

ADJOURNED MEETING**APRIL 14, 1992**

The Adjourned Meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order on Tuesday, April 14, 1992, at 1:00 p.m. by Board Chairman David Thomas. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-one members present and six absent.

Motion was made by Campbell, seconded by Malham, to approve last month's Minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Thomas made a request to dispense with the regular order of business in order to allow guests to address the board. Jim Pitchford, ESDA Coordinator, updated the board on the ESDA Programs. Mr. Pitchford has been chosen as President-Elect of the Illinois Emergency Service Management Association from April 1993 to April 1994.

Danley Vlasich discussed the 1992 projects and programs that the Macoupin County Courthouse and Old Jail Preservation, Restoration and Tourism Committee will be participating in. A Macoupin County Heritage Festival will be held on Saturday, May 9, 1992 and Sunday, May 10, 1992 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Jim Curry, owner and operator of Curry Ice and Coal Company, addressed the board concerning the county road from Route 4 to Crown-Freeman Coal Mine. He would like the County's cooperation and help to make this an 80,000 pound limit road.

Doug Dougherty, Co-Chairman of the Program Advisory Committee and Doctor Phil Phillips spoke to the board on the Rural Partners - Kellogg Program.

Kent Tarro discussed the Public Health Financial status. He

informed the board that the Public Health Department has not been spared from the state cuts such as WIC Program, funding for immunization, and funding for vision and hearing program. Because of these cuts new programs and expansion of existing programs have been completed to bring in new sources of revenue.

Thomas Gazda discussed the possibility of applying for a grant from the Economic Development Fund of IDOT (Illinois Department of Transportation) for the county road from Route 4 to Crown-Freeman Coal Mine as an 80,000 pound limit road. Motion was made by Denby, seconded by Mitchell, to give the road and bridge committee the power to act on this request. All in favor, motion carried.

Judge Koval informed the board that a letter from the Secretary of State concerning the Lincoln Documents was received. The State Archives have agreed to take the Lincoln Documents with all our conditions. The title will remain with Macoupin County. Copies will be made from original along with a receipt. The documents will be preserved at the State Archives in Springfield.

Relocation of Courtroom B was addressed by Judge Koval. Judge Koval asked the county board if they would be willing to hold the county board meeting in the large conference room on the second floor of the new jail. This would free the east side of the courthouse basement to be used as a courtroom, court reporter office, magistrate offices, and a jury room. A team from the Illinois Judges Association will be making a study as to what needs to be done to make these rooms suitable for their purpose. No moves will be made until the cost of this project is determined.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The Sheriff, Building and Grounds Committee Report and Circuit Court, Coroner and State Attorney Committee Report of March 13, 1992 was read by Armour. The purpose of the meeting was (1) Danley Vlasich requested the use of the Courthouse on May 9th and May 10th for a Heritage/Arts Festival, (2) Don Fieker discussed the possibility of constructing a fence around the perimeter of the courthouse and installing two sculptures in the main courtroom, and (3) Judge Koval discussed the report of the oversight committee on court facilities and standards. Motion was made by Payne, seconded by Scopel, to accept the report. All in favor, motion carried. Motion was made by Scopel, seconded by Molinar, to hold the county board meeting on the second floor of the new jail provided that funds could be made available for court facilities. All in favor, motion carried.

The Agriculture Committee Report of March 20, 1992 was read by Quanton. The purpose was to meet with the Agricultural Soil Conservation Service and renew the county farm lease. Motion was made Campbell, seconded by Jubelt, to accept the report. All in favor, motion carried.

The M & M Base Material Report of April 6, 1992 was read by Bruce. Minutes of the previous meeting and bills totaling \$527.19 were read and approved. Motion was made by Scopel, seconded by Nichelson, to accept the report. All in favor, motion carried.

