

## ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

### MINUTES

APRIL 8, 1997

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, April 8, 1997 at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-two members present and five absent. Vice Chairman Mitchell advised members of the passing of Simon Pomatto, husband of board member Ruth Ann Pomatto, and gave time of services.

### GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Administrator, Public Health Department, presented the first Annual Board of Health Awards. As this is Illinois Public Health Week, the time is very appropriate to issue these awards. The Organization of the Year Award was presented to Paul Cosenza, Carlinville Elks Club, for their continued support in sponsoring diagnostic clinics, assisting at blood drives, Christmas baskets for the needy, multiple sclerosis walk and providing storage space for infant car seats. The Individual Award was presented to Reverend Ron Brooker from the Zion Lutheran Church in Gillespie. For the past six years he has provided continued support to the Public Health Department.

Tarro advised he held a public hearing prior to the County Board meeting. In 1994 the Health Department established an assessment plan process. A major problem in Macoupin County is medical transportation. Members of the County Board were on the initial planning committee. Tarro has hired Dick Price to coordinate the program and drivers in Macoupin County. Through a grant from the Illinois Department of Transportation the Health Department will be getting a six passenger Chrysler minivan to provide transportation to Alton, Springfield, Jacksonville, St. Louis, etc. for seniors, disabled citizens and low income families in Macoupin County.

### MINUTES

Motion by Snodgrass, seconded by Griffith, to approve the minutes of the March 11, 1997 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Christopher read the minutes of the March 25, 1997, Sheriff, Building and Grounds Committee, Fees and Salaries Committee, and Finance Committee meeting. A lengthy discussion was held regarding amending the Sheriff's General Fund Budget to include the salary of Dee Goode, retirement pay of \$27,000.00 for Jan Goodman and Betty Hall, salary for dispatcher Bobbie Ann Crays and retirement pay for Gene Rubemeyer. The Committee voted to amend the Sheriff's General Fund Budget by \$27,000.00 to pay-out Jan Goodman and Betty Hall when they retire. The Committee also voted to establish two separate funds for employees' retirement and funds for training new employees. These funds are to be under the control of the County Board, the amounts to be determined at a later date. The Committee recommended to allow the Corrections Officers and Telecommunicators of the Laborers' Union the ability

to participate in SLEP back to December, 1990. After discussion about additional staff the Committee voted that the Sheriff continue to manage his office as he has been and if he runs out of funds, the Committee will discuss, at that time, the possibility of transfers. The Committee elected not to promote Buzzie Bertagnolli of the Copy Room to Office Chief Deputy. Motion by Harding, seconded by Griffith to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Snodgrass read the minutes of the March 31, 1997, Circuit Court, Coroner and States Attorney Committee meeting. The discussion was focused on the contract between the County and the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police on behalf of employees of the Macoupin County Probation Department. The contract is effective September 1, 1996 through August 31, 1998. Motion by Payne, seconded by Caveny, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Mitchell read a letter from Chairman Denby to the Circuit Court, Coroner and States Attorney Committee regarding his conversation with Gary Dodge about the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Chief Judge of the Seventh Judicial Circuit and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police on behalf of employees of the Macoupin County Probation Department. Dodge requested Denby sign this contract, even though County Board approval is not necessary. Chairman Denby's request to the Board was for their recommendation "to sign" or "not sign" the document. States Attorney Moreth advised Board members not to sign the document, as the Board Chairman's signature gives the impression that the County approves of these unfunded mandates.

Motion by Harding, seconded by B. Bertagnolli, that the Board recommends the contract between the Chief Judge of the Seventh Judicial Circuit and Illinois Fraternal Order of Police on behalf of employees in the Macoupin County Probation Department not be signed. Roll call vote: 20 ayes, 2 nays and 5 absent. Motion carried.

