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STATE OF ILLINOIS }  
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Minutes of Proceedings  
Crawford County Board  
Thursday, January 11, 2007

The members of the Crawford County Board met in regular session Thursday, January 11, 2007. Chairman Joe Bliss called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was given by all.

Upon roll call David Fulling, John Sutfin, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Joe Bliss, Bob Tuttle, Charles Rains, Ron Veenstra and Jerry Ping were present. Tom Titsworth was absent.

Don Richart made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2006 Truth in Taxation hearing. Alyce Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Ron Veenstra made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2006 County Board meeting. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve claims. Charles Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see claims 6-54)

Officer reports were given by Sheriff-Todd Liston, Treasurer-Doris Tracy, Superintendent of Highways-Justin Childress, Supervisor of Assessments-Betty Bailey, State's Attorney-Tom Wiseman, Public Defender-Matt Hartrich, Circuit Clerk-Denise Utterback, and Coroner-Earl Deckard.

Ron Veenstra made a motion that \$7500 of interest income from CCDA loans be paid to the County General Fund for expenses incurred on behalf of CCDA. Jerry Ping seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Alyce Mullins made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. David Fulling seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see reports 55-58)

Betty Bailey, Supervisor of Assessments presented an update on the FARMS project and also wanted a disclaimer added to her website. (see reports 59-63)

Public Defender Matt Hartrich presented information to the Board regarding the possibility of the Public Defender becoming a county employee.

Jerry Ping made a motion that the issue of the Public Defender becoming a county employee be tabled for 30 days and that the salary committee make a recommendation regarding the same. Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Chairman Joe Bliss informed the Board that Circuit Judge Chris Weber would soon be appointing a Conflict Public Defender. Salary will be set after the appointment is made.

Denise Utterback, Circuit Clerk presented her annual report. (see report 64-65)

Ron Veenstra made a motion to approve a loan to Chasity and Jason Bogard (Alluring Salon) for a new business in the amount of \$20,000 for a 10 year term at 4% interest. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see letter 66)

Bob Berty presented a report from the Greater Wabash Regional Planning Commission explaining their services. (see report 67-71)

Charlie Rains made a motion to table the Resolution of Support and Commitment of Funds in the amount of \$6,389.00 to the Greater Wabash Regional Planning Commission. David Fulling seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see Resolution & Commitment of Funds 72-74)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to leave the reimbursement for mileage at 44.5 cents per mile. Charles Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Bob Tuttle made a motion to pay \$750.00 to the United Counties Council of Illinois. Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see letter 75-76)

Break at 7:20 p.m.

Reconvened at 7:37 p.m.

Bob Tuttle made a motion that the Probation Claim from Jefferson County in the amount of \$67,427 not be paid. Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see claim 77)

Ron Veenstra made a motion to appoint Jerry Devonshire as member-at-large to the Crawford County Development Association. Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see appointment 78-79)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to appoint Robin Guyer as member-at-large to the Crawford County Development Association. Alyce Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see appointment 80-81)

Don Richart made a motion to appoint Don Annis as member-at-large (to replace Clarence Schutte) to the Crawford County Development Association. John Sutfin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see appointment 82-83)

David Fulling made a motion to approve Rick Catt-President, Jerry Tye-Vice-President, Steve McGahey-Secretary/Treasurer as the Slate of Officers for the Crawford County Development Association. Jerry Ping seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see approval 84-85)

Dr John Trimble reported that Kathy Chamblin and Stephanie Tracy both declined the position of Assistant Animal Control wardens and submitted the following. (see letter 86)

Names submitted for appointment as Assistant Animal Control Wardens:

1. Laronda Brush
2. Daniel Cavin

Ron Veenstra made a motion to go into closed session to discuss collective bargaining between a public body and its employees. Charlie Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

CLOSED SESSION AT 7:50 PM.

Alyce Mullins made a motion to return to open session. Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 8:40 PM

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Charlie Rains reported that the Solid Waste Committee had met.

Don Richart reported that the Ambulance Committee needs to meet and that ESDA had met.

Ron Veenstra asked for copies of the quarterly financials from United Life Care when they were made available.

David Fulling reported that CIRMA (the new insurance carrier) will be providing 10 year back coverage. Also, premiums will be reduced by approximately \$1000 with the transfer of the probation employees from our payroll.

David Fulling reported that the Building & Grounds Committee is looking at other possibilities for long distance carriers and that Kermit Green has begun the process of installing the new vault in the basement of the Annex.

David Fulling reported that CIRMA will be sending a representative to train County Officials on the process for submitting claims. The training will be held on January 25, 2007, at 9:00 a.m.

Jerry Ping made a motion to call upon the clerk to issue mileage and per diem. Bob Tuttle seconded. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Ron Veenstra made a motion to adjourn. Alyce Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with an "aye" vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

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PATRICIA LYCAN  
Clerk of the Crawford County Board