

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

JANUARY 8, 2002

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, January 8, 2002, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-four members present and three absent.

Chairman Denby requested the Board observe a moment of silence for Lee Morgan, former Macoupin County Board member, who recently passed away.

MINUTES

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Pratt, to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2001 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Administrator, Public Health Department, brought the Board up-to-date on the Project Care Community Access Program to help the working poor in Macoupin County have health benefits. All three Macoupin County Hospitals, doctors, medical schools, dental schools, a full network of care providers will participate in this program. Macoupin County was the only rural area in Illinois selected to participate in this program.

Jim Pitchford, ESDA Coordinator, announced that the National Weather Service in St. Louis, Mo., has designated Macoupin County as the first county to be "Storm Ready". Pitchford said our radios, policies and procedure are all in place.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Caveny discussed the minutes of the January 3, 2002, **Agriculture Committee** meeting. The original bids for the farm leases were refused by the Committee. Then the bids were increased and accepted as follows: Rick Rosentreter in the amount of \$120.00 per acre per month and Richard Lippold in the amount of \$50.00 per acre per month. Both contracts will be for three years. Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Malham, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Bellm read the minutes of the January 4, 2002, **Road and Bridge Committee** meeting. Claims were approved for payment. Several change orders were reviewed and Change Order #15 was rejected. The Committee also discussed the need for new pickup trucks and the 2002 construction schedule for roads and bridges. The County Engineer was instructed to pursue modular office furniture for the new offices. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Campbell, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby read the minutes of the January 7, 2002, **Sheriff, Building and Grounds Committee** meeting. The Committee voted that the E911 Board would prepare a contract stipulating that the

Board will be responsible for remodeling of the Sheriff's dispatch area in addition to the cost of updating computers, radio systems, repair of the air conditioning/heating problem, more electrical units and maintenance and replacement of equipment, etc. The rent for two offices will total \$300.00 monthly, with the rent going to the Sheriff's Department. Bills were approved for payment. The Committee voted to recommend to the full Board that \$20,000.00 be transferred from the Contingency Line Item of the General Fund to the Deputy Equipment Line Item of the Sheriff's budget to purchase overhead lights, new radios, and siren boxes for the five new squad cars. Motion by Masinelli, seconded by Christopher, to approve the minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Vojas, seconded by Pratt, to reappoint Robert Donaldson as Commissioner of Drainage District #1, South Otter Township, Macoupin County, Illinois, effective January 8, 2002. All in favor, motion carried.

Betty Sternickle from the Emergency Telephone Assistance Board requested permission to send out the Requests for Proposals to get bids for the dispatch center. Motion by Don Bertagnolli, seconded by Griffith, to give Sternickle permission to send out RFPs to remodel the dispatch center, with the Board having the option to "refuse all bids" at a later date. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Denby read from correspondence from the State of Illinois Public Acts 92nd General Assembly regarding the composition of the E911 Board. New requirements are that there be not fewer than five Board members, one who **must** be a public member who is a resident of the local exchange service territory and one **must** be a member of the county board. Denby advised as the next vacancy occurs, a Board member must be appointed.

Denby read correspondence from Shari Albrecht, Coordinator, Economic Development Commission, regarding Governor Ryan's recent decision to cut hospital Medicaid reimbursements in order to address the budget needs of Illinois. She noted the impact this decision will have on Macoupin County and requested elected officials throughout Macoupin County send a letter of encouragement to the Governor's office not to take this action. Motion by Don Bertagnolli, seconded by Griffith, that Board members sign correspondence to this affect and send to Governor Ryan. All in favor, motion carried.

County Clerk Saracco read a letter of resignation from Richard Mitchell. Motion by Pratt, seconded by Bellm, to place on file in the County Clerk's office. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby read a letter from LaVon Rhodes, resigning from the Oak Hill Cemetery Board of Directors. Motion by Nickelson, seconded by Pratt, to place on file. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Nickelson, to place on file in the County Clerk's office a letter from Ettie Rae Dibler regarding her appointment to the Cherry Cemetery Association. All in favor,

motion carried.

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Motion by Vojas, seconded by Nickelson, to place on file in the County Clerk's office, the Audit of Macoupin County Road Districts and Township Bridge Program for Audit Year 2000. All in favor, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

PETITIONS

None.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion by Beverly Bertagnolli, seconded by Bellm, to adopt a Resolution amending the Macoupin County Enterprise Zone to include 131 East First North Street, Carlinville, Illinois, the location of the new Ace Hardware Store. Roll call vote: 24 ayes and 3 absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Nickelson, to adopt a Resolution designating and qualifying depositories for official County funds for the year 2002. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Harding, seconded by Bellm, to approve two Cash Farm Leases: one with Rick Rosentreter for \$120.00 per acre per month and one with Richard Lippold for \$50.00 per acre per month effective March 1, 2002 – February 28, 2005. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Beverly Bertagnolli, seconded by Griffith, to approve a Resolution adjusting the accounts of the General Fund by deducting \$20,000.00 from the Contingency Account and depositing in the Sheriff/Deputy Equipment Account to purchase overhead lights, radios, siren boxes and other equipment for five squad cars. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Denby stated that due to the holiday on February 12, 2002, the County Board meeting will be held on February 13, 2002.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Don Bertagnolli, seconded by Griffith, to adjourn at 1:40 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.