

RESUME OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
COUNTY BOARD, CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
August 20, 2009

The County Board of Champaign County, Illinois met at a Regular Meeting, Thursday, August 20, 2009 at 7:02 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: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Ammons, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney and Weibel – 26; Absent: McGinty – 1. 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 recited.

**READ NOTICE OF MEETING**

The Clerk read the Notice of the Meeting, said Notice having been published in the *Fisher Outlook* on August 4, 2009; *Southern Champaign County Today* on August 5, 2009; *The Leader* on August 6, 2009; *Mahomet Citizen* and *Rantoul Press* on August 12, 2009; *County Star* and *Savoy Star* on August 13, 2009; and *News Gazette* on August 18, 2009. Board Member Betz offered a motion to approve the notice; seconded by Board Member James. Approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Board Member Betz offered the motion to approve the minutes of the County Board Meeting of July 23, 2009 and Special County Board Meeting of July 23, 2009; seconded by Board Member Carter. Approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM**

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

### **DATE/TIME OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

Chair Weibel announced that the next Meeting of the County Board will be held on Thursday, September 24, 2009 at 7:00 P.M.

### **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Jim and Leslie Liautaud presented the County with a check for \$100,000.00 to complete their \$150,000.00 donation for the Clock & Bell Tower, and announced they will match any funds donated during the month of September up to \$100,000.00.

### **ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 7055 EXPRESSING GRATITUDE TO THE CLOCK & BELL TOWER CITIZENS COMMITTEE AND THE LINCOLN EXHIBITS COMMITTEE**

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7055](#) Expressing Gratitude to the Clock & Bell Tower Citizens Committee and the Lincoln Exhibits Committee; seconded by Board Member Ammons. Discussion followed. Adopted by voice vote.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Chair Weibel announced due to the number of public participation requests, the five minute rule would be enforced. Debbie Clark spoke regarding the Champaign County Nursing Home nurses' policy changes. Pam Jayne spoke regarding the Champaign County Nursing Home nurses' policy changes. Laurel Prussing, City of Urbana Mayor, spoke regarding the Clock & Bell Tower and Resolution No. 7098 placing the question of elimination of the elected office of County Auditor in Champaign County on the November 2010 Election Ballot. Al Klein spoke regarding Resolution No. 7098. John Farney, AFSCME Local 900 Vice President, spoke regarding Resolution No. 7107 Establishing a Policy Regarding Attendance of County Board Members at Labor Management Meetings or Meetings Required Pursuant to Collective Bargaining Agreements and Resolutions 7096, 7097, and 7098 regarding elected versus appointed officials. Tony Fabri, Champaign County Auditor, spoke regarding Resolution No. 7098. Marilyn Lindholm spoke regarding Resolution No. 7098. Amy Stockwell, Macon County Auditor, spoke regarding Resolution No. 7098. Faith Kopmann spoke regarding the Champaign County Nursing Home nurses and Resolution No. 7098. Bill Keck, Kane County Auditor, spoke regarding Resolution No. 7098. Pam Palmer, McHenry County Auditor, spoke regarding Resolution No. 7098. Eva Jehle spoke regarding Resolution No. 7098 and Resolution No. 7107. Rick Faccin, Madison County Auditor, spoke regarding Resolution No. 7098. Nora Stewart, spoke regarding AFSCME Local 900 President, Resolution No. 7107. Barb Frasca, Champaign County Recorder, spoke regarding Resolution No. 7096 to maintain the Office of the Champaign County Recorder as an elected office and to maintain the office separately from

the County Clerk's Office. Markus Barr shared his story on being terminated from Champaign County Nursing Home and concerns about the Nursing Home.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Weibel announced there was a Board Member's survey for changes in County Board Committees being distributed. Board Member Beckett asked Policy, Personnel, & Appointments Committee to place proposed changes to County Board rules to reflect changes to committees on their September agenda. Board Member Wysocki spoke regarding Resolution No. 7099 to adopt the Champaign County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan, and announced the Champaign County Land Resource Management Plan Steering Committee has completed its work and will have a Study Session on September 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. Board Member Kurtz spoke regarding a grant for Liberty Rescue systems that help extricate people from grain silos needed by local fire protection districts, video poker machines which will be on the September's Policy, Personnel, & Appointments Committee, and the University of Illinois ranking. Board Member Knott stated that individual Board Members are not allowed to apply for grants. Board Members Langenheim and Nudo spoke regarding Board Member McGinty's recent surgery.

