

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF MONROE COUNTY, ILLINOIS MAY 18, 2015

The meeting of the County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois was called to order at 8:00 a.m. Chairman Terry Liefer, Commissioner Delbert Wittenauer and Commissioner Robert Elmore were present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

With Chairman Liefer presiding it was declared that a quorum was present, and the meeting was ready for business.

Others present included Sheila Wetzler, Linda Lehr and County Clerk Dennis Knobloch, along with press corps representatives Alan Dooley of the Waterloo Republic-Times and Joe Leicht of the Monroe County Independent.

Due to the large number of citizens present, the meeting was moved into the old Courtroom.

Chairman Liefer asked for any public comments from the group. The first to speak was Charles Kujawski, Hecker Village President, of 311 Freedom Avenue in Hecker. Mr. Kujawski's comments were as follows...It has come to my attention that the County Board is considering contracting EMS services with a private or hospital-based Ambulance Service. I have personally worked part-time for Monroe County EMS for 13 years, I am a member of the Monroe County 9-1-1 Board for 10 years and am currently the Vice-Chairman. I'm a member of the Monroe County Interoperable Radio Committee in which I'm the Chairman of the technical subcommittee, and have been in local government for 10 years and have been mayor for 6 years. I've been a member of the Hecker Fire Department for 11 years and for the past 9 years managed the EMS non-transport first responders in which we run calls with Monroe County, Millstadt, New Athens, Abbott and Med Star quite often when Abbot is not able to respond to their coverage area, which is the area surrounding Smithton. My point being is that I've been exposed to this service and other EMS services for quite some time and have experienced several different aspects of public safety. All of the private services that I've worked with run their ambulances in a bare minimum fashion. Monroe County EMS is an elite service that operates as the best of the best not only in equipment, but in the people they employ. Monroe County carries lifesaving equipment that you will not find on many other Ambulances in the area, and definitely not on any private service Ambulances. For example, the "Autopulse" which is carried on all Monroe County Ambulances and has had clinical saves in the County on cardiac arrest patients. Therapeutic hypothermia which also increases the likelihood of recovery following cardiac arrests. Monroe County EMS is the only service in the St. Louis area that can monitor serum lactate levels. This monitoring is a marker of poor tissue perfusion which allows us to identify and treat shock pts earlier, which increases patient's chance of survival. Monroe County carries CO Oximetry which can show how much Carbon Monoxide is in a patient's blood following an exposure to the deadly gas. Monroe County also carries some water rescue equipment which you do not find on private ambulances. The people of Monroe County EMS is one of the big advantages. Monroe County hires the best of the best. At any given time in the past 13 years I would trust my life to any EMT or medic with Monroe County, I can't say that about some of the people employed by some of the other services. Monroe County employees many times volunteer their time doing public relations functions such as the booth at the Fair, parades, car seat inspections, CPR classes for the public and Open Houses. Many private services charge for lift assists and refusal calls which Monroe County does not charge at all for and we regularly respond to. Private Ambulance services regardless of what is agreed upon are all about running

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the calls and making the dollar. They may say they will cover Monroe County but whenever they get the chance will run emergency and non-emergency calls including hospital transfers outside of Monroe County leaving the County without an Ambulance. Columbia in recent years has downsized running only one Ambulance which makes them less reliable for mutual aid. A private service also may give you a low bid initially to gain your business, what are you going to do when your contract price increases significantly after your first contract, and you don't have the budget to cover it. Backstoppers only cover employees of government owned and operated EMS services, so who is going to pay to put a responder's children through college should they lose their life? Once Monroe County EMS is no more it could never be brought back to what it is today. So please don't make that mistake. I can't imagine why you would consider doing this. If it's for money reasons just remember "you get what you pay for". Or is it retaliation to the employees who recently unionized? Or is it to fix a small problem? If your Cadillac gets a flat tire you don't take it to the junk yard. So please don't take our service to the junkyard. The people of Monroe County love their Ambulance Service and if you let it go they will never forgive you. I believe that this would be a huge disservice to the citizens of Monroe County. As government officials you are supposed to do what is in the best interest of the most amount of people, taking the Ambulance Service away is I'm sure in no one's best interest. If you decide to get rid of Monroe County EMS and your plan backfires as it surely will, I hope the first families to lose a loved one due to a delayed response are yours. Thank you.

