

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 10, 2009

The adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order at 1:00 p.m., February 10, 2009. Vice-Chairperson Watson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were twenty-five members present and two members absent.

MINUTES

Motion by Herschelman, seconded by Long, to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2009, meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Administrator, Macoupin County Public Health Department, advised the Board Members that Senior Spring Expos will be held on Friday, March 20 at the Ss. Mary and Joseph Church in Carlinville and on Tuesday, April 21 at the Crystal Ballroom in Staunton. Tarro informed the Board that he received a letter from the State to stop the radon screenings as the Federal Government will not be sending grant money to the State to provide the screenings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The **Animal Control Committee** met on February 2, 2009. The Committee met to discuss and make recommendations regarding the Animal Control Building/Shelter and other business. Novak advised the Committee that a person who was to appear in court on animal abuse charges did not show and the Judge may opt to forfeit the Bond money to the Animal Control Department. Discussion was held regarding the Animal Control Building and Shelter as to the decisions that need to be made before construction begins. Animal Control Administrator Bertagnolli distributed the monthly activity report for review. Motion by Novak, seconded by Harding to approve the minutes with the correction "if the Bond is forfeited it will go to the Animal Control Fund. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Planning and Subdivision Committee** met on February 2, 2009. Robert Duvall from Patrick Engineering in Springfield gave a presentation regarding grants for Energy Efficiency. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board a letter of support for an energy conservation and assistance grant application to be coordinated by Patrick Engineering. Motion by Bacon, seconded by Pratt to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Road and Bridge Committee** met on February 3, 2009. The Committee met to approve January claims and other business. Discussion was held regarding the Highway Department maintenance facility at 220 North Oak in Carlinville. The Committee approved having an appraisal

done on the building. The Committee requested County Engineer Reinhart obtain costs for a salt storage structure and equipment storage structure. Claims totaling \$90,966.10 were approved for payment. The Committee approved a list of surplus equipment to be sold at Konneker-Brown's consignment auction. Reinhart gave an update on the Brighton-Bunker Hill Road project and reported that FEMA is completing the paperwork on the Stagecoach Road culvert that was washed out in the heavy rains last September. The Committee was advised the Department ordered all of the rock salt it is allowed under State contract which may not be enough for the winter. Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Goodman to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Goodman advised the Board after researching what the cost of having the highway building on Oak Street appraised it would be cost efficient to have a market analysis done. It was decided to seek an opinion from Assistant State's Attorney Brent Cain regarding the sale of the property.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The **Tourism Commission** met on January 14, 2009. The Committee discussed the website development which was presented by Sarah Black. Discussion was held on the web address, deadline to launch website and a visitors guide. Motion by Pratt, seconded by Nicholson to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Pratt, seconded by Bacon to appoint John Bresnan, as the Temporary Supervisor of Assessments for sixty (60) days effective February 1, 2009. Roll call vote: 25 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Motion by Wieseman, seconded by Herschelmann to place the Counties at the Capitol on file in the County Clerk's office. All in favor, motion carried.

PETITIONS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

RESOLUTIONS

None.

ORDINANCE

None

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion by Pratt, seconded by Novak to approve the proposed 2009-10 County Board Rules, with the monthly meeting held on the second Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted and leaving rule number three the same. 24 ayes and 1 nay, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Long to advertise for the position of Supervisor of Assessments in two newspapers for two weeks. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Kiel, to approve a letter supporting Patrick Engineering for education and assistance of grant application for energy efficiency. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Goodman, seconded by Novak to approve the surplus list presented by the Road and Bridge Committee to be sold. All in favor, motion carried.

Board Member Coatney advised the Board Members of an article regarding the shortfall of funds in the Regional Office of Education due to the lack of funds received from one other County in the region. Regional Office of Education Superintendent Larry Pfeiffer explained how the shortfall has occurred and offered to work with the Finance Committee to resolve the problem.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

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