

**PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
MACON COUNTY BOARD**



**AUGUST 11, 2022**

**Kevin Greenfield  
Chairman**

**Josh Tanner  
Clerk**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Sheriff and State's Attorney present.

The Roll Call showed all members present with the exception of Ms. Buckner, Mr. Coleman, Mrs. Dawson, Mrs. Scott, and Mrs. Taylor.

Mr. Entler led the members in prayer.

All led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 14, 2022 MEETING**

##### **MOTION**

Mrs. Kraft moved, seconded by Mr. Mattingley to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2022 meeting.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

##### **ROLL CALL.**

Ayes: Comer, Edwards, Entler, Greenfield, Gresham, Hogan, Holman, Horve, Kraft, Kreke, Lerner, Little, Mattingley, Noland, Oliver, Rood

Nays: (None)

**AYES = 16**

**NAYS = 0**

##### **MOTION CARRIED.**

There were no zoning or subdivision issues presented at the meeting.

#### **B. CORRESPONDENCE**

An e-mail from Ameren Illinois regarding future tree trimming in the county.

A notice from the Illinois EPA regarding application for a construction permit received from Innovafeed Corporation at 3020 N. Brush College Road in Decatur.

A letter from Comcast regarding changes to Russian language programming.

A letter from Edward Shimon, Warning Coordination Meteorologist for The National Weather Service in Lincoln, IL regarding Macon County receiving certification as a NWS StormReady County.

## **REPORTS**

Sheriff's Report – July 2022  
Treasurer Fund & Investment Report – July 2022  
Collector's Report – July 2022  
Coroner's Report – June 2022  
Public Defender's Report – June 2022  
Auditor's Report – July 2022

## **MOTION**

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve the Correspondence and Reports by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

## **MOTION CARRIED.**

### **1. CLAIMS**

Mr. Edwards moved, seconded by Mrs. Little to approve the Claims by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

## **MOTION CARRIED.**

### **C. APPOINTMENTS**

2. Resolution G-5428-08-22 – Appointments/Reappointments of Drainage District Commissioners

<b><u>DISTRICT</u></b>	<b><u>COMMISSIONER'S NAME &amp; ADDRESS</u></b>	<b><u>TERM EXPIRES</u></b>
Austin Drainage Dist. #1	David Johnston 13459 N. Kenney Rd.	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Friends Creek Drainage Dist. # 1	Dan Carroll 742 County Farm Rd. Monticello, IL 61856	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Friends Creek Drainage Dist. #3	Chris Schick 2377 E. Illiniwick Rd. Decatur, IL 62526	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025

Macon-Piatt Union Drainage Dist. #5	Gregg Briggs 13006 Friends Creek Park Rd. Cisco, IL 61830	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Maple Grove Drainage District	Herb Gulick 1757 N. Wyckles Rd. Decatur, IL 62522	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Maroa Drainage Dist. #2	James R. Stoutenborough 458 E. 2700 North Road De Land, IL 61839	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Maroa Drainage Dist. #3	Mark Bunselmeyer 1703 Wise Rd. Decatur, IL 62526	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Maroa Drainage Dist. #4	H. Daniel Marsh 2862 W. School Rd.	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Maroa Drainage Dist. #5	William Voorhees 12928 Greenswitch Rd. Maroa, IL 61756	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Maroa-Friends Creek Union Drainage Dist. #8	Jerry Wallace 390 S. North Argenta, IL 62501	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Maroa-Friends Creek Union Drainage #10	William Voorhees 12928 Greenswitch Rd. Maroa, IL 61756	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Milam Drainage Dist. #1	Lon Gaither 6710 Raintree Ln. Decatur, IL 62521	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Niantic Drainage Dist. #1	Edward H. Leonard 510 S. Illinois Niantic, IL 62551	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Niantic Drainage Dist. #2	Edward H. Leonard 510 S. Illinois Niantic, IL 62551	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Long Creek & Oakley Union Drainage Dist. #1	Ritchie Barnett 207 S. Delmar Ave. Decatur, IL 62522	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025