Chairman Liefer thanked Mr. Kujawski for his comments, and said that the County Board has never had a problem with the service provided by the staff of the Monroe County Ambulance Service.

Ed Laporte asked to address the Board. He said he is the staff representative of AFSCME, and he has been at the table with these folks, who he said are a highly competent EMS staff. He said they've been working on negotiating a contract for a little over a year now, and the thought that the quality of service that this staff provides would be privatized, should be not only offensive to the citizens, it's obviously offensive to our staff. He said he could not speak highly enough about the quality and professionalism that this group provides. He said he is familiar of what happens when services are privatized, and that is not a road you want to go down. He said he sees this service as an ambassador for the county, and they represent you in a way you can't imagine. He said that there should be no departure from maintaining a well-funded County Ambulance Service. He said in all the time they have been negotiating, this has never been brought up to him in a formal, official capacity. He said if this is what the County was contemplating for weeks or months, it should have been brought up at the bargaining table, and it should not be something that was sprung on the citizens and the staff the way it has been.

Next to speak was Pat Kelly of the Valmeyer First Responders. He said his group gets all their training from the Monroe County Ambulance Service. He said they are always willing to help and provide the necessary training when asked.

Melanie Seders said she feels the members of this Service are heroes, because they have saved her Dad's life three times, and they have been there three other times just to make sure he was okay. She said there's a lot that can be done in other financial ways to make the Service work. She said that she stands up for them, because they save people's lives.

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Floyd Floarke, Valmeyer's Fire Chief, was the next to speak. He said he agreed with everything Mr. Kujawski said. In addition to that, when the Valmeyer First Responders was started, the County agreed to provide them with all of the necessary supplies. He said he didn't feel a private firm would be willing to continue this practice, and that could spell the end of the Valmeyer First Responders. He encouraged the County Board to look at all other options before making the decision to privatize the County's Ambulance Service.

Chairman Liefer said the Board appreciated the comments and concerns of all those in attendance, and those will be taken into consideration before any decisions are made. He said that if the County Board makes the decision to go a different direction, everyone would have the opportunity to have a job. He said until you know all the options you only have half the story.

Judy Dawes said she lives in Waterloo said she would like to hear the entire story.

Joe Michael said how do you know where this thing is going to go, are you an authority on this kind of stuff?

Vicki Koerber said she is with the Monroe County EMS, and has been with the service for 18 years. She said she hoped that the Board could slow down, and take a closer look at the entire situation before making any decisions. She said she hoped that all parties could come to the table to try to solve the problems that brought us to this point. She said she would like to compare this situation to a similar situation that took place at Oak Hill many years ago, and now Oak Hill is a 5-star facility.

Carla Heise asked the County Board to consider proclaiming National EMS Week in Monroe County. She explained that the theme for the program this year is "EMS Strong". Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore to proclaim May 17 to May 23 as National EMS Week. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried. Ms. Heise showed a video of annual highlights of the Monroe County Ambulance Service.

Ms. Heise said she would like for all the members of the staff to have their picture taken with the Monroe County Board. Nick Hoeffken said he was not willing to do that until he hears the final decision on the future of the Ambulance Service by the County Board. No picture was taken.

Nick Hoeffken asked to address the Board. His comments were as follows... Good morning Commissioner Liefer, Commissioner Wittenauer and Commissioner Elmore. Thank you for allowing me to address the Board this morning. My name is Nick Hoeffken. I am a paramedic with Monroe County EMS. I have been working at this service for a total of 10.5 years, having started out the first 1.5 years as a volunteer, and the last 9 as full time. Along with being an employee of Monroe County EMS, I am also a lifelong Monroe County resident. I have come here today, along with the people surrounding me, and with a list of signatures of those who are unable to attend this meeting, to show the community support that exists for Monroe County EMS. It has come to our attention that there has been discussion by the Board members into looking at possibly changing our service to a privately ran "For Profit" service. This possible change comes at a great concern to many people. Monroe County EMS was founded after a vote of the people in 1978. The service has run continuously for 37 years from that point. Since its inception, we have evolved from a volunteer service to the full time service that we are now.

