

**PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
MACON COUNTY BOARD**

**MARCH 10, 2016**

**Kevin Greenfield  
Chairman**

**Stephen M. Bean  
Clerk**

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

The Roll Call showed all members present with the exception of Mr. Ashby, and Mr. Oliver.

Mrs. Taylor led the members in prayer.

All led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 11, 2016 MEETING**

### **MOTION**

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2016 meeting.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

### **ROLL CALL.**

Ayes: Baxter, Bird, Brown, Cox, Dawson, Drobisch, Dudley, Dunn, Greenfield, Hogan, Jackson, Little, Mattingley, Meachum, Minich, Noland, Potts, Smith, Taylor

Nays: (None)

**AYES = 19**

**NAYS = 0**

### **MOTION CARRIED.**

## **B. PROCLAMATION**

Mr. Brown: Mr. Brown said he thinks he speaks for all the county board members and county officeholders when he says it is always a pleasure to have the 4-H members join us once a year. They all look forward to it. Mr. Brown presented the proclamation recognizing March 7<sup>th</sup> through March 11<sup>th</sup> as Macon County 4-H Week.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said they had another award to present. He said there were two gentleman at the meeting that drove a long way from Chicago, Special Agent Eric Graf and Inspector Mike Landini. They have an award for the Sheriff's Department. He asked Lt. Butts to step forward.

Eric Graf: Mr. Graf said he is a Special Agent with the Canadian National Railroad Police based out of Chicago, Illinois and with him was Inspector Mike Landini also of the Canadian National Railroad Police based out of Chicago, Illinois. They were at the

meeting on behalf of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Traffic Safety Committee. He was there to talk briefly about Illinois Rail Safety Week which took place in September 2015. They were there to recognize the Macon County Sheriff's Department for outstanding efforts during that week. Since he was not there representing the rail industry, but in fact the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, he would read to them the statement they asked him to read. Mr. Graf read: In order to raise public awareness about the dangers associated with the railroad crossing and railroad property, the Traffic Safety Committee worked together with Illinois Operation Lifesaver, the Governor's office and numerous other public and private entities to get the week of September 14, 2015 proclaimed as the second annual Illinois Rail Safety Week. During Illinois Rail Safety Week's second year, a total of 392 police agencies from around the state signed up to participate. Over the course of that week 1,454 hours were dedicated to educational efforts. To highlight a handful of some of those educational efforts, nearly 100,000 posters, flyers, banners, signs and other handouts were distributed to promote railroad safety. There were 210 press releases, and there were a total of 158 Operation Lifesaver presentations given around the state. In terms of enforcement, agencies logged 2,768 enforcement hours in the State of Illinois. During that week 1,210 traffic citations were issued, along with 1,752 warning citations. These citations and warnings were issued to both motorists and pedestrians who violate laws associated with the rail industry. This level of success would not have been possible without the dedication and commitment shown by the Macon County Sheriff's Department. Your department dedicated a total of 41 hours toward railroad safety during Illinois Rail Safety Week. Your department was the leading agency of all the Sheriff's Departments throughout the state. In terms of education, your department held a press conference, issued 21 press releases, 8 internet based announcements, 2 radio announcements, and utilized 3 television outlets to spread the railroad safety message. In terms of enforcement, your department spent 20 hours conducting patrols and watching for violation related to laws associated with the rail tracks and railroad property. The mere presence of law enforcement around the rail sends a message to the public that enforcement action will be taken and police officers and sheriff deputies are dedicated to saving lives and preventing tragedy around the rails. The effort put forth by your department exemplifies the message for which Illinois Rail Safety Week strives to deliver. The award reads: Presented to the Macon County Sheriff's Department, the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police thanks the Macon County Sheriff's police department for continued support and for your outstanding contribution to the 2015 Illinois Rail Safety Week Initiative. On behalf of the Illinois Association of Police, they wanted to congratulate them for their outstanding efforts.

Mr. Graf: Mr. Graf thanked them for the time and said he never wanted to lose the opportunity when he had children in front of him to make sure they understand that these railroad tracks and trains can really be dangerous. They wanted to make sure everyone always obeys the law and stays away from the trains and stays away from the tracks.

There were no zoning or subdivisions presented at the meeting.

### **C. CORRESPONDENCE**

A copy of the 2015 Year End Financial Statement for the Decatur Public Building Commission.

Two Applications for Permit to Manage Waste for Advanced Disposal Service Valley View Landfill, regarding condition VIII.27 and regarding construction documentation for levees, berms and storm water management structures.

Notice of application received by the Illinois EPA from ADM to revise construction permit for its yeast cell mass drier at its facility at 4666 Faries Parkway in Decatur.

A letter from LHB, Kevin Holm, Project Principal/ Architect, regarding Enbridge Energy USGCA ML Enhancements Decatur Station. Per LHB, Macon County does not have a code review process for commercial buildings. Therefore the project would default to the Illinois State Building Code requirements effective July 1, 2011.

A copy of Comcast's Annual Report.

A letter from Ameren regarding tree trimming that will be done in and around the Decatur area in the near future.

A letter from Ameren regarding upcoming vegetation management that will be performed in the area in the near future.

Two letters from IDOT regarding Preliminary Engineering Agreements for Township Bridge Programs.

