

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

DECEMBER 9, 2003

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday December 9, 2003, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-seven members present and none absent.

PRESENT

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| Bacon, Judy | Kiel, Bernie | Thomas, David |
| Bellm, Darrell | Landers, Mearl | Vojas, Robert |
| Campbell, Tom | Lux, Larry | Watson, Julia |
| Caveny, John | Malham, Vivian | Wiggins, Tony |
| Christopher, Margie | Manar, Andrew | Zippay, M. A. |
| Coatney, Raymond | Nichelson, Glenn | |
| Denby, Don B. | Novak, Joe | |
| Fraser, Morrie | Pomatto, Ruth | |
| Goodman, Frances | Pratt, Vera | |
| Harding, Bill | Quarton, Robert | |
| Jubelt, Lance | Quirk, Paul | |

MINUTES

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Campbell, to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2003 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Administrator, Public Health Department, told the Board all of the flu vaccine received had been given and only Dr. Laws still had flu vaccine available. The vaccine that was available will not prevent the flu that has hit other states, resulting in 516 deaths, but Tarro said it will help to make the symptoms not as harsh. Tarro also reported the prescription medicine discount card has been very successful and has saved Macoupin County residents \$60,000.00 to \$65,000.00. Tarro also advised the Health Department is moving forward with the Unicare Small Group Plan health insurance for small business in Macoupin County. House Bill 700 is on the Governor's desk awaiting signature. After the bill is signed Tarro will come back to the Finance Committee of the County Board for acceptance of this plan. At present, 50 small business are interesting in covering their employees.

Kelly McDonald from the Macoupin County Developmentally Disabled Center thanked Board members for reconsidering the possibility of funding a portion of their program. Jackie Bartlett, a student attending Blackburn, works at the Center as part of her work program, and also spoke about the students, their families and volunteers that work at the Center. She stated she has decided that she wants to work with the developmentally disabled after graduation from college.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Watson read the minutes of the November 19, 2003, **Fees and Salaries Committee** meeting. The Committee discussed, at great length, the position of the Animal Control Administrator. It was unanimously agreed that Board Chairman Denby discuss the matter with Buzie Bertagnolli and report back to the Committee. No motion nor final decision will be made until further information is received. The Committee also agreed to recommend to the full Board the approval of an increase in Circuit Clerk fees, effective January 1, 2004. Motion by Pratt, seconded by Malham, to approve minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Pratt advised Denby the minutes did not reflect the appointment that had been made and Chairman Denby advised it was his appointment to make, but he would send it back to Committee, therefore, the above minutes were approved.

Bacon discussed the minutes of the November 26, 2003, **Planning and Subdivision Committee** meeting. Heneghan and Associates distributed copies of the Preliminary Plat of Heritage Trails Subdivision in Brighton Township. The Committee voted not to approve the Preliminary Plat of Heritage Trails Subdivision due to the fact that all lots are required to have 20,000 square feet of land, not including water. Some of the lots in this Preliminary Plat do not have the required amount of land in order to provide a proper septic system. Motion by Bacon, seconded by Kiel, to approve the minutes as recorded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jubelt discussed the minutes of the December 3, 2003, **Finance Committee** meeting. Jubelt explained some insurance premiums had dropped and some had increased. He fielded questions about the 2003-2004 Levy. The Committee agreed to recommend to the full Board approval of the 2003 Tax Levy in the amount of \$3,395,656.00. The Committee voted to recommend to the full Board the approval of transferring \$115,000.00 from the County Highway fund to the General Fund for reimbursement of insurance cost. The Committee also agreed to recommend to the full Board the approval of transferring \$100,395.00 from Court Security Special Fund to the General Fund for the salary and benefits of two Court Security officers and also to adjust the election budget in the amount of \$103,000.00. Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Pratt, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Bellm read the minutes of the December 5, 2003, **Road and Bridge Committee** meeting. The Committee agreed to approve recommending to the full Board appropriating \$1,225,000.00 of the Motor Fuel Tax fund for the maintenance of county highways from January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004. The Committee also agreed to recommend to the full Board to transfer jurisdiction of the County's Union Chapel Road to North Otter Township, a section of 1.15 miles. It was also agreed to appropriate the County Engineer's salary from Motor Fuel Tax funds for the period beginning January 1, 2004 through August 31, 2004. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Nicholson, to approve minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Harding, to appoint Sheldon Fairfield to replace Gary Huson on the Scottville Modesto Rural Fire Protection District Board of Trustees. The remainder of the three-year term is from May 1, 2003 through April 30, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chairman Denby read a letter of resignation from Gary Huson, resigning from the Scottville-Modesto Rural Fire Protection District Board of Trustees for personal reasons.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Bellm, to adjourn to Executive Session at 1:35 p.m. Roll call vote: 27 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