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This past year, Monroe County EMS has answered over 2000 calls, breaking all previous years of call volume, and to date, we are charting a course to break 2014's record calls. The level of care and devotion exhibited by the employees of this department cannot be disputed. Countless hours each year are spent providing community education through CPR classes, car seat installations, first responder continuing education, visits to health fairs, schools, daycares, girl and boy scout meetings, to name a few. Very seldom is there a week that goes by those members of our service are not out providing education to the members of our community. Along with the community education, we also provide "standbys" at numerous events each year, such as the Monroe County Fair, Porta West Falica, Optimist Bull Ride and Waterloo Homecoming, as well as endless amounts of benefit charity runs. We also maintain close working relationship with our local Police, Sheriff and Fire Depts. Monroe County EMS has become one of the most respected services in the region for the top level of care we provide. Our service renders to our patients diagnostic care that no other service in the region has available. Our service's employees are continually attending new educational classes to ensure that we continue to provide our community with the highest and best level of care possible. To me and my fellow employees, this is not just a job, but a DEDICATION to the people of our community to provide them with this standard of care and devotion. We are always on the cutting edge of the EMS technology, and we feel strongly that any change to a private service would not maintain this level of care our citizens have been receiving. The members of this department are aware of the current problems that have become a concern to the Board. We ask that BEFORE entertaining a thought of sending this county down the irreversible path to a private service, the Board come together with management and the employees of this department to form a plan that will save our County's Ambulance Service. Together, the employees of Monroe County EMS have over 200 collective years of experience in EMS care. These service members also work in various other departments throughout the area which include municipal based, fire based, hospital based and private services. We can bring a lot to the table here. I am sure that if we come together, we can devise a plan that will not only continue our county owned service, but provide the citizens of our community with the top level of care they have come to expect and deserve. Here I present to you a little over 1300 signatures that we got since Wednesday – that's five days – this includes Police Chiefs, Fire Chiefs, Mayors, Fire Fighters, Police Officers, Sheriff's Deputies, and most importantly, the residents and taxpayers of Monroe County. Their signatures are a show of support for this department, as they understand and value the great service that is provided to them, and do not wish to see their service given over to private "For Profit" companies where decisions are made, not based on the best interest of the community, but the best way to make profits. Sirs, thank you for your time, and we look forward to working together to find a solution to ensure that Monroe County EMS will continue to provide the utmost level of care and service to our community, and it's residents. And as always, as you guys tell us all the time "Think Monroe County First".

Vicki Koerber said it's not about promising to keep us working, it's not about that whoever comes in keeps our jobs, this is about the citizens, and the devotion and commitment of the Monroe County EMS, so remember this is not about employment, it's about keeping a quality service for our citizens.

Commissioner Elmore said everything is still on the table, as no decisions have been made yet.

Ms. Koerber said she feels that if everyone comes back to the table, there are some things that could be done immediately to help with the financial situation of the service.

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Mr. Hoeffken said the thing that is disconcerting to him is that the County Board is even considering going this alternate route.

Chairman Liefer said he has had these conversations for many years. Two things he wanted to do when he came to the County Board was to bring a better level of education to the County, and McKendree is now working to try to get some classes started in the County. He said the other thing he was hoping to do was to bring better medical services to the County. Chairman Liefer said CHS wanted to come into the County, and one of the things they want to provide is 24/7 emergency care, and there is also the possibility that in the future they would consider building a hospital here. He said plans are currently underway for a major medical facility here in the county to sell majority interest in their facility to CHS. Chairman Liefer said to remember that if the County goes this direction, we will be a customer of CHS, and the County can still tell that company how they want the service to operate – he said the County will demand how many ambulances to house here and where they should be. He said currently the County is putting about \$400,000 into the Ambulance Service, and the County Board is looking at ways to improve that financial picture.

