

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

APRIL 11, 2000

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, April 11, 2000 at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were 23 members present and 4 absent.

MINUTES

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Campbell, to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2000 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Administrator, Public Health Department, advised April 3-9 was Public Health Week and he would be announcing the Annual Public Health Awards. Monterey Coal Company, Lisa Kleeman and Karen Bowers, school nurses for the Carlinville School District, were being honored for their longstanding support to the Macoupin County Public Health Department. Kleeman, Bowers and John Lanzerotti, Monterey Safety and Labor Relations manager, were presented plaques in honor of their recognition.

Ann Ruyle Hoffstetter, a member of the Macoupin County Historical Society and the Macoupin County Genealogical Society addressed the Board about their concerns of preserving and microfilming records in the Courthouse dome. A group of volunteers hope to be able to work with County Officials and the County Board to preserve the historical documents in the Courthouse, and especially those currently stored in the dome.

Paula Robinson, Macoupin County Extension Service, advised it was National Volunteer Week, and that Macoupin and Montgomery Counties are sponsoring a workshop at the Maverick Restaurant on May 4, 2000 for all levels of volunteers to help them better organize and operate fairs, festivals and community events. Robinson distributed registration forms for the workshop.

Motion by Quirk, seconded by Caveny, to seat Julia Watson and change the count to 23 present and 4 absent. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bellm read the minutes of the April 7, 2000 **Road and Bridge Committee** meeting. Claims were approved for payment. They approved a Resolution to recommend to the full Board to appropriate \$800,000.00 from the County Motor Fuel Tax Fund for the construction of a new County Highway Garage. The Committee wants the Board to give them the power-to-act in awarding the contract for Nilwood Bridges scheduled for April 17, 2000 letting. Reinhart brought the Committee

up to date on other projects. The Committee agreed the proceeds of the sale of surplus highway department equipment at the County auction should be deposited in the County Highway fund. Dennis Schuette was present to answer questions about the new Highway facility. The Committee also agreed to request the Sheriff's Office to continue to provide janitorial support at the new facility. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Caveny to approve minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Malham to give the Road and Bridge Committee the power-to-act for the April 17, 2000 letting for the Nilwood Bridges contract. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Beverly Bertagnolli, seconded by Bellm, that the proceeds from the sale of surplus County Highway equipment at the County Auction be deposited in the County Highway fund rather than in the General Fund. All in favor, motion carried.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the construction of a new Highway Department facility. Harding reminded members that there is a three-year farm lease on the proposed property and the County would have to notify lease holder. Beverly questioned the fact that the Rathgeb facility was for sale for \$425,000.00 with the owner paying for the EPA clean-up. Reinhart advised his Department may need more space. Griffith and Beverly Bertagnolli agreed the County needs to provide the office space but questioned the open check book policy. Motion by Don Bertagnolli, seconded by Kilduff, to adopt a Resolution stating that the County agrees to pay a reasonable amount for the office portion of the new Highway Department, which cannot be paid from MFT funds. Roll call vote: 20 ayes, 3 nays, and 4 absent. Motion carried.

Denby read the minutes of the April 10, 2000 **Sheriff, Building and Grounds Committee** meeting. Bills were approved for payment. The Committee agreed to direct Sheriff Wheeler to have the roof, gutters and eaves replaced on the old jail. Sheriff Wheeler advised a grant had been received from the Illinois Criminal Justice Authority and that the \$2,700.00 to be transferred for purchase of the cages for squad cars can be transferred back to the Contingency Line Item of the General Fund. Wheeler was also directed to contact Engineer Reinhart to have the Highway Department remove the concrete slabs directly in front of the entrance doors of the new jail and have ten squares of concrete replaced and a trough drain installed. Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Quirk to approve the minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Denby will be contacting Senator Demuzio to see if any State of Illinois grant money is available to help pay for the repairs to the old jail.

The Board viewed the proposed revised signs for the Courthouse offices. An additional \$750.00 will be spent to make the new signs. They will then be installed at the Courthouse.

Motion by Don Bertagnolli, seconded by Jubelt, to correct the minutes of the April 10, 2000

Sheriff, Building and Grounds Committee meeting to reflect that Sheriff Wheeler will request bids to have the roof, gutters and eaves replaced on the old jail. All in favor, motion carried.

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Quirk read the minutes of the March 29, 2000 **Circuit Court, Coroner and States Attorney Committee** meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss budgetary problems and the salary of the County Coroner. The Committee agreed to recommend to the Fees and Salaries Committee, the request of increasing the Coroner's salary from \$25,000.00 per year to \$39,000.00 annually. The salary increase would include the Coroner furnishing a vehicle, office and secretary. The Coroner also advised it may be necessary to increase his budget due to cost of medical tests, autopsies, etc. Motion by Griffith, seconded by Harding, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Kilduff, seconded by Griffith to appoint William E. Knop to a three year term on the Staunton Fire Protection District Board of Directors effective the first Monday in May, 2000 and ending April 30, 2003. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Harding, seconded by Campbell, to appoint Ross Simms to the Scottville-Modesto Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors for a three-year term beginning May 1, 2000 and ending April 30, 2003. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Christopher, seconded by Caveny, to appoint Jim Frank and Mike Bradley to five-year terms commencing the first Monday in May 2000 - April 30, 2005. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Quarton, seconded by Harding to appoint the following persons to the newly established South Palmyra Water District Board of Trustees: William Sonneyborn to a one-year term commencing April 11, 2000 - April 10, 2001; David M. McWard to a two-year term commencing April 11, 2000 - April 10, 2002; Norman E. Champion to a three-year term commencing April 11, 2000 - April 10, 2003; Raymond Bristow and Lester Gray to four-year terms commencing April 11, 2000 - April 10, 2004; and Coy R. Weller and John H. Carey to five-year terms commencing April 11, 2000 - April 10, 2005. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Chairman Denby read correspondence from Ron Yanor commending Shari Albrecht and Jim Pitchford for their fine work. Mr. Yanor looks forward to working with Macoupin County and being a good neighbor as the special training school for police offers prepares for opening.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

PETITIONS

None.

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RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Don Bertagnolli, seconded by Bellm, to adopt a resolution increasing the minimum auction bid from \$250.00 to \$350.00 on annual auction sales of surplus properties and increasing the tax agent fee and the County=s fee by \$50.00 each. Roll call vote: 23 ayes and 4 absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Payne, seconded by Jubelt, to accept low bidder for County MFT oil maintenance for the year 2000. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Bellm, to accept low bidder for Township MFT oil maintenance for the year 2000. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Payne, seconded by Caveny, to adopt a resolution for the construction of a new maintenance facility for the County Highway Department in the appropriated sum of eight hundred thousand dollars. Roll call vote: 20 ayes, 3 nays and 4 absent. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

Motion by Beverly Bertagnolli, seconded by Caveny, to adopt an ordinance prohibiting harboring, keeping, exhibiting, maintaining or acting as a custodian for or possessing any dangerous animals. Roll call vote: 23 ayes and 4 absent. Motion carried. **The Ordinance will be published in the newspaper for two consecutive weeks.**

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Payne advised the Board the ICC application for 911 had been approved.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

Motion by Malham, seconded by Caveny, to allow Mileage and Per Diem. All in favor,

motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Payne, seconded by Don Bertagnolli, to adjourn at 2:07 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.