

CLINTON COUNTY BOARD MEETING

March 16, 2015 – 7:00pm

Robert Fix, Chairman

Lavern Holtgrave, Vice Chairman

1. OPENING PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER

Sheriff, Doug Maue, called the meeting of the Clinton County District Board to order at 7:00pm on March 16, 2015.

3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Present: Fix, Heiligenstein, Him, Holtgrave, Kreke, Nordike D, Nordike K, Rakers, Richter, Schrage, Taylor and Wessel. Absent: Cain, Simpson and Sullivan

4. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND GUESTS

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion – Wessel made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 17, 2015 meeting. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

6. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Germantown Lady Bulldogs Basketball Team First Place SIJHSAA Class “S” Recognition
- b. Germantown Bulldogs Boys Basketball Team First Place SIJHSAA Class “S” Recognition
- c. Aviston Lady Eagles Basketball Team First Place SIJHSAA Class “M” Recognition
- d. Central High School Cheerleaders IHSA Illinois State Champions Recognition

7. PUBLIC MAY APPROACH THE BOARD

a. Maddie Beckmann – MidAmerica Workforce

Beckmann is the new Coordinator and Representative for MidAmerica Workforce. The Program Coordinator for intergovernmental grants for MidAmerica Workforce, Rick Stubblefield also approached the board. They spoke about their duties and how they can help benefit residents of Clinton County. The Workforce Investment Act (WIA Program) was developed by the federal government in the 1980’s to assist individuals to find employment and employers to find employees. It is a nationwide program. Our local workforce covers 5 different counties of St Clair, Clinton, Monroe, Randolph and Washington. The youth program is for ages 16-21 to help prepare them for the work force. Adult program and dislocated workers program are for adults with disadvantages and low income individuals as well as people who have lost their jobs. They help individuals gain marketable skills. There are 3 different levels of services available. The first level is core services in which anybody can come into the office and use the computers for a job search or fill out applications, and etc. There are different staffing agencies such as Extra Help based out of Edwardsville will come in and hold interviews. They also work with individuals to build up resumes to build up for their interview.

The second level Intensive services you have to qualify through the Adult Program or Dislocated Workers Program. Public aid individuals will automatically qualify. These services are more one on one working to set career goals and getting to self sufficient levels to get out into work place. The last service consists of training services. If they can't find employment through core services or intensive services, they may qualify for a training program. The training program will cover tuition, fees and books. They have to keep one on one contact with Beckmann, maintain a certain GPA level and be a full time student so they can find employment once completed with training. Beckmann said you can call her to set up an appointment to learn more about services she is available 8-4 Monday through Friday. Rakers asked her to explain how to get ahold of her. Rakers said the county is working to get contact information on the county website. Rakers said if somebody is unemployed or laid off they can collect their unemployment and complete training services at same time. Beckmann said they will notify unemployment office that you are going through the program. Rick Stubblefield thanked the board for their time. Duane Nordike asked what type of jobs are the programs set up for. Beckmann said the programs have to be WIA approved. Massage therapy isn't a high demand job so it is not a WIA approved paid program. However, a truck driving program is.

b. Motion – Pam Bird for Proclamation of April as Sexual Assault and Child Abuse Awareness Month

Holtgrave made a motion to approve the proclamation. Duane Nordike seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Bird welcomed everyone to the April 10th “Start By Believing” event at St Mary’s School in Carlyle sponsored by SAFE. It includes a poster contest, art showing, musicians, guest speakers and clothes line project. Bird reported by the age of 18, 1 in 3 females and 1 in 6 boys will be a victims of sexual abuse and need all of our support.

8. REPORTS FROM ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

9. STANDING COMMITTEES

a. Zoning/Subdivision Committee

1. Zoning Report – Joyce Lucas

i. Motion – Hampel Subdivision

Richter made a motion to approve the subdivision. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

b. Economic Development

The committee met on March 2nd. The February 19th meeting with Randall Blankenhorn, Transportation Secretary and Head of Illinois Department of Transportation is still waiting to be rescheduled. The Route 50 Coalition has a meeting scheduled for Friday, March 20th at 11:00am with Representative Reis and IDOT assistant Secretary Rich Brauer at the RCDC office in Olney. We also received a notice of intent that Verizon will be constructing 2 new facilities. The MidAmerica Workforce is located across the street from the courthouse and can be beneficial to quite a few people in Clinton County. The meeting is April 6th.

c. Tourism Committee

i. Motion - The Tourism Bureau Fiscal Year 2016 Commitment \$16,000

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

Cain (Absent); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kreke (No); Nordike, D (Yes); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (No); Richter (Yes); Schrage (Yes); Simpson (Absent); Sullivan (Absent); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.

