

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 9, 2008

The adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, SEPTEMBER 9, 2008, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-seven members present.

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Wiggins to consider and approve a resolution honoring Tom "Cotton" Campbell. All in favor. Motion Carried. The Board observed a moment of silence in Honor of Mr. Campbell.

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Motion by Coatney, seconded by Long, to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2008, meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Administrator, Macoupin County Public Health Department, informed the Board that the Maple Street Clinic will be open October 1st. The Clinic will house the Environmental Department, Health Education, Bio Terrorism and Emergency Preparedness, and the Medical and Dental Clinic for the Public Health.

Cletus Notter addressed the Board with concerns he has regarding the appeals process of assessment on property he owns. The Board referred the matter to the Legislative Committee.

Jay Endress, new owner of the Macoupin County Enquirer was introduced to the Board Members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The **Collective Bargaining Committee** met on August 18, 2008. The Committee met in Executive Session regarding the negotiations of the AFSCME Contract beginning September 1, 2008. Motion by Coatney, seconded by Novak to approve the minutes as written. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The **Sheriff Building and Grounds Committee** met on August 20, 2008. The Committee discussed the status of the Security Cameras for the Courthouse and Jail. Discussion was held regarding the vehicle purchase for EMA (Emergency Management Agency). The Budget for the Sheriff's Department was discussed. Sheriff Albrecht and Aaron Bishop, Administrator of 911, discussed the possibility of consolidating dispatch services for the Sheriff's Department and E-911. Sheriff Albrecht gave a report on the efforts to receive a grant for the Courthouse restoration.

Motion by Quirk, seconded by Vojas to approve the minutes as written. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The **Finance Committee** met on August 20, 2008. The Committee met to discuss a voluntary employee severance package; resolution regarding Probation Fees; resolution regarding Sheriff's Foreclosure Sale; resolution regarding Sheriff's Bonding fees; other measures regarding fees and revenue; health and dental insurance measures; resolution congratulating Tour de Donut organizers; FY2008-2009 General Fund Budget; and Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining and personnel. The Committee discussed the revenue estimates and the County's financial status. The Committee went into Executive Session to discuss Collective Bargaining and Personnel. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board a Voluntary Employee Severance Program. A resolution for the General Fund budget in the amount of \$6,299,449 was approved for recommendation by the full Board. A motion by Harding, seconded by Pratt to approve the minutes as written. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The **Finance Committee** met on August 28, 2008. The Committee recommended to the full Board for approval a resolution congratulating the Tour de Donut and Rib fest organizers. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board increasing Election Judge pay to \$160 for those who attend training and \$150 for those who do not attend training. The Committee recommended to the full Board for approval a resolution establishing a \$50 per month contribution for non-union employees for the health, dental and life insurance. The Committee recommended to the full Board for approval a resolution to increase probation fees from \$15 to \$25 per month. The Committee recommended to the full Board for approval authorizing the Sheriff to enter into contracts with agencies of the Federal Government to house federal prisoners in Macoupin County jail. The Committee recommended to the full Board for approval a resolution regarding fees for the sale of real estate by court judgment. The Committee recommended to the full Board for approval payment of \$1350.33 from the Highway Department and \$3731.52 from the Health Department. The Committee recommended to the full Board approval of the power-to-act for Chairman Manar to renew the Health and Dental Insurance on a month to month basis. The Committee directed the County Clerk to pay the deductible for the General Liability in the amount of \$6000 for the Highway and Sheriff's Department from the Tort Liability fund. The Committee recommended that the Elected Officials and Department Heads study fees to determine if any may be increased. The Committee went into Executive Session to discuss the AFSCME Contract and Personnel. The Committee recommended to the full Board for approval a resolution to cancel the January 2008 full Board meeting. Motion by Thomas, seconded by Herschelman to approve the minutes as written. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The **Road and Bridge Committee** met on September 2, 2008. The purpose of the meeting was to approve claims and other business. The Committee approved claims in the amount of \$66,514.42 for August. The Committee recommended for approval by the full Board 50/50 petitions for Cahokia #25 (\$2,000), Gillespie #14 (\$3,000), Shipman #30 (\$25,000) and Western Mound #28 (\$4,000). Motion by Pratt, seconded Bacon, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

REPORTS FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES

None.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Long to approve the Supplemental Election Judge appointments for November 2008 – March 2010. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Pratt to re-appoint Ralph March, Ruth Pomatto, and Debbie Throne and appoint Rick Maguire for three year terms beginning September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2011. Roll Call Vote: 26 ayes and 1 abstention. Motion Carried.

