

CLINTON COUNTY BOARD MEETING

May 21, 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

County Clerk Mary Rakers called the meeting of the Clinton County District Board to order at 7:00pm on May 21, 2012.

3. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Holtgrave made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2012 meeting. Simpson seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

5. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- a. MOTION – BCMW Community Services Support Letter for Head Start Program Preschool Services. Taylor made a motion to approve the request. Albers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

6. PUBLIC MAY APPROACH THE BOARD

- a. Mary Grapperhaus from the Humane Society handed out to the board members the protocol and information about the Humane Society. She wants the Clinton County Humane Society and Clinton County Animal Control to start working together more than they have the past year to help find homes for unwanted or neglected animals. Grapperhaus stated the Humane Society has had an insurance policy for almost two years at the request of Animal Control to protect the county from liability. Wessel asked if there was a representative from the insurance company they could talk to. She said she could contact the representative or get a copy of the insurance policy. John Raymond asked if one of their representatives could come to an ICIT meeting to explain their policy. Raymond said he would take care of setting up the meeting.

7. REPORTS FROM ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

No Report.

8. STANDING COMMITTEES

a. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/TOURISM COMMITTEE

No Report.

b. UNINCORPORATED/ENVIRONMENTAL /SOLID WASTE

The Committee met on April 25th at 7:00pm. They discussed the Woodlawn Properties with States Attorney, John Hudspeth. As of today there was not any new information.

c. FACILITIES COMMITTEE

The Committee met on May 3rd at 5:00pm. There was a security survey done of the Clinton County Courthouse. The report was done by the US Marshall Service, the Sherriff and Security. The report will be complete and reviewed at the next meeting. County Clerk, Mary Rakers asked about the name tag holders passed out to all courthouse employees last week and whether everyone is supposed to be wearing them. Fix said it will need to be implemented to his knowledge.

d. FINANCE/HEALTH/REVOLVING LOAN COMMITTEE

Treasurer, Denise Trame, reported there was an oil check received in the amount of \$13,058.55. Mobile home bills are due June 13, 2012.

1. MOTION – Treasurer’s Monthly Report

Wessel made a motion to approve the monthly Treasurer’s Report. Rakers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

2. MOTION - Health Department Monthly Report

Fix made a motion to approve the monthly Health Department’s Report. Rakers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

3. Fred Becker from Glass and Schuffet spoke about the County’s audit. He explained an audit is necessary if the county receives an extra \$500,000. WIC vouchers are a part of that \$500,000 and last year the County issued approximately \$350,000 worth of vouchers. The County’s books are maintained on a cash basis. We recognize money when the County receives it and recognize bills when the County pays them. The overall question is how did the County do? Overall the County has improved. It has improved in total cash \$150,000. The improvement of the County is mainly due to the State catching up on money they owed the County for expenditures. The general fund improved this year however is still some behind. Sales tax and state income tax have improved. This was not anticipated therefore we had already asked for other funds to be used. 911 promised an increase of \$80,000 but that was only for this year. Records instrument fund, the automation fund among others all helped balance the budget. Some of the money we thought wouldn’t come in did come in. None of the offices exceeded their budget. We actually had a surplus of \$150,000. In response to are we better off than a year ago you also need to take a look at what kind of condition the County’s buildings and roads and such are in. Take those into consideration too.

MOTION – Fix made a motion for a roll call vote to approve the audit report. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Adams (Yes); Albers (Yes); Fix (Yes); Heiligenstein (Yes); Holtgrave (Yes); Kloeckner (Abstain); Michael (Yes); Pingsterhaus (Absent); Rakers (Yes); Raymond (Yes); Richter (Yes); Simpson (Yes); Sullivan (Yes); Taylor (Yes); Wessel (Yes). .

e. GENERAL SERVICES/JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

No Report.

