

RESUME OF MINUTES OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE COUNTY BOARD,  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
September 20, 2007

The County Board of Champaign County, Illinois met at a Public Hearing, Thursday, September 20, 2007 at 6:35 P.M. in the Lyle Shields Meeting Room, Brookens Administrative Center, 1776 East Washington Street, Urbana, Illinois, with C. Pius Weibel presiding and Sasha Green, as Secretary of the Meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call showed the following Board Members Present: Langenheim, McGinty, Melin, Moser, O'Connor, Sapp, Wysocki, Anderson, Betz, Doenitz, Gladney, Jay, Jones, and Weibel - 14; Absent: Putman, Richards, Schroeder, Tapley, Beckett, Bensyl, Carter, Cowart, Gross, Hogue, Hunt, James, and Knott - 13. Thereupon, the Chair declared a quorum present and the Board competent to conduct business. Board Member Hunt arrived after roll call.

**READ NOTICE OF MEETING**

The Clerk read the Notice of the Meeting, said Notice having been published in the *News Gazette* on August 10, 2007. Board Member Betz offered a motion to approve the notice; seconded by Board Member Wysocki. Approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM**

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE COUNTY BOARD PROPOSAL TO SELL BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$6,000,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING COURTHOUSE EXTERIOR RENOVATIONS AND BELL TOWER RESTORATION, AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS, FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT, AND COSTS**

John Farney made comments relating to the bond proposal.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Weibel adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:38 P.M.

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**READ NOTICE OF MEETING**

The Clerk read the Notice of the Meeting, said Notice having been published in the *News Gazette* on August 10, 2007. Board Member Wysocki offered a motion to approve the notice; seconded by Board Member Betz. Approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM**

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE COUNTY BOARD PROPOSAL TO SELL BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,500,000.00 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING A COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FLEET MAINTENANCE FACILITY, AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS, FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT, AND COSTS**

There was no Public Comment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Weibel adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:40 P.M.

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RESUME OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD,  
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
September 20, 2007

The County Board of Champaign County, Illinois met at a Regular Meeting, Thursday, September 20, 2007 at 7:03 P.M. in the Lyle Shields Meeting Room, Brookens Administrative Center, 1776 East Washington Street, Urbana, Illinois, with C. Pius Weibel presiding and Sasha Green, as Secretary of the Meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call showed the following Board Members Present: Langenheim, McGinty, Melin, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Richards, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Gross, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, and Weibel - 24; Absent: Tapley, Bensyl, and Hogue - 3. Thereupon, the Chair declared a quorum present and the Board competent to conduct business.

**PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A prayer was given by Chair Weibel. 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 the *Southern Champaign County* and *Fisher Reporter* on September 5, 2007; *Leader* on September 6, 2007; *Mahomet Citizen* and *Rantoul Press* on September 12, 2007; *County Star* and *Savoy Star* on September 13, 2007; and *News Gazette* on September 18, 2007. Board Member Betz offered a motion to approve the notice; seconded by Board Member Carter. Approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Board Member Carter offered the motion to approve the Minutes of the August 23, 2007 Regular Session; seconded by Board Member Wysocki. Approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM**

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

**DATE/TIME OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

Chair Weibel announced that the next County Board Meeting will be held on October 18, 2007 at 7:00 P.M.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Wayne Williams spoke regarding the Champaign County Nursing Home.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

Board Member Beckett announced Jack Richmond celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday; Richmond is a major contributor to the Clock and Bell Tower restoration. Board Member McGinty announced that the Maximus study had been distributed. Ron Gremore, Deputy County Administrator for Human Resources, announced the employee recognition program schedule; there will be four separate events. Board Member Putman read a letter from Judge Harold Jensen regarding the Clock and Bell Tower.

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 6176 APPROVING THE PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING SEPTEMBER AS NATIONAL ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH IN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY**

Board Member Betz recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6176](#) approving the Proclamation designating September as National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month in Champaign County; seconded by Board Member Moser. Discussion followed. Adopted by voice vote.

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 6167 A TRIBUTE TO AND THANKSGIVING FOR THE LIFE OF MARILYN GARMON-STARKS**

Board Member Putman recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6167](#) a Tribute to and Thanksgiving for the Life of Marilyn Garmon-Starks; seconded by Board Member Anderson. Discussion followed. Board Member Putman read Resolution 6167. Adopted by voice vote.

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 6174 HONORING RETIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEE JAMES GOUDIE AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 6175 HONORING RETIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEE ROBERT WESTON**

Board Member Betz recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6174](#) Honoring Retiring County Employee James Goudie and Resolution No. 6175 Honoring Retiring County Employee Robert Weston; seconded by Board Member James. Chair Weibel read Resolutions No. 6174 and 6175. Adopted by voice vote. Chair Weibel presented the Resolutions to James Goudie and Robert Weston.

**CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS BY OMNIBUS VOTE**

**JUSTICE & SOCIAL SERVICES**

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6156](#) for the Acceptance of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority Grant and approval of Agreement #207216 for the Children's Advocacy Center.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6165](#) Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Champaign and the City of Champaign for Animal Impoundment Services.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6166](#) Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Champaign and the City of Champaign for Animal Control Services.

**COUNTY FACILITIES**

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6159](#) Appropriating \$770.00 from the Nursing Home Construction Fund for Invoice #0016438 from GHR Engineers & Associates.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6160](#) Appropriating \$5,418.35 from the Champaign County Highway Facility Construction Fund for Invoice #129475 from BLDD Architects.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6161](#) Appropriating \$6,300.00 from the Champaign County Highway Facility Construction Fund for Invoice #129476 from BLDD Architects.

**POLICY, PERSONNEL & APPOINTMENTS**

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6168](#) Appointing Valerie Hizer to the Blackford Slough Drainage District, Term Ending 8/31/2010.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6169](#) Appointing Michael Hastings to the St. Joseph #3 Drainage District, Term Ending 8/31/2010.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6170](#) Appointing Marion Wagner to the Willow Branch Drainage District, Term Ending 8/31/2010.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6171](#) Approving Employee Insurance Benefits for FY2008.

**FINANCE**

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6180](#) - Budget Amendment:  
Budget Amendment #07-00083

Fund/Dept: 075 Regional Planning Commission - 708 Piatt County  
Comprehensive Plan

Increased Appropriations: \$58,000.00

Increased Revenue: \$58,000.00

To accommodate a new grant award for the Piatt County Comprehensive Plan  
Project.

Adoption of [Resolution No.6181](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #07-00084

Fund/Dept:080 General Corporate - 030 Circuit Clerk

Increased Appropriations: \$150,000.00

Increased Revenue: \$0.00

See attached letter from Circuit Clerk.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6182](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #07-00085

Fund/Dept: 671 Court Document Storage Fund - 030 Circuit Clerk

Increased Appropriations: \$150,000.00

Increased Revenue: \$0.00

See attached letter from Circuit Clerk.

Adoption of [Resolution No.6183](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #07-00086

Fund/Dept: 075 Regional Planning Commission - 732 Fringe Benefits Clearing

Increased Appropriations: \$58,000.00

Increased Revenue: \$0.00

To accommodate increased costs in fringe benefit expenses.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6184](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #07-00087

Fund/Dept:620 Health-Hospitalization Insurance - 120 Employee  
Group Insurance

Increased Appropriations: \$8,000.00

Increased Revenue: \$0.00

To show County contribution for health reimbursement account participation for  
FY2007.

Adoption of [Resolution No.6185](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #07-00088

Fund/Dept: 108 Developmental Disability Fund - 050

Developmental Disability Board

Increased Appropriations: \$6,000.00

Increased Revenue: \$6,000.00

To allow for expenditure of donations to support DD expo event.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6187](#) for the Approval of, if Awarded, Acceptance of Renewal of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority Prosecutor-Based Victim Assistance Services Program Grant for the State's Attorney's Office.

#### HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6162](#) Petition requesting and Resolution approving appropriation of funds from the County Bridge Fund.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6163](#) Appropriating \$40,000.00 from County Bridge Funds for Design Engineering Fees for the Replacement of Structure #010-0081 on County Highway #9 (West of Ludlow) Section #07-00936-00-BR).

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6164](#) Deleting County Highway 22A from County Highway 22 Easterly to Main Street.

Adoption of [Ordinance No. 815](#) for the Establishment of an altered speed zone in Somer Road District.

Board Member Beckett offered the motion to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Board Member Moser. Chair Weibel asked the Clerk to call the roll.

Consent Agenda approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Langenheim, McGinty, Melin, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Richards, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Gross, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, and Weibel - 24;

Nays: None.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### JUSTICE & SOCIAL SERVICES

Board Member Anderson, Chair, announced they had no items for Board consideration.

#### COUNTY FACILITIES

Board Member Beckett, Chair, recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6157](#) Appropriating \$1,951.20 from the Champaign County Nursing Home Construction Fund for Invoice #1326396 from Duane Morris and [Resolution No. 6158](#) Appropriating \$796.35 from the Champaign County Nursing Home Construction Fund for Invoice #1326397 from Duane Morris; seconded by Board Member Betz. Chair Weibel requested a show of hands, as the voice vote was undeterminable. Adopted by a show of hands.

