

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MONROE COUNTY, ILLINOIS JULY 20, 2015

The meeting of the County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois was called to order at 9:00 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.

There being a quorum present, meeting was called to order by Chairman Liefer.

Aaron Metzger was present for discussion of Highway Department business. He said that Monroe County Road District No. 3 Clerk Ray Wienhoff recently passed away, and he plans to make arrangements for replacement of Mr. Wienhoff at the next County Board meeting.

Paul Tipton and Ryan Weber were present to discuss several items related to the Monroe County EMA. Mr. Tipton said that recently they sent someone to training on the microwave radio system. He asked that the Board consider reimbursing this individual for mileage to and from the training in Missouri. The Commissioners said that is not a problem. Mr. Tipton also asked the Board to consider the approval of the second Amendment to the Inter-Governmental Agreement by and between the surrounding Counties. Mr. Tipton said that Kris Reitz has reviewed this document and recommended approval by the County Board. Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore to approve the Draft of this agreement. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

The minutes for the July 6th Regular Meeting 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 Elmore 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 Wittenauer, and so declared all voting Aye, none Nay, and none Absent. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

Wightman Pharmacy	274.19
DataTronics	598.00
Gateway FS	147.93
Gateway FS	758.70
Harrisonville Telephone Co.	680.17
Quill Corporation	445.22
St. Clair Sheriff Richard Watson	976.00
Reliable Sanitation Service	42.15

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Reliable Sanitation Service	165.40
Nabers Shop	767.60
General Code	495.00
Diane Frain	513.90
Department of the Treasury	307.84
AT&T	1,880.32
Americom	64.50
Quill Corporation	203.95
IL Judges Association	225.00
Cory Comte	73.91
IL State Bar Assoc.	320.00
Sidebarr	300.00
GreatAmerica Financial	152.49
Culligan	
CASA of Southwestern IL	1,200.00
Traughber & Morris	741.67
Mueller Veterinary	42.00
Americom	290.40
Americom	335.00
Williams Office Products	72.31
Wayne's One Stop	38.25
O'Reilly Auto Parts	34.99
Grassman Lawncare	130.00
Supply Works	44.60
Vayden Mechanical	785.00
Kone Elevator	603.10
Debra Burckhardt	175.00
St. Clair County Coroner	100.00
St. Elizabeth's Hospital	225.00
Walmart	316.57
MMS	797.62
Quality Collision	110.31
Leon Uniform Company	269.96
Quill	95.39
Rejis	1,387.50
Motorola	816.00
Galls	71.92
Motorola	818.00
Weir Chevrolet	43.23
Total Eclipse	30.00
Monroe County Electric Coop	437.50
Sure Shine Auto Wash	806.95
Nabers Shop	756.16
Logos N Stitches	400.00
U S Post Office	98.00
Prairie Farms	136.56
John Deere Financial	14.47

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Richland Pet Cremation & Memorials	22.50
Leon Uniform Company Inc.	86.99
Republic-Times/The Shopper	42.00
Locks A 2 Z Inc.	6,908.80
Culligan-Schaefer Water Centers	58.26
Schneider Quality Meats	416.00

HEALTH TAX FUND

McKesson Medical Surgical	446.77
Reliable Sanitation Service	2,504.55
Motorola	234.00
Quill	129.59
Republic Times	20.00
Culligan	26.92
GlaxoSmithKline	2,027.23

RECORDER'S DOCUMENT STORAGE

Fidlar Technologies	1,542.75
Fidlar Technologies	191.75

AMBULANCE SERVICE FUND

Airgas Mid America	271.65
WEX Inc.	2,056.41
Tri Zetto Provider Solutions	58.11
HHH	5,118.75
Nabers Shop	3,911.61
Med Pro	260.00
Gateway FS	26.95
REJIS	186.75
Motorola	396.00
Moore Medical	236.45
Moore Medical	447.89
R. Schmidt	111.14
S. Voges	136.93
B. Wiegand	23.83
A. Hofarth	26.56

HIGHWAY FUND

DataTronics	188.00
Al's Auto Supply	192.55
Monroe County Electric Cooperative	678.00
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Asphalt Sales and Products Inc.	1,436.64
Reliable Sanitation Service, Inc.	50.65
Lochmuller Group	4,079.78
Paving Maintenance Supply, Inc.	3,545.00

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Nu-Deal Oil Co.	6.77
O'Reilly Auto Parts	30.18
Gateway FS	81.17
HMG Engineers	10,377.51
JTC Petroleum	15,972.88
Columbia Quarry Co.	242.64
Chris Howell	68.05
Datatronics	140.44
Woody's Municipal Supply	1,143.06
Ameren	43.86
Home City Ice	155.00

COUNTY MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND

Columbia Quarry Company	5,071.33
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ROAD DISTRICT MOTOR FUEL TAX

Columbia Quarry Company	5,698.84
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GIS FUND

Canon	1,753.63
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Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore to appoint Joe Lebryk and Rita Trantham to the Monroe County Economic Development Council. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 15-50

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois that the following individuals be appointed to the Monroe County Economic Development Council, with term to commence on July 20, 2015 and term to expire on July 1, 2018 or when a successor is appointed and has qualified.

