

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

MARCH 10, 1998

The Adjourned Meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, March 10, 1998, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty members present and seven absent.

MINUTES

Motion by Payne, seconded by Quirk, to approve the minutes of the February 10, meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Administrator, Public Health Department, advised Board members of two upcoming Used Tire Clean-Up Programs: one in Bunker Hill on March 25 and 26, 1998 and one in Carlinville on March 27 and 28. Tarro also thanked Board members for their support of the Food Inspection Program and License Fees in his absence last month. The Public Health Department has completed a full cycle of the Diabetes Control Program which tries to control diabetes in the early stages beginning with testing glucose levels, nutrition counseling, self care, and referrals to physicians when necessary. Pneumonia shots are still available by appointment at the Public Health Department.

Bill Harding distributed an article regarding "Watershed Projects That Are Working" from a publication entitled THE FURROW. Otter Lake Watershed voluntarily started implementation of this program in 1992 and was issued the very first variance offered by the Environmental Protection Agency, and the water continues to be tested weekly for atrazine levels.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Denby read the minutes of the February 20, 1998, **Ad Hoc Committee** meeting. Kim Schwartz spoke for the employees and advised the employees were concerned over job titles and descriptions, closing gaps in the pay differentials between union and non-union pay scales, and equality in pay between departments. Complete information will be presented at a future meeting. A lengthy discussion was held concerning the condition of the Courthouse, the storage difficulties and lack of space for growth in the Courthouse. The Chairman will invite elected officials to attend a Planning Meeting to determine what is needed and who should be on this Committee.

Payne discussed the minutes of the February 23, 1998, **Human Resources Committee** meeting. The Committee voted to uphold the Township decision to deny the applicant Public Assistance based on the evidence and testimony given to the Committee. Motion by Quirk, seconded by Payne, to accept the minutes as recorded. All in favor, motion carried.

Payne read the minutes of the February 25, 1998, **Planning and Subdivision Committee** meeting. The Committee agreed to recommend to the full Board the

approval of an additional unit at Lake Williamson. Motion by Campbell, seconded by Coatney, to approve minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Bellm read the minutes of the March 6, 1998, **Road and Bridge Committee** meeting. Claims were approved for payment. The search for a new County Engineer continues with interviews scheduled for May 4. Approval was given for two new chip spreaders, a water line permit across Emerson Airline and an electric line permit for Timber Wind Estates across Emerson Airline. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Payne, to approve minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby read the minutes of the March 9, 1998, **Sheriff, Building and Grounds Committee** meeting. The Committee agreed to transfer \$30,705.00 from the Contingency Line Item of the General Fund Budget to the Purchase of New Vehicles Line Item of the Sheriff's Budget. Approval was granted for the purchase of a new squad car and the funding for this vehicle is to be transferred from the Contingency Line Item of the General Fund to the Purchase of New Vehicles Line Item of the Sheriff's Budget. A discussion was held regarding the contracts for elevator maintenance and purchasing new chairs for the Conference Room. Bills were approved for payment and approval granted for transferring \$900 from the Contingency Line Item of the General Fund to the Employee Uniforms Line Item of the Sheriff's Budget to pay for three-bullet proof vests and all vests for new employees. **The Board agreed to amend the minutes of this meeting to reflect that in the future the purchase of bullet-proof vests will be paid from a Line Item of the Sheriff's Budget not by transferring funds from the Contingency Line Item.** Motion by Christopher, seconded by Malham, to approve amended minutes of the Sheriff's Building and Grounds Committee meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Landers, seconded by Beverly Bertagnolli, to reappoint Merle R. Wadsworth to the Bunker Hill Cemetery Association Board of Trustees effective March 10, 1998, for a six-year term. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Motion by Caveny, seconded by Payne, to pay John Carty \$300.00 for mowing the Macoupin County Cemetery near the fairgrounds (Pauper's) for the 1998 season. All in favor, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Bellm, to adjourn to Executive Session at 1:38 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Payne, seconded by Jubelt, to return to Regular Session at 2:20 p.m.

No action taken during Executive Session.

PETITIONS

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Bacon, to approve three Petitions for 50/50 Culvert Projects: one in Gillespie Township for \$7,000.00; Gillespie Township for \$11,000.00; and Honey Point Township for \$2,500.00. Roll call vote: 20 ayes and 7 absent: motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Payne, seconded by Bertagnolli, to approve a Resolution for a Sewer Line Permit across Emerson Airline in Girard for Tom and Lisa Vincent. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Quarton, to approve a Resolution for an underground electric service line across County Highway 12 for Timber Wind Estates. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Caveny, seconded by Landers, to adopt a Resolution increasing the Sheriff's Budget, Purchase of New Vehicle line item, in the amount of \$30,705.00 and reducing the Contingency Budget by the same amount for the purchase of a new squad car for Macoupin County Sheriff's Department. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Quirk, to approve a Resolution increasing the Sheriff's Budget, Employee Uniforms line item, by \$900.00 and decreasing the Contingency Account by the same amount for the purchase of three bullet-proof vests for the County Sheriff. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Caveny, seconded by Harding, to adopt a Resolution authorizing the purchase of a 1998 Ford Crown Victoria equipped with Police Package to be used as a Sheriff Squad Car, in an amount not to exceed \$20,700. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

ORDINANCES

None.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Denby advised the architect is looking at the security of the Sheriff's Department by adding a safe wall in front of the employees at the front entrance. In addition, the security situation in the Probation Department is being reviewed and future action will be taken to secure this Department also.

NEW BUSINESS

Dan Fisher reported individuals who want to purchase the Glades, renovate and reopen it requested the Enterprise Zone be expanded to include this property. A public hearing has already been held. Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Campbell, to give the Board Chairman and the County Clerk authority to sign the appropriate papers to expand the Enterprise Zone to include the property in the area of the Glades in Carlinville. All in favor, motion carried.

County Clerk Saracco advised the County had received a refund of over \$6,000.00 from the Workers Compensation Insurance carrier, Illinois Public Risk Fund.

Fraser discussed the fact that he had read Board minutes from another County and questioned the Public Defenders being County employees. He was informed it was past practice and that it is difficult to keep Public Defenders. Fraser also discussed the possibility of instituting a policy to recoup some type of payment for housing juveniles. The Sheriff feels it is the Probation Department's responsibility and vice versa.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Fraser, seconded by Landers, to adjourn at 2:35 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.