Long Creek & Oakley Union Drainage Dist. #2	Laura Cullison 605 W. Main St. Mt. Zion, IL 62549	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Oakley Drainage Dist. #1	Barrett Dale Albert 11760 Cemetery Rd. Argenta, IL 62501	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Pleasant View & Pairieton Union Drainage Dist. #1 & 2	Roberta Gorden 312 Depray Blue Mound, IL 62513	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Pleasant View Drainage Dist. #2	Rob Albers 9495 N. Elwin Rd. Blue Mound, IL 62513	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Sanner Chapel Mutual Drainage District	Lon Gaither 6710 Raintree Ln. Decatur, IL 62521	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
South Macon/Milam Union Drainage Dist. #1	Gerald Lillpop 1512 August Hill Pl Mt. Zion, IL 62549	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
South Macon/South Wheatland Union Drainage Dist. #1	Aaron Hogan 3991 Hogan Rd. Dalton City, IL 61925	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025
Whitmore Drainage Dist. #1	Steven K. Volle 7892 Brush College Rd. Oreana, IL 62554	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday September, 2025

## **MOTION**

Mr. Greenfield moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve Resolution G-5428-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

## **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Mr. Greenfield presented Resolution G-5429-08-22 which is approving the appointment of Rabies Control Administrator.

Larry D. Baker, D.V.M. 2800 N. MLK Jr. Dr., Decatur, IL 62526  
Term Expires: August 31, 2023

**MOTION**

Mr. Greenfield moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve Resolution G-5429-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

4. Mr. Greenfield presented Resolution G-5430-08-22 which is approving an appointment to the Macon Mosquito Abatement District.

Lil Mantay Baldwin, 5039 Thrush Ave., Decatur, IL 62521  
Term Expires: December 31, 2022

**MOTION**

Mr. Greenfield moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve Resolution G-5430-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

5. Mr. Greenfield presented Resolution G-5431-08-22 which is approving an appointment to Macon County Mental Health Board.

Liz Featherstone, 17 Lantern Ln., Forsyth, IL 62535  
Term Expires: June 30, 2026

**MOTION**

Mr. Greenfield moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve Resolution G-5431-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

6 Mr. Greenfield presented Resolution G-5443-08-22 which is approving an appointment to the Macon County Board of Health.

Dr. Jeff Smith, 778 Spyglass Blvd., Forsyth, IL 62535  
Term Expires: May 31, 2023

## **MOTION**

Mr. Greenfield moved, seconded by Mr. Entler to approve Resolution G-5443-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

## **COMMENT:**

Mr. Edwards: Mr. Edwards said he was going to vote against this. He said it doesn't matter why he is voting against, but he was going to let them know the reason. He said a lot of the boards within this community have somebody from the neighborhood or from the organization that is a user of those services that is on that board. Crossings has a person that is a service receiver on their board. They are replacing a female with another male, and they have a couple doctors on there already. Mr. Edwards said Dr. Jeff Smith is a great person; but he thinks they need to look at having somebody that is utilizing some of the services that can provide the county board with some feedback from that board, rather than just individuals who are maybe notable within the community. They want to make sure they have somebody from mental health that is there, somebody from dental services that is there. So, it helps to be able to get that feedback from folks that are from within that same community as well.

**MOTION CARRIED. (EDWARDS & HOLMAN SHOWED THEIR VOTE AS NO)**

## **E. CONSENT CALENDAR**

7. Mr. Greenfield presented the Consent Calendar which includes Resolution G-5432-08-22 regarding executing deeds to convey property on which taxes were delinquent.

## **MOTION**

Mr. Greenfield moved, seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the Consent Calendar by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED. (EDWARDS & HOLMAN SHOWED THEIR VOTE AS YES)**

## **JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

8. Mr. Mattingley presented Resolution G-5433-08-22 which is approving hiring Integrated Solutions Consulting, Inc. for the update of the Macon County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

## **MOTION**

Mr. Mattingley moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve Resolution G-5433-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

## **MOTION CARRIED.**

9. Mr. Mattingley presented Resolution G-5434-08-22 which is approving police dog retirement and transfer of ownership.

## **MOTION**

Mr. Mattingley moved, seconded by Mrs. Kraft to approve Resolution G-5434-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

## **MOTION CARRIED.**

10. Mr. Mattingley presented Resolution G-5435-08-22 which is approving permission to dispose of surplus equipment.

## **MOTION**

Mr. Mattingley moved, seconded by Ms. Rood to approve Resolution G-5435-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

## **MOTION CARRIED.**

## **EEHW COMMITTEE**

11. Mrs. Little presented Resolution G-5436-08-22 which is approving digital environmental health project agreements and an increase in appropriations in the FY22 Health Fund Budget for Salesforce.Com Government at Carahsoft.