Chairman Liefer said he has heard from Carla Heise that the wages will be going up at the Ambulance Service, and at the same time the subsidies from the State are being cut, so something will have to be done to make up that difference.

Doug Franklin asked to speak. He said he has been working for Monroe County EMS for two years, and he also works for Fayette County Hospital Service in Vandalia. Mr. Franklin said going to this type of service is a bad idea, because there is no comparison to the type of antiquated equipment being used by this private service. He said the St. Louis area is a mecca for quality emergency healthcare, and it makes no sense to take a patient to Red Bud where nothing major can be done for them.

Nick Hoeffken said if the St. Elizabeth's facility on Route 3 in Columbia couldn't make it, how do you expect a facility in Waterloo to be able to make it? Chairman Liefer said one of the major problems is that it was not a 24/7 facility. Chairman Liefer said does anyone in this room not want a hospital in Monroe County? Judy Dawes said you would not get one anyway, because you have to file a Certificate of Need, and you don't have the population to support it.

Mr. Franklin said if you contract with CHS, they will be pushing the crews to take patients to Red Bud, where they may not be able to get the best emergency care, and at that time we will have to do what they say, because they are our employers.

Melanie Seders said we have the best trauma hospitals right across the river, and the best EMS service – why would you want to give us something less than the best?

Chairman Liefer said he knows that \$17 million in salaries and revenue is being pumped into Red Bud because the hospital there, and he said he was sure that Waterloo or Columbia would like to see that as well. Charles Kujawski said that if you open a hospital in Waterloo, all it will do is drain that revenue out of Red Bud, and that hospital will be forced to close.

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Brian Coats asked if the County Board has received a formal proposal from CHS or from any other companies? Chairman Liefer said no, the County has not received any proposals, and the County has talked to several other companies.

Greg Howell asked – you as elected officials, are you not required to solicit proposals from more than one firm? He said what you're suggesting with your comments is that you've already made a deal with these people. Mr. Howell said that if you sign a contract with an outside firm, their only interest is going to be making money, and they won't care about the people. He said he was also concerned that he didn't know anything like this was going on, he saw nothing in the paper about it, this was a very well kept secret. Mr. Howell asked what was the motivating factor that drove you this direction?

Chairman Liefer said I'd like to have an emergency care center here in the County. Judy Dawes said people don't want it, they've tried it twice. She said I am a registered Nurse, and I would not go to Red Bud.

Nick Hoeffken asked if the taxpayers are going to be made aware of what is going on here, or will the County Board continue to take a back door?

Brett Wiegand said Red Bud has two Ambulances in service right now, and they're parked at Ellis Grove and Freeburg. Chairman Liefer said those are Med Star units – CHS and Med Star are two totally different groups.

Garrett Hawkins said his biggest question is why are you looking at this – is it simply because you want the 24/7 emergency facility, or is it because of overall budget issues. Chairman Liefer said budget is a major issue, especially if the State has major funding cutbacks. He said outsourcing may be the only way to be able to afford to keep the Ambulance Service.

Vicki Koerber said do we have your word that you will also explore the other options that management can put forward as cost saving measures that could be implemented immediately? Chairman Liefer said absolutely, we have always told Carla that we would welcome any improvements at the Ambulance Service. Ms. Koerber said the improvements I'm hearing sound like they're part of a packaged deal. She said we do have some areas that we can improve on in the financial area, and we ask that you please come back to the table to discuss those. Chairman Liefer said we just made a change down there a month ago that we think is going to improve the situation, and maybe there are other things that can be done. Ms. Koerber said we got the impression you left the table, because the only reason we were aware of this is because we heard it from others outside of our service.

Commissioner Wittenauer said there have been no negotiations with CHS that he is aware of, because he only heard of this situation several weeks ago. Chairman Liefer said he has talked about this for many years, but it all just came together in the last month or two.

