

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2010

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. Vice Chairman, Pat O'Neill called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was led by John Stewart.

Members present: Rick Aylesworth; Kevin Bateman; Bob Farmer; David Hepler; Bill Martin; Pat O'Neill; Chuck Ruben; Jan Schumacher; Terry Carlton (7:32)

Absent: Gloria Luster; Terry Werth.

Guests: Vicki Dugan; Mary Kelley; Sheriff Steve Nichols; Gene Rohlf; Mark Hilliard-Health Dept.; Dan Fulscher-EMA Director; Josh Niziolekiewicz-Courier reporter; Jan Youngquist-LDN reporter; Students for LCU.

A motion was made by Mr. Aylesworth, seconded by Mr. Ruben, to accept and place on file the minutes from the April 20, 2010 meeting as printed. Motion passed.

Raffles:

LO 09-10 66 St.Jude Run

LO 09-10 67 Lincoln Woman's Club

A motion was made by Mrs. Schumacher, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to approve both raffle requests as stated. Motion passed.

Reports for the month of April, 2010 were read by Clerk Sally Litterly as follows:

Sheriff's fees collected were: \$4,675.27 Sheriff's Expenses were: \$120.62

County Clerk's fees collected were: \$30,825.00

Clerk of the Circuit Court: Collections due to County General Fund: \$90,248.64

Collection of funds due to others: \$43,318.70 Child Support: \$40,836.56

County Treasurer's Cash Statement: Expenses: \$865,647.03 Balance: \$8,627.21

Hotel/Motel Tax at 4% is: \$5,272.79 Special Use Hotel/Motel Tax at 1% is: \$1,318.19

A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, Seconded by Mrs. Schumacher, to accept and place the reports on file as read. Motion passed.

Chairmen of Committee's reported :

Airport/Farm: Nothing further to report.

Animal: Nothing further to report.

Building & Grounds: Nothing further to report, however, the fountain did get cleaned out since a dead fish was found in it recently.

Finance: A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to approve LO 09-10 68, Ordinance setting the fees to be charged by the Logan County Circuit Clerk of an additional \$10.00 for county mental health court, the county drug court, or both.. Roll call vote. 9 yes 3 absent Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to approve LO 09-10 69, an Ordinance setting fees of an additional \$5.00 for Logan County drug court. Roll call vote. 9 yes 3 absent Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. Aylesworth, to accept the contract for 300 bed spaces for juveniles at the McLean County Detention Center Roll call vote. 9 yes 3 absent Motion passed.

Mr. Ruben wanted to delay the other two motions under Finance until the end of the meeting to await Mr. Carlton's arrival.

Insurance & Legislative: Nothing further to report.

Law Enforcement: Nothing further to report. Mrs. Schumacher had questions regarding the contract between City and county. Mr. Fulscher stated that 60 days ago it was reviewed and re-negotiated another 7 years for the actual communications room itself. The contract was given to Chairman Carlton and Mayor of City of Lincoln and told them the end of October is when that contract is up. The Safety Complex contract is due the end of October.

EMA: Mr. Fulscher stated that there will be an open house four nights starting on Monday, May 24, 2010 at 5:30 pm, to tour the 911 Center, Emergency Operations Center and Communications Center. There will be a special 15 min. program about the history of the basement and a short ceremony before the tours begin. Mr. Fulscher informed everyone about the flood stage at Salt Creek and urging to use boats only, no tubing because of safety reasons.

Executive/Economic Development: Mrs. Schumacher stated there was some information from Mr. Smiley about a discussion on next Friday with elected officials.

Planning & Zoning: A motion was made by Mr. Hepler, seconded by Mr. Aylesworth, to approve the intermediate wind tower fee for \$250.00 Discussion held. Mr. Ruben moved to amend that by putting it on hold until next month to have a chance to look at it. Mr. Hepler withdrew his motion and Mr. Aylesworth withdrew his second. Mr. Hepler stated we wouldn't have to bring this up at workshop but can leave it as an adjourned item for next month.

Health: Nothing to report.

Road & Bridge: Nothing to report.

Community Action: Mrs. Schumacher reported there were awards granted for Federal money down the pike for emergency food and shelter for \$14,000 some odd dollars. The decision was to split it between Community Action and Salvation Army.

Tourism: Nothing to report.