AYES

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| Caveny, John | Malham, Vivian | Wiggins, Tony |
| Christopher, Margie | Manar, Andrew | Zippay, M. A. |
| Coatney, Raymond | Nichelson, Glenn | |
| Denby, Don B. | Novak, Joe | |
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| Harding, Bill | Quarton, Robert | |
| Jubelt, Lance | Quirk, Paul | |

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Novak, to return to regular session at 2:00 p.m. All in favor, motion carried. No action taken during Executive Session.

PETITIONS

None.

RESOLUTIONS

- a. Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Pratt, to approve a Resolution increasing the Circuit Clerk Fees effective January 1, 2004. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- b. Motion by Novak, seconded by Caveny, approving the 2003-2004 Levy. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

- c. Motion by Quirk, seconded by Bacon, to approve a Resolution appropriating \$46,326.00 for County Engineer's salary from January 2004 through August 2004. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- d. Motion by Caveny, seconded by Campbell, approving a Resolution appropriating \$1,225,000.00 for 2004 County MFT Maintenance. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- e. Motion by Quirk, seconded by Kiel, to adopt a Resolution approving jurisdictional transfer of Union Chapel Road to North Otter Township. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- f. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Nickelson, to approve a Resolution urging the Federal Communications Commission to investigate the insufficient cellular service for residents of Macoupin County. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- g. Motion by Lux, seconded by Jubelt, to approve a Resolution transferring \$100,395.00 from Court Security Fund to General Fund; IMRF; Social Security and Tort Liability. Roll call vote: 26 ayes 1 absent. Motion carried.

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 Denby, Don B.
 Fraser, Morrie
 Goodman, Frances
 Harding, Bill
 Jubelt, Lance
 Kiel, Bernie
 Landers, Mearl
 Lux, Larry
 Malham, Vivian

ABSENT

Manar, Andrew
 Nichelson, Glenn
 Novak, Joe
 Pomatto, Ruth
 Pratt, Vera
 Quarton, Robert
 Quirk, Paul
 Thomas, David
 Vojas, Robert
 Watson, Julia
 Wiggins, Tony
 Zippay, M. A.
 Christopher, Margie

- h. Motion by Quirk, seconded by Campbell, to adopt a Resolution transferring \$115,000.00 from the Macoupin County Highway Department to the General Fund; Tort Liability; IMRF and Social Security to cover benefits for Highway Department employees. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- i. Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Bellm, to approve a Resolution entering into an Agreement with the State Board of Elections to receive HAVA money. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

- j. Motion by Campbell, seconded by Bellm, to approve a Resolution increasing the election budget by \$103,000.00 for equipment due to HAVA reimbursement. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

ORDINANCE

None.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Campbell thanked Board members for their support in protesting the selling of Illinois Power.

NEW BUSINESS

Thomas mentioned there had been no reimbursements from the Probation Department grants and Denby requested Wanda Hammann to check into the situation.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Vojas, seconded by Bellm, to adjourn at 2:30 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.