

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD**

**MINUTES**

**MAY 13, 2003**

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, May 13, 2003, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were twenty-seven members present.

**PRESENT**

Bacon, Judy	Jubelt, Lance	Thomas, David
Bellm, Darrell	Kiel, Bernie	Vojas, Robert
Bertagnolli, Beverly	Landers, Mearl	Watson, Julia
Campbell, Tom	Lux, Larry	Wiggins, Tony
Caveny, John	Malham, Vivian	Zippay, M. A.
Christopher, Margie	Nichelson, Glenn	
Coatney, Raymond	Novak, Joe	
Denby, Don B.	Pomatto, Ruth	
Fraser, Morrie	Pratt, Vera	
Goodman, Frances	Quarton, Robert	
Harding, Bill	Quirk, Paul	

**MINUTES**

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Campbell, to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2003 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

**GUESTS**

Kent Tarro, Administrator, Public Health Department, provided brief update on the new HIPPA laws and that he was requesting the resolution passed at the January 2003 Board meeting approving increasing costs of food inspections, be an amendment to the Food Sanitation Ordinance. Tarro then introduced Steve Sheer and Roka Ramesh from Health Management Associates who explained at length the operation of the proposed insurance program for Macoupin County business owners to provide insurance for small groups of employees. The Company selected for administering this program was Unicare and their members also made a presentation and fielded numerous questions from Board members. Chairman Denby made a motion that this topic be referred to the Finance Committee, and it was seconded by Jubelt. All in favor, motion carried

Charles Landers, Macoupin County Coroner, advised the Board of a new law that is being passed in Missouri on August 1, 2003, which will affect Macoupin and many other Illinois counties.

The new law states that if there is an accident or death in St. Louis, that Illinois coroners will be responsible for the investigation and bringing the body back to Illinois. It would be the same situation with Illinois residents dying in St. Louis hospitals. Coroner Landers stated the Illinois Coroner's Association is meeting with the Attorney General to try to resolve this situation.

Larry Pfeiffer, Regional Superintendent of Schools, made a brief presentation to Board members explaining the possibility of the Governor trying to eliminate the Regional Superintendent of Schools' offices and requesting Community Colleges and other organizations to take on some of their duties. Pfeiffer stated Community Colleges are not willing to provide services and Pfeiffer requested the Board to table any action on the Regional Superintendent of Schools' budget until they see what transpires. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Nickelson, to table the issue at this time. All in favor, motion carried.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Bellm read the minutes of the April 11 **Road and Bridge Committee** meeting. The Committee voted to award the contract for the lowboy trailer to Pensonseau Enterprises, Ltd. in the amount of \$26,200.00. Summer positions were offered to three applicants. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Caveny, to approve minutes as read. All in favor, motion carried.

Bellm read the minutes of the April 17, 2003 **Road and Bridge Committee** meeting. Low bids were accepted for County MFT Oil and County Patch. Bellm stated the prices were not much higher than last year. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Caveny, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Jubelt discussed the minutes of the April 30, 2003, **Finance Committee** meeting. The Committee voted that County Clerk Zippay, County Treasurer Cox, and Circuit Clerk Mathis will prepare a Personnel Guideline and submit to this committee by July, 2003, and the effective date will be next fiscal year. The Committee discussed the animal control office as to the number of hours worked and costs of the dog pound. Chairman Denby read from County Government Law that the County Board Chairman, with the advice and consent of the County Board, appoints an animal control administrator who must be a licensed veterinarian. The Committee also requested County Officials, due to budget crises, minimize the number of committee meetings. The Committee discussed the fact there will be no funding from the general fund for the Public Health Department in fiscal year 2003-2004 in addition to deducting the 4.5% from this fiscal year that was not deducted from their \$65,000.00. The Committee voted that bids be advertised for various insurances this year. County Officials are being asked to put a 12-month freeze on vehicle purchases, except for emergency cases. The Committee also voted to recommend to the full Board only funding the statutory requirements for the Office of the Regional Superintendent of schools next fiscal year. Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Nickelson, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Bellm read the minutes of the May 9, 2003 **Road and Bridge Committee** meeting. The Committee voted approving two 50/50 Petitions for Dorchester #23 and Honey Point #29. The Committee discussed the two permanent positions to be vacant in the Highway Department.

Applications will be reviewed at the June meeting. Reinhart informed the committee that four landscape companies are preparing proposals for the highway building. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Campbell, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Pomatto discussed the minutes of the May 5, 2003, **Regional Superintendent of Schools Committee** meeting. Pfeiffer reviewed the audit and advised both issues listed were resolved and an audit with no findings is anticipated next fiscal year. New carpeting has been installed and an Open House is planned on Thursday, May 9 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. The Safe Schools Program is anticipating a 70% increase in their rent starting July 1, 2003. Pfeiffer also discussed state funding and the possibility of the budget for next fiscal year indicating zero funding for the Office of Education. The Committee also reviewed the proposed policy manual for the Regional Office of Education. Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Quirk, to approve minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