POLICY, PERSONNEL & APPOINTMENTS

Board Member Betz, Chair, recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6172](#) Establishing a County Board Committee to Commemorate Champaign County's 175th Anniversary of Incorporation; seconded by Board Member Moser. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member Betz recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6173](#) Forming the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission of Champaign County; seconded by Board Member Wysocki. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member Betz recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6178](#) Appointing the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission Members from Champaign County; seconded by Board Member Moser. Discussion followed. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member Betz recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6177](#) Evidencing the Intention of the County of Champaign, Illinois to Issue Single Family Mortgage Revenue Bonds and Related Matters; seconded by Board Member Moser. Discussion followed.

Adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Langenheim, McGinty, Melin, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Richards, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Gross, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, and Weibel - 24;

Nays: None.

Board Member Betz recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6179](#) Appointing a Special Committee to Study Changes in the Champaign County Administrator Structure; seconded by Board Member Cowart. Discussion followed. Adopted by voice vote.

FINANCE

Board Member McGinty, Chair, recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6189](#) - Purchases Not Following Purchasing Policy; seconded by Board Member Beckett. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member McGinty recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6190](#) - Payment of Claims; seconded by Board Member Beckett. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member McGinty recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6186](#) - Budget Transfer:

Fund/Dept: 081 Nursing Home - 430 Nursing Services

Total amount of transfer: \$400,000.00

To cover for anticipated line item shortages; seconded by Beckett. Discussion followed.

Adopted by 2/3 required roll call vote.

Yeas: Langenheim, McGinty, Melin, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Richards, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Gross, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, and Weibel - 24;

Nays: None.

Board Member McGinty recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6188](#) Approving Program Change Requests for FY2008; seconded by Board Member Moser. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member McGinty thanked Board Member Tapley for chairing the Finance Committee.

#### HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION

Board Member Cowart, Chair, announced they had no items for Board consideration.

#### ENVIRONMENT & LAND USE

Board Member Wysocki, Chair, recommended the adoption of [Ordinance No. 816](#) Amending Champaign County Public Nuisance Ordinance No. 468; seconded by Board Member Betz. Discussion followed. Board Member Doenitz recommended to send the item back to Committee; seconded by Board Member James. Approved by voice vote. Discussion.

Board Member Wysocki offered the motion to enter into executive session pursuant to 51LCS 120/2 (c) (6) to discuss the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the County Board, further that the following individuals remain present: County's Legal Counsel, John Hall, County Administrators, and Recording Secretary; seconded by Board Member McGinty.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Langenheim, McGinty, Melin, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Richards, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Gross, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, and Weibel - 24;

Nays: None.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 8:02 P.M. The Board reentered into Open Session at 8:09 P.M.

Board Member Wysocki recommend the adoption of [Resolution No. 6191](#) Recommending the Approval of a Contract for the Sale of Property Owned by Champaign County Located at 1101 E. Perkins Road, Urbana, Illinois and Authorization for the Champaign County Board Chair to Execute Said Contract; seconded by Board Member Moser. Discussion followed.

Adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Langenheim, McGinty, Melin, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Richards, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Gross, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, and Weibel - 24;

Nays: None.

### **CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**

Chair Weibel announced the Closed Session Minutes would not be considered at this Meeting.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Discussion. Board Member James recommended the Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes remain Closed; seconded by Board Member Beckett. Approved by voice vote.

Board Member Gross offered the motion to enter into executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)2 to consider collective negotiating matters between the County and its employees or their representatives, further moving that the following individuals remain present: County's Legal Counsel, County Administrators, County Engineer, Nursing Home Administrator, and Recording Secretary; seconded by Board Member Wysocki.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Langenheim, McGinty, Melin, Moser, O'Connor, Putman, Richards, Schroeder, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Gross, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, and Weibel - 23;

Nays: None;

Absent: Sapp - 1.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 8:13 P.M. The Board reentered into Open Session at 8:20 P.M.

Chair Weibel announced a five minute break.

Board Member Beckett offered the motion to enter into executive session pursuant to 51LCS 120/2 (c) (11) to consider litigation which is probable or imminent on behalf of Champaign County, further moving that the following individuals remain present: Recording Secretary, County Administrators, County's Legal Counsel, Nursing Home Administrator, Deputy County Administrator of Human Resources, and Mike Downey; seconded by Board Member McGinty.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Langenheim, McGinty, Melin, Moser, Richards, Sapp, Schroeder,  
Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Carter, Cowart, Doenitz, Hunt, James, Jay,  
Jones, Knott, and Weibel - 19;

Nays: O'Connor, Betz, Gross - 3;

Absent: Putman, Gladney - 2.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 8:25 P.M. The Board reentered into Open Session at 9:14 P.M.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business.

**RECESS**

Chair Weibel recessed the Meeting at 9:15 P.M.

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