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MINUTES

SANGAMON COUNTY BOARD

AUGUST 11, 2009

The Sangamon County Board met in Reconvened Adjourned September Session on August 11, 2009 in the County Board Chambers. Chairman VanMeter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Montalbano gave the Invocation, and Mr. O'Neill led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Chairman VanMeter asked the Clerk to call the roll. There were 24 Present – 4 Absent. Mr. Forsyth, Mr. Hall, Mr. Moore, and Mr. Tjelmeland were excused.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

Chairman VanMeter asked for a roll call vote on the appointment of Timothy Schweska to fill the position of County Board Member District 18. Upon a roll call vote, there were 23 Yeas – 0 Nays.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Mrs. Long, seconded by Mrs. Turner, for approval of the minutes of July 14, 2009 and July 28, 2009. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
MINUTES ADOPTED

CORRESPONDENCE

A motion was made by Mrs. Turner, seconded by Mrs. Long, to place correspondence on file with the County Clerk. A voice vote was unanimous. There was no correspondence to file.

RESOLUTION 1

1. Resolution approving the low bid for a bridge replacement on Wesley Chapel Road in Curran.

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Fraase, to place Resolution 1 on the floor. Upon a roll call vote, there were 24 Yeas – 0 Nays for the adoption of Resolution 1.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 2

2. Resolution approving a letter of intent with I.D.O.T. for transferring property rights.

A motion was made by Mr. Montalbano, seconded by Mr. Moss, to place Resolution 2 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Goleman, seconded by Mrs. Musgrave, that the roll call vote for Resolution 1 stand as the roll call vote for Resolution 2. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 3

3. 2009-36 – Randy & Susan Fulks, 5741 Wagon Ford Road, Chatham – Granting a Use Variance. County Board Member – Tom Fraase, District #1.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mrs. Fulgenzi, to place Resolution 3 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Goleman to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections.

A motion was made by Mr. Fraase, seconded by Mrs. Long, to amend Resolution 3. Mr. Fraase stated that it should be amended to state "there will be no outside signs advertising the business."

A voice vote was unanimous on the amendment. Mr. Fraase asked if the business could go with the property if it is sold. Jim Grohne, Assistant State's Attorney, explained that the use variance goes with the owner of the business.

A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 3, as amended.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 4

4. 2009-37 – Carl O. Moore, 3475 N. Oak Hill Road, Rochester – Granting a Variance. County Board Member – Sarah Musgrave, District #9.

A motion was made by Mr. Snell, seconded by Mr. Sullivan, to place Resolution 4 on the floor. A motion was made by Mr. Goleman to waive the reading of the professional staff's report. There were no objections. A voice vote carried for the adoption of Resolution 4. Mrs. Musgrave voted present.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 5

5. Resolution setting forth budget policies for the preparation of the FY2010 Sangamon County Budget.

A motion was made by Mr. Goleman, seconded by Mr. Bunch, to place Resolution 5 on the floor. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 5.

MOTION CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

RESOLUTION 6

6. Resolution authorizing Sangamon County to participate in the Joint Purchasing Program.

A motion was made by Mr. Goleman, seconded by Mrs. Turner, to place Resolution 6 on the floor. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 6.

MOTION CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

WAIVER OF TEN-DAY FILING PERIOD

A motion was made by Mrs. Turner, seconded by Mrs. Long, to waive the ten-day filing period. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
TEN DAY FILING PERIOD WAIVED

RESOLUTION 7

7. Resolution recognizing Workforce Development Week in the State of Illinois.

A motion was made by Mr. Moss, seconded by Mr. Davsko, to place Resolution 7 on the floor. A voice vote was unanimous for the adoption of Resolution 7.

MOTIONS CARRIED
RESOLUTION ADOPTED

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Bunch discussed a noise issue in Woodside Township that he and the County Sheriff have been dealing with. There are an awful lot of people with loud stereos in their cars, and a lot of noise in the bars where there is outdoor music. The neighbors have really been upset with the amount of noise. He has discussed with the Sheriff the possibility of the County Board initiating an ordinance to prevent the loud music and to issue violations for such. The Sheriff has found some laws they may be able to implement to help with this.