Motion by Christopher, seconded by Bertagnolli, to reappoint Tom Connors and Dean Rull to the Bunker Hill Fire Protection District for a three-year term effective the first Monday in May 2003 until the first Monday in May, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Quirk, seconded by Harding, to reappoint Robert Ruyle to the Medora Community Fire Protection District for a three year term beginning the first Monday in May, 2003 until the first Monday in May, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bertagnolli, seconded by Campbell, to appoint John Caveny to replace William Griffith on the Macoupin County Board of Review. His term is 6/1/03 – 5/31/05, This motion also included reappointment of Kelly Heyen to a two year term 6/1/03 – 5/31/05. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Christopher, seconded by Zippay, to appoint Raymond Coatney and reappoint Ruth Ann Pomatto to the Governing Board of the Illinois Valley Economic Development Corporation for a term of one year beginning July 1, 2003. All in favor, motion carried.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Chairman Denby read a letter from Meade Woods advising Board members of the dates events are being held at the Macoupin County Fairgrounds. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Pratt, to place on file in the County Clerk's office. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Denby advised Sherry Albrecht did not have money in her budget for the integrated media bill in the amount of \$959.40. Motion by Campbell, seconded by Pratt, to approve payment. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Denby read a letter from Assistant States Attorney Cain regarding the appointment of the Animal Control Administrator, who is to be a licensed veterinarian.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**PETITIONS**

Motion by Caveny, seconded by Campbell, to approve the following 50/50 Petitions:

Honey Point #29	\$18,000.00
Dorchester #23	\$ 2,000.00

Roll call vote: 27 ayes, motion carried.

**AYES**

Bacon, Judy	Jubelt, Lance	Thomas, David
Bellm, Darrell	Kiel, Bernie	Vojas, Robert
Bertagnolli, Beverly	Landers, Mearl	Watson, Julia
Campbell, Tom	Lux, Larry	Wiggins, Tony
Caveny, John	Malham, Vivian	Zippay, M. A.
Christopher, Margie	Nichelson, Glenn	
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Denby, Don B.	Pomatto, Ruth	
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**RESOLUTIONS**

Motion by Harding, seconded by Caveny, to increase the amount approved for the Macoupin County Prescription Card match to an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Caveny, seconded by Pratt, to adopt the revised Macoupin County Resolution electing hybrid entity status and designating the health care component for the purpose of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Pratt, to approve an Amendment to Resolution 99.38 changing fee amount charged for duplicate tax bills. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Bertagnolli, to approve a Resolution reducing the Macoupin County Public Health Department budget 4.5% from what it received from the General Fund for fiscal year ending August 31, 2003. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

Motion by Caveny, seconded by Jubelt, to adopt a Resolution removing funding from the

General Fund for the Macoupin County Public Health Department for fiscal year 9/1/03 – 8/31/04.  
Roll call vote: 17 ayes, 10 nays, motion carried.

**AYES**

Bacon, Judy  
Bertagnolli, Beverly  
Christopher, Margie  
Coatney, Raymond  
Denby, Don B.  
Harding, Bill  
Jubelt, Lance  
Landers, Mearl  
Lux, Larry  
Nichelson, Glenn

Novak, Joe  
Pratt, Vera  
Quarton, Robert  
Vojas, Robert  
Watson, Julia  
Zippay, M. A.  
Campbell, Tom

**NAYS**

Bellm, Darrell  
Caveny, John  
Fraser, Morrie  
Goodman, Frances  
Kiel, Bernie  
Malham, Vivian  
Pomatto, Ruth  
Quirk, Paul  
Thomas, David  
Wiggins, Tony

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Bacon, to table the Resolution limiting funding for the Regional Superintendent of Schools' office for next fiscal year. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Jubelt, seconded by Pratt, to table the resolution regarding a freeze on purchase of vehicles for the next year. All in favor, motion carried.

**ORDINANCE**

Motion by Pomatto, seconded by Bertagnolli, to adopt an amendment to the Macoupin County Food Sanitation Ordinance O-97.5, increasing food licensing fees as approved by the County Board at the January 14, 2003, meeting. Roll call vote: 26 ayes and 1 nay, motion carried.

**AYES**

Bacon, Judy  
Bellm, Darrell  
Bertagnolli, Beverly  
Campbell, Tom  
Caveny, John  
Christopher, Margie  
Coatney, Raymond  
Denby, Don B.

Fraser, Morrie  
Goodman, Frances  
Harding, Bill  
Kiel, Bernie  
Landers, Mearl  
Lux, Larry  
Malham, Vivian  
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**NAYS**

Pratt, Vera  
Jubelt, Lance  
Quarton, Robert  
Quirk, Paul  
Thomas, David  
Vojas, Robert  
Watson, Julia  
Wiggins, Tony  
Zippay, M. A.  
Pomatto, Ruth

**CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT**

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

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion by Campbell, seconded by Wiggins, to remove Teresa Lane as an election judge in Macoupin County. All in favor, motion carried.

Pomatto requested that in the future we look into the issue of being unable to accept grant money when we have to put money up front and then be reimbursed, such as the \$16,000.00 in the ESDA office.

## **MILEAGE AND PER DIEM**

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

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Fraser, seconded by Coatney, to adjourn at 3:11 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.