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STATE OF ILLINOIS }
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD }

Minutes of Proceedings
Crawford County Board
Thursday, March 15, 2007

The members of the Crawford County Board met in regular session Thursday, March 15, 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, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle, Charles Rains, Ron Veenstra and Jerry Ping were present.

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2007 County Board meeting (with David Fulling noting that the entire Insurance Committee is checking on health insurance). Tom Titsworth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Tom Titsworth made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2007 closed session meeting Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Don Richart made a motion to approve claims. David Fulling seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see claims 192-252)

Officers' reports were given by Sheriff-Todd Liston, Treasurer-Doris Tracy, Supervisor of Assessments-Betty Bailey, State's Attorney-Tom Wiseman, Public Defender-Matt Hartrich, Superintendent of Highways-Justin Childress, Probation Officer-Lori Hetzler, Chief Probation Officer-Joe Miller, County Clerk-Patty Lycan, Bob Berty-CCDA representative, Heath Department Administrator-Darla Tracy.

Don Richart read a note from Lois Ulrey commending the efforts of Sheriff Todd Liston and the Sheriff's department in the search for her husband.

Alyce Mullins made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Charles Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see reports 253-255)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to table the Resolution to purchase an International dump truck for the County Highway Department for 30 days. Ron Veenstra seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Joseph Miller, Chief Probation Officer requested the disbursement of probation fund fees in the amount of \$67,427. Joe and the Chief Judge are going to meet with the Richland County State's Attorney in regard to the \$9,765.51 that Richland County still owes Crawford County for payroll. (see report 256-257)

Darla Tracy presented the 13th Annual Report for the Crawford County Health Department. (see report 258-263)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the CCDA Revolving loan to Bob's Fairway Foods Inc/Matthew and Sarah Gabriel in the amount of \$195,000 (amount to include payoff of existing County loan) for 10 years @ 4% interest. Tom Titsworth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see letter 264)

Ron Veenstra made a motion to approve the CCDA Revolving loan to Shickalick, Inc/Vince Mickey and William Shick in the amount of \$50,000 for 7 years @ 4% interest. John Sutfin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see letter 264)

Ron Veenstra made a motion to approve the **Resolution on Part-Time Status of Public Defender** as county employee effective April 1, 2007 at a salary of \$50,000. Charles Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see Resolution 265-266)

Tom Wiseman, State's Attorney reported Judge Weber recommended the appointment of Michael Correll as Conflict Public Defender subject to the approval of the Judges of the 2nd Judicial Circuit effective 4/1/07.

Tom Titsworth made a motion to enter into an **Agreement** with Michael Correll as Conflict Public Defender pending approval of the Circuit Court Judges. Ron Veenstra seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see Agreement 267-270)

Angela Wenthe representative from the American Cancer Society spoke on the benefits of the Clean Air Act.

Tom Titsworth made a motion to table the Clean Air Act Ordinance for 30 days for further research. Don Richart seconded the motion. Upon roll call David Fulling, John Sutfin, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Joe Bliss, Tom Titsworth, Charles Rains, Ron Veenstra and Jerry Ping voted "aye". Bob Tuttle voted "nay". Motion carried with 9 "aye" and 1 "nay".

BREAK AT 7:40 PM

RETURN FROM BREAK AT 7:55 PM

Jerry Ping made a motion to re-appoint Fritz Wheeler as Member to the 708 Board. Tom Titsworth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.(see appointment 271-273)

Bob Tuttle made a motion to re-appoint Coanne Love as Member to the 708 Board. Ron Veenstra seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.(see appointment 274-276)

Ron Veenstra made a motion to re-appoint Larry L. Whitcomb as Trustee to the Robinson Township Fire Protection Board for a 3-year term (May 1, 2007-May 1, 2010). Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see appointment 277-279)

Alyce Mullins made a motion to re-appoint R. J. Rains as Trustee to the Eaton Water District Board for a 5-year term (May 1, 2007 – May 1, 2012). Tom Titsworth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (see appointment 280-282)

Name submitted for re-appointment to the Prairie-Licking Fire Protection District Board:

1. Dennis Guyer - 3 year term (May 1, 2007 – May 1, 2010) (see 283)

Name submitted for re-appointment to the Flat Rock Area Fire Protection District Board:

1. Garry L. Branson - 3 year term (May 1, 2007 – May 1, 2010) (see 284)

Name submitted for re-appointment to the Oblong Township Fire Protection District Board:

1. Dean Dart - 3 year term (May 1, 2007 – May 1, 2010) (see 285)

Name submitted for re-appointment to the Lamotte Township Fire Protection District Board:

1. John Gerald Russell - 3 year term (May 1, 2007 – May 1, 2010) (see 286-287)

Name submitted for appointment to the Board of Review to replace Donavea Swaner:

1. No name submitted.

Ron Veenstra 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. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

CLOSED SESSION AT 8:00 pm.

Tom Titsworth made a motion to return to open session. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 8:55 PM

Tom Titworth made a motion to authorize Betty Bailey to release information to First American Real Estate Solutions with Devnet to electronically transfer data at actual cost to the County. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Upon roll call John Sutfin, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Joe Bliss, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle and Jerry Ping answered “aye”. David Fulling, Charles Rains and Ron Veenstra answered “nay”. Motion carried "7 ayes" and "3 nays".

Ron Veenstra made a motion to employ Jack Knuppel from the Illinois State Appellate Prosecutor's office to represent Crawford County during arbitration process with IL FOP and fees to be paid from the County's contingencies fund. Jerry Ping seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Ron Veenstra made a motion that the County Board authorize the CCDA revolving loan committee to spend up to \$250 to entertain an attorney regarding the Glenda Girten bankruptcy to be paid by the Revolving Loan fund if applicable. Tom Titsworth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jerry Ping reported that Reverse 911 passed.

Tom Titsworth reported speaking with the Mayor of Robinson regarding the Animal Control Agreement.

Tom Titsworth reported that a Quarterly Finance meeting was scheduled for March 29th @ 6:00 pm with officers to be present. Reports are to include last years' year end and the first quarter of 2006-2007 fiscal year.

Don Richart reported that the Emergency Management Agency needs more outlets, desks, etc to become more organized and would like to obtain estimates to build cubicles etc.

David Fulling reported that they are sending out a questionnaire regarding the telephones in each office.

David Fulling asked about still paying for the bottled water after the water fountain had been installed.

David Fulling reported that RIDES will be holding a meeting and are interested in renting space at the Commercium.

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

PATRICIA LYCAN
Clerk of the Crawford County Board