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

Board Member Richards requested the adoption of Resolution No. 7100 approving the Award of Contract to Alpha Controls & Services, LLC for the replacement of the building automation software system for the Courthouse Complex; be removed from the Consent Agenda.

#### **POLICY, PERSONNEL, & APPOINTMENTS**

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7056](#) appointing Delmar Banner to the Conrad & Fisher Mutual Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7057](#) appointing Paul Berbaum to the Drainage District #2 Town of Scott, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7058](#) appointing Larry Edmen to the Drainage District #10 Town of Ogden, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7059](#) appointing Charles Breen, Jr. to the Fountain Head Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7060](#) appointing Edward Feeney to the Kankakee Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7061](#) appointing Rick Wolken to the Longbranch Mutual Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7062](#) appointing John Nelson to the Nelson-Moore-Fairfield Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7063](#) appointing Gerald Henry to the Okaw Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7064](#) appointing Leonard Stocks to the Owl Creek Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7065](#) appointing Douglas Reinhart to the Pesotum Consolidated Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7066](#) appointing Gary Reynolds to the Prairie Creek Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7067](#) appointing Kevin Wolken to the Raup Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7068](#) appointing Reggie Peters to the Salt Fork Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7069](#) appointing Steve Day to the Sangamon & Drummer Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7070](#) appointing Mervyn Olson to the Silver Creek Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7071](#) appointing Glen Lafenhagen to the South Fork Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7072](#) appointing Lloyd Esry to the St. Joseph #3 Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7073](#) appointing Dale Busboom to the St. Joseph #4 Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7074](#) appointing Charles Prather to the St. Joseph #5 Drainage District and St. Joseph #6 Drainage District, terms ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7075](#) appointing Max Franks to the Union Drainage District #1 of Philo & Crittenden, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7076](#) appointing Ed Decker to the Union Drainage District #1 of Philo & Crittenden, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7077](#) appointing Dan Mills to the Union

Drainage District #2 of St. Joseph & Ogden, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7078](#) appointing Ralph Allen to the Union Drainage District #3 of South Homer & Sidney, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7079](#) appointing Lynn Huls to the Union Drainage District of Stanton & Ogden Townships, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7080](#) appointing Donald Maxwell to the Upper Embarrass River Basin Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7081](#) appointing Charles Steffey to the Willow Branch Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7082](#) appointing Francis Lafenhagen to the Wrisk Drainage District, term ending August 31, 2012.

#### FINANCE

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7090](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #09-00072

Fund: 080 - General Corporate

Dept: 023 - Recorder

Increased Appropriations: \$24,888.00

Increased Revenue: \$24,888.00

Reason: To move money from Recorder Automation Fund to General Corporate Fund to pay salary for clerical position.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7091](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #09-00075

Fund: 081 - Nursing Home

Dept: 410 - Administrative

Increased Appropriations: \$84,048.00

Increased Revenue: \$84,048.00

Reason: Received grants for 2 vans. One was received in April 2009 and the other one is expected in August 2009.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7092](#) approving FY2010 Salary Administration Plan for Non-Bargaining employees.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7093](#) Authorizing the County Board Chair to Assign a Mobile Home Tax Sale Certificate of Purchase, Permanent Parcel Number 02-001-0035.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7094](#) Authorizing the County Board Chair to

Assign a Mobile Home Tax Sale Certificate of Purchase, Permanent Parcel Number 02-001-0031.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7095](#) Authorizing the County Board Chair to Assign a Mobile Home Tax Sale Certificate of Purchase, Permanent Parcel Number 15-025-0396.

#### ENVIRONMENT & LAND USE

Adoption of [Resolution No. 7099](#) to adopt the Champaign County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan.

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

Consent Agenda adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Ammons, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney and Weibel – 26;

Nays: None.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### POLICY, PERSONNEL, & APPOINTMENTS

Board Member Betz, Chair, recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7096](#) to maintain the Office of the Champaign County Recorder as an elected office; seconded by Board Member Moser. Board Member Richards offered a substitute motion to place the question of elimination of the elected offices of County Auditor, County Recorder, and County Coroner in Champaign County on the November 2010 Election Ballot; seconded by Board Member Ammons. Discussion followed. Board Member Betz offered an amendment to the substitute motion to add the word “not”, to *not* place the questions on the ballot; seconded by Board Member Langenheim. Discussion followed. The question was called.

