

**CLINTON COUNTY BOARD MEETING**  
**FEBRUARY 21, 2012 – 7:00pm**

Ray Kloeckner, Chairman

Robert Fix, Vice Chairman

**1. OPENING PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

An opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance were recited.

**2. CALL TO ORDER**

Sheriff Kreke called the meeting of the Clinton County District Board to order at 7:00 p.m. on February 21, 2012.

**3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

Present: Adams, Albers, Fix, Heiligenstein, Holtgrave, Kloeckner, Michael, Pingsterhaus, Rakers, Raymond, Richter, Simpson, Sullivan, Taylor, and Wessel.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Holtgrave made a motion to approve the minutes. Wessel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**5. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

No Report.

**6. PUBLIC MAY APPROACH THE BOARD**

No Report.

**7. REPORTS FROM ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

No Report.

**8. STANDING COMMITTEES**

**a. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/TOURISM COMMITTEE**

The Tourism Committee appointed Sandy Bretz from Bretz Winery in place of Dale Holbrook.

**b. UNINCORPORATED/ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS/SOLID WASTE**

No Report.

**c. FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

The Committee met on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. There was some old business discussed in reference to landscaping on perimeter of courthouse. The Committee wants to invite the Sheriff and Judge Middendorf to next meeting in March to get their input. The Committee was approached about installing a baby changing station in the courthouse. The committee has agreed to have one installed.

**d. FINANCE/HEALTH/REVOLVING LOAN COMMITTEE**

Clinton County Treasurer, Denise Trame, reported there was an oil check received for \$28,727.04. There was a mobile home distribution made on January 18<sup>th</sup>, of \$92,100.94.

1) MOTION- Treasurer's Monthly Report

Taylor made a motion to approve the monthly Treasurer's report. Pingsterhaus seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

2) MOTION - Health Department Monthly Report

Pingsterhaus made a motion to approve the monthly Health Department report. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**e. GENERAL SERVICES/JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

No Report.

**f. LAW ENFORCEMENT/ESDA/WELFARE/SAFETY/LIQUOR**

No Report.

**g. ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE**

Dan Behrens gave his monthly county engineer report. He reported on Hahn Bridge. They are still waiting on the weather to break. The rebid for sign replacement is March 1<sup>st</sup>. Our 2012 oil bids will be sometime in middle of next month. We usually spread between \$100,000 and \$120,000 worth of oil each year. Lastly, Dan reported there is plenty of salt left over this year.

**h. ZONING COMMITTEE**

No Report.

**9. SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**a. INSURANCE COMMITTEE/INSURANCE TRUST (ICIT)**

The Committee report as of February 13<sup>th</sup> is a cost status report for group health insurance total of \$822,784.00 with reimbursements. The average each month is \$91,420. The annual cost comparison for the past contract year, for the same nine month period of May through January 2006, 2007, 2008 was in \$550,000 category that the county paid. In 2009 and 2010 it was 680,000. In 2010-2011 year it was 650,000. This year it peaked at \$822,000. The county line item budget for life, dental, vision and health, without reimbursements was \$3951.86 under budget; resulting in a .37% over budget. With reimbursements the budget is about \$34,000 under budget or 3.3% under budget. There were two ICIT meetings since the last County Board meeting. There has been a change in the annual aggregate deductible. The deductible amount was \$6500 without an aggregate amount. Therefore, the Clinton County Committee suggested an aggregate amount. Clinton County will now pay \$6500 up to \$28,900 based on individual county loss exposure. The current estimated debt for ICIT 2001 is

\$1,050,000 over assets. Clinton County's share is .07% or \$74,534.29. Clinton County still has five claims open. ICIT 2009 still has five claims open with four claimants. The claims reserve is excellent compared to the claims for the 2009 trust. The Feb 15<sup>th</sup> report for ICIT 2001 dropped to \$998,000. Therefore there was a claim that was completed and closed. Clinton County's share dropped from \$74,000 to \$71,000 in the ICIT 2001. Clinton County still has 5 claims open. ICIT 2009 has 32 claims in which only 6 claims are Clinton County's. A procedure has been recommended to the Committee to put in place a standardized human resource "Fit for Duty" for our deputies. Mike, from ICIT Committee, will follow one of our deputies for a day which would help him form and design a test. The test would cost \$300, but paid for by ICIT. This would give the employee a "baseline" of their physical capabilities at the start of employment. Therefore, any work comp injuries claiming disability could be measured against the baseline to determine how much the injury affected their capacity given their starting baseline. The County would then have a "Fit for Duty" testing when there is someone on the work force that is off for a sickness or work related injury. The test would be performed to see if the employee could perform the physical standards of their job. The cost for that would be \$125.00 to the County. They are also strongly suggesting that all new hires would obtain a baseline ability test. Therefore, if the new hire had a 20 percent disability and later on had an injury for 60 percent. The County would then only be liable for 40 percent. There is already a functional capacity testing that includes medical testing which runs \$700.00. However, this test he is suggesting is only 125.00. The Highway Department and Maintenance may also be subject to testing. Pingsterhaus and Fix asked what he thought the Unions were going to say about testing. Raymond responded that it is a legal testing.

