

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

February 13, 2008

The adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, February 13, 2008, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-seven members present.

PRESENT

Bacon, Judy	Bellm, Darrell	Coatney, Raymond
Dragovich, Mark	Fraser, Morrie	Goodman, Frances
Harding, Bill	Herschelman, Lyndal	Kiel, Bernie
Long, Frank	Lux, Larry	Manar, Andrew
Nichelson, Glenn	Novak, Joe	Pomatto, Ruth
Pratt, Vera	Quarton, Robert	Quirk, Paul
Schwallenstecker, Ollie		Thomas, David
Vojas, Robert	Watson, Julia	Wieseman, Francis
Wiggins, Tony	Yowell, Chris	Zippay, M.A.
Zirkelbach, James		

ABSENT

MINUTES

Motion by Herschelman, seconded by Coatney, to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2008 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Macoupin County Public Health Department, informed the Board of the current Senior Bus routes and explained the goals for additional routes for the future with goals for Macoupin County Mass Transit. Tarro updated the Board on the National Children's Health Study, which Macoupin County and the City of St. Louis are the only participants in our area. The Study is in conjunction with the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine and Washington University.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The **Judicial Services Committee** met on January 10, 2008. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss personnel and the budget. Judge Deihl updated the Committee on the retirement of his employee and the Circuit Court budget. The Committee discussed the impact of not receiving adequate notice from employees retiring or resigning in the future. Circuit Clerk Mathis advised the Committee that his office could perform the duties in the Court. This would help the budget challenges by not filling the position left vacant. The Committee directed Jack Knuppel to coordinate the AFSCME contractual issue due to the resignation with the Owen Dratler, Office of the Administrative Courts and Judge Deihl. Motion by Pratt, seconded by Pomatto, to approve the

minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Planning and Subdivision Committee** met on January 15, 2008. The Committee met to approve the Power-to-Act for an ordinance regarding easements for large plots of land and discuss building permits. The Committee discussed the possible amendment to the Subdivision Act concerning easements. Assistant State's Attorney Cain and Assessor McDaniel are of the opinion that the proposed language is not in compliance with the Illinois Plat Act. After further discussion the Committee approved a change to the Planning and Subdivision ordinance in Section 2.02 of the Minor subdivision. Building permits were discussed at length by the Committee. The Committee also discussed the job description of a Plat Officer. Motion by Bacon, seconded by Keil to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Finance Committee** met on January 22, 2008 to discuss late payments for grant funded projects; SAS 112 the financial impact for the ROE and other units of local government; plat officer position; fringe benefit tax, cost of the audit; measures regarding the General Fund Budget; Special Fund Budgets; raises to non-union employees; time keeping software; courthouse holidays; courthouse budget; old business and new business. Regional Superintendent of Schools Larry Pfeiffer informed the Committee that the State is in arrears in making for two of the largest grants. Pfeiffer presented the Committee with a copy of the SAS 112, a new auditing requirement that will impact the ROE as well as other units of local government. The Committee discussed the Platt Officer position. County Clerk Zippay discussed the fringe benefit tax. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board an increase in the Macoupin County Community Care Health Center in an increase in the budget from \$62,500 to \$182,288. The Committee recommended that the additional \$1900 for additional audit cost be paid by the Treasurer. The Committee discussed at length raises for non-union employees and that there will be no additional/supplemental funds approved for County offices. The Committee was advised that the Treasurer's office and the Court do not use the timekeeping software purchased by the County and discussed at length the benefits of using the timekeeping software. The Committee discussed the Treasurer's office being closed early on Christmas Eve and the impact it could have on future contract negotiations. The Committee discussed the Courthouse budget. The Committee directed a memo will be sent to all county officials and department heads to gather information from State statutes on what the special funds can and cannot be used for. Motion by Thomas, seconded by Lux to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Economic Development Committee** met on January 29, 2008. The Committee met to discuss the expansion of the Enterprise Zone, Revolving Loan Fund Committee appointment; consideration of Blackburn intern; job seminar for Monterey workers/general update on mine situation and Christmas Market grant reimbursement. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board an Enterprise Zone expansion for Gwilliam Trucking Company. A request to add an 120 acre plat of land, to build storage bins, to the enterprise died for a lack of second. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board the appointment of Chris Williams on the Revolving Loan Fund Committee. The Committee approved the use of a Blackburn intern to assist the Economic Development office with any costs coming from the Economic Development budget. Fuequay updated the Committee on the job skills workshop scheduled for February 21, 2008. Motion by Wieseman, seconded by Watson to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion

carried.