Sheriff Williamson explained that the deputies can enforce this through the Sound Amplification System Law under the Illinois Vehicle Code. This is a \$75 ticket that could be issued. The problem is that it is very hard to enforce because by the time you get to the person who has the music turned up loud, they have already turned it off. He assured them he will make sure the deputies enforce this and issue the tickets. There are three bars in this area that seem to be the offenders. With the Smoking Ban in effect, people are going outside to the patios where they can play the music until 10:00 p.m. Sometimes 8:00 or 9:00 p.m. can be too late. If they are not good neighbors and do not want to cooperate they can and will play until 10:00 p.m. They can be asked to turn it down, and they may or may not do that.

Mr. Bunch explained that the neighbors indicated they would be okay with it if they would just turn it down. Usually you can hear the music from a block to a block and a half away. We just need to do some type of ordinance to help the people in this area.

Mrs. Dillman stated that part of the problem is that this is a very residential area. She agreed it would be good to have some sort of ordinance to give them a remedy for this problem.

Mr. Bunch stated that they have called the County Liquor Inspector to go out and try to do something about this, but could not get in touch with him to do so.

Jim Grohne, Assistant State's Attorney, stated that he does not know the full extent of the County's authority to regulate noise, but he will research it to find out, and will have the information by the next meeting. Mr. Bunch stated that he hopes they will be able to enforce this in the entire County and not just Woodside Township.

Chairman VanMeter asked Mr. Bunch and Mrs. Dillman to get together with Jim Grohne to work up a resolution for this issue.

Mr. Fulgenzi stated that he believes the liquor committee had an issue like this before, and it was an E.P.A. based ordinance.

Mr. Bunch stated that they would work on this to bring up at the next meeting.

Chairman VanMeter asked the Employee Services Committee consisting of Mr. Stephens, Mr. Krell, Mr. Fulgenzi, Mr. Preckwinkle, Mr. Schweska, and Mrs. Douglas Williams, to conduct a thorough review of the County's policy or lack of policy on charitable contributions.

Chairman VanMeter stated that the Board has received a list of appointments for consideration at next month's meeting.

REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS, REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES, REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Josh Langfelder, Sangamon County Recorder, addressed the Board to give a presentation regarding changes in his office. Mr. Langfelder stated that Janet Compton, Deputy Recorder, was also present to assist with the presentation.

Mr. Langfelder gave a slide show presentation to show the Board the changes he has made in his office and to their web site. He explained that they have made some changes to prevent identity theft because of a new law that was passed. They also have started using a notification service to help against property fraud. Individuals can sign up through Email or can come into the office to sign a form. This notifies an individual anytime a document has been recorded under their name. If a lien is filed, they would be notified. This is a free service to the County, and is a good opportunity for someone to monitor their property. The new web site was kicked off last week, and is very user friendly. It gives more information than was out there previously. The site gives information about everything the Recorder's Office does, gives people the opportunity to sign up for various programs available, gives fee schedules, frequently asked questions, and there is a place for copy requests. The copy requests can be submitted by Email, which prevents walk in traffic. This service will be a great asset to the office. The web site is very user friendly, easy to navigate, and professional looking.

Mr. Langfelder invited the County Board members to his office any time to look around. More enhancements are still to come, so there will be more projects they need to work on.

Mr. Stumpf asked about security for the web site. Mr. Langfelder stated that they go through Information Systems, but it is housed at LRS.

Chairman VanMeter announced that Mr. Moss' special committee will be making a report by the next meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORT ON CLAIMS

A motion was made by Mrs. Long, seconded by Mrs. Turner, to place the Committee Report on Claims on file with the County Clerk. A voice vote was unanimous.

**MOTION CARRIED
REPORT FILED**

Chairman VanMeter announced that there will be two meetings tomorrow evening sponsored by The Chamber. One of the meetings is dealing with the Chamber's activities throughout the community, and the second is a meeting with leaders of the East Side community to discuss railroad relocation. Mr. VanMeter encouraged members of the Board to attend both meetings.

RECESS

A motion was made by Mrs. Turner, seconded by Mrs. Long, to recess the meeting to September 8, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. A voice vote was unanimous.

**MOTION CARRIED
MEETING RECESSED**