Main Street: Mrs. Schumacher commented about the paper cards received last month for discounts at local businesses. May is National Historical Preservation month and this year Main Street recognized the Woman's Club Bldg. which will be 100 years old in November. National Train Day was on May 8th. Next week is National Small Business week and there will be a breakfast at the Main Street office on May 26th at 8:30 am. June 26th is the monthly Cruise In plus a Bar-B-Q downtown and proceeds will go for St. Jude. More Heritage signs will be put up this summer in Atlanta, Mt. Pulaski and Elkhart. They do have a new Facebook page.

Workforce Investment: Nothing further to report.

General Assembly Liaison: Mr. Ruben reported stated that Ms. Litterly did some checking on what was getting paid by the state and what wasn't. The State's reimbursement for the States Attorney is 100% as of April 10th and for the Assessor. The only one that is running behind is the Probation. The Public Defender has been paid to date also.

Chamber of Commerce: Nothing to report.

Waste Management: Meeting is tomorrow night.

Safety: Nothing to report.

Liquor: There is a meeting on June 24 at 5:30 pm.. All the letters have been sent out pertaining to gaming and liquor applications. Mr. Ruben stated he had one phone call with some concern about gaming permits and explained further. Mr. O'Neill will let Ms. Luster know about this concern.

Personnel: Mrs. Schumacher stated they are working on the policies yet..

Policies & Procedures: Nothing further.

Committee reports of claims were read by Ms. Litterly:

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

Discussion on whether to recess or not to await the Chairman's arrival and no recess was taken.

Public Comments: Mr. O'Neill stated that in the last two weeks he has attended several of the area high schools for honors day programs. Tonight we have some of Ms. Litterly's students from LCU who introduced themselves.

Finance: A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to approve Resolution LO 09-10 70 with the following salary inserts: for Sheriff \$62,825; \$64,710; \$ 66,650 and \$73,000.

For the County Clerk: \$ 51,500; \$53,000; \$54,600 and \$56,300.

For the County Treasurer: \$51,500; \$53,000; \$54,600 and \$56,300

Discussion held. Mr. Ruben pointed out the paragraph below item C on the Resolution and read the following: " Be it further resolved that health insurance benefits of the Logan County Sheriff, the Logan County Clerk and the Logan County Treasurer shall be the same as that offered to all non-union employees of Logan County, including any modifications that occur during FY 2011, Fy 2012, FY 2013 and FY 2014". He explained further why this was added into the Resolution and was done by the State's Attorney's office.

Mr. Carlton arrived at 7:32 pm and Mr. O'Neill turned the meeting over to Chairman Carlton. A motion was made by Mr. Bateman, seconded by Mrs. Schumacher, to amend the paragraph below Item C to read "be it further resolved that and insert the word All health Insurance Benefits, so we are legally covering the dental part of it. Further discussion held. Both Mr. Bateman and Mrs. Schumacher withdrew their motions.

A motion was made by Mr. Hepler, seconded by Mr. Aylesworth, to amend the County Clerk's salary be set at \$60,000 for each of the four years. Discussion held and explanation given by Mr. Hepler for his reason for the amendment. Roll call vote. 8 yes 2 no 2 absent Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Bateman, seconded by Mrs. Schumacher, to amend Mr. Hepler' amendment to \$55,000, \$56,666; \$58,332; and \$60,000. Discussion held with pros and cons about the numbers suggested. Roll call vote taken on Mr. Bateman's amendment. 5 yes 5 no 2 absent. Motion fails.

Roll call vote taken on Mr. Hepler's amendment: 8 yes 2 no 2 absent Motion passed.

Sheriff's Salary Adjustment:

A motion was made by Mr. Bateman, seconded by Mr. Ruben, to amend the Sheriff's proposed salary to \$64,500 first year; \$66,435.00 second year; \$68,428 for third year and \$70,480. for the final year. Discussion held. Roll call vote on amendment. 9 yes 1 no 2 absent Motion passed.

Roll call vote taken on the original motion with those amendments for LO 09-10 70.

Sheriff's salary as amended at: \$64,500; \$66,435; \$68,428; \$70,480

Logan County Clerk as amended: \$60,000 for all four years.

Logan County Treasurer: \$51,500; \$53,000; \$54,600; \$56,300

Roll call vote: 8 yes 2 no 2 absent. Motion passed.

LO 09-10 71 A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mrs. Schumacher, to approve the Circuit Clerk's Salary at \$51,500 and \$53,000. Roll call vote. 9 yes 1 no 2 absent. Motion passed.

A "Thank you" note from Ken Denhan was read for allowing them to use the Courthouse for the National Day of Prayer on May 6th.

A motion was made by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, to adjourn the meeting until June 15, 2010. Meeting ended at 7:55 pm.