Joe Lebryk
630 N. Main Street
Columbia, IL 62236

Rita Trantham
503 S. Main Street
Waterloo, IL 62236

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois at Waterloo, this 20th day of July, 2015.

Motion: Wittenauer
Aye: Three
Absent: None

Second: Elmore
Nay: None

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Terry Liefer, Chairman

Dennis M. Knobloch, County Clerk

Delbert Wittenauer, Member

Robert Elmore, Member

Motion was made by Commissioner Elmore, with a second by Commissioner Wittenauer to appoint Dan Davis to the Monroe County Economic Development Council. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 15-51

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois that Dan Davis, be appointed to the Monroe County Economic Development Council, with term to commence on July 20, 2015 and term to expire on April 30, 2018 or when a successor is appointed and has qualified.

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois at Waterloo, this 20th day of July, 2015.

Motion: Elmore
Aye: Three
Absent: None

Second: Wittenauer
Nay: None

Terry Liefer, Chairman

Dennis M. Knobloch, County Clerk

Delbert Wittenauer, Member

Robert Elmore, Member

There was general discussion about how the County Ordinances are available on the County website, and whether updated hard copies of that document are kept in house. Linda Lehr said at this time the County is only keeping updated copies on the website.

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Linda Lehr said that the website is currently being checked for dead ends. She also said she had been contacted by a local insurance agent regarding supplemental types of insurance for County employees. Following discussion it was decided to not proceed with offering these types of insurance to the county employees.

Kim Keckritz came to the meeting for the monthly Oak Hill report. She said the census is good, but the July financials will probably not meet budget due to the handling of several accounting issues. She said that the Monroe-Randolph Transit District is no longer offering rides to St. Louis, so the Nursing Home is looking at what other options are available for the residents. Commissioner Wittenauer said she should contact the Transit District to see if they would continue the rides to St. Louis if the Nursing Home would pay a higher fee. Ms. Keckritz said she would check on that.

Ms. Keckritz distributed Corporate Compliance progress information. She said that this continues to be a struggle and requires a lot of employee time to complete the required work. Commissioner Wittenauer asked about a large attorney bill on the list of monthly bills. Ms. Keckritz said that was part of the compliance situation, as she contacted this attorney to provide information that will be used for second party contract compliance.

The Nursing Home turnover report was reviewed. Ms. Keckritz said that they continue to struggle in finding enough CNA's for the Nursing Home. She said providing a recruitment bonus and a bonus to existing workers for working extra shifts has helped, but they still need more Nurses in this category.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore to approve the monthly Nursing Home bills. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

Commissioner Wittenauer said he would still like to review the possibility of adding solar power to the Nursing Home, and maybe some of the surrounding businesses would also be willing to share in the cost of that type of project.

Linda Lehr said Harrisonville Telephone Company has received the equipment for the County's new phone system, and they are currently meeting with each of the County offices to determine specific needs before installing the system.

Dennis Knobloch reported that progress continues on the plans for the county Bicentennial. Details for the various donation levels went out to the local media last week, and a mailing went out to local businesses. He said that the full committee will be getting together at the end of August, and many of the final details will be completed for the 2016 events.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore to keep the existing Closed Session minutes as Closed Session minutes. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

Dennis Knobloch distributed information to the Commissioners regarding the tentative tax rate calculations for Monroe County. He said the final rates should be ready shortly.

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A Public Hearing was held regarding the placement of a cell tower on the property of Roger Mehrtens at 3558 Hanover Road. Mike Fausz and Roger Mehrtens were present for the discussion on this tower construction. No other members of the public were present for comments. Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore to approve the placement of the cell tower on the Mehrtens property. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Mehrtens left the meeting.

Mike Fausz said that HTC is ready to begin the installation of the phone equipment. They will start at the Jail, and then move to the Courthouse to complete the installation.

Mr. Fausz brought information to the Board regarding a request for Flood Plain Variance from Bill Prange for property just east of Harrisonville. Mr. Prange wants to erect a 10,000 bushel grain bin on that property. Motion to approve the variance was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Elmore. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried. Mr. Fausz said that the Zoning Board of Appeals would like the County Board to consider adding some type of penalty to the Flood Plain Variances for those who do not complete construction as their permit requested, or for those who do not even get a permit before constructing some type of structure in the Flood Plain.

Mr. Fausz said that on normal zoning issues like this, the County would double the Building Permit fee as a penalty, but since farmers don't pay for these Building Permits, doubling a fee of zero would not be much of a penalty for not following the regulations. Following some discussion, Mr. Fausz said he would meet with Kris Reitz to discuss the options.

Commissioner Wittenauer said we need to remind the Road Districts and Levee Districts that as the high water levels continue, there is grant money available to assist with some of the extra expenses incurred by these Districts.

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