The question was clarified. Chair Weibel asked the Clerk to call the roll.

Amendment to the substitute motion to add the word “not” failed by roll call vote.

Yeas: James, Kurtz, Langenheim, Richards, Smucker, Ammons, Anderson, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Gladney, and Weibel – 12;

Nays: Hunt, Jay, Jones, Kurtz, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Beckett, Bensyl, and Doenitz – 14.

The substitute motion was restated. Board Member Knott offered an amendment to the substitute motion to divide the question; seconded by Board Member Beckett. Discussion followed. The motion to divide the substitute motion was ruled out of order. Board Member Knott offered a substitute motion to the substitute motion to vote separately by office, on

the motion to place the question of elimination of the elected offices of County Auditor, County Recorder, and County Coroner in Champaign County on the November 2010 Election Ballot; seconded by Board Member Jay. The substitute motion to the substitute motion to vote separately by office was ruled out of order. Discussion followed. The question was called. Motion to call the question passed by a show of hands. The question was clarified.

Substitute motion to place the question of elimination of the elected offices on the Ballot failed by roll call vote.

Yeas: Kurtz, Richards, Rosales, Cowart, Gladney and Weibel – 6;

Nays: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Langenheim, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Ammons, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, and Doenitz – 20.

The question was called. Motion to call the question passed by a show of hands. A roll call was requested.

Resolution 7096 adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Langenheim, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Ammons, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Doenitz, Gladney and Weibel – 22;

Nays: Kurtz, Rosales, Wysocki, and Cowart – 4.

Board Member Betz recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7097](#) to maintain the Office of the County Coroner as an elected office; seconded by Board Member Schroeder. Chair Weibel asked the Clerk to call the roll.

Resolution 7097 adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Ammons, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Doenitz, Gladney and Weibel – 23;

Nays: Rosales, Wysocki, and Cowart – 3.

Board Member Betz recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7098](#) placing the question of elimination of the elected office of County Auditor in Champaign County on the November 2010 Election Ballot; seconded by Board Member Knott. Calling of the question denied by Chair Weibel. Discussion followed. Vice-Chair Betz briefly chaired the meeting so Chair Weibel could participate in discussion. Discussion followed. The question was called. Motion to call the question passed by a show of hands. The question was clarified. Chair Weibel asked the Clerk to call the roll.

Resolution 7098 adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Hunt, Jay, Jones, Knott, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Beckett, Bensyl, and Doenitz – 14;

Nays: James, Kurtz, Langenheim, Richards, Smucker, Ammons,

Anderson, Betz, Carter, Cowart, Gladney and Weibel – 12.

Chair Weibel announced a break. After the break Chair Weibel asked if there was any objection to change the order of the Agenda, and announced the Board would act on Highway & Transportation Committee next.

#### HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION

Board Member Carter, Vice Chair, recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7101](#) - Petition requesting and resolution approving appropriation of funds from the County Bridge Fund - Crittenden Road District; seconded by Board Member Jay. Board Member Beckett offered a substitute motion to adopt Resolution No. 7101 - Petition requesting and resolution approving appropriation of funds from the County Bridge Fund - Crittenden Road District, [Resolution No. 7102](#) - Petition requesting and resolution approving appropriation of funds from the County Bridge Fund - Newcomb Road District, [Resolution No. 7103](#) - Petition requesting and resolution approving appropriation of funds from the County Bridge Fund - Pesotum Road District, [Resolution No. 7104](#) - Petition requesting and resolution approving appropriation of funds from the County Bridge Fund - Tolono Road District, and [Resolution No. 7105](#) - Petition requesting and appropriation of funds from the County Bridge Fund Sadorus Road District; seconded by Board Member Doenitz. Substitute motion approved by voice vote. Resolutions adopted by voice vote.

#### LABOR SUB-COMMITTEE

Board Member Smucker recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7107](#) Establishing a Policy Regarding Attendance of County Board Members at Labor Management Meetings or Meetings Required Pursuant to Collective Bargaining Agreements; seconded by Board Member Betz. Discussion followed. The question was called. Motion to call the question passed by a show of hands. A roll call was requested.

Adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Moser, Nudo, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Doenitz, and Weibel – 19;

Nays: Langenheim, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales and Gladney – 5;

Absent: Ammons and Cowart – 2.