- d. Environmental Concerns/Unincorporated/Solid Waste
No report.
- e. Assessment Committee
Kreke reported the committee met on March 4th. The final multiplier will be in by end of March. The tentative was .9806. The transfer of properties was up in February at 53. Due to being down one employee and the increase of work due to the quadrennial year a part-time employee and/or overtime was discussed and will be revisited at next meeting. The county has a few property appeals in Springfield for review. If the county does not win money owed to land owner is paid back with 5% interest from time of original appeal.
- f. Insurance/ICIT
Richter reported the March insurance meeting was held on the 2nd Monday. The health insurance status report for February of claims and monthly fees including prescriptions was \$122,855.74, which is the third highest month of the current contract year. The first 10 months of the current contract year is about \$1,058,000. Without reimbursements, the insurance line item is \$7300, or .55%, under budget. With reimbursements, the insurance line item is \$83,500, or 18.66% under budget. The Liability and Workers Compensation fund were unchanged. The committee reviewed the insurance contract renewal. There will be a special insurance meeting on March 30th at 6:30 in the board room to further discuss the contract renewal. The proposal will be at the April meeting for the full board. The new plan would begin on May 1st.
- g. Facilities Committee
Nordike reported the committee met on March 5th and had discussion on elevator contracts. The contracts are going to be reviewed by the States Attorney's office. The committee received three material estimates and 2 labor estimates for lighting at the courthouse and jail. The committee is currently comparing what lighting fixtures they are supplying. The next facilities meeting is hopeful to have Ron Daniels in attendance to discuss office needs and space for the ROE office. The Carlyle Street Fair sent a request in for a street closure on June 12th and 13th. They are also requesting the parking around the courthouse square be closed from June 11th through Monday June 15th for set up and tear down. Duane Nordike made a motion to approve the Carlyle Street Fair request. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Motion Carried. The next meeting is April 2nd.
 - i. Motion – New Elevator Contract - tabled
- h. County Farm Committee – Bryan Wessel
Wessel reported the committee met on March 9th. They worked on ordinances. Don Deiters, Animal Control Warden, requested payment for his 93 comp hours. The committee suggested taking that time off instead of payment, due to him being a salary employee. He agreed to take his time off instead of payment for his 93 comp hours.
- i. Education Committee
Kreke reported the committee met on March 5th. Hoyleton school district was dissolved. The district was taken in by Nashville Elementary.
- j. Veterans Committee

No Report.

- k. Finance/Health/Revolving Loan Committee/General Services/Judiciary
Rakers reported the Sheriff's Department is requesting new computers for the 4 new cars instead of using the 10 year old computers out of the old cars. The cost would be approximately \$20,000 installed by Brite. If in the future, the county has the money to purchase the coordinating computers for the jail and printers for the circuit clerk's office they will do that at a later time. Kreke asked what fund would the computers be paid out of. Rakers and Heiligenstein said it will probably come out of the drug fund.
 1. Treasurer, Denise Trame, gave her monthly report. She reported an oil check of \$6844.63
 - i. Motion - Approval Of Monthly Budget And Financial Report
Rakers made a motion to approve the monthly report. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
 - ii. Motion – Resolution 2015-03-08 To Amend Current Resolution 01-91-02 For Fees For Drug Testing
Rakers made a motion for a roll call vote. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Cain (Absent); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kreke (Yes); Nordike, D (Yes); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Schrage (Yes); Simpson (Absent); Sullivan (Absent); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.
 - iii. Motion – Resolution Calling For The Governor And General Assembly To Protect Necessary Funding For County Government at present asking for 50%
Rakers recommended waiting to pass the resolution until after the Governor's meeting. Heiligenstein made a motion to table the resolution. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
 - iiii. Motion – Approve Purchase Of (4) New Computers For Police Cars
Rakers made a motion for a roll call vote. Keith Nordike seconded the motion. Cain (Absent); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kreke (Yes); Nordike, D (Yes); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Schrage (Yes); Simpson (Absent); Sullivan (Absent); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.
- l. Law Enforcement/EMA/Welfare/Safety/Liquor
Richter reported the Sheriff informed the committee of the pending and now hire of the two new road deputies. Eric McClaren from Hoffman, currently a Champaign County deputy and Kyle Schulte of Bartelso. Schulte will have to attend a 12 week academy. Sheriff, Maue, said the 29th is their start date.
- m. Road and Bridge Committee
 1. County Engineer, Dan Behrens, gave his monthly report.
Behrens reported they will have a bid letting on March 31st for road oil for the County and Townships. Next month April 14th meeting is changed to April 10th.
 - i. Motion - Resolution to Approve a Petition from Germantown District Road Commissioner Don Langenhorst for 50% County match for a Culvert Replacement on Old Carlyle Road
Holtgrave made a motion for a roll call vote. Wessel seconded the motion.