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

No Report.

g. ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE

County Engineer, Dan Behrens, reported there is repair needed on Walnut Street in Breese. There is about 700 feet of concrete getting in bad shape. The City of Breese is going to help; they have some equip that we don't have. Once the project is started he is planning on it taking about 3 weeks. Behrens thanked Breese for the help in the project. Behrens also spoke of a need to make a change to Shattuc Road to get the road away from the railroad tracks. He said the main purpose is the turn lane. Once the change to the section is complete we are agreeing to maintain that 1800 feet of road. The signs from the sign replacement program were received and are starting to be picked up. We have until October to get these signs up. This is being done to meet the new federal requirement on reflectivity that must be up by 2015. We have some surplus equipment such as a 1999 tandem dump truck, 1954 fork lift, 1970 Roscoe 600 gal, Oil distributor mounted on a 1985 Ford C-600, power pack model 605 road widener, 8 foot disk, 2 section harrow, and miscellaneous concrete pipe sections. Behrens asked for the board's approval to go out and look for sealed bids on these items on June 15th.

a. MOTION – Jurisdictional Transfer Agreement

Taylor made a motion to approve the agreement. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

b. MOTION – Resolution Proving For The Addition Of The Relocated County Highway 5 (Shattuc Road).

Wessel made a motion to approve the resolution. Rakers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

c. MOTION – Resolution Approving Plans For The Improvement Of Federal Aid Primary Route 327 (US Route 50)

Holtgrave made a motion to approve the resolution. Michaels seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

d. MOTION – To Seek Sealed Bids To Sell Surplus Equipment

Fix made a motion to approve seeking bids. Rakers seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

h. ZONING COMMITTEE

a. MOTION- Pine Grove Subdivision

Richter made a motion to approve the subdivision. Sullivan seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

b. **MOTION – Rowold Re-Subdivision**

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

9. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

a. **INSURANCE COMMITTEE/INSURANCE TRUST (ICIT)**

This is the end of year report for the contract on health insurance coverage. The committee spent time going over the costs and figures. We have a self-insured program for the county which has a \$35,000 deductible. They have a specific excess claims loss report. They are tracking anyone that is getting close or over \$35,000. For the year we had four claimants over the deductible totaling \$376,525.63 in claims. 8 claimants reached half the deductible for a total of \$180,645.23. Benefits paid out in total of active employees and/or dependents was \$642,369.79. We paid out in cobra benefits \$7908.20. For retirees and/ or dependents we paid out \$387,695.65 in claims for a total of 1,050,145.61. Over the past 6 contract years this was the highest paid amount for this contract year. We were 3rd highest year for prescriptions \$203,372.73. This was the highest contract year for medical claims with an amount of \$595,412.37. So we set a new mark on high claims this year. County employees benefit line item budget report for the last 5 months without reimbursements, we are \$32,000, or 3% over budget. With reimbursements we are \$91,000, or 8.74%, under budget. Our fund liability insurance is the same as last month \$330,356. Our fund 016, work men's comp fund is \$170,898.01.

The ICIT report is our self- insured liability. The old trust fund ICIT 01 fund has 25 claims open. They are hoping to get it down to 20 soon. There is one or 2 claims that will probably be for life of the claimant due to federal law. Clinton County has 5 claims pending with the possibility of closing 2. ICIT 09 gave a report on tax exempt bond investment. The original price we paid for the bond is \$2,484,000. The market value is \$2,529,000, showing a gain of \$45,000. That will fluctuate with market value. Since September 1st of 09 we had 72 claims in 09 and 10 year; 59 claims in 10 and 11 year and 36 claims this last year. This totals 167 claims. Therefore it is improving. Total claims paid so far \$654,570.00. Clinton County has 3 claims pending currently with 1 probably closing by next report.

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

No Report.

c. **ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE**

The Assessors have until June 15 to complete work. In April there were 59 property transfers. There are currently 10 Ptab appeals pending.

d. **COUNTY FARM COMMITTEE**

Don Deiters is cross training in the Treasurer's office with rabies tags to help the Treasurer's office out with taxes coming out late this year. The Humane Society stated that they haven't been to animal control for over a year. The Humane Society has first choice, but Don also sends emails to various agencies and has had good luck in finding new homes for their animals. One dog is going to Chicago. All animals sent out are either spayed or neutered and have all shots and examined by Don or Albert. All rescue groups and the general public is welcome to visit Animal Control and view the animals. We do have a viewing with individual kennels. Pets usually kept in quarantine area are usually on police hold or violent dogs. It is an outside viewing area. Holtgrave asked if they ever put cameras back there. Taylor responded there is currently not any cameras in back area. Alfred and don are the only ones permitted in back area. They have done everything possible to comply with what they are asking. Holtgrave thought it was a good idea to have cameras put in there. Kloeckner asked Fix to look into cameras for animal control building. Animal Control went through inspection by state of Illinois in January 2012 and is in full compliance with the Animal Control Act.

