

CLINTON COUNTY BOARD MEETING
MARCH 19, 2012 – 7:00pm

Ray Kloeckner, Chairman

Robert Fix, Vice Chairman

1. OPENING PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

An opening prayer and the pledge of allegiance were recited.

2. CALL TO ORDER

Sheriff Kreke called the meeting of the Clinton County District Board to order at 7:00p.m on March 19, 2012.

3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Present: Adams, Fix, Heiligenstein, Holtgrave, Kloeckner, Michael, Pingsterhaus, Raymond, Richter, Simpson, Sullivan, Taylor, and Wessel. Absent: Albers, Rakers

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Raymond made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2012 meeting. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

5. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

No Report.

6. PUBLIC MAY APPROACH THE BOARD

No Report.

7. REPORTS FROM ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

No Report.

8. STANDING COMMITTEES

a. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/TOURISM COMMITTEE

No Report.

b. UNINCORPORATED/ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS/SOLID WASTE

No Report.

c. FACILITIES COMMITTEE

No Report.

d. FINANCE/HEALTH/REVOLVING LOAN COMMITTEE

Clinton County Treasurer, Denise Trame, reported there was an oil check received in the amount of \$13,621.84. The animal control report and hotel/motel tax report was included in the board members packets. Trame requested a motion be made to approve the end of year fiscal report. Pingsterhaus made a motion to approve the report. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

- 1) MOTION - Treasurer's monthly report
Pingsterhaus made a motion to approve the monthly Treasurer's report.
Sullivan seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- 2) MOTION - Health Department Monthly Report
Pingsterhaus made a motion to approve the monthly Health Department
report. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

e. GENERAL SERVICES/JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

No Report.

f. LAW ENFORCEMENT/EMA/WELFARE/SAFETY/LIQUOR

The Illinois Department of Corrections inspections report for the Clinton County Jail 2012 a new and revised detainee ordinance manual has been completed and is now being distributed. Non-compliance with Illinois County Jail Standards – none. This is from Denise Friction, criminal justice specialist.

- 1) MOTION – Resolution for Participation in Illinois Federal Surplus Property Program. Sullivan made a motion to participate in the program.
Wessel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

g. ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE

County Engineer, Dan Behrens, gave his monthly report. His term is up this June 23rd. There is a Resolution that would need to be passed to go up to the state to request that IDOT approves the appointment. This would be a 6 year term. March 28th will be bids for oil for us and all townships. The road stripping bid usually comes out between \$25,000 and \$30,000 a year. The salt bin has a little bit of room in it. Therefore, we put in for 700 ton. This is half of what we put in for last year.

- 1) MOTION – Resolution Requesting Consent of the Department of Transportation to the Reappointment of the Incumbent as County Engineer. Huelsman made a motion for a roll call. Fix seconded the motion. Adams(Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Pinstershaus (Yes); Raymond (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Absent: Albers, Rakers

- 2) MOTION – Resolution to Award Sign Replacement Program bid to Lightle Enterprises of Ohio. Lightle was the lowest bidder at \$130,131.13. Holtgrave made a motion for a roll call. Wessel seconded the motion. Adams(Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Pinstershaus (Yes); Raymond (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). Absent: Albers, Rakers

h. ZONING COMMITTEE

1) MOTION- Wiedle Subdivision

Adams made a motion to approve the subdivision. Wessel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

9. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

a. Insurance Committee/Insurance Trust (ICIT) – John Raymond

The Committee met on March 12th and met with Kim Gaston who is now employed through IPMG and will be starting the wellness program. They have renamed the wellness program, risk management. The status report is showing we are peaking at the highest cost in 6 years. We peaked at \$514,000 for the last 10 months compared to the prior 5 years we were at \$340,000. County line item budget without reimbursements is \$17,000 over budget or 1.62% over budget. With reimbursements it is \$31,000, or 2.92% under budget. Liability insurance fund has a balance of \$330,356. The workmens comp fund has \$170,898.0. There is no ICIT report. The next meeting is on April 18th at the Four Points Sheraton in Fairview Heights. There was a special insurance meeting held. They decided to renew the contract with IPMG, Informed RX and Einstein Consulting.