Board Member Smucker recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7109](#) Appointing the County Board Members to the Negotiating Teams for Negotiation of Collective Bargaining Agreements; seconded by Board Member James. Discussion followed. Adopted by voice vote.

#### FINANCE

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7083](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #09-00073  
Fund: 075 - Regional Planning Commission  
Dept: 728 - Safe Routes to School - Even Years  
Increased Appropriations: \$25,500.00  
Increased Revenue: \$25,500.00

Reason: New department to accommodate alternating years for federal grant to train and educate school and community audiences about safe routes to school; seconded by Board Member Moser.

Adopted by 2/3 required roll call vote.

Yeas: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Doenitz, Gladney and Weibel – 24;

Absent: Ammons and Cowart – 2.

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7084](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #09-00074  
Fund: 075 - Regional Planning Commission  
Dept: 816 - Residential Opportunity/Supportive Services  
Increased Appropriations: \$50,000.00  
Increased Revenue: \$50,000.00

Reason: To accommodate new Residential Opportunity and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Grant. This program provides supportive services, empowerment, development and aides in activities to becoming economically self-sufficient to public housing residents; seconded by Board Member Moser.

Adopted by 2/3 required roll call vote.

Yeas: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Doenitz, Gladney and Weibel – 24;

Absent: Ammons and Cowart – 2.

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7085](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #09-00076  
Fund: 075 - Regional Planning Commission  
Dept: 818 - Homeless Prevention/Rapid Re-Housing  
Increased Appropriations: \$80,000.00  
Increased Revenue: \$80,000.00

Reason: To accommodate award of Area Homeless Prevention/Rapid Re-Housing Grant. This program provides financial and other assistance to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and helps those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized; seconded by Board Member Betz. Discussion followed.

Adopted by 2/3 required roll call vote.

Yeas: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Doenitz, Gladney and Weibel – 24;  
Absent: Ammons and Cowart – 2.

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7086](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #09-00077  
Fund: 080 - General Corporate  
Dept: 075 - General County  
Increased Appropriations: \$1,000,000.00  
Increased Revenue: \$1,000,000.00

Reason: Revenue settlement from Farnsworth Group, Inc. for HVAC litigation. Proceeds being used to offset expenditure of \$1,000,000.00 of the \$1.3 million Nursing Home loan; seconded by Board Member Moser. Discussion followed.

Adopted by 2/3 required roll call vote.

Yeas: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Doenitz, Gladney and Weibel – 23;

Nays: Richards – 1;

Absent: Ammons and Cowart – 2.

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7087](#) - Adopting the IMRF rate for 2010; seconded by Board Member Jones. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7088](#) - Purchases Not Following Purchasing Policy; seconded by Board Member Moser. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member Wysocki recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7089](#) - Payment of Claims Authorization; seconded by Board Member Schroeder. Adopted by voice vote.

#### ENVIRONMENT & LAND USE

Board Member Wysocki, Chair, announced the committee had no items for board action.

#### COUNTY FACILITIES

Board Member Beckett recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7100](#) approving the Award of Contract to Alpha Controls & Services, LLC for the replacement of the building automation software system for the Courthouse Complex; seconded by Board Member James. Discussion followed. Adopted by voice vote.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Board Member Beckett recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7106](#) approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Champaign County Board and AFSCME Council 31; seconded by Board Member Betz. Discussion followed. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member Beckett recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 7108](#) Appropriating \$170,872.00 from the Champaign County Nursing Home Construction Fund for Invoices from Phebus & Koester; seconded by Board Member Betz. Adopted by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**

Board Member Beckett recommended the approval of the Closed Session Minutes of July 23, 2009 - 6:18 P.M. and July 23, 2009 - 8:36 P.M.; seconded by Board Member Wysocki. Approved by voice vote.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Board Member Beckett recommended that the Board enter into executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1 to consider employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body; further moving that the following individuals remain present: County Elected Officials, County Appointed Officials and Department Heads, County Administrator, County's Legal Counsel, and Recording Secretary; seconded by Board Member Wysocki.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, Moser, Nudo, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Carter, Doenitz, Gladney and Weibel – 23;

Nays: O'Connor – 1;

Absent: Ammons and Cowart – 2.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 10:20 P.M. The Board reentered Open Session at 10:46 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Weibel adjourned the meeting at 10:47 P.M.

*Mark Shelden*

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