e. **COUNTY HEALTH**

No Report.

f. **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

No Report.

g. **GIS COMMITTEE**

2011 flyover imagery is in. The County's portion of the cost is \$10,000. \$5000 of the funding is coming from 911 and the other \$5000 is coming from GIS.

h. **911 COMMITTEE**

The Committee met on May 9th. The equipment was supposed to be shipped by vendor for the Trenton tower. May 16th they were supposed to have crew out there to start installing. The County will probably enter into an agreement with IDOT for the 2011 flyover imagery. The last flyover was done about 8 years ago and was in black and white. The new imagery will be in color. The total cost on this imagery is about \$20,000. The County will pay \$10,000 and GIS and 911committee will each split the other \$10,000 at \$5000 each. The next meeting will be on June 13th at 6:30pm.

i. **PERSONNEL/LABOR COMMITTEE**

Heiligenstein gave an update on the status of collective bargaining matters between county and its employees and representatives. He said the process is slow. The Committee met with mediators today but trying to do best they can and be mindful of tax payers and also of the employees the County has and value they bring to us. They are continuing to move forward.

j. **RC&D COUNCIL**

No Report.

k. UCCI

Sullivan said they attended a conference today in Springfield on video poker. He said they were going to bring back that information to the law enforcement meeting and give an update at the next board meeting.

l. VETERANS

Ground breaking tomorrow at Kaskaskia College at 11am for the new veterans memorial. Saturday May 26th is rededication to veterans memorial here in Carlyle at 1pm.

10. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Raymond made a motion to approve the accounts payable. Heiligenstein seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

11. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Richter said he was asked along with Holtgrave, Sullivan and Rakers to be a member of the government committee for the Trenton education center for the expansion. The kickoff celebration was a couple of Saturday's ago at Wesclin High School. The college is using the existing education center which is the old Illinois Power building. The City of Trenton has gifted the entire building to the college and it will increase the size from 3800 to 15000 square feet.

**a. Motion- Resolution Of Support For Expanding The Kaskaskia College
Trenton Regional Education Center**

Sullivan made a motion to make a resolution of support. Richter seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

13. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Kloeckner received a thank you note for attending the hearing Friday evening in a quest to keep the Murray Center open. Kloeckner read a resignation letter from County Board member, Mark Pingsterhaus. In the letter Pingsterhaus said it was with great regret, but he felt it was best for him to step down at this time. He said he enjoyed his past 9 ½ years on the board and thanked everyone for all their support. Kloeckner said Pingsterhaus was an outstanding board member and he enjoyed working with him. Kloeckner said Pingsterhaus did a great job for all Clinton County. He is a special person and wished him the best. It is now up to the chairman of the Republican Party to get a replacement for Pingsterhaus' vacancy. Sullivan wanted to make sure Pingsterhaus would be recognized for his service. Kloeckner said he would be recognized at the next board meeting.

14. NEW BUSINESS

**a. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Kyle Markus as Trustee of
Aviston Fire Protection District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion
Carried.**

- b. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Daniel Poettker as Trustee of Albers Sanitary District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- c. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Carroll Schmitt as Trustee of Keyesport Fire District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- d. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Allen Strieker as Trustee of St Rose Water District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- e. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Robert Zimmerman as Trustee of Hoffman Fire Protection District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- f. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Maurice Diekemper as Trustee of Tri-Township Water District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- g. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Dennis Buchele as Trustee of Clinton County East Water District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- h. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Paul Meyer as Trustee of St Rose Water District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- i. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Don Timmermann as Trustee of Santa Fe Fire District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- j. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Paul Meyer as Trustee of St Rose Public Water District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- k. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Allen Strieker as Trustee of St Rose Public Water District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- l. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Ernest Fruend as Trustee of Shattuc Lighting District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- m. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint James Kampwerth as Trustee of Carlyle Southwest Water District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- n. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Joseph Voss as Trustee of Carlyle Southwest Water District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.
- o. Appointment – Adams made a motion to appoint Earl Schneider as Trustee of Clinton County East Water District. Holtgrave seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

15. ADJOURNMENT TILL MONDAY JUNE 18, 2012

Adams made a motion to adjourn until Monday June 18, 2012. Holtgrave seconded the motion.

ATTEST:



**Mary Rakers
County Clerk**