

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2009

LOGAN COUNTY COURTHOUSE

LINCOLN, ILLINOIS

The members of the Logan County Board convened in adjourned session on the above date in the first floor Courtroom. Chairman Terry Carlton called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was led by Dr. David Hepler.

Members present: Rick Aylesworth; Kevin Bateman; Terry Carlton; Bob Farmer; David Hepler; Gloria Luster; Bill Martin; Pat O'Neill; Chuck Ruben; Jan Schumacher.

Absent: John Stewart & Terry W. Werth

Guests: Sheriff Steve Nichols; Rick and Stacy Bacon; Brandon Bacon; JoAnn Bacon; Karen Scales; Attorney Doug Muck; Gene Rohlf; Katheryn Hepler; Jordan Nelson; John Rich; Kathy Rich; Jordan Rich; Koertney Hoerbert; Terry Hoerbert; Mark Landers; Janet Cameron; Abigail Cameron; Kathy Nelson; Larry Nelson; Bret Aukamp-Highway Dept.; Jan Youngquist-LDN reporter; Josh Niziolekiewicz-Courier reporter.

Ceremonial Matters: Mr. O'Neill handed out awards to Students of the month. First one was to Morgan Litterly (not present) Mt. Pulaski High School and given to her mother, Sally Litterly; Abigail Cameron from Lincoln High School and is November Student of the month. Jordan Rich from Hartsburg-Emden High School for December Student of the month. Koertney Hoerbert from Hartsburg-Emden High School for December Student of the month. Katie Gosda (not present) November Student of the month from Lincoln High School. Parents are Roger and Sally Gosda.

A motion was made by Ms. Luster, seconded by Mr. Ruben, to accept and place on file the minutes from the adjourned board meeting of November, 17, 2009. Motion passed.

Presentation of Plaque to Rick Bacon by Chairman Terry Carlton on his retirement from the Sheriff's Dept. in appreciation for his 30 years and 7 months of faithful service and dedication to the citizens of Logan County. Mr. Aylesworth also commented that he has been a great asset to Logan County in everything he has done. Sheriff Nichols also presented Mr. Bacon a shadow box containing Rick's patches and stars since with the Sheriff's Dept. He "thanked" Rick for all his dedication and hard work through the years and wished him "Good Luck". Mr. Bacon "thanked" Sheriff Nichols and everyone for the plaques.

Insurance & Legislative:

Resolution LO 09-10 11, Resolution of Congratulations from Senator Bomke to Kathryn Hepler and Jordan Nelson on their athletic accomplishments in golf. Dr. Hepler read the Resolution to everyone. Senator Bomke was unable to be here this evening and asked to present it on his behalf. A motion was made by Mrs. Schumacher, seconded by Mr. Carlton, to approve this resolution as read. Motion passed.

Raffles: LO 09-10 01 Nate Stuckey Benefit; LO 09-10 02 Humane Society of Logan County; LO 09-10 03 Lincoln/Logan County Chamber of Commerce; LO 09-10 04 Holy Family Parish. A motion was made by Mrs. Schumacher, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, to approve these raffles as read. Motion passed.

Reports for the month of November, 2009 were read by Clerk Litterly as follows:

Sheriff's Expenses were: \$50.00

Sheriff's fees collected were: \$2,176.00

County Clerk's fees collected were: \$27,375.25

Circuit Clerk's report: Collections due to County General Fund: \$61,745.60

Collection of funds due to others: \$26,119.89

Child Support: \$41,681.13

County Treasurer's Cash Statement: Revenues: \$1,978,274.46 Expenses: \$1,595,576.70

Balance: \$457,874.47

Hotel/Motel Tax at quarter percent: \$12,516.72

Special Use Hotel/Motel Tax at 1%: \$3,967.50

A motion was made by Mr. Aylesworth, seconded by Mr. Bateman, to accept and place these reports on file as read. Motion passed.