The Road and Bridge Committee Report of April 10, 1992 was read by Bruce. The board will be asked in May to vote on whether or not we should take Bond County in as "Limited Partners" of M & M Base Materials. Motion was made by Snodgrass, seconded by Pomatto, to

accept the report. All in favor, motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS:

Motion was made by Jubelt, seconded by Scopel, to re-appoint Warren Hemann as trustee for the Mt. Olive Fire Protection District for a three year term. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Christopher, seconded by Molinar, to re-appoint W. O. Cromwell as trustee to the Bunker Hill Fire Protection District for a three year term. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Mitchell, seconded by Payne, to appoint Maurice Hays as trustee for the Girard Fire Protection District #2479 for a three term. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A letter from the Illinois Department of Revenue informing the board that the line item appropriation for the state reimbursement of one-half of the Supervisor of Assessments' salaries has been reduced by 3%. Motion was made by Scopel, seconded by Frank, to place on file. All in favor, motion carried.

A thank letter from the Macoupin County Soil and Water Conservation District for the county's cooperation and support in the conservation efforts throughout the county was received. Motion was made by Frank, seconded by Odorizzi, to place on file. All in favor, motion carried.

A letter from Gary Hannig strongly opposing the Motor Fuel Tax cut was read. Motion was made by Bellm, seconded by Mitchell, to place on file. All in favor, motion carried.

Another letter from State Representative Gary Hannig concerning the community landfill in Staunton was read. Motion was made by

Mitchell, seconded by Bertagnolli, to place on file. All in favor, motion carried.

A letter from State Representative Tom Ryder concerning the Motor Fuel Tax cut was read. Motion was made by Frank, seconded by Christopher, to place on file. All in favor, motion carried.

A letter from the Macoupin County Extension Service requesting payment in the amount of \$11,500.00 from the county as one of the grantors of the program was received. This amount is already budgeted as a line item in the General Fund. Motion was made by Malham, seconded by Payne, to place on file. All in favor, motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS:

A proclamation to declare the week of June 14-20, 1992 as Amateur Radio Week was approved. Motion was made by Pomatto, seconded by Denby. Roll call taken: 21 yes and 6 absent. Motion Carried.

An agreement between Western Mound Township and Macoupin County to hire design engineer for bridge over Lick Creek was approved. Motion was made by Frank, seconded by Quarton. Same roll call taken, motion carried.

A water line permit for Don and Linda McLean to put water line across Emerson Airline Road in North Otter was approved. Motion was Bellm, seconded by Mitchell. Same roll call taken, motion carried.

An agreement between county-state for county to get additional detour money for state work on Joe's Creek Bridge, Ill Route 108 was approved. Motion was made by Molinar, seconded by Jubelt. Same roll call taken, motion carried.

A resolution for Macoupin County to apply for Economic Development Fund from Illinois Department of Transportation for

C.H. 58 known as Crown II Mine Road was approved. Motion was made by Denby, seconded by Snodgrass. Same roll call taken, motion carried.

A resolution authorizing the transfer from the Court Security Service Fees Account to the General Fund Account in the amount of \$16,000.00 was approved. Motion was made by Denby, seconded by Jubelt. Same roll call taken, motion carried.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT:

Motion was made by Pomatto, seconded by Nichelson, to accept and approve the claims and officers report. All in favor, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Chairman Thomas informed the board that Governor Edgar proposed to totally eliminate by July 1, 1992 the income tax surcharge that the county currently receives in revenue. This would mean a cut of 10 percent of the county's operating revenue in the General Fund, and would create an immediate problem for the county. With the board's approval Chairman Thomas will write a letter to the Governor and State Representatives.

NEW BUSINESS:

Campbell suggested different methods to protest the proposed 16% increase in telephone rates.

Thomas received a letter from Mik Arnett on the Tipping Fee Fund along with minutes to the RPC meetings.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM:

Motion was made by Bruce, seconded by Dugan, to allow mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Malham, seconded by Mitchell, to adjourn at

2:50 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.