

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**APRIL 11 2006**

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, April 11, 2006, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-five members present and two absent.

**PRESENT**

Bacon, Judy	Kiel, Bernie
Bellm, Darrell	Lux, Larry
Christopher, Carlos	Malham, Vivian
Campbell, Tom	Nichelson, Glenn
Coatney, Raymond	Novak, Joe
Denby, Don B.	Pratt, Vera
Fraser, Morrie	Quarton, Robert
Goodman, Frances	Quirk, Paul
Harding, William	Schwallenstecker, O.
Jubelt, Lance	Thomas, David

**ABSENT**

Vojas, Robert	Manar, Andrew
Watson, Julia	Pomatto, Ruth Ann
Wieseman, Francis	
Wiggins, Tony	
Zippay, M. A..	

**MINUTES**

Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Thomas, to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2006 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

**GUESTS**

Kent Tarro, Administrator, Public Health Department, advised Board members of the Senior Health Screenings that will be held in Macoupin County. Dates are as follows: Thursday, May 4, 2006, Brighton Municipal Building; Tuesday, May 9, 2006, Gillespie Civic Center; Tuesday May 16, 2006, Mt. Olive Church of the Ascension; and Thursday, May 18, 2006, Staunton VFW. There will also be a Health Expo on Friday, April 28, 2006, at Ss. Mary & Joseph Church, Carlinville, Illinois. There is a suggested donation of \$5.00 for those who are 60 years of age or older. Next week is National Public Health week. Tarro suggested residents participate in these programs as they are certainly the best deal around. Blue Ribbon pins were also distributed for each member as April is Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Public Health Awards are presented annually for individuals and an organization supporting Public Health Operations. The individual awards were presented to Sonny Albertine a long time member of the Public Health Board and Dr. Greg Laws from the Illini Medical Group. Dr. Laws, like Sonny Albertine, are very active participants on the Board and promote Public Health Services. The Organizational Award was presented to John Garretts from Illini Medical Associates.

Buzie Bertagnolli, Animal Control Administrator, encouraged Board Members to participate

in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Safe Families Golf Classic at Timber Lakes Golf Course on Friday, September 8, 2006. The money contributed stays in Macoupin County and serves our residents. The golf tournament raised \$14,000.00 last year and the goal is \$20,000.00 in 2006.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Thomas discussed the minutes of the March 30, 2006, **Finance Committee** meeting. Dick Lounsbury addressed the Committee regarding We Care Recycling. He requested the Finance Committee recommend to the full Board approval of contributing \$5,000.00 to support their program. Danny Phipps, Scheffel & Company, P. C., discussed the Macoupin County Audit for the year ending August 31, 2005. The Committee agreed to recommend approval of the Audit and to have a copy available at all Macoupin County Libraries. County Clerk Zippay distributed a "Health Insurance Report".

The Committee agreed to proceed with a proposal which would equitably distribute the costs of the deductibles over the entire group. Reimbursement to the Special Health Insurance fund will come from three entities: General Fund, the Highway Department and the Public Health Department. County Clerk Zippay requested a Resolution increasing the Real Estate Stamp Account from \$100,000.00 to \$140,000.00. In addition, the Committee agreed to a resolution approving the purchase in 2005 of a new Payroll and Financial System from the Recorder Microfilm Fund. Russ Peters, Illinois Public Risk Fund, suggested that a Safety Committee be formed for the Workman's Compensation Fund. Motion by Thomas, seconded by Lux, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Quirk, seconded by Wiggins, to seat Bill Harding and change the count to 25 present and 2 absent. All in favor, motion carried.