Motion by Nicholson, seconded by Harding, to appoint Vera Pratt, County Board Representative, and Courtney Wood, of Bunker Hill, to a term effective August 16, 2008 through August 16, 2013. Roll call vote. 26 ayes, and 1 abstained.

Motion by Wiggins, seconded by Weiseman to approve the appointment of April Wood Blount, Ollie Schwallenstecker and Pam Monetti to the Wood-Davis Cemetery for a term beginning September 9, 2008 through September 9, 2012. 26 ayes, and 1 abstained.

COMMUNICATIONS

Motion by Novak, seconded by Pratt to place the following correspondence on file in the County Clerk's Office: UCCI Education Seminar October 17-19, 2008; Resolution from Bunker Hill CUSD #8 supporting the 1% County School Facility Occupation Tax; Resolution from Gillespie CUSD #7, supporting the 1% County School Facility Occupation Tax; IACBM Counties at the Capitol Report; letter from Ameren IP regarding tree trimming in and around the Carlinville area; and letter from Judge Deihl regarding the Public Defender's office. All in favor. Motion carried.

PETITIONS

Motion by Quirk, second by Goodman to approve the 50/50 Petitions, with half being the Counties share, for projects Cahokia #25 \$4,000, Gillespie #14 \$6,000; Shipman #30 \$50,000; and Western Mound #28 \$8,000. Roll call vote: 27 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 1:35 p.m. motion by Coatney, second by Pratt to resolve into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing AFSCME negotiations and Appointments. All in favor, motion carried.

At 2:25 p.m. motion by Quarton, second by Zippay to arise from Executive Session. All in favor. Motion Carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Thomas, seconded by Pratt, to approve a resolution establishing supplemental General Fund Budgets for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. Roll call vote: 27 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

Motion by Harding, seconded by Zippay, to adopt a resolution to increase the Probation fees from \$15.00 to \$25.00. Same roll call. Motion Carried.

Motion by Herschelman, seconded by Quarton, to adopt a resolution regarding fees for the sale of real estate by Court judgment. Same roll call. Motion Carried.

Motion by Watson, second by Bacon, to adopt a resolution renewing the Health and Dental Insurance Policy effective September 1, 2008. Same roll call. Motion carried.

Motion by Wiggins, seconded by Lux to adopt a resolution increasing payment to Election Judges a \$160 if they attend training and \$150 if they do not attending training with payment being reimbursable from the State of Illinois. Roll Call: 27 ayes, 0 nays. Motion Carried.

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Coatney to adopt a resolution establishing a \$50 per month contribution towards health and dental insurance coverage for non-union employees. Same roll call. Motion Carried.

Motion by Coatney, seconded by Zirkelbach to adopt a resolution regarding the housing of Federal prisoners in the Macoupin County Jail. Same roll call. Motion Carried.

Motion by Watson, seconded by Pratt to adopt a resolution canceling the January 2009 meeting of the Macoupin County Board. Roll call vote: 26 ayes, 1 nay. Motion Carried.

Motion by Lux, seconded by Vojas to adopt a resolution recognizing the Tour de Donut and Rib fest organizers in Staunton. All in favor. Motion Carried.

Motion by Lux, seconded by Fraser to adopt a resolution recognizing Staunton Community Home Health Department for Thirty years of service to the Community. All in favor. Motion Carried.

ORDINANCE

None.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

Motion by Nicholson, seconded by Keil, to approve the Claims and Officers report. Roll Call Vote: 27 Ayes; 0 Nays. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

An award letter was distributed from IDOT for Julian Avenue Bridge Project in Royals Lakes.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Pratt, to approve a voluntary employee severance package. All in favor. Motion Carried.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

Motion by Quarton, seconded by Schwallenstecker, to allow Mileage and Per Diem. All in favor. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:50 p.m., motion by Keil, seconded by Harding to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

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