The **Road and Bridge Committee** meeting was held on February 5, 2008. The purpose of the meeting was to audit January claims and other business. The Committee approved the audit of claims in the amount of \$283,786.57. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board a engineering contracts with Hutchison Engineering of Jacksonville for design of replacement structures carrying Palmyra Road over Hicks Creek and Joe's Creek in the amount not to exceed \$173,500 and design for replacement structure carrying Nine Mile Road over Sugar Creek not to exceed \$95,500. The Committee discussed 2008 seasonal employees. Reinhart informed the Committee that there has been no lawsuit filed against the contractor for Shipman cutoff road since it is a State project. Motion by Goodman, seconded by Keil to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Harding to appoint Debbie Throne of Staunton to replace Vivian Malham to the Macoupin County Public Health Department Board for a term effective January 15, 2008 though August 31, 2008. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Goodman, seconded by Bellm to appoint Chris Williams to the Revolving Loan Fund Committee effective February 13, 2008 through December 31, 2008. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Zirkelbach, seconded by Bacon, to correct an appointment of Wilbert Scheller as trustee to the Mt. Olive Fire Protection District, not Secretary as stated in the letter. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Quirk, to place the Letter from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency regarding the Cahokia Creek/Holiday Shores Lake Watershed Total Maximum Daily Lad; United Counties Council of Illinois Reception Information; Central Illinois Regional Opportunity Returns Newsletter and letters regarding condition of Shipman Cutoff Road on file in the County Clerk's office. All in favor, motion carried.

PETITIONS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Coatney seconded by Pratt, to approve a resolution extending the contract with the Health Professionals, LTD to provide medical services to inmate in Macoupin County Jail through December 2009, with an amendment to correct the percentage and add or the consumer price index whichever is lower. Roll Vote: 27 yes, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

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NAY

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Harding, to increase the Special Fund budget for the Community Care Health Center from \$62,500 to \$182,288. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Vojas, to adopt a resolution for a preliminary engineering services agreement with Hutchison Engineering, Inc. of Jacksonville for the design of replacement structures carrying Palmyra Road over Hicks Creek and Joe's Creek in amount not to exceed \$173,500. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Keil, seconded by Bacon, to adopt a resolution for a preliminary engineering services agreement with Hutchison Engineering, Inc. of Jacksonville for the design of replacement structures carrying Nine Mile Road over Sugar Creek in amount not to exceed \$95,500. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

ORDINANCE

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Wiggins to approve an ordinance expanding the Macoupin County Enterprise Zone to include Gwillim Trucking in Carlinville. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Jarid Ott and Jay Janseen from the ITS Trail Committee updated the Board on the timeline of the grant application to be sought through the Department of Natural Resources.

Motion by Vojas, seconded by Lux to approve Macoupin County to act as the agent for the Committee to obtain the grant. All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Manar distributed an article published in the Sun-Times regarding Blackburn College.

Nora Feuquay updated the Board on a Job Skills Workshop to be held on February 21, 2008 at Lake Williamson.

Manar reviewed each of the proposals in the Macoupin County Blueprint Plan which is will assist in maintaining a balanced budget for Macoupin County. Several proposals were discussed as length such as the privatization of Economic Development, a phased in Health Insurance for potential retirees, 2% reductions in most budgets within the General Fund, reduction of the County Board, as well as shifting payments from some of the General Fund Budget to some special fund budgets.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:35 p.m., motion by Bacon, seconded by Nicholson to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

Prepared by: Michele Zippay