Mitchell discussed the minutes of a meeting held March 27, 1997 in which the bids were received and opened for the construction of a new electric service entrance and equipment required for the Courthouse. After reviewing the bids, Woolpert, Inc., wanted to discuss with Mitchell Brothers their bid amount and then advise the County of their recommendation. Motion by Campbell, seconded by Griffith, to approve the minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Bellm read the minutes of the April 4, 1997, Road and Bridge Committee meeting. Claims were approved for payment, discussed personnel and signing for 911, and approved a County-State for Federal Participation for Construction Engineering on Shaws Point/Nilwood bridge. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Odorizzi, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

#### APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Payne, seconded by Snodgrass, to reappoint Arthur Gatermann to the Girard Fire Protection District Board of Trustees to a three-year term effective the first Monday of May, 1997 with term ending first Monday in May, 2000. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Griffith, seconded by Campbell to reappoint Ross Sims to the Scottville Modesto Rural Fire Protection District Board of Trustees for a three-year period beginning May 1, 1997 and ending May 1, 2000. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Payne, to appoint Lyndal Neighbors to the Scottville West Cemetery Board of Directors, effective April 8, 1997 with the term ending April 14, 1999, replacing Eldon Redfern who has submitted his resignation due to health problems.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Motion by Payne, seconded by Christopher, to place on file in the County Clerk's office a copy of the Macoupin County Housing Authority's fiscal audit for the year ending September 30, 1996. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Bellm, to place on file in the County Clerk's office a "thank you" note from the family of Lucy Barnabe. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Payne, seconded by Campbell, to place on file in the County Clerk's office a Proclamation read by County Clerk Saracco from the Governor of Illinois proclaiming April 23, 1997, as Probation and Court Services Office Day in Illinois. All in favor, motion carried.

#### PETITIONS

None.

#### RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Bellm, to adopt a Resolution approving submission of an Illinois Community Development Assistance Grant application for the Macoupin County Rural Water District. Roll call vote: 22 ayes and 5 absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Snodgrass, to approve a Joint Agreement for Construction Engineering Services for a bridge on Township Line between Shaws Point and Nilwood for a maximum amount of \$32,770.00. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by B. Bertagnolli, seconded by Christopher, to adopt a Resolution authorizing payment to Woolpert Company in the amount of \$8,300.00 from the Capital Improvement Account for electrical procedural services from December 27, 1996 through March 28, 1997, for the Macoupin County Courthouse Electrical Renovation. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Griffith, to approve a Notice of Award to Mitchell Brothers Electric, Inc., the contract for the new electric service entrance for Macoupin County Courthouse in the amount of \$18,440.00. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by D. Bertagnolli, seconded by Griffith, to approve a Resolution amending the Sheriff's General Fund Budget by \$27,000.00 for payout to retiring personnel. Roll call vote: 21 ayes, 1 nay, and 5 absent. Motion carried.

Motion by B. Bertagnolli, seconded by Landers, to adopt a Resolution allowing Corrections Officers and Telecommunicators of the Laborers' Union to participate in the SLEP retirement back to December, 1990, if they were eligible. Roll call vote: 22 ayes and 5 absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Payne, seconded by Campbell, to approve a Resolution for the Public Health Department authorizing application for and execution of a Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

#### ORDINANCES

Motion by Payne, seconded by Caveny, to adopt an Ordinance establishing a Merit Commission for the Macoupin County Sheriff's Department. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

#### CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

Motion by Snodgrass, seconded by Caveny to approve the Claims and Officers Report. All in favor, motion carried.

#### NEW BUSINESS

B. Bertagnolli asked Payne about the updated telephone system in Bunker Hill, which will accommodate the 911 system. Bertagnolli explained the problems with the phones in Bunker Hill and Payne advised all systems are to be up-to-date by the year 2001.

Campbell advised of possible legislation which may affect cost of living increases for recipients of Social Security Benefits.

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Caveny, to approve a request by County Clerk Saracco that the Board give the Public Health Committee the "power-to-act" in the purchase of a new animal control vehicle. All in favor, motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

Motion by Payne, seconded by Bellm, to allow mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Odorizzi, seconded by Campbell, to adjourn at 2:12 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.