## **MOTION**

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve Resolution G-5436-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.



**MOTION CARRIED.**

12. Mrs. Little presented Resolution G-5437-08-22 which is approving digital environmental health project agreements and increase in appropriations in the FY22 Health Fund budget for Summit Technologies for Zembretta.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve Resolution G-5437-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

13. Mrs. Little presented Resolution G-5438-08-22 which is approving a lease agreement for postage machine / meter for the Macon County Health Department.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mrs. Rood to approve Resolution G-5438-08-22 by prior roll call.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

14. Mrs. Little presented Resolution G-5439-08-22 which is approving a contract for Electronic Medical Records CureMD.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Oliver to approve Resolution G-5439-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**OPERATIONS AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

15. Mrs. Kraft presented Resolution G-5440-08-22 which is approving and Equal Employment Opportunity Plan for the County of Macon.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Kraft moved, seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve Resolution G-5440-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

The Legislative Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

16. Mrs. Little presented Resolution G-5441-08-22 which is correcting a scrivener's error in Resolution G-5424-07-22 setting the salaries for Offices of State's Attorney and Public Defender effective July 01, 2022.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mrs. Kraft to approve Resolution G-5441-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

The Negotiations Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

17. Mr. Kreke presented Resolution H-2295-08-22 which is approving an addendum to an agreement between Macon County and AFSCME Council 31, AFL-CIO.

**MOTION**

Mr. Kreke moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve Resolution H-2295-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

18. Mr. Kreke presented Resolution H-2296-08-22 which is approving construction expenses for CH 32 Andrews Street Resurfacing Project.

**MOTION**

Mr. Kreke moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve Resolution H-2296-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

19. Mr. Kreke presented Resolution H-2297-08-22 which is approving and appropriating funds for the 2022 Camp Warren Road resurfacing project.

**MOTION**

Mr. Kreke moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve Resolution H-2297-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

20. Mr. Kreke presented Resolution H-2298-08-22 which is approving an increase in appropriations in the FY 2022 Highway Department budget.

**MOTION**

Mr. Kreke moved, seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve Resolution H-2298-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

21. Mr. Kreke presented Resolution H-2299-08-22 which is approving and appropriating a grant writing proposal from the Beckett Group.

**MOTION**

Mr. Kreke moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve Resolution H-2299-08-22 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

The Executive Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

The Siting Rules & Ordinance Sub-Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

The Building Sub-Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

### **CITIZENS' REMARKS:**

Brandon Rarik: Mr. Rarik said he is with A.C.T.S. He wanted to bring to them a proposal to do real internet to the rest of the  $\frac{3}{4}$ 's of Macon County. He stated they currently do fiber in parts of the rural areas of Christian, Shelby, and Macon County. This would be a proposal for the rest of the areas that currently don't have fiber in the rural areas of Macon County. Mr. Rarik said currently they offer internet to most of Macon County. They currently have 600 or so customers in rural Macon County. Their current speeds are 200 Mbps symmetrical for rural customers in Macon County. The only part they don't cover at this time is the Oakley – Oreana area, however that is a future plan for them already. He said they are in the middle of expanding their network and their speeds to where they will be 2 Gbps symmetrical everywhere across Macon County. He said that is what they are currently doing. Mr. Rarik said this bid would be for doing fiber to the home in Macon County. He referred to paperwork he passed out and said some of it had changed. The fiber they currently offer is actually 2.50 Gbps, which is their lowest package, 5 Gbps is their middle, and 10 Gbps is their highest package for rural to the home internet. They are one of the fastest providers in central Illinois, most of Illinois actually, as far as residential, for some of the tech they use. Mr. Rarik said as far as he knows they use more advanced tech than anyone else around. So, that would be part of this bid. It does say for any business up to 10 Gbps. He said his NDA has lifted since he wrote this a couple weeks ago. So, the residential will be up to 10 Gbps as well. Technically under this bid anybody in the top  $\frac{3}{4}$ 's will have faster internet than like most of Chicago would, with their current network. There is a map on the three page handout he gave them. It does not show the lines that go to the houses because it kind of ruins the map and you can't see anything. Some of this they have already laid. They have already started fiber, but it does show the rest of their main lines. This would cover the Oakley and Oreana area as well because right now they have pretty much nothing for the rural customers. The last page of the handout is a letter from one of their engineering firms. He said their state license.... They are currently upgrading to a 100 Gbps network. They already have a 25 Gbps. They are in the middle of upgrading it to a 100 Gbps network, which would be one of the only two in central Illinois. So, that is just a third party attesting that they are up to speeds.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said that Mr. Jackson had taken some of the lead role on some of this and he asked if Mr. Rarik had spoken to him. Mr. Rarik said he had not. Mr. Greenfield said he would be a good person to get with, as well as Ms. Rood and the County Administrator, Mrs. Wilcox. They are kind of the point people on that. They can get him their numbers and information.

