

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**JULY 10, 2007**

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, July 10, 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 absent.

**PRESENT**

Bacon, Judy  
Bellm, Darrell  
Coatney, Raymond  
Dragovich, Mark  
Fraser, Morrie  
Goodman, Frances  
Harding, Bill  
Herschelman, Lyndal  
Kiel, Bernie  
Long, Frank  
Lux, Larry

Nichelson, Glenn  
Novak, Joe  
Pomatto, Ruth  
Pratt, Vera  
Quarton, Robert  
Quirk, Paul  
Schwallenstecker, O.  
Thomas, David  
Vojas, Robert  
Watson, Julia

**ABSENT**

Wieseman, Francis  
Wiggins, Tony  
Yowell, Chris  
Zippay, M. A.  
Zirkelbach, Jim

Manar, Andrew

**MINUTES**

Quarton requested the June 5, 2007 minutes of the Road and Bridge Committee meeting be corrected to read “bridge carrying Quarton **Road** over Otter Creek”. Schwallenstecker requested under New Business in the June 12, 2007 minutes of the County Board meeting that “**seconded by Schwallenstecker**” be added after Thomas’ motion to close nominations and elect Watson by acclamation. Long requested the June 14, 2007 Agriculture Committee meeting minutes be changed to reflect in the next to last line on the first page to read the “**first Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m.**” Schwallenstecker requested the Sheriff’s Building and Grounds Committee minutes of June 20, 2007 be amended to read “new commercial washer **and** one dryer” in the next to last paragraph.

Motion by Zippay, seconded by Harding, to approve the amended minutes of the June 12, 2007 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

**GUESTS**

Marie Brines of the Macoupin County Public Health Department briefly discussed food safety and questioned Board members as to the causes of food born illnesses. Cold foods should be kept at 41 degrees and hot food at 140 degrees for safety purposes and the most important factor was to wash your hands before you eat and to wash them for at least twenty seconds.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The **Agriculture Committee** met on June 14, 2007. The purpose of the meeting was to finalize plans for cleaning the Stults Cemetery. After discussion, there was a motion by Long and seconded by Harding to hire Anthony Pomatto to clean the Stults Cemetery. Then there was a second motion by Herschelman, seconded by Quarton, to pay Pomatto \$8.00 per hour, not to exceed \$2,000.00, for clean-up of the cemetery, in addition, he would submit a bill for gas for the operation of equipment used for the clean up. The Committee also agreed to meet the first Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. It was also learned at this meeting that there were two farm leases, one with Lippolds and one with Rosentretters and an additional farm ground lease existed with CISCO which is a 97 year lease. Motion by Long, seconded by Nickelson, to approve the minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Judicial Administrative Services Committee** meeting was held June 16, 2007. The Committee discussed the responsibilities of the Docket Clerk position. Judge Deihl told the Committee that the position is needed in order to fulfill needs of all three judge positions in the county. Which office, Circuit Court or Circuit Clerk, oversees the position is not of concern as long as the Docket Clerk duties are maintained. There was a motion by Watson, seconded by Novak, to recommend to the Finance Committee of the County Board that the position of Docket Clerk not be funded in Fiscal Year 2007-08 budget upon becoming vacant. The motion carried. There was further discussion regarding budget and the traffic violation fee account and Judge Deihl will meet with Thomas, Chairman of the Finance Committee to further review the Court's expected budget for 2007-08. Chairman Manar requested an accounting of all year-to-date expenses for court appointed attorneys. Motion by Thomas, seconded by Coatney, to approve minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Ad-Hoc Building Committee** met June 18, 2007. The purpose of the meeting was to review the easement proposal, finalize purchase contract, review draft from Dennis Schuette and update on property setback line. The Committee discussed the possibility of relocating the elevator and also Chairman Manar will forward Roger Goodman the County's right of refusal regarding the property to the east. The Committee voted to amend the language proposal to reflect 60 days rather than 40 days. Watson explained that additional time is necessary should the property to the east come up for sale simply because it takes time for the County Board to act. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Pratt, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Sheriff's Building and Grounds Committee** meeting was held on June 20, 2007. The Sheriff has received bids from three architectural firms regarding the preservation of the Courthouse. All three agencies have offered to seek grants once they are committed to the project. The Ordinance Regulating the Granting of Permits for Pyrotechnic Display Fireworks and Consumer Fireworks Displays which was adopted by the full Board at the June meeting was discussed and the Committee unanimously agreed with the adoption of the Ordinance. Sheriff Albrecht reported there are sufficient funds to complete the current fiscal year, however, the payroll line item will be close due to the fact three employees "cashed out" this year. He discussed the possibility of including a projected cost for a "cashed out" line item for FY 2007-08. Motion by Herschelman, seconded by Zirkelbach, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

