

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 9, 1997

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, September 9, 1997 at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-four members present and three absent.

MINUTES

Motion by Snodgrass, seconded by Harding, to approve the minutes of the August 12, 1997 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Public Health Department Administrator, briefly discussed the Macoupin County Public Health Department/Illinois Army National Guard Health Check-Up Program at the Macoupin County Fairgrounds on Saturday, September 20, 1997 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The clinic is targeting uninsured, low income, children and adults. Services provided include: school physicals, sports exams, dental and eye exams, immunizations, blood cholesterol and glucose screening. **Call the Public Health Department for an appointment 217-854-3223.**

Joan Cain addressed the Board regarding the guidelines for calculating "years of service" on the Non-union employees' Longevity Schedule, Resolution 96.48, approved by the Board September 1, 1996. Will **total** years of service be calculated by **continuous** or **cumulative** years and will the calculation include "part-time" employment prior to full time County employment? Virginia Anderson stated a main concern was "lack of communication," between the Non-union employees and the County Board. Is it possible for the Board to advise Non-union employees when a decision is made regarding them?

Chairman Denby invited Cain and Anderson to remain for Executive Session to respond to questions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bellm reviewed the minutes of the August 20, 1997 Road and Bridge Committee meeting. The main topic of discussion was salaries for the Highway Department and the Committee decided to recommend a \$2,500.00 annual salary increase for the Macoupin County Engineer. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Mitchell to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby discussed the minutes of the August 28, 1997, Industrial Commission meeting. The Committee agreed to recommend to full Board a \$10,000.00 loan to B & G Construction from the Revolving Loan Fund. Discussion was held on a potential CDAP project involving R & R Bindery in Girard and the Committee agreed to continue to assist them with their expansion. Chairman Denby informed the Committee that the salary increase for Copy Room personnel must be approved by the Finance, Fees and Salaries Committee. Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Harding, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby reviewed the minutes of the September 2, 1997, Fees and Salaries and Finance Committee meeting. The Committee voted that Copy Room Personnel be allowed longevity pay the same as other Non-union employees of the Courthouse and not an additional \$70.00 per month. The Committee discussed the possibility of County Board Members participating in IMRF. Guidelines for calculating Longevity were also discussed and a recommendation was made to amend Resolution 96.48 to read "cumulative years of service." Motion by Payne, seconded by Mitchell, to approve minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby discussed the minutes of the September 5, 1997, Sheriff, Building and Grounds Committee meeting. The Committee voted that Sheriff Zirkelbach hire three new deputies to fill three vacancies. Donations to the Sheriff's Department were discussed and it was unanimously agreed that when the Sheriff's Department receives donations, they go into the General Fund and when the Sheriff needs these donations, he will make a request from the Board. The Sheriff will also gather information on computers, types of programs needed, as well as cost of training. The Committee granted Blackburn College permission to use the Courthouse for a Story Telling Program after the Rotary Halloween Parade. The Committee also agreed that the painting to be done in Judge Koval's Office, Court Reporters' Room and Conference Room will go out to bid. Bills were approved for payment. Motion by Payne, seconded by Caveny, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Bellm reviewed the minutes of the September 5, 1997, Road and Bridge Committee. Claims were approved for payment and the engineering agreements for the past seven years were reviewed. The Committee reviewed and approved an agreement with Monterey Mine to stockpile rock on the mine property. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Quirk, to approve minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Bellm, to adjourn to Executive Session at 1:30 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Caveny, to return to regular session at 1:50 p.m. All in favor, motion carried. No action taken during Executive Session.

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Mitchell, to return the following items to the Finance, Fees and Salaries Committee for further discussion and recommendation to the full Board: Definition and Calculation of Longevity for Non-union employees; raises given to individuals or classes of employees in addition to, and above what the other Non-union employees receive; and the development of an alternative way to arrive at these types of decisions in addition to developing a consistent employee policy with these issues if not superseded by the lawful authority of the elected official to operate each office.

APPOINTMENTS

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

PETITIONS

None.

RESOLUTIONS

Prior to voting on the Resolution, Bellm advised the Board that the vote on the County Engineer's salary at the Road and Bridge Committee meeting was not unanimous. Bellm stated he was in favor of a 3% or \$1,500.00 annual increase. Beverly Bertagnolli said that the original resolution adopted when the County Highway engineer was hired stipulated a fixed salary. States Attorney Moreth explained that any existing contract takes precedence over a resolution, and that it is proper for the County Board to consider an increase in pay for the County Engineer. Motion by Caveny, seconded by Odorizzi, to approve an annual salary increase for 1997-98 in the amount of \$2,500.00 for the Macoupin County Engineer. Roll call vote: 8 ayes, 16 nays, and 3 absent. Motion does not carry.

Motion by Mitchell to table Resolution appropriating County Engineer Salary for September 1, 1997 - December 31, 1997. After discussion, Mitchell rescinded his motion. Renner advised the Board that more money can be appropriated than spent. After discussion, motion by Bellm, seconded by Christopher, to adopt a Resolution appropriating County Engineer Salary for the period of September 1, 1997 - December 31, 1997, in the amount of \$18,666.68. Roll call vote: 24 ayes, 3 absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Payne, seconded by Watson, to table a Resolution addressing the Longevity Schedule for Non-union employees. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Payne, seconded by Griffith, to loan B & G Construction Co. \$10,000.00 from the Revolving Loan Fund. Roll call vote: 20 ayes, 3 nays, 1 present and 3 absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Payne, seconded by Bacon, to adopt a Resolution to increase the Sheriff's Department Expenditure Budget by \$30,000.00 and increase the Jail Budget by \$24,465.70. Roll call vote: 24 ayes and 3 absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Payne, seconded by Don Bertagnolli, to adopt the General Fund and several Special Funds Budget of Macoupin County for fiscal year September 1, 1997 - August 31, 1998. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Beverly Bertagnolli, seconded by Harding, to adopt a Resolution approving Creditable Service for Military Service to County Officials establishing creditable service pursuant to Section 7-139, Paragraph (a) of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Code. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

ORDINANCES

None.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

Motion by Malham seconded by Pomatto to approve the Claims and Officers Report. All in favor, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mitchell asked about IMRF for Board members. Denby advised that next week a meeting is scheduled with a representative from IMRF to address the issue.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

Motion by Odorizzi, seconded by Morgan, to allow mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Bellm, to adjourn at 2:49 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.