

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

JUNE 12, 2001

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, June 12, 2001 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.

MINUTES

Motion by Quirk, seconded by Pratt, to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2001 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Karen Hazard, Public Health Department, distributed information regarding upcoming prostate screening clinics, PSA screening coupons, and a pamphlet about breast and cervical cancer.

Jim Pitchford, ESDA Coordinator, brought the Board up to date on recent flooding in Macoupin County and the fire in Hettick. Pitchford also challenged each Board member to get donors to a blood drive on July 17, 2001, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the ESDA office. Motion by Beverly Bertagnolli, seconded by Pratt, for the Macoupin County Board to sponsor the blood drive through the American Red Cross. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby read a letter regarding Jim Pitchford, ESDA Coordinator receiving the NOAA Mark Trail Award in Washington, D.C. After Denby read the letter, he presented Pitchford the award.

Denby also read a letter and presented a plaque to Good Samaritans, Mike and Marsha Rhodes of Palmyra for their heroism in helping save the life of Julia Noonan.

Motion by Masinelli, seconded by Vojas, to approve the final plat of the Silver Creek School Estates Subdivision in Staunton, Illinois. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Watson read the minutes of the May 18, 2001, **Economic Development Industrial Commission** meeting. The Committee discussed the Bike Trail Grant application. After discussion, the Committee agreed to recommend to the full Board the submission of the grant application for the bike trail. Albrecht questioned a future location for her office, and the Committee advised no move is anticipated at this time. Denby reviewed the census information. Motion by Watson, seconded by Harding, to approve minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby read the minutes of the May 24, 2001, **Ad Hoc Committee** meeting. Salary increases for non union employees and the Assistant States Attorney were discussed and recommendations were made to the Fees and Salaries Committee. Increases for the "Professionals" will be discussed at the Fees and Salaries Committee meeting. Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Pomatto, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Quirk read the minutes of the June 5, 2001, **Circuit Court, Coroner and States Attorney Committee** meeting. Chief Probation Officer Wanda Hammann updated Committee on computer needs. The Committee approved computer update in the amount of \$4,403.00 to be funded out of the Probation Fee Account. Hammann also discussed grants received by the Probation Department. Motion by Christopher, seconded by Pratt, to approve minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Bellm discussed the minutes of the June 8, 2001, **Road & Bridge Committee** meeting. One 50/50 petition was approved. Construction has been slowed by rain on the new Highway building. The Committee agreed to close Emerson Airline instead of using stage construction during the bridge replacement near Girard. Closing the road and detouring traffic will result in an estimated cost savings of \$350,000.00. A letter from Bunker Hill Mayor, Andrew Manar, addressing concerns about conditions on the Brighton-Bunker Hill Road was read and discussed. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Caveny, to approve minutes as recorded. All in favor, motion carried.

Jubelt discussed the minutes of the June 11, 2001, **Sheriff, Building and Grounds Committee** meeting. The Committee agreed to recommend to the full Board a resolution whereby the funds received from the inmates, for a portion of their medical expenses, be designated for reimbursement of medical expense of inmates in the Sheriff's budget. Bills were approved for payment. Bids were received for removing the sweet gum trees from the Courthouse lawn, remove brush, wood and stumps. The bid from Lindgens, Inc. Tree Service from Staunton in the amount of \$950.00 was accepted low bid, providing the County receives proof of insurance. A discussion was held regarding the water and damage in the basement of the Courthouse. Wheeler will contact an engineer from Hurst-Rosche to look at the drainage problem and report back to the Committee with a solution. Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Bacon to approve minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Zippay, seconded by Watson, to re-appoint Rich Mitchell and Ruth Pomatto to a one-year term, July 1, 2001 – June 30, 2002, on the Illinois Valley Economic Governing Board. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Denby read a letter from Bunker Hill Mayor, Andrew Manar regarding Brighton-Bunker Hill Road. Denby explained Sheriff Wheeler would be contacting the Illinois State Police for radar and weight scales on this road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

PETITIONS

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Caveny, to adopt the following 50/50 Petitions: Dorchester #19, Dorchester #20, Nilwood #20, North Otter #36, North Otter #37, North Otter #38, and South Otter #11. Roll call vote: 26 ayes and 1 absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Bellm, to approve a Resolution to adjust the expenditure budgets in the accounts of the General Fund: \$10,000.00 from the Contingency to Probation-Domestic Violence Sex Offender Account for the purpose of money for a state-funded program approved by the County board but not included in the original budget. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Pratt, to approve a Resolution to submit a proposal to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for a Macoupin County Greenways and Trails Plan. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Beverly Bertagnolli, seconded by Campbell, to adopt a Resolution for jail inmates to pay \$15.00 into a separate account for each medical visit to a doctor or hospital. The money will be used for reimbursement of "Medical Expense of Inmates" in the General Fund-Jail Budget. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Vojas, to adjourn at 1:58 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.