Mr. Rarik: Mr. Rarik said he has sent Mrs. Wilcox some of their background information already.

Mr. Edwards: Mr. Edwards asked when they were dealing with a build-out for Shelbyville Electric for the south one-third, where was A.C.T.S. at in that project. Mr. Edwards asked if they knew about it, and was it something they considered.

Mr. Rarik: Mr. Rarik said there were some rumors that he heard and he didn't really want to bring up some of this. He said what Macon County actually did for that was they actually put out a bid for the entire county; however they only listed the bid for 7 days publically. Mr. Rarik said so while they were working on building out a bid for the entire county for what Macon County posted, Macon County turned around and accepted a bid for the southern one-third instead, which had nothing to do with the bid the county had done. The county also said it needed to be areas that currently do not have fiber. Then the county accepted a bid for areas where A.C.T.S. is already building fiber or have had fiber for the past two years. He said he sent that to Tammy Wilcox as well. He said they have already had agreements and fiber in the ground in southern Macon County. He said it has been a year or two since they did that.

There were no officeholder remarks presented at the meeting.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

22. Mr. Greenfield presented Resolution G-5390-05-22 which is authorizing the disbursement of Macon County ARPA funds to the Mt. Zion Fire Protection District for lifesaving equipment.

#### **MOTION**

Mr. Greenfield moved, seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve Resolution G-5390-05-22.

#### **QUESTION:**

Mr. Edwards: Mr. Edwards asked if they do this resolution, is the plan that they would then be able to apply for the difference under the next resolution, in other words the funding difference also; or is this just to do one versus the other.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said they would receive a little more under the second one than they would the first one.

Mrs. Little: Mrs. Little wanted to verify that by voting down this resolution, the next resolution includes them correctly.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said yes they were not cutting them out. They were just adding them to the next one.

There were multiple comments about the vote on this resolution

Mr. Rueter: Mr. Rueter said if they vote no on this resolution it means they are not giving money to Mt. Zion by itself. If they vote yes on the next one, they will be voting to give money to all the rural fire districts.

**ROLL CALL.**

Ayes: (None)

Nays: Comer, Edwards, Entler, Greenfield, Gresham, Hogan, Holman, Horve, Kraft, Kreke, Larnier, Little, Mattingley, Noland, Oliver, Rood

**AYES = 0**

**NAYS = 16**

**MOTION FAILED.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

23. Mr. Greenfield presented Resolution G-5442-08-22 which is authorizing the Subaward of Macon County ARPA/SLFRF funds to the rural fire protection districts located within and/or serving Macon County.

**MOTION**

Mr. Greenfield moved, seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve Resolution G-5442-08-22.

**COMMENT:**

Mr. Edwards: Mr. Edwards just wanted thank the chairman, Tammy, and everyone involved for reaching out to the rural fire districts and finding out what kind of things they need. He thinks that Mt. Zion really kind of helped direct that because they have some specific needs and could identify what those were. The biggest question will be later on if the amounts the county provides to the nonresidential county fire departments is enough, and maybe could be reviewed later on. Mr. Edwards said he would be happy to see this go through and then maybe follow up with.... Cerro Gordo has a huge amount of area that they cover in Macon County, even though their house is not in Macon County. He just wanted to make sure that Latham, Cerro Gordo, and some of the others get followed up with if something happens that their counties aren't as generous with ARPA funds.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said he agreed wholeheartedly with Mr. Edwards.

**ROLL CALL.**

Ayes: Comer, Edwards, Entler, Greenfield, Gresham, Hogan, Holman, Horve, Kraft, Kreke, Larner, Little, Mattingley, Noland, Oliver, Rood

Nays: (None)

**AYES = 16**

**NAYS = 0**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Oliver to adjourn until Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.