund Budget for the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 in the amount of \$7,126,266. Roll call vote 24 yes, 0 nay. All in favor, motion

carried.

Motion by Harding, seconded by Lux, to approve a resolution increasing a minimum copy fee for the County Clerk's office of \$.50. Same roll call vote: Motion carried.

Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Herschelman, to adopt a Resolution establishing an appropriation of \$3,000 for the County Farm Account, a special fund budget for Fiscal Year 2007-2008. Same roll call vote: Motion carried.

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Quirk, to adopt a resolution establishing a County G.I.S fund as a special fund in the County Treasury. Same roll call vote: Motion carried.

Motion by Wieseman, seconded by Pomatto, to adopt a resolution abolishing the Assessor's G.I.S. fund and the County Clerk's G.I.S. Fund. Same roll call vote: Motion carried.

Motion by Fraser, seconded by Long, to adopt a resolution establishing the Vital Records Automation Fund as a special fund in the County Treasury. Same roll call vote: Motion carried.

Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Wieseman, to adopt a resolution supporting a State Capitol Plan. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Quirk, seconded by Wiggins, to adopt a resolution regarding the Courthouse Preservation. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Bellm, to adopt a resolution in support of "File for Life" in Macoupin County. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Keil, to adopt a resolution approving the vacation of a drainage easement on the Final Plat of Victoria Estates Subdivision in Staunton Township. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Zippay, seconded by Thomas, to adopt a resolution approving the Special Fund Budget for the Traffic Fees Violation Fund for Fiscal Year 2007-2008. Roll call vote: 24 Ayes, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

**AYE**

**NAY**

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Lux, Larry	Manar, Andrew	Nichelson, Glenn
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Wieseman, Francis	Wiggins, Tony	Zippay, M.A.
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## **ORDINANCE**

None.

## **CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT**

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

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Wiggins that letter be sent to all Elected Officials and Department Heads requesting a copy of the statutory language regarding any special funds regarding the use of the fund and if the interest may be transferred into the General Fund. All in favor, motion carried.

Manar informed the Board that he is working with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity's Coal office on the proceeding with Monterey Coal Company.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion by Fraser, seconded by Vojas, to approve the intergovernmental agreement for the expansion of the Macoupin County Enterprise Zone for the Bruckert-Daley expansion in Staunton. All in favor, motion carried.

Wiggins informed the Board that someone is interested in purchasing the old highway department building on West Main in Carlinville.

## **MILEAGE AND PER DIEM**

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

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 2:50 p.m., motion by Bacon, seconded by Watson to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

Prepared by: Michele Zippay