Yvette Hoeffken said it appears that maybe you fellows haven't talked a lot about this because of your questions to each other. She asked if the Board had put together a team of healthcare experts to discuss the options. Ms. Hoeffken said if you're not in healthcare or healthcare management, there are a lot of questions that you wouldn't know to ask when you're dealing with an outside service provider. She also said if you're looking at County-wide numbers, don't

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include any for the people of Columbia, because those people are not going to come back to Waterloo for healthcare, since it's easier for them to drive across the river. She said she works for a large hospital, and even those facilities are struggling, because more and more people are using outpatient services. Ms. Hoeffken said it's obvious that the three of you haven't talked, and once again she suggested that a committee be formed to discuss the possible options. Chairman Liefer said that sounds like a good idea, but it would have to be a Committee that is unbiased.

Chairman Liefer said he appreciated all the comments, and every one of them would be considered during the discussion of the Ambulance Service. Nick Hoeffken said he asked the County Board to make sure they provide information to the public as they continue with this process, so the residents of the County know what is going on.

John Wagner came to the meeting to discuss the Health Department. He said they have been experiencing some electrical problems at the Recycling Center. After some research it appears that an upgrade to the system is necessary, with the cost estimate in the area of \$10,000. He said he had the money in his budget to complete this project. Mr. Wagner said the State has already started cutting back on some of the grants the Department had been receiving. He said the grant being hit the hardest right now is the Tobacco Grant.

Kim Keckritz came to the meeting to present the monthly Oak Hill report. She said the April census numbers along with the year to date numbers are exceeding budget. Even though the monthly expenses were higher, the total combined net income is \$397,000. She said they are aggressively trying to recruit CNA's, and they have partnered with CCSI (formerly Beck) to try to get more people into this program. Ms. Keckritz said that the Board approved hiring Holland Construction to provide design/build services for the proposed Rehabilitation Unit. She said Holland would provide a detailed cost estimate at the next meeting of the County Board on June 15. That company will also be talking with three different architectural firms about providing service for this project. Ms. Keckritz said there will be a 12% cut in Medicaid rates for the next two months to make up for reductions in those payments related to last year. The monthly Nursing Home bills were approved upon motion by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

There was discussion regarding completing a Confidentiality Agreement with CHSPSC, LLC. Commissioner Wittenauer asked what this included. Chairman Liefer said this agreement says that the County will not share this information with any other outside vendor who may be contacted to provide Ambulance Service to Monroe County. Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore to approve this Confidentiality Agreement. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

Chairman Liefer said that a representative from HHH was not able to attend the meeting today. He said that HHH has been able to catch up on the billing and many of the mistakes have been cleaned up. Carla Heise said that most of the coding issues have been cleared up, and she will reserve judgement on whether the service is doing what it should be doing in improving the outcome of the billing arrangement. Commissioner Wittenauer said he still hoped that this could help to fix some of the economic problems with the Ambulance service.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Elmore, with a second by Commissioner Wittenauer to reappoint Mark Cowell to the Monroe County Electrical Board. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 15-38**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois that Mark Cowell, 7648 LL Road, Red Bud, Illinois be reappointed to the **Monroe County Electrical Board**, with term to commence on June 1, 2015 and term to expire on May 31, 2019, or when a successor is appointed and has qualified.

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois at Waterloo, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

Motion: Elmore  
Aye: Three  
Absent: None

Second: Wittenauer  
Nay: None

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Terry Liefer, Chairman

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Dennis M. Knobloch, County Clerk

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Delbert Wittenauer, Member

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Robert Elmore, Member

Motion was made by Commissioner Elmore, with a second by Commissioner Wittenauer to reappoint Aaron Metzger to the Southwestern Regional Planning Commission Executive Committee. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 15-39**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois that Aaron Metzger, 8005 Andy Road, Waterloo, Illinois be reappointed to the Southwestern Regional Planning Commission Executive Committee, for a term of one year with term to commence on June 1, 2015 and term to expire on May 31, 2016 or until a successor is appointed and has qualified.

