

RESUME OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD,
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS
March 4, 2004

The County Board of Champaign County, Illinois met at a Regular Meeting, Thursday, March 4, 2004 at 7:08 P.M. in Meeting Room 1, Brookens Administrative Center, 1776 East Washington Street, Urbana, Illinois, with Patricia Avery presiding and Karrie Meier, as Secretary of the Meeting.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed the following Board Members **Present:** Beckett, Betz, Cowart, Crozier, Doenitz, Fabri, Greenwalt, Hambrick, Jay, Kirchner, Knott, Langenheim, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Sapp, Schroeder, Shoemaker, Smith, Tapley, Wysocki, Anderson, and Avery – 23; **Absent:** Brumback, Busboom, Carter, Feinen – 4. Thereupon, the Chair declared a quorum present and the Board competent to conduct business. Board Member Brumback arrived after roll call.

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A prayer was given by Board Member Beckett. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

READ NOTICE OF MEETING

The Clerk read the Notice of the Meeting, said Notice having been published in *Mahomet Citizen* and *The Rantoul Press* on February 11, 2004; *County Star* on February 12, 2004; *The News Gazette* on February 17, 2004; *Southern Champaign County* and *The Fisher Reporter* on February 25, 2004; *The Leader* on February 26, 2004; and *The News Gazette* on March 2, 2004. Board Member Betz offered a motion to approve the notice; seconded by Board Member Langenheim. Approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Member Betz offered the motion that the Minutes of the February 19, 2004 Regular County Board Meeting be approved; seconded by Board Member Langenheim. Approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM

Board Member Betz offered the motion to approve the Agenda/Addendum; seconded by Board Member Cowart. Approved by voice vote.

DATE/TIME OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Chair Avery announced that the next County Board Meeting will be held on March 18, 2004 at 7:00 P.M.

Chair Avery requested to take the agenda out of order and move the approval of a Proclamation for American Red Cross Month be passed before public participation.

Board Member Betz, Chair, recommended the approval of a Proclamation for American Red Cross Month; seconded by Board Member Putman. Discussion followed. Approved by voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Harold Muhammad spoke regarding the Responsible Bidder Ordinance and the Nursing Home Project Contracts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Board Member Betz announced that the Policy Committee Meeting originally scheduled for March 16, 2004 would be moved to March 15, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. due to the Primary Election on March 16, 2004.

CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS BY OMNIBUS VOTE

Board Member Tapley requested to remove concurrence with the County Board Chair in the appointments of Yuki Llewellyn and Laurel Prussing as members of the Mass Transit District Board for terms ending December 31, 2008 from the consent agenda. Discussion followed.

POLICY, PERSONNEL & APPOINTMENTS

Concurrence with the County Board Chair in the appointment of Darrell Busboom as commissioner on the West Branch Drainage District for term ending August 31, 2004.

Concurrence with the County Board Chair in the appointment of Dennis Bergman as commissioner to the Salt Fork Drainage District for term ending August 31, 2005.

Concurrence with the County Board Chair in the appointments of commissioners to Drainage Districts for term ending August 31, 2006 as follows:

Conrad Fisher DD – Delmar K. Banner
Raup DD – Kevin Wolken
Silver Creek DD – Mervin L. Olson

Concurrence with the County Board Chair in the appointment of Robert Dorsey to the Penfield Water District for term ending May 31, 2004.

Acceptance of the resignation of Dennis Unzicker from the position of County Engineer effective July 31, 2004.

COUNTY FACILITIES

Adoption of **Resolution 4777, "Approving Amendment No. 2 to the Lease Agreement (METCAD 9-1-1 Center- County of Champaign)."**

FINANCE

Adoption of **Resolution 4778, "Budget Amendments, March 2004, FY 2004."**

Adoption of **Resolution 4779, "Transfer of Funds, March, 2004, FY 2004."**

Adoption of **Resolution 4780, "Resolution for the Abatement and Reduction of Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Payment of Bonds (Series 1995)."**

Adoption of **Resolution 4781, "Resolution for the Abatement and Reduction of Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Payment of Bonds (Series 1999)."**

Adoption of **Resolution 4782, "Resolution for the Abatement and Reduction of Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Payment of Bonds (Series 2000A and 2000B)."**

Board Member Beckett offered the motion to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Board Member Hambrick. Chair Avery asked the Clerk to call the roll.