**b. AREA AGENCY ON AGING/708 MENTAL HEALTH BOARD**

No Report.

**c. ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE**

There were 27 property transfers in December. Assessment notices were sent out on January 25<sup>th</sup>. The last day to file a complaint is February 27, 2012. There are currently over 200 complaints. Every 4 years the Assessors are required to review all buildings. Estimated assessment value for 2010 is \$528,736,819. Estimated assessment value for 2011 is \$566,157,878. \$ In Clinton County there are over 29,000 parcels that are reviewed by Assessors. These individuals are elected by the voting public in that district to do a fair job. It is up to the homeowner to review your property record card to make sure it is being assessed properly. You can have your property appraised or find 3 similar properties. A lot of farm buildings and clubhouses have not been reassessed in 25 years. Agricultural owners should also check their assessments. For example, you may have had buildings removed on your property. The Assessor would need to be contacted so that they know.

**d. COUNTY FARM COMMITTEE**

No Report.

e. **COUNTY HEALTH**

No Report.

f. **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

There is a meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30p.m.

g. **GIS COMMITTEE**

The Committee reviewed some mapping. The next meeting is March 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm.

h. **911 COMMITTEE**

The Committee met on February 8<sup>th</sup>. Some of the equipment for the new tower site in Trenton has arrived. The FCC license is pending approval. The Chatterton Road has been renamed and the new signs have been installed. An addressing change in Albers for Cherry Drive was discussed. Damiansville has a Cherry Street with the same zip code of 62215. The issue has been turned over to the Village of Albers to decide if an addressing change is wanted. A data system for 911 testing will be upgraded. A tower in Carlyle and a tower in Breese was hit by lightning a few weeks ago. The 911 system was down. All calls were transferred to Greenville. The State of Illinois has implemented a yellow dot system. The yellow decal can be displayed in rear window of vehicle. It alerts the first responders to check the glove box for a yellow card which lists medical issues of person in car. Those are available at the County Health Department.

i. **PERSONNEL/LABOR COMMITTEE**

No Report.

j. **RC&D COUNCIL**

No Report.

k. **UCCI**

No Report.

l. **VETERANS**

May 26<sup>th</sup> there will be a dedication of the memorial in front of courthouse at 1pm. There will be two new benches with leaves on the back from troops that were killed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

**10. MOTION - APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Pingsterhaus made a motion to approve accounts payable claims. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**11. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

Chairman Kloeckner said the goal of the coalition is to form one unified statewide group to construct the four lanes from the St. Louis to the Indiana state line. The original coalition was formed in 2006. Support has been growing. Carlyle, Breese, Trenton,

Aviston have all joined in the past few months. Senator Kirk, Senator Durbin, and Representative Cavaletto are all supporters of this project. They may pass a bill following the November election.

a. **MOTION - Resolution 2012-02-05 – Highway 50 Resolution**

Rakers made a motion for a roll call vote. Holtgrave seconded the motion.

The motion passed by roll call vote: Adams (Yes); Albers (Yes); Fix (Yes);

Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michaels (Yes);

Pingsterhaus(Yes); Rakers (Yes); Raymond(Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson(Yes);

Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.

**12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Fix received his Certificate of Completion from the Office of the Attorney General for completion of the Open Meetings Act on-line training. Fix said as of January 1, 2013 there is a new law for board members that requires them to be certified.

**13. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

Chairman Kloeckner received information from Jackie Taylor, Corp of Engineers on upcoming public workshops. The Corps of Engineers has announced plans for a public workshop to seek public input regarding the mandatory life jacket pilot study currently underway, accessibility of recreational facilities, and improving visitor satisfaction and safety at boat ramps. Two meetings will be held on Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at the Mariner's Village Resort Conference Center starting at 4:00p.m. The second meeting will begin at 6:30p.m. Input will be used in developing a Master Plan supplement for Carlyle Lake. A supplement will be developed to address handicap accessibility of all recreational facilities and improvements to boat ramps to increase visitor satisfaction and safety.

**14. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Appointment – Sullivan made a motion to appoint David Rodden to the South Central Illinois Mass Transit Board of Directors. Albers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

b. Appointment – Sullivan made a motion to appoint Steven Varel as Trustee for Santa Fe Township to fulfill the term of the late Gary Gehrs. Albers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

c. Appointment – Sullivan made a motion to appoint Jane Kehrer as Trustee of the New Memphis Lighting District Board. Albers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

d. Appointment – Sullivan made a motion to appoint Duane Kampwerth as Trustee of the Germantown Fire District. Albers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

Taylor made a motion to adjourn until Monday, March 19, 2012. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

**ATTEST:**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Rakers". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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**Mary Rakers  
County Clerk**