1) MOTION – IPMG Renewal Agreement
Tabled until April meeting.

b. **AREA AGENCY ON AGING/708 MENTAL HEALTH BOARD**

No Report.

c. **ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE**

Assessment notices were mailed out January 25th. The last day to file a complaint was February 27th. There are currently 974 complaints. The Board of Review is in session and hearing these cases. One of the questions is the authority that the assessors have. They have the authority to walk your property and to measure everything to make sure it is accurate. The tentative equalizer for the year is 1.0. The township assessors have a deadline of June 15th to turn in any changes to the office.

d. **COUNTY FARM COMMITTEE**

No Report.

e. **COUNTY HEALTH**

No Report.

f. **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

No Report.

g. **GIS COMMITTEE**

No Report.

h. **911 COMMITTEE**

No Report.

i. PERSONNEL/LABOR COMMITTEE

Heiligenstein said the Committee decided they are happy with the current County Engineer, Dan Behrens, and will not be looking for anyone else to appoint to his position. Heiligenstein made a motion to move to executive session before adjournment of this meeting for the purpose of discussing the status of the the collective bargaining matters between the County and its employees and representatives.

j. RC&D Council

No Report.

k. UCCI

UCCI is actively working against online lottery sales and is currently working with multiple organizations. The next meeting is on March 28th.

l. VETERANS

On May 22nd there will be a ground breaking ceremony at Kaskaskia college for a memorial they are putting up there.

10. MOTION - APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Huelsman made a motion to approve accounts payable. Fix seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

11. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

No Report.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chairman Kloeckner believes the Governor is totally out of touch with southern Illinois in regards to Murray Center. The Governor's idea is to move them into a community integrated living where 4-8 people live together. However, there are currently not even enough of these community homes to house all the people from Murray Center. There has been a coalition formed between the elected legislators, county board chairman and mayors and have formed an executive committee. Kloeckner said Senator Jones has stated that Murray Center is a target for closure even though the facility is making the state about 10 million a year after reimbursements from federal government. The executive committee is wanting to get a campaign going to write or call our 12 legislators to tell them to not let the Governor close Murray Center. There have been 5 subcommittees formed. They are business, policy, media/communications, finance, churches/education. Everybody needs to write letters to these 12 legislators on why this facility should not be closed. There are severely handicapped and special needs individuals at Murray Center. Some have been there for 40 years. Any change for these residents will have a severe impact on them. There is going to be a hearing held towards the end of April. If both facilities close down consider the economic effect it will have on Clinton County. There are people from 50 different zip codes that work at Murray Center. There are a total of over 550 employees of which 289 employees are directly out of the Centralia area and 24 from Clinton County. There are 274 residents that live there;

however the capacity is over 400. Lyle Michael said they toured the Murray Center and it is a top notch facility with a lot of special people that work there. There is also a lab being closed. The lab does not have enough staff to have public hearing. Clinton County has the biggest population of livestock in Illinois. This is the lab that is targeted to be closed. All the towns bring their water samples to this lab to be tested as well. Kloeckner encouraged people to write, email and call their legislators and governor's office to keep this lab from being closed. The Animal Disease lab and the farm bureau are actively fighting it. Clinton County is the number 1 dairy in the state. This lab performs over 400,000 tests a year at this lab in Centralia. They are the only lab in the state that can do exports on meat. Simpson said they make their own wheelchairs and save thousands of dollars on making their own. The whole facility is in good shape.

13. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Chairman Kloeckner read a letter to the editor and congratulations to Central Cougars boys basketball team on winning state. The Central Cougars brought to Harrisburg a trailer full of supplies and \$5000 donation after they Harrisburg was devastated by a tornado. Raymond suggested inviting the team to the April meeting and congratulating them in person.

14. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Appointment –Adams made a motion to appoint John White as Trustee of Huey-Ferrin-Boulder Fire Protection District . Wessel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- b. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Steve Horstmann as Trustee of Clin Clair Fire Protection District Board. Wessel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- c. Appointment –Adams made a motion to appoint Shirley Martin as Trustee of Shattuc- Ferrin Lighting District. Wessel seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

MOTION – Heiligenstein made a motion to go into executive session prior to adjournment. Pingsterhaus seconded the motion. Motion Carried. The Board went into executive session to discuss contract negotiations.

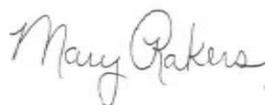
Return To Regular Session

There was no further discussion.

15. ADJOURNMENT TILL MONDAY APRIL 16, 2012

Huelsman made a motion to adjourn until Monday, April 16, 2012. Fix seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:



Mary Rakers
County Clerk