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June 14, 2007

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STATE OF ILLINOIS }
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD}

Minutes of Proceedings "1 of 4"
Crawford County Board
Thursday, June 14, 2007

The members of the Crawford County Board met in regular session Thursday, June 14, 2007. Chairman Joe Bliss called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all.

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

Tom Titsworth made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2007 County Board meeting. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Don Richart made a motion to approve the claims. Jerry Ping seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Claims p.493-558)

Officer reports were given by Treasurer- Doris Tracy, Circuit Clerk- Denise Utterback, Supervisor of Assessments-Betty Bailey, Public Defender-Matt Hartrich, State's Attorney- Tom Wiseman, County Engineer Secretary-Valarie Dunlap, County Clerk-Patty Lycan, and Sheriff Todd Liston.

Alyce Mullins made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Charlie Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Report p.559-561)

Betty Bailey reported on the Board of Review Hearings. (Report p.562-571)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the **Engineering Agreement 05-02115-00-BR** Resolution for bridge work in Hutsonville Township. Alyce Mullins seconded the motion. Alyce Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Agreement p.572-576)

Alyce Mullins made a motion to approve the **Engineering Agreement 05-07129-00-BR** Resolution. for bridge work in Oblong Township. Tom Titsworth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Agreement 577-581)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the Right of Way Easement regarding Oblong Water. Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Easement 582-583)

Tom Titsworth made a motion to approve a contract with Chase Environmental Group for services to remove underground storage tanks. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Contract 584-585)

Tom Titsworth made a motion to approve the Bid Approval and Agreement with Chase Environmental Group, Inc. in the amount of \$10,000 for the Underground Storage Tank Closure. Alyce Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Agreement 589-587)

Sheriff Liston and Von Meeks explained Reverse 911 to the Board.

Don Richart made a motion to approve the **Prevailing Wage Ordinance 2007-O-01**. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Ordinance 588-594)

Ron Veenstra made a motion to allow the County Clerk to use Election AccuVote Tabulators for election to be held in December for Local Union 157. Charlie Rains seconded the motion. Upon roll call, John Sutfin, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Joe Bliss, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle, Charlie Rains, Ron Veenstra and Jerry Ping voted "aye". David Fulling voted "nay". Motion carried with "9ayes" and "1 nay".

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the **Resolution 2007-R-05 on Wilt Oil & Gas Lease and the Ratification of Lease with Western Land Services, Inc.** Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Resolution and Ratification 595-597)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the **Resolution 2007-R-06 on Buco Service Ltd. Oil & Gas Lease**. Charlie Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Resolution and Lease 598-604)

Hank Graves addressed the Board regarding the Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force and expressed his thanks for the efforts of Crawford County law enforcement during his tenure. He informed the board that Crawford County had the highest percentage per capita of drug offenders in prison. Upon his retirement, Crawford County will no longer have an officer on the Task Force.

Ron Veenstra made a motion to hire the same attorney from the State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor's Office that the county is using for FOP negotiations, if it is necessary to hire one for highway department labor negotiations. David Fulling seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Ron Legg, representing Community Unit #2, addressed the board regarding Stuart Witt and their efforts regarding the Marathon assessment. The proposal with Stuart Whitt will be placed on the agenda for the July meeting.

David Fulling made a motion to approve **Resolution 2007-R-04 for the Support of Lawrence County's Route 50 Expansion**. Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Resolution 605)

Ron Veenstra made a motion to appoint Barbara Webster (to replace Ron Veenstra) to the Greater Wabash Regional Planning Commission. Charlie Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Appointment 606-608)

Break at 7:20 p.m.

Reconvened at 7:35 p.m.

Tom Titsworth made a motion to go into closed session to discuss collective bargaining between a public body and its employees and possible litigation, pending litigation and probable litigation. Charlie Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

CLOSED SESSION AT 7:36 P.M.

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

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 8:03 PM

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Charlie Rains reported that he, Alyce Mullins and Jerry Ping attended the EMA meeting.

Tom Titsworth reported that the airport will be closed during their widening project. The Senate and House passed a bill making entire counties the taxing body for their airports. This affects Crawford County and Peoria County. It should be signed by the governor.

The Smoking bill has not yet been signed by the Governor.

The Quarterly Budget meeting will be held on July 19, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Joe Bliss reported that he had received a letter from Pump Repair Specialists inviting the Board to an open house on Friday, June 22, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Don Richart reported that there are some issues regarding the Ambulance and their insurance that will need to be addressed. He asked the Board to review their contract which will be up for renewal in November. Don asked that the Board be provided with a copy of the original contract and all the addendums.

David Fulling reported that Hutsonville would like to install bathrooms at the boat ramp. The Greater Wabash Regional Planning Committee has a grant that would pay for construction. They have asked the County to apply for the grant since the County owns the boat ramp and the land surrounding it. However, the County would be responsible for maintaining the same.

David Fulling made a motion for the County to apply for a grant to install bathrooms at the boat ramp in Hutsonville if the Village of Hutsonville agrees to fully maintain the same. Tom Titsworth seconded the motion. Upon roll call, David Fulling, John Sutfin, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Joe Bliss, Tom Titsworth, Ron Veenstra and Bob Tuttle voted "aye". Charlie Rains and Jerry Ping voted "nay". Motion carried with "8 ayes" and "2 nays".

David reported that Palestine has voted to pay their share of the dues for the Greater Wabash Regional Planning Commission.

David reported that John Sutfin had been working on the phone situation. They should have a recommendation at the next meeting.

Patty Lycan asked if old computers could be sold to employees.

Joe Bliss reported that he had a copy of the audit from the Regional Office of Education.

The United Counties Council of Illinois will be having their annual meeting on July 24th in Galena.

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

Tom Titsworth made a motion to adjourn. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously with an "aye" vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

PATRICIA LYCAN
Clerk of the Crawford County Board