

ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE MACOUPIN COUNTY BOARD

MINUTES

APRIL 13, 2004

The Adjourned meeting of the Macoupin County Board was called to order Tuesday, April 13, 2004, 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.

MINUTES

Motion by Christopher, seconded by Pomatto, to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2004 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Harding, seconded by Quirk, to seat Fraser and Caveny and change the roll call vote to twenty-six present and one absent. All in favor, motion carried.

GUESTS

Kent Tarro, Administrator, Public Health Department announced that during National Public Health Week each year the Department always awards an individual and a group for their work in supporting the Public Health Department. The individual this year was Shawna Heddinghaus, O.D. , for working with schools in Macoupin County and the Public Health Department to help meet the visual needs of our children. The Company award went to Fritz Pharmacy and Charlie Fritz accepted the award. Tarro advised he had always been a strong supporter of the Public Health Department and has helped meet the needs of Macoupin County children for many years.

Larry Pfeiffer, Regional Superintendent of Schools, advised all steps had been taken and the consolidation of students from Livingston High School to Staunton High School should take place in the fall of 2004. Pfeiffer stated the primary school in Livingston would remain open. Pfeiffer advised Board members that the Directory for the Regional Superintendent of Schools office, will now be online along with an abundance of information regarding his office. In addition, he invited Board members to attend a series of workshops called "Lunch and a Laptop" beginning April 13 – August 10 prior to County Board meetings, 11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Bob Fulton, Truancy Officer, for the Regional Superintendent of Schools Office, made a presentation regarding truancy and drug issues in Macoupin County and explained actions being taken to form a coalition to deal with these serious issues.

Kevin Walker, Integrated Media, advised he hosts the Macoupin County Website and it usually gets between 5,000 – 6,000 hits per month. The site is now outdated, but if Denby provides him with a list of personnel who are authorized to make changes to the site, these changes can be sent to Walker for update. The Macoupin County Website has a lot of potential and could save Macoupin County paper costs by doing things online.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Denby read the minutes of the **March 11, 2004, Sheriff, Buildings and Grounds Committee** meeting. The Committee and Kevin Raymer met on the ground level of the Courthouse to discuss the proposed repair of the plaster on the walls. Raymer showed the Committee the problems and ways to repair them. Raymer suggested Jim McKorkle of Gillespie to do the painting. Novak will discuss the painting with McKorkle and report back to the Committee. The Committee voted to direct Chairman Denby discuss the details of the contract bid of Raymer, and if satisfactory, Raymer be offered the contract. Motion by Pratt, seconded by Quirk, to approve the minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Bellm read the minutes of the **March 19, 2004, Road & Bridge Committee** meeting. Eight candidates were interviewed and a lengthy discussion followed and a decision was made. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Kiel to approve the minutes as reported. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Denby requested the name of the man who received the position and Bellm advised it was Shane Buhl from Girard.

Bellm read the minutes of the **March 24, 2004, Emergency Services and Disaster Agency Committee** meeting. Chairman Denby made the Committee aware of several areas of difficulty in the E-911 program, specifically the problem of public safety due to actions taken in the E-911 office. Tom Ruyle, the E-911 personnel chairman, discussed the happenings leading up to the dismissal of the coordinator and how the removal created a potential for problems. An interim coordinator, David Whipple, who has had extensive experience with the Madison County 911-E program, is helping straighten out current problems. Actions taken by the ESDA Coordinator Pitchford on 911-E problems were discussed at length and Pitchford stated this his involvement was in the best interest of public safety and he wanted the program running as soon as possible and took the action he deemed necessary to accomplish that end. The Committee agreed to advertise for bids for 66 hand held radios and support equipment which can be purchased with a \$71,000.00 Homeland Security Grant received by Macoupin County. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Harding to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby read the minutes of the **April 2, 2004, Finance Committee** meeting. Discussion was held regarding the various insurances paid by the county. The Committee directed County Clerk Zippay to put bids out for insurance for the County. The Committee voted to recommend to the full Board rescinding the resolution passed on December 13, 2003 for the transfer of \$115,000.00 from the County Highway Department for various insurance premiums and that \$39,788.00 be transferred from County Highway to Tort Liability for the Inland Marine/Auto Liability insurance. With agreement of the Agriculture Committee, the Committee agreed to transfer \$25,000.00 from the County Farm Account to the Tort Liability Fund for payment of various insurances. The Committee also voted to increase the Court Security Fund Budget for 2003-2004 by \$10,000.00, to \$135,000.00 for the 2004-04 fiscal year. In addition, the Committee agreed to transfer \$20,000.00 from the Court Security Fund to the Sheriff's budget for the overtime line item. It was decided that the Finance Committee

will meet with ESDA Coordinator Pitchford on April 8, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. Motion by Christopher, seconded by Coatney, to approve minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby read the minutes of the **April 8, 2004, Finance Committee** meeting. The Committee voted to increase the ESDA Budget by \$73,000.00, to accommodate a Homeland Security Regional Grant Program line item for expenditures and to accept the money into the ESDA/Homeland Security line item. This will increase the overall ESDA Budget to \$124,200.00. Motion by Nichelson, seconded by Lux, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Denby read the minutes of the **April 8, 2004 ESDA Committee** meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to open bids for hand held radios. Bids were received from:

United Communications	\$46,101.00
Mac's Fire & Safety	\$39,402.00
Whiteside Communications	\$42,504.00

The low bid was Mac's Fire and Safety. Due to lack of a quorum, the Committee recommend the Board approve the lowest bidder that meets the specifications of the bid. Motion by Caveny, seconded by Pratt, to approve the minutes as written. All in favor, motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Quarton, to reappoint Gary Elliott to the Scottville-Modesto Rural Fire Protection District Board of Trustees for a three-year term beginning May 1, 2004 through April 30, 2007. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Zippay, seconded by Thomas, to appoint John Weis to the Mt. Olive Fire Protection District Board of Trustees. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Nichelson, seconded by Pratt, to reappoint David Fitzgerald to the Girard Fire Protection District Board of Trustees for a three-year term effective the first Monday in May, 2004 – the first Monday in May, 2007. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Lux, seconded by Vojas, to reappoint Bart Yakos, to another three-year term on the Staunton Fire Protection District Board of Trustees, effective April 13, 2004 – April 12, 2007. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Harding, to reappoint Allison B. Shipp and Robert Malham to another five-year term on the Central Macoupin County Rural Water District. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Malham, to place the letter from Larry Pfeiffer appointing Robert Walker to the Regional Board of School Trustees on file in the County Clerk's office. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Kiel, to place on file in the County Clerk's office the Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report ending December 31, 2003, for the Otter Lake Water Commission. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Denby read a letter from Shari Albrecht, Coordinator, Macoupin County Economic Development Office, stating that she is resigning effective May 14, 2004, to accept a position in Springfield. Motion by Wiggins, seconded by Harding, to place on file in the County Clerk's office. All in favor, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

PETITIONS

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Campbell, to approve the following petitions:

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| a. | Brushy Mound #13 | \$ 6,000.00 | d. | Dorchester #25 | \$ 2,000.00 |
| b. | Brushy Mound #14 | \$ 8,000.00 | e. | South Palmyra #25 | \$ 9,000.00 |
| c. | Dorchester #24 | \$ 3,500.00 | | | |

RESOLUTIONS

- a. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Landers, to approve a Resolution allowing the Macoupin County Highway Department to pay \$113,985.00 to E. D. Etnyre & Company, Oregon, Illinois, for a self-propelled chip spreader. Roll call vote: 26 ayes and 1 absent. Motion carried.
- b. Motion by Christopher, seconded by Campbell, to authorize \$25,000.00 be transferred from the County Farm Account to the Tort Liability Account to cover the costs of various liability insurances for the County. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- c. Motion by Bellm, seconded by Pomatto, to rescind the Resolution passed on 12/13/03 transferring \$115,000.00 into the General Fund. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- d. Motion by Zippay, seconded by Caveny, to adopt a Resolution approving deposit of \$39,788.00 from the Macoupin County Highway Fund into the County Tort Liability Fund. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

- e. Motion by Coatney, seconded by Pratt, to authorize an increase in expenditures for the Court Security Fund from \$125,000.00 to \$135,000.00 for the Budget year 2003-2004.
- f. Motion by Lux, seconded by Thomas, to approve a Resolution transferring \$20,000.00 from the Court Security Fund to the General Fund, Sheriff's Overtime Line Item and increase the Sheriff's budget by \$97,970.36 and the General Fund to \$7,221,624.91. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- g. Motion by Quirk, seconded by Malham, to approve a Resolution supporting the Macoupin County West Central Development Council for Economic Development Comprehensive planning activities. Same roll call vote: motion carried.
- h. Motion by Wiggins, seconded by Harding, to approve a Resolution Proclaiming Macoupin County University of Illinois Extension Week April 25-May 1, 2004. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

ORDINANCE

Motion by Nichelson, seconded by Pratt, to approve an Ordinance increasing the water rates of the Otter Lake Water Commission. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

CLAIMS AND OFFICERS REPORT

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion by Pratt, seconded by Caveny, to remove the Resolution approving the Final Plat of Sycamore Ridge Estates Subdivision in Brighton Township from the Table. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Caveny, seconded by Quirk, to approve the Final Plat of Sycamore Ridge Estates Subdivision in Brighton Township. Same roll call vote: motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

It was decided a resolution will be submitted at the May, 2004 meeting regarding the ESDA radios.

Motion by Bellm, seconded by Caveny, to approve an Agreement between the Macoupin County Board, Chief County Assessment Officer and Multi-Township District #2, regarding assessments with respects to two parcels. All in favor, motion carried.

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bacon, seconded by Nicholson, to adjourn at 2:28 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.