Mr. Ruben inquired about the appointments and why we were skipping them as those terms expire the end of the year. Mr. Carlton stated the reason was they are still appointments and according to statute, the Chairman appoints. He stated the LEADS background check had not been completed on them yet. Mr. Ruben pointed out that these are hires by the Animal Control committee, they are not appointments by the Chairman and further explained. Same goes for County Assessor and Zoning Officer. Tourism is set up by Tourism Board and by a separate statute. The Animal Control appointments are set up by the Dept. of Ag. Further discussion held. Mr. Ruben stated these three people have been in place for awhile and gone thru at least two audits of their money handling practices. Mr. Bateman, Mr. Aylesworth and Mr. O'Neill believe we should go forward with these appointments.

LO 09-10 05. A motion was made by Mr. Bateman, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to approve Dr. Michael Sanborn as Administrator of Logan County Animal Control. Roll call vote. 10 yes 2 absent Motion passed.

LO 09-10 06 A motion was made by Mr. Bateman, seconded by Mr. Aylewsworth, to approve Julie Parker as Logan County Animal Control Warden. Roll call vote. 10 yes 2 absent Motion passed.

LO 09-10 07 A motion was made by Mr. Bateman, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to approve the Maurice Tierney as Logan County Deputy Animal Control Warden. Roll call vote. 10 yes 2 absent Motion passed.

Airport/Farm: Mr. Farmer had nothing further to report.

Animal Control: A motion was made by Mr. Bateman, seconded by Ms. Luster, to increase Dr. Sanborn's pay by 3% which would be absorbed in the current Animal Control budget and would not come out of the General Fund. Roll Call vote. 9 yes 1 no 2 absent Motion passed.

Bldg. & Grounds: Nothing to vote on.

Finance: A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, to approve the Engagement letter for Clifton Gunderson, LLP, the county's auditor. Roll call vote. 10 yes 2 absent Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mrs. Schumacher, to amend the Public Defender's budget for the 3% wage increase. Roll call vote. 9 yes 1 no 2 absent Motion passed. Mr. Ruben pointed out that both Dr. Sanborn's salary increase and this one just voted on requires a 2/3 vote of the whole board.

Insurance & Legislative: Nothing further to report.

Law Enforcement and EMA: Nothing further to report.

Executive/Economic Development: Nothing further.

Planning & Zoning: Nothing further.

Road & Bridge: Mr. Ruben stated there are three resolutions to vote on:

LO 09-10 08 A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. Aylesworth, to approve the resolution for county maintenance from motor fuel tax allotment for \$1,152,000.00. Roll call vote. 10 yes 2 absent Motion passed.

LO 09-10 09 A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to approve the resolution for use of County motor fuel tax funds for payroll related expenses. Roll call vote. 10 yes 2 absent Motion passed.

LO 09-10 10 A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. Aylesworth, to approve the resolution for Materials letting. Discussion held and explanation given by Mr. Aukamp. He stated they had their materials letting today for 2010 maintenance aggregate materials for County and Road Districts. They saw between a 5% to about a 10% increase on materials. Roll call vote. 10 yes 2 absent Motion passed.

Community Action: Nothing further.

Health: Dr. Hepler stated nothing to vote on but he passed out some information from last night's meeting and an attachment that will be going to the Insurance and Legislative committee next month.

Tourism: Nothing to report

Main Street: Nothing to report.

Workforce Investment: Nothing to report

General Assembly Liaison: Nothing to report.

Chamber of Commerce: Nothing to report

Waste Management: Nothing to report.

Safety: Nothing to report.

Liquor: Nothing to report.

Personnel: Nothing to report

Policies & Procedures: Mr. Aylesworth stated the December meeting was postponed and next meeting will be January 11, 2010 at 6 pm.

Committee reports on Claims were read by Clerk Litterly.

A motion was made by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Bateman, to accept and place these reports on file as read. Motion passed.

Chairman's Report: Mr. Carlton reminded everyone that the Courthouse Christmas dinner will be held on Wed., December 23, 2009, on third floor from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Mr. Carlton commented about appointments and the ones that are by statue which basically the chairman is to appoint with consent of the County Board. There has been a lot of discussion on this. He will be meeting with the Tourism Board on Thursday and discussing this with them. We will figure this out and doesn't have the answers at this point in time.

A motion was made by Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to adjourn the meeting until January 19, 2010. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 7:35 pm.