Consent Agenda approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Beckett, Betz, Brumback, Cowart, Crozier, Doenitz, Fabri, Greenwalt, Hambrick, Jay, Kirchner, Knott, Langenheim, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Sapp, Schroeder, Shoemaker, Smith, Tapley, Wysocki, Anderson, and Avery – 24;

Nays: None.

Chair Avery announced that the Presentation on Community Visioning Project should not have been on this meeting agenda.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

POLICY, PERSONNEL & APPOINTMENTS

Board Member Betz, Chair, recommended approval of the creation of a Court Administrator position in the Circuit Court Department, said position classified in Grade Range L; and the elimination of the Senior Administrative Assistant Position; seconded by Board Member Kirchner. Discussion followed. Approved by voice vote.

Board Member Betz recommended the approval of the re-classification of the Administrative Legal Secretary, Grade Range E position in the Sheriff's Office to Legal Secretary Grade Range D; seconded by Board Member Moser. Approved by voice vote.

Board Member Betz recommended the concurrence with the County Board Chair in the appointments of Yuki Llewellyn and Laurel Prussing as members of the Mass Transit District Board for terms ending December 31, 2008; seconded by Board Member Putman. Discussion followed. Approved by voice vote.

HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION

Board Member Cowart, Chair, announced that there was no business requiring County Board action.

FINANCE

Board Member Wysocki, Chair, recommended the adoption of **Resolution 4783, "Budget Amendment, March, 2004, FY 2004;"** seconded by Board Member Hambrick.

Resolution 4783 adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Beckett, Betz, Brumback, Cowart, Crozier, Doenitz, Fabri, Greenwalt, Hambrick, Jay, Kirchner, Knott, Langenheim, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Sapp, Schroeder, Smith, Wysocki, Anderson, and Avery – 22;

Nays: Shoemaker and Tapley – 2.

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of **Resolution 4784, "Transfer of Funds, March, 2004, FY 2004;"** seconded by Board Member Beckett. There was a friendly amendment to change the transferred amount from \$8,000.00 to the amount of \$6,353.00; seconded by Board Member Beckett.

Resolution 4784 adopted as amended by roll call vote.

Yeas: Beckett, Betz, Brumback, Cowart, Crozier, Doenitz, Fabri, Greenwalt, Hambrick, Jay, Kirchner, Knott, Langenheim, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Sapp, Schroeder, Shoemaker, Smith, Tapley, Wysocki, Anderson, and Avery – 24;
Nays: None.

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of **Resolution 4785, “Resolution Establishing Salaries of Elected Officials Circuit Clerk, Auditor, Coroner and Recorder;”** seconded by Board Member Betz. Board Member Tapley made a substitute motion to adopt an alternate version of Resolution 4785, “Resolution Establishing Salaries of Elected Officials Circuit Clerk, Auditor, Coroner and Recorder;” seconded by Board Member Beckett. Discussion followed. A roll call vote was requested for the substitute motion. Discussion followed. Board Member Crozier abstained due to his current candidacy for Coroner. Discussion followed.

Substitute motion failed by roll call vote.

Yeas: Beckett, Jay, Knott, Moser, O'Connor, Sapp, Schroeder, and Tapley – 8;
Nays: Betz, Brumback, Cowart, Doenitz, Fabri, Greenwalt, Hambrick, Kirchner, Langenheim, Putman, Shoemaker, Smith, Wysocki, Anderson, and Avery – 15;
Abstention: Crozier – 1.

Discussion followed. A roll call vote for the main motion was requested.

Resolution 4785 adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Beckett, Betz, Brumback, Cowart, Doenitz, Fabri, Greenwalt, Hambrick, Jay, Kirchner, Langenheim, O'Connor, Putman, Schroeder, Shoemaker, Smith, Tapley, Wysocki, Anderson, and Avery – 20;
Nays: Knott, Moser, and Sapp – 3;
Abstention: Crozier – 1.

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of **Resolution 4786, “Payment of Claims Authorization, March, 2004, FY 2004;”** seconded by Board Member Moser. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member Wysocki recommended placing on file a list of Purchases Not Following Purchasing Policy; seconded by Board Member Fabri. Discussion followed. Approved by voice vote.