## **REPORTS**

Sheriff's Report – February 2016

Tax Collector's Report – February 2016

Treasurer's Fund & Investment Report – February 2016

Public Defender's Report – January & February 2016

Auditor's Report – February 2016

## **MOTION**

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the Correspondence and Reports and that they be placed on file by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

## **MOTION CARRIED.**

### **1. CLAIMS**

**MOTION**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve the claims by prior roll call vote.

There were questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**D. APPOINTMENTS**

2. Resolution G-4450-03-16 - Appointment to Macon Mosquito Abatement District

Sue, Phillips, 108 S. Stevens, Decatur, IL 62522  
Term Expires: December 31, 2017

**MOTION**

Mr. Bird moved, seconded by Mrs. Cox to approve Resolution G-4450-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Resolution G-4451-03-16 - Appointment to Macon County Emergency Telephone System Board

Shane Brandel, 707 W. South Side Dr., Decatur, IL 62521  
Term Expires: February 2017

**MOTION**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Dudley to approve Resolution G-4451-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**E. CONSENT CALENDAR**

4. Resolution G-4452-03-16 – Executing deeds to convey property on which taxes were delinquent

**MOTION**

Mr. Meachum moved, seconded by Mrs. Little to approve the Consent Calendar by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

5. Mr. Mattingley presented Resolution G-4453-03-16 which is approving a contract between the Macon County Sheriff's Department and the Decatur Public Building Commission.

**MOTION**

Mr. Mattingley moved, seconded by Mr. Potts to approve Resolution G-4453-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

6. Mr. Mattingley presented Resolution G-4454-03-16 which is approving increase in the Sheriff's Court Security fees to commence April 1, 2016.

**MOTION**

Mr. Mattingley moved, seconded by Mrs. Cox to approve Resolution G-4454-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

7. Mr. Mattingley presented Resolution G-4455-03-16 which is amending the State's Attorney's FY16 budget for sexually dangerous/sexually violent examination costs.

**MOTION**

Mr. Mattingley moved, seconded by Mrs. Little to approve Resolution G-4455-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

8. Mr. Mattingley presented Resolution G-4456-03-16 which is amending the State's Attorney's FY16 budget for the Child Advocacy Center.

**MOTION**

Mr. Mattingley moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve Resolution G-4456-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

9. Mr. Mattingley presented Resolution G-4457-03-16 which is recognizing April 2016 as "National Donate Life Month".

**MOTION**

Mr. Mattingley moved, seconded by Mr. Smith to approve Resolution G-4457-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**EEHW COMMITTEE**

10. Mr. Dudley presented Resolution G-4458-03-16 which is approving an agreement between the County of Macon and Advanced Technology Recycling.

**MOTION**

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve Resolution G-4458-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

11. Mr. Dudley presented Resolution G-4459-03-16 which is a use agreement between Macon County Environmental Management and Progress City USA.

**MOTION**

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mrs. Cox to approve Resolution G-4459-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

The Operations and Personnel Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

The Legislative Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

12. Mr. Dunn presented Resolution G-4460-03-16 which is approving appropriation of funds for the Macon County Auditor's Office to upgrade their accounting system.

**MOTION**

Mr. Dunn moved, seconded by Mr. Minich to approve Resolution G-4460-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE**

13. Mr. Dunn presented Resolution G-4461-03-16 which is ratifying the agreement between Macon County and AFSCME Council 31, AFL-CIO on behalf of AFSCME Local 612 Highway Department.

**MOTION**

Mr. Dunn moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve Resolution G-4461-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

14. Mrs. Cox presented Resolution H-1974-03-16 which is appropriating funds for the payment of the County Engineer's Salary.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve Resolution H-1974-03-16 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'S REMARKS:**

Amy Leman: Ms. Leman lives at 941 Schroll Drive in Forsyth, IL. She is the 4-H Youth Development Educator for Macon County. She wanted to thank the board for welcoming them to the board meeting this evening and giving them this opportunity. They are very proud of what they do in Macon County 4-H and appreciated all the support. There was a copy of some information from their last year in 4-H and some of the highlights of some of the things they do. There is also a paper about their upcoming Maker Faire in April. If you are not familiar with the Maker movement it is something kind of new and unique that they are excited about bringing to Decatur. She thanked them for their support of 4-H.

**OFFICEHOLDERS' REMARKS:**

Mrs. Cox: Mrs. Cox asked the 4-H members to stand up and give their name and what club they are from. The 4-H members included: Jessica Anderson, A&O Producers, Jessica Best, Long Creek Critters, Catherine Brewster, Mt. Zion Eagles, Grace Brewster, Mt. Zion Eagles, Gehrig Bunselmeyer, Maroa Livestock, Morgan Crouch, Maroa Livestock, Taylor Crouch, Maroa Livestock, Sophie Garriott, A&O Producers, Audra Harding, Maroa Livestock, Kristen Kapraun, Maroa Livestock, Trinity Mata, Phantomsaurs, Peyton Ruwe, Maroa Livestock, Elizabeth Schwenk, Forsyth Fantastics, Julia Taraszewski, Homesteaders.

Mr. Dudley: Mr. Dudley thanked the 4-H kids for being here tonight. The things that really affect our everyday lives happen right here in our own community, county board, and city council, things like that. He said don't go by what you see on television because you're seeing some really bad examples of public service going on right now. If you really want to make a difference get involved in your city councils and your county boards because that's where it really makes a big difference. He thanked them for being there and hoped they would someday be taking their seats.

Mr. Meachum: Mr. Meachum said he is an old 4-H'er himself and there are probably several other board members and officeholders that have been involved in 4-H as well.

There was no old business presented at the meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

15. Mr. Greenfield presented Resolution H-1975-03-16 which is appropriating funds for engineering costs for the Macon County Beltway Fastlane Application.

**MOTION**

Mr. Meachum moved, seconded by Mr. Mattingley to approve Resolution H-1975-03-16 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Potts to adjourn until Thursday April 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:29 p.m.