Goodman discuss the minutes of the April 4, 2006, **Road and Bridge Committee** meeting. Claims were approved for payment. The Committee approved the Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement for Federal Participation and recommended passage by the full Board. Summer employment applications were reviewed and the Committee decided to offer jobs to five applicants that have previously worked for the department and one from the remaining applications. The Committee voted to recommend to the full Board: Resolution to appropriate County Engineer's salary from Motor Fuel Tax Fund for a period beginning January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006, in the amount of \$1,710.00 and a Resolution to transfer \$855.00 from the County's Federal Surface Transportation Funds to the State in exchange for an equal amount of State (MFT) Funds. Motion by Goodman, seconded by Novak, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

## **REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE**

Kent Tarro, Chairman of the **Task Force on Assessments** briefly discussed the minutes of the April 1, 2006 meeting. The Task Force agreed to send a letter to Senator Demuzio and Representatives Hannig and Watson to request that mobile and modular homes be taxed at the same level as other properties. The Task Force also requested to send letters to the same to request consideration for legislation that allows counties to enforce the collection of property taxes in previous years on homes that have paid no property tax but have the obligation to do so. The Final

Report was approved and the Task Force requested the County Board allow them to continue investigating additional issues that were discovered through the work of the Task Force, specifically within State statute. Motion by Campbell, seconded by Kiel, to approve the minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Pratt, to approve the Report of the Countywide Task Force on Assessments and place on file in the County Clerk's office. All in favor, motion carried.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by Zippay, seconded by Thomas, to appoint Joe Karlovic to replace Bruce Pitchford on the Macoupin County Board of Review effective April 11, 2006 until May 31, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Harding, to reappoint James Hruska to the Central Macoupin County Rural Water District for another 5-year term effective May 1, 2006 – May 1, 2011. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Vojas, seconded by Lux, to reappoint William E. Knop to another three-year term on the Staunton Fire Protection District effective 4-11-06 to 4-11-09. All in favor, motion carried.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

### **PETITIONS**

None.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

- a. Motion by Bacon, seconded by Malham, to approve a Resolution making the April 1, 2006 Report of the Countywide Task Force on Assessments available at Public Libraries. All in favor, motion carried.
- b. Motion by Pratt, seconded by Quarton, to approve a Resolution making the Macoupin County Audit available at Public Libraries. All in favor, motion carried.
- c. Motion by Quirk, seconded by Novak, to approve a preliminary engineering services agreement with Coombe-Bloxdorf, Springfield, IL for design of the Julian Ave. Bridge in Royal Lakes. (Section 04-00001-00-BR). Roll call vote: 25 ayes and two absent. Motion carried.

**AYES**

Bacon, Judy  
Bellm, Darrell  
Christopher, Carlos  
Campbell, Tom  
Coatney, Raymond  
Denby, Don B.  
Fraser, Morrie  
Goodman, Frances  
Harding, William  
Jubelt, Lance

Kiel, Bernie  
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Malham, Vivian  
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- d. Motion by Nichelson, seconded by Vojas, to approve a supplemental resolution to appropriate County engineer’s salary from motor fuel tax fund for a period beginning January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006 in the amount of \$1,710.00 (Section 06-0000-0-00-CS). Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- e. Motion by Kiel, seconded by Bacon, to approve a supplemental resolution to transfer \$855.00 of the County’s Federal Surface Transportation Funds to the State in exchange for an equal amount of State (MFT) Funds. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- f. Motion by Thomas, seconded by Novak, to increase the Real Estate Tax Stamp Fund from \$100,000.00 to \$140,000.00. Same roll call vote. Motion carried.
- g. Motion by Nichelson, seconded by Wieseman, to adopt a Resolution approving the purchase of a new Payroll and Financial System in the amount of \$54,000.00 to be paid from Recorder Microfilm Fund. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

**ORDINANCE**

None.

**CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT**

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Finance Chairman Thomas announced the FOP Contract was signed on April 10, 2006.

Bacon, Chairman of the Planning and Subdivision Committee, reported that a meeting has been scheduled regarding the Bunker Hill Moto Park on April 29, 2006. An invitation has been sent to the owners of the property and surrounding residents. We have not yet heard from the owners of the park.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Lux explained how beneficial the Health Insurance Committee had been and requested the Board reconvene this special committee for the coming year. Motion by Lux, seconded by Zippay, to get this committee going again. All in favor, motion carried.

The Board was advised of another water break in the Circuit Clerk's Traffic and Criminal Division. There was extensive damage done and the County does not have insurance for these items but they had to be replaced.

Pratt advised resumes for the Technology position had been received and interviews will be held.

## **MILEAGE AND PER DIEM**

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

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Kiel, seconded by Novak, to adjourn at 1:55 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

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