On June 25, 2007, an **Agriculture Committee** meeting was held. The farm leases were discussed. This lease shall be automatically renewed unless either party desires to terminate the lease and gives the other party written notice as hereinafter provided. Harding was of the opinion that more recent Farm Leases had been approved and requested Char Taylor contact Brent Cain to inquire if copies or more recent leases were on file in his office. The Committee discussed advertising for bids for leases and requested Char also discuss the matter with Brent Cain as well as requesting him to attend the next Agriculture Committee meeting. The Committee also discussed Stults Cemetery and Committee members visited the cemetery. The Committee agreed that there is no road to get to Stults Cemetery and it is necessary for a road to be built before the clean-up project can begin. Harding reported the township is looking into putting in culverts to get a road to it. They are also in the process of forming a Cemetery Board. Motion by Keil, seconded by Nichelson, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Liquor Commission** met on June 26, 2007. The Liquor Commission issued ten Liquor Licenses for 2007-2008. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Becker requested a Liquor License for their four-acre vineyard which is east of Plainview. They have been growing grapes for over ten years. They informed the Committee that they have 13 varieties of grapes and produce over 800 gallons per year. They have been selling grapes to Utica, Illinois, but would now like to begin selling wine. The Committee voted to issue a temporary Liquor License to the Beckers for their vineyard pending the update, revision, modification, and inclusion of a Liquor License for Vineyards in the current Resolution. The Committee discussed the fee for a temporary License for the vineyard since the annual Liquor License fee is \$600.00, but decided to charge the full \$600.00 fee. However, upon the revision and approval of the Resolution, a reimbursement will be made to the Beckers, if necessary. There was a motion and second, to request Assistant States Attorney Brent Cain to review, revise, modify and include Liquor License for Vineyards in the current Resolution. There was also a motion and second to increase the number of Liquor Commission members from four to five. Motion by Vojas, seconded by Quirk, to approve the minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Planning and Subdivision Committee** meeting was held on June 27, 2007. The Committee met to discuss Briar Creek Hills – a Minor Subdivision in Carlinville Township. After discussion there was a motion and second to recommend to the full Board approval of the Briar Creek Hills Minor Subdivision in Carlinville Township. There was further discussion about a subdivision on the Shipman Blacktop but no action was taken. Motion by Bacon, seconded by Schwallenstecker, to approve minutes as submitted. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Road and Bridge Committee** met on July 3, 2007. Claims were approved for payment. One 50/50 Petition was approved for recommendation to the full Board: Shaws Point #33 for \$8,000.00. The Committee also voted to request the full Board to grant them the **power-to-act** in awarding the contract for the construction of the bridge carrying Moulton Road over Indian Creek (04-05111-00BR). The Committee discussed the possibility of changing the day of the monthly Committee meeting in order to have it better coincide with the receipt of many of the monthly bills. No action was taken. The Committee also discussed entrance widths, especially how they relate to the County's Subdivision Ordinance. Motion by Goodman, seconded by Wieseman, to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

