

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 20, 2007

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, FEBRUARY 20, 2007, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-six members present and one member absent.

PRESENT

Bacon, Judy
Bellm, Darrell
Coatney, Raymond
Fraser, Morrie
Goodman, Frances
Harding, Bill
Herschelman, Lyndal
Jubelt, Lance
Long, Grank

Lux, Larry
Manar, Andrew
Nichelson, Glenn
Novak, Joe
Pomatto, Ruth
Pratt, Vera
Quarton, Robert
Quirk, Paul
Schwallenstecker, O.
Thomas, David

ABSENT

Vojas, Robert
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Wiggins, Tony
Yowell, Chris
Zippay, M. A.
Zirkelbach, Jim

MINUTES

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Coatney, to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2007, meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Administrator of the Public Health Department, informed the Board that Mayor Josh Ross, Gillespie, has made the Safe Families the recipient of the Mayor's Second Black Diamond Charity Ball. It will be held on March 10th at the Gillespie Civic Center with a Dinner, Dance and Silent Auction. The Health Department would like to have homes in the County tested for ray don. If anyone is interested in having their home tested please contact the Carlinville office of the Health Department. Tarro also reported that the Department is working closely with EMA on hospital preparedness for a potential Flu Epidemic. The Public Health Department is also working closely with the Sheriff and State's Attorney on obtaining grants for Domestic Violence services.

Dick Lounsbury, We-Care Recycling, addressed the board regarding needing assistance from the various local governments to continue and expand operations. Lounsbury indicated that the materials received are not covering the amount of money it costs to operate the recycling center. State Grants have been obtained to help with the operations when possible. Chairman Manar indicated the interest to expand recycling services to additional communities in the County. Chairman Manar referred the matter to the Finance Committee.

Jim Pitchford, EMA Director, informed the Board of a meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21, 2007 at Blackburn College. The meeting is for Local Government Assistance and officials will be on hand from the State and Federal government to review applications and brief those individuals from the various entities on applying for assistance to help with expenses from the recent storms.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chairman Manar, referred to the minutes of the **Grievance Meeting** held on January 17, 2007. The meeting was held to review a grievance filed in the County Clerk's office. The Committee directed the County Clerk to communicate in writing to AFSCME that the appropriate amount of pay has been deducted from the check of the employee referenced in the Grievance filed and the Board will consider the Grievance settled. The Committee also directed Jack Knuppel to send a written proposal to AFSCME that requests weekly meetings every Friday to discuss ongoing grievances. Motion by Thomas, seconded by Pratt, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Manar referred any questions of the **Ad Hoc Committee on Property** meeting held on February 9, 2007 to Bellm. Motion by Bellm, second by Harding to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Animal Control Committee** met on January 23, 2007 to tour and discuss the facility located on the south edge of Benld on Route 4. Motion by Novak, seconded by Pomatto to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Economic Development Committee** met on January 30, 2007 to discuss the changes to the Revolving Loan Fund recapture strategy and policies, the Enterprise Zone and a visitor's center. The Committee approves changes to both the Revolving Fund Recapture Strategy and the Revolving Fund Policies. The Committee approved the removal of the property of the Gillespie Eye Care from the next expansion of the Enterprise Zone. The Committee discussed the possibility of creating a visitor's center in Macoupin County. The Committee requested that Chairman Manar look into the revenue generated from the Hotel/Motel tax passed by the Board last year. Motion by Coatney, seconded by Weiseman, to approve the minutes as written with the addition of Coatney being present at the meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Planning and Subdivision Committee** met on January 31, 2007 to discuss Woodlands Subdivision in Carlinville Township, Sycamore Ridge Estates in Brighton Township and a letter received from the U.S. Postal Service regarding approved plats for construction. The Committee approved the plat for Woodlands Subdivision, a minor subdivision in Carlinville Township and the final plat of Sycamore Estates, an amended subdivision in Brighton Township. After discussing the letter received from the United States Postal Service regarding new construction of new subdivisions, the Committee approved that a cost of \$10 per plat will be charged. Motion by Bacon, seconded by Pratt, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

On February 6, 2007 the **Road and Bridge Committee** met. The Committee approved the claims for January 2007. The Committee also approved resolutions to appropriate \$105,070 in Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Preliminary Engineering Services on the Emmerson Airline Road and Preliminary Engineering Agreement with Allen Henderson & Associates for the design of a bridge carrying Standard City Road over Macoupin Creek in an amount not to exceed \$112,719.46. The Committee discussed the status of other road and bridge projects that are on going. Motion by Wieseman, seconded by Goodman, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