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois at Waterloo, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

Motion: Elmore  
Aye: Three  
Absent: None

Second: Wittenauer  
Nay: None



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Terry Liefer, Chairman

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Dennis M. Knobloch, County Clerk

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Delbert Wittenauer, Member

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Robert Elmore, Member

Motion was made by Commissioner Elmore, with a second by Commissioner Wittenauer to appoint Kevin Scheibe, Bill Hasty, Don Schrader, Ann Thorburg, Mike Lloyd and Ron Mueller to the Monroe County Local Emergency Planning Committee. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 15-40**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois that the following individuals be appointed to the Monroe County Local Emergency Planning Committee, with term to commence on May 18, 2015 and term to expire on December 31, 2017, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified.

Kevin Scheibe  
455 N. Library Street  
Waterloo, IL 62298

Ann Thorburg  
200 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Waterloo, IL 62298

Bill Hasty  
7447 Covered Bridge Dr  
Waterloo, IL 62298

Mike Lloyd  
3583 State Rt 156  
Waterloo, IL 62298

Don Schrader  
5469 Kaskaskia Road  
Waterloo, IL 62298

Ron Mueller  
601 Glendell Lane  
Waterloo, IL 62298

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois at Waterloo, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2015.

Motion: Elmore  
Aye: Three  
Absent: None

Second: Wittenauer  
Nay: None

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Terry Liefer, Chairman

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Dennis M. Knobloch, County Clerk

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Delbert Wittenauer, Member

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The minutes from the April 28, 2015 Special Meeting, the April 28, 2015 Closed Session, the May 4, 2015 Regular Meeting and the May 4, 2015 Closed Session were approved upon motion by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

The following Accounts Payable having been approved for payment, Commissioner Wittenauer moved that the same be allowed and that vouchers be issued against their respective funds of the County Treasurer for payment. Motion seconded by Commissioner Elmore, and so declared all voting Aye, none Nay, and none Absent. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

John Deere Financial	779.98
Rejis Commission	2,336.92
Wayne's One Stop	34.70
K&D Printing	61.00
Wightman Pharmacy	292.72
DataTronics	598.00
Gateway FS	87.94
Radiology Consultants	104.64
Harrisonville Telephone Co.	680.93
West Group	554.99
East West Gateway	4,119.63
Monroe County Electric Coop Inc.	437.50
Monroe County General Fund	7,300.34
Quill Corporation	276.22
Huebner Concrete Contracting Inc.	4,180.00
Reliable Sanitation Service	165.40
Reeb's Wholesale	211.82
Global Equipment Company	1,619.00
Speedlube	50.99
Coast to Coast	313.30
MMS	1,030.97
Nabers Shop	177.63
V "Red" Smith	20.00
Information Technologies, Inc.	784.50
Warner Communications Corp.	5,085.00
Americom Imaging Systems, Inc.	335.00
IL Dept of Central Mgmt Services	498.55
The Lowenbaum Partnership, LLC	6,555.00
Richland Pet Cremation & Memorials	27.13
Human Support Services	108.00
North County News, Inc.	23.00
Leon Uniform Company Inc.	785.47
GreatAmerica Leasing Corp.	152.49
MAR Graphics	5,261.82
Universal Inc.	257.55
Ed Roehr Auto Radio Co Inc.	457.84

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Mike's Service Station	145.92
Honeywell Inc.	10,539.50
Wireless USA	98.00
Republic-Times/The Shopper	369.36
Actions Graphics & Signs, Inc.	110.60
Walmart Community BRC	276.39
Zobrio	10,010.41
Kevin Koenigstein	138.42
Source Technologies	68.00
Charter Communications	33.92
AT&T Mobility	1,999.73
Motorola	818.00
Sandy Sauget	594.20
Williams Office Products	530.77
Darren E. Daley	525.00
Culligan-Schaefer Water Centers	105.78
Beneflex	1,058.00
Belleville Supply Company	282.44
American Institute of Toxicology	560.00
Cercis Emergency Physicians	69.25
Clinical Radiologists S. C.	10.75
Paragon Micro	9,849.98
Americom	333.00
Sidebarr	399.00
Schneider Quality Meats	416.00
Coast to Coast Equipment	68.53
Dave Rick Plastering	475.00