Cain (Absent); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kreke (Yes); Nordike, D (Yes); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Schrage (Yes); Simpson (Absent); Sullivan (Absent); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried.

10. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- a. 708 Mental Health Board/Area Agency on Aging
Taylor reported the committee met on March 10th. The committee discussed the application process for the money to be given out to the agencies. One of the agencies was given an amount more than they should have. The Health Department had sent a notice out to agency stating they would be deducting money for following years. Therefore, future amounts will be less to make up the difference. Area on Aging has a public hearing on April 2nd at 1:30 at the Western Clinton County Senior Center. The other is at Senior Center in East St Louis at 10:00am. Ther service priorities and local initiatives will be discussed at those hearings.
- b. County Health
 1. Motion - Health Department Monthly Report
Taylor made a motion to approve the monthly report. Him seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- c. GIS Committee
Taylor reported the committee met on March 3rd. The next meeting is on April 7th at 5pm.
- d. 911 Committee
Nordike reported the committee met on March 11th. Flyovers for GIS will start next month. The next meeting will be April 8, 2015.
- e. UCCI
No Report.
- f. Personnel/Labor Committee
Heiligenstein reported there was no meeting this month however there is news to report. The tentative agreement with the laborers for the highway department has been ratified by the union. There were 2 central points of dispute, vacation and pay. In the last contract, the county board adopted a more conservative vacation schedule. The employees were wanting to get back to the previous vacation schedule. The Personnel Committee put together two different options to vote on. The first option was to keep the vacation schedule the same with a 8.5% percent increase the next 3 years. The second option was to go back to the old vacation schedule with a wage freeze in year one, 1.5% in year two and 1% in year three. The Highway Department chose the second option, to go back to their old vacation schedule. This contract will have to be ratified by the Board. The Teamsters have a meeting scheduled as well as Probation. FOP represents the road deputies at the Sheriff's Department. There were 2 fundamental issues at stake during the course of negotiations with the FOP; compensation and insurance. In the last contracts, the Personnel Committee fought for and got a 50% share in any increases in cost of health insurance for both Teamsters and the Highway Department. The FOP has interest arbitration rights. The County Board asked that the Sheriff's Department have the same buy in that the Teamsters and

Highway Department have. The 50% share of last year's renewable health insurance cost the Teamsters and Highway Department an additional \$2.04 a month. This is what they wanted the Sheriff's Department to have, but the Arbitrator did not give that to them. So this contract, the Personnel Committee has offered a 9.5% increase over 3 years but they will have same stake in health insurance with the same increases in the future. The committee met with a federal mediator and the FOP. At the end of the day, the FOP came back and said they would not go for that. They would be willing to let it go to an arbitrator. Heiligenstein said the committee is very disappointed and feel like they made a more than fair offering. Heiligenstein said if for some reason the mediator misinterpreted the deputies position on this, the Personnel Committee is certainly open to revisit this to avoid going to arbitration due to its cost to taxpayers.

11. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

Cain (Absent); Heiligenstein (Yes); Him (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kreke (Yes); Nordike, D (Yes); Nordike, K (Yes); Rakers (Yes); Richter (Yes); Schrage (Yes); Simpson (Absent); Sullivan (Absent); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Motion Carried

12. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

a. Chairman Fix reminded everyone of the Annual Clinton County Farm Bureau meeting March 23 at 6:00pm at Governor's Run

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

- a. Appointment – Trustee for Germantown Fire Protection District – Duane Kampwerth
- b. Appointment – Board of Review – Wayne Kiefer
- c. Appointment – Board of Review – Janet Heimann

Kreke made motion to approve the appointments. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

15. NEW BUSINESS

16. ADJOURNMENT TILL MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2015

Taylor made motion to adjourn until Monday, April 20, 2015. Richter seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:



Mary Rakers
County Clerk & Recorder