The **Finance Committee** met on July 5, 2007. Judge Deihl distributed hand-outs and addressed the Committee regarding the Circuit Court Fund and the shortages in certain line items. There was a motion and second to recommend to the full Board to transfer \$40,534.48 from the Traffic Violation Fee Account to the Circuit Court Budget to meet the needs of the Circuit Court to the end of the current fiscal year. There was another motion and second and recommendation for approval to the full Board to increase the appropriation in the Traffic Violation Fee Account in the amount of \$43,000.00. County Clerk Zippay distributed copies of the 2005-06 and 2006-07 Revenue Comparisons report. Coroner Landers addressed the Committee regarding shortfalls in the current budget. The Committee agreed to discuss the matter further. A memo was read from States Attorney Moreth regarding a budget request for the current fiscal year in the amount of \$6,500.00. Further expenses are due for expert witnesses which States Attorney Moreth anticipates to be approximately \$3,000.00. The County Treasurer Anne Boehm requested \$3,000.00 for permanent salaries to complete the current fiscal year and also reported Tort Liability is overdrawn \$3,400.00. Treasurer Boehm also reported \$25,000.00 is needed to pay IMRF by July 10, 2007. The Committee voted to recommend to the full Board approval of an inter-fund loan from the General Fund to the IMRF Fund in the amount of \$25,000.00. There was another motion and second to the full Board to increase the appropriation of the IMRF Fund in the amount of \$360,000.00 for the current fiscal year. The Committee voted to recommend to the full Board that fees of Court Appointed Attorneys be submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following the month that the services are provided. Committee Chairman Thomas reported that in the past the bills submitted after the August Board meeting and before the beginning of the next fiscal year were paid with the approval of the County Clerk and appropriate committee chairperson. The Committee voted to approve paying bills after the August Board meeting and before the beginning of the next fiscal year with approval of the County Clerk and appropriate committee chairperson. Motion by Harding, seconded by Lux, to approve minutes as distributed. All in favor, motion carried.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Pratt, to appoint Harry Giffin to fill the remaining unexpired term of Lin Turley whose term will end May 1, 2008 on the Central Macoupin County Rural Water District. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Harding, seconded by Quarton, to re-appoint Gary Elliott to the Scottville-Modesto Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors for another three-year term effective May 1, 2007 – April 30, 2010. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Lux, seconded by Nichelson, to appoint David Thomas to replace Judge John Russell on the Macoupin County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners for a term ending August, 2011. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Pratt, seconded by Wieseman, to approve the County Board Committee appointments. All in favor, motion carried.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Motion by Novak, seconded by Zippay, to place the following communications on file in the

County Clerk's office:

- a. Thank you from the family of Lance Jubelt.
- b. Letter sent to Unions regarding Finance Committee/Health Insurance.
- c. Renewables & Technologies.
- d. Opportunity Returns.

All in favor, motion carried.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

### **PETITIONS**

Motion by Herschelman, seconded by Wieseman, to approve a 50/50 Petition in Shaws Point Township. Roll call vote: 26 ayes and 1 absent. Motion carried.

### **AYES**

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### **RESOLUTIONS**

Motion by Wiggins, seconded by Goodman, to table the Resolution eliminating the Courthouse intercom system and refer to the General Services Committee. Sheriff Albrecht requested to also be invited to the Committee meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Vice Chair Watson stated the Resolution making supplemental appropriations for Special Funds for the 2006-07 Fiscal Year would be eliminated.

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Lux, to adopt a Resolution making supplemental appropriations for the General Fund for the 2006-2007 Fiscal Year. Roll call vote: 26 ayes and 1 absent: Motion carried.

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Motion by Schwallenstecker, seconded by Bacon, to adopt a Resolution increasing the Traffic Violations Fee Fund from \$50,000.00 to \$93,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2006-07 and transferring \$40,534.48 to the Circuit Court Budget of the General Fund Budget. Same roll call vote: Motion carried.

Motion by Zippay, seconded by Pomatto, to adopt a Resolution making an inter fund loan of \$25,000.00 from the General Fund to the IMRF Special Fund. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Coatney, seconded by Vojas, to adopt a Resolution increasing the IMRF Special Fund Budget from \$860,000.00 to \$1,220,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2006-07. Same roll call vote: Motion carried.

**ORDINANCE**

None.

**CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT**

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Motion by Novak, seconded by Nichelson, to table the approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Montgomery County for the Vince Demuzio Broadband Initiative. All in favor, motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Novak invited everyone to attend or contribute to the Animal Control Golf outing being held on July 13, 2007, at Forest Lakes Golf Course in Staunton, IL. Please contact Buzie if you are interested in contributing or participating.

Long had a Resolution Greene County put on their Board Agenda regarding Gun Control and he requested Macoupin County to put it on their Board agenda for the August 2007 regarding Bills #873 and #1007.

Thomas explained sales and supplemental sales tax went down over \$300,000.00 in the last year. County Clerk Zippay explained she hoped to have the taxes ready and to County Treasurer Boehm by the end of this week, if the final multiplier is received from the State.

### **MILEAGE AND PER DIEM**

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

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Watson declared the meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

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