HEALTH TAX FUND

Egyptian Stationers Inc.	183.46
Coast to Coast	1,286.17
Stericycle, Inc.	234.28

TORT & IMMUNITY FUND

Illinois Dept. Employment Security	828.00
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RECORDER'S DOCUMENT STORAGE

Fidlar Technologies	1,869.15
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AMBULANCE SERVICE FUND

UPS	21.43
WEX Inc.	1,812.39
HIH	8,301.28

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Moore Medical Corp.	370.33
Carla Heise	96.88

COURT AUTOMATION FUND

Goodin Associates Ltd.	202.81
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HIGHWAY FUND

DataTronics	188.00
Al's Auto Supply	9.98
Roger's Redi-Mix Inc.	650.00
Ameren Illinois	44.22
Dean P. Doerr	60.00
Illinois Dept of Agriculture	20.00
Columbia Quarry Company	94.20
Monroe County Electric Cooperative	732.24
Asphalt Sales and Products Inc.	2,804.40
Aaron Metzger	297.56
Quill	43.19
Reliable Sanitation Service, Inc.	705.65
Fountain Water District	95.75
Republic Times, LLC	44.46
Leaf	299.00
Lochmuller Group	2,794.08
Dave Schmidt Truck Service	1,580.61
Select Propane	4,288.90
JTC Petroleum Co.	893.20
Zee Service Co.	81.30
O'Reilly Auto Parts	173.67
Shane Stechmesser	61.41
Williams Office Products, Inc.	119.67

FEDERAL AID MATCHING

Monroe County Highway Fund	6,173.00
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COUNTY MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND

Columbia Quarry Company	62.31
Monroe County Highway Fund	10,386.00

ROAD DISTRICT MOTOR FUEL TAX

Columbia Quarry Company	6,470.59
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OF MONROE COUNTY, ILLINOIS MAY 18, 2015

Linda Lehr gave her report. Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore to approve the website proposal from Vision Websoft with the following details –

Front end design and development - \$2250 - \$2750

CMS development - \$3250 - \$3750

Secure hosting and ongoing training and support - \$500 + \$149/year

Total project investment - \$6000 - \$7000 + \$149/year

She also said the Courthouse phone system is on order from HTC, and installation should take place in the near future.

There was some discussion regarding the meeting of the security committee. Brian Hooten was not available for the discussion. Sheriff Rohlfing was called into the meeting for discussion.

It was decided that Mr. Hooten could provide an update at the next meeting, and for the time being the Courthouse evening meeting routine would remain the same until card readers are installed on the Courthouse doors. There was also some detailed discussion regarding the handicapped parking and entry to the building.

Dennis Knobloch provided an update on the 2016 Bicentennial celebration. The Committee has now completed a tentative slate of events. Last week the High School Logo Contest winner was announced, and a list of donation levels was also provided to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Elmore said he had received a notice that the proposed Jury Pay increase amount had been reduced, but he wasn't sure of those revised amounts.

There was discussion regarding the building permit for Helping Strays. It was decided by the County Board that this group would be charged full price for their building permit, since if any kind of discount was offered, it would open the door for many others to want a discount.

Commissioner Wittenauer said the generator kicked on last week during the power outage and it worked as planned with only some minor glitches. He also said that members of Hope Christian Church would be doing some work on the exterior of the Courthouse during their community Impact Day. They will be coordinating this work with Brian Hooten.

There was some discussion regarding the painting or sealing of the lamp posts around the Courthouse Square.

Linda Lehr will prepare a letter to send to the legislators regarding reductions in Medicaid reimbursement.

It was decided that if anyone asks for a copy of the CHSPSC, LLC Confidentiality Agreement, that could be provided.

Ryan Weber will be contacted regarding any open spots on the STARRS Committee.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.