COUNTY FACILITIES

Board Member Beckett, Chair, recommended the approval of a Minority Participation Documentation Form; seconded by Board Member Brumback. Discussion followed. Board Member Tapley requested to allow Mr. Muhammad to participate in the discussion. There was a friendly amendment to the Minority Participation Documentation Form to add and amend some language in the form. Discussion followed. There was a second friendly amendment to the amended Minority Participation Documentation Form to change additional language and correct a grammatical error. A roll call vote was requested.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Beckett, Betz, Brumback, Cowart, Crozier, Doenitz, Fabri, Greenwalt, Hambrick, Jay, Kirchner, Knott, Langenheim, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Schroeder, Shoemaker, Smith, Tapley, Wysocki, Anderson, and Avery – 23;

Nays: None;

Absent: Sapp – 1.

Board Member Beckett asked unanimous consent to go directly to the Nursing Home Improvement Subcommittee item and then return to the Facilities Committee Report.

NURSING HOME IMPROVEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE

Board Member Kirchner, Chair, recommended the approval of language for inclusion in contract/bid and related documents to obtain the broadest participation, with compliance with applicable law, in the construction of the Nursing Home; seconded by Board Member Hambrick. A friendly amendment was made to accept revised language to the original paragraph. Discussion followed. Board Member Beckett moved to suspend the 10:00 p.m. rule; seconded by Board Member Betz. Motion approved by voice vote. There was a friendly amendment to add additional language to the motion. Discussion followed. Board Member Beckett moved to strike the last sentence of the motion; seconded by Board Member Fabri. Motion to strike the last sentence failed by a show of hands. Discussion followed. A roll call vote was requested.

Motion failed by roll call vote.

Yeas: Beckett, Cowart, Fabri, Greenwalt, Hambrick, Kirchner, Putman, Wysocki, Anderson, and Avery – 10;

Nays: Betz, Brumback, Crozier, Doenitz, Jay, Langenheim, O'Connor, Sapp, Schroeder, and Smith – 10;

Absent: Knott, Moser, Shoemaker, and Tapley – 4.

COUNTY FACILITIES

Board Member Beckett, Chair, recommended approval of the Public Defender Remodel Project as presented to the County Facilities Committee February 3, 2004 in the amount of \$11,620.00; seconded by Board Member Jay. Approved by voice vote.

Board Member Beckett recommended approval of the award of contract to Illinois Blueprint Corporation for construction document printing services in the estimated amount of \$31,000.00; seconded by Board Member Brumback. Approved by voice vote.

Board Member Beckett recommended the approval of the award of contract to GEOCON Engineering, Inc. for construction testing services in the estimated amount of \$25,000.00; seconded by Board Member Jay. Approved by voice vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion. Board Member Beckett moved to enter into executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11) to consider litigation, which is probable or imminent against Champaign County, further moving that the following individuals remain present: Sheriff, Recording Secretary, County Co-Administrators, and County's Legal Counsel; seconded by Board Member Wysocki.

Executive Session approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Beckett, Betz, Brumback, Crozier, Doenitz, Fabri, Greenwalt, Jay, Langenheim, O'Connor, Putman, Sapp, Schroeder, Smith, Wysocki, Anderson, and Avery – 17;

Nays: Kirchner – 1;

Absent: Cowart, Hambrick, Knott, Moser, Shoemaker, and, Tapley – 6.

Chair Avery announced a recess.

Chair Avery declared the regular meeting back in session at 10:32 P.M.

Board Member Fabri moved to enter into executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)2 to consider collective negotiating matters between Champaign County and its employees or their representatives, further moving that the following individuals remain present: Co-Administrators, County's Legal Counsel, Recording Secretary, and County Elected Officials; seconded by Board Member Betz.

Executive Session approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Beckett, Betz, Brumback, Crozier, Fabri, Greenwalt, Jay,
Kirchner, Langenheim, O'Connor, Putman, Sapp, Schroeder,
Smith, Wysocki, Anderson, and Avery – 17;

Nays: None;

Absent: Cowart, Doenitz, Hambrick, Knott, Moser, Shoemaker,
and, Tapley – 7.

Chair Avery declared the regular meeting back in session at 10:49 P.M.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Avery adjourned the Meeting at 10:49 P.M.

Mark Sheldon

Mark Sheldon, Champaign County Clerk
and ex-Officio Clerk of the Champaign County Board
Champaign County, Illinois