None.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Quarton, seconded by Harding, to re-appoint Robert Lehmann to the South Otter Drainage District #1 for a three year term. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Zippay, seconded by Novak, to re-appoint Larry McDaniel of Benld, Ron Birk of Carlinville and Bill Bruhn of Gillespie to the Macoupin County Emergency Telephone System for a term of February 1, 2007 to January 31, 2010. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Pratt, seconded by Wiggins to appoint Raymond Coatney as the Grievance Committee representative to attend the meetings with AFSCME. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Lux, seconded by Herschelman, to appoint Bill Harding as the Grievance Committee's alternate representative to attend meetings with AFSCME. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Zirkelbach to re-appoint Dean Rull to the Bunker Hill Fire Protection District for a term beginning March 1, 2007 for a four year term. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Quirk to place the following communications on file in the County Clerk's office: letter from County Clerk Zippay to AFSCME regarding Grievance of 12-15-06; letter from Roger Griffith, AFSCME Council 31 regarding Grievance of 12-15-06; letter from Lieutenant Governor Pat Quinn regarding wireless Broadband initiatives for Macoupin and Montgomery Counties; Counties at the Capitol/Illinois Association of County Board Members and Commissioners; letter from Amtrak regarding new "Flag Stop" for Carlinville; Thank you letter from Senator Demuzio; letter to Royal Lakes Village President London Simmons regarding the progress of the Julian Avenue Bridge Project; UCCI/U of I Winter/Spring Workshop Schedule; Central Illinois Opportunity Returns Update; copy of press release from Governor Blagojevich's office regarding the extension of the Macoupin County Enterprise Zone and IACBMC Legislative Calendar for the General Assembly. All in favor, motion carried.

PETITIONS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 1:55 p.m., motion by Bellm, second by Pratt to resolve into Executive Session to discuss property. On a roll vote of 26 yes and one absent, motion carried.

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ABSENT

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At 2:37 pm. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Pratt to arise from Executive session.

Motion by Bellm, second by Pratt that the Board enters into a written agreement with Roger Goodman to allow the County to proceed with the purchase of the old Carlinville medical building. The agreement will be reviewed by the State's Attorney prior to the Board Chairman signing the agreement. On a roll call vote, 25 yes, 1 abstention and 1 absent. Motion Carried.

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ABSENT

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ABSTENTION

Goodman, Fran

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Coatney, to approve the resolution to allow the County to purchase Federal Surplus Property. All in favor; motion carried.

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Pratt, to approve the resolutions for the final plat of Woodlands Subdivision in Carlinville Township and Sycamore Ridge Subdivision amended plat in Brighton Township. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Long, to approve the resolution adopting the changes to the Revolving Loan Fund Recapture Strategy. All in favor; motion carried.

Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Long, to approve the resolution adopting the changes to the Revolving Loan Fund Policies. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Herschelman, seconded by Wiggins, to approve the resolution to authorizing payment draw down for a grant awarded to Central Macoupin County Rural Water District, the resolution to enter into an Intergovernmental agreement CMCRWD and a resolution for the Local Government Certification. On a roll call vote 26 ayes and 0 nays; motion carried.

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ORDINANCE

None.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Long, approve the Claims and Officers report. All in favor, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chairman Manar informed the Board that Assistant State's Attorney Cain has advised him that a letter should be sent at the appropriate time regarding the closing of the Union Pacific Railroad in Nilwood. There are still on going discussion regarding the matter.

NEW BUSINESS

Manar discussed the Animal Control Ordinance that has been sent to the member with the Board packets. Novak advised the Board some changes have been made to the ordinance. Motion by Herschelman, seconded by Wiggins, to refer the Animal Control Ordinance to the Animal Control Committee. All in favor, motion carried.

Bacon, Chairperson of the Planning and Subdivision Committee, announced that there would be no meeting this month.

Chairman Manar announced that there will be a Sheriff's Committee meeting February 21st at 9 a.m. and that the Economic Development Committee will meet tonight (February 20th).

Bellm commended the Highway Department on the job they had done during the recent snow and ice storm.

Schwallenstecker read a letter from the U.S. Department of Interior regarding grants for the Route 66 Corridor. Applications for the grants will be open until April 27, 2007. Motion Schwallenstecker, seconded by Wiggins to refer the information regarding the grants to the Economic Development Committee. All in favor, motion carried.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Pratt, to adjourn at 2:45 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

Prepared by: Michele Zippay