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November 15, 2007

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STATE OF ILLINOIS }
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD }

Minutes of Proceedings "1 of 4"
Crawford County Board
Thursday November 15, 2007

The members of the Crawford County Board met in regular session Thursday, November 15, 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, Charles Rains, and Ron Veenstra were present.

Tom Titsworth made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2007 County Board meeting. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the claims. Charles Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Claims 1128-1185)

Jerry Ping joined the meeting at 6:07p.m.

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

Supervisor of Assessments Betty Bailey distributed a written report. (Report 1186)

Ron Veenstra made a motion that \$7500 be transferred from the Revolving Loan Fund to the General Fund as reimbursement for administrative fees for the 4th quarter of the fiscal year. Jerry Ping seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Alyce Mullins made a motion to approve the treasurer's report as presented. John Sutfin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Reports 1187-1189)

All claims to be processed for fiscal year 2007 must be received by the County Clerk's Office by noon on Wednesday, November 28, 2007.

Don Richart made a motion to approve the CMS 2008 Holiday Schedule. Alyce Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Schedule 1190)

Ron Veenstra made a motion to move CountyBoard Meetings to the third Thursday of the month beginning January 2008. Charles Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

David Fulling made a motion to approve direct deposit for payroll. Participation in the program would be **voluntary** and at **no cost to the County or employee**. John Sutfin seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Letter 1191-1196)

John Swearingen of Marathon Petroleum read a prepared statement to the Board regarding the 2007 property tax assessment for Marathon Petroleum. (Letter 1197-1198)

David Fulling made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2007 closed session meeting. Don Richart seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Ron Veenstra made a motion that the Board acknowledges receipt of the FOP Labor Contract, forward it to the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council in Springfield, Illinois, and authorize the County Clerk to process back pay. Jerry Ping seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Contract 1199-1239)

John Sutfin made a motion to reappoint Bob Bowen to the Crawford County Health Board for a 3-year term. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Re-appointment 1240-1241)

Tom Titsworth made a motion to re-appoint Susan Inboden to the Crawford County Health Board for a 3-year term. Alyce Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Re-appointment 1242-1243)

Names submitted for reappointment to the Crawford Memorial Hospital Board for a 3-year term effective 1-6-2008 were Judy Adams, Robert Kirk and Jim Kincaid.

Name submitted for reappointment to the Silas & Ruth Claypool Foundation is Allen Price.

Names submitted for appointment to the Crawford County Airport Authority Board were Dr. John Trimble, Bob York, David Diffenderfer, Diane Parham, Greg Parrott, Greg Nye, and David Shaw. (Only 4 names to be appointed)

Meeting was recessed at 7:07p.m.

Meeting was reconvened at 7:24p.m.

Bob Tuttle made a motion to approve the **2007-2008 Budget**. David Fulling seconded the motion. Upon roll call David Fulling, John Sutfin, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Joe Bliss, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle, Charles Rains and Jerry Ping voted “aye” Ron Veenstra voted “nay”. Motion carried with 9 “ayes” and 1 “nay”. (Budget 1244-1270)

David Fulling made a motion to approve the **2007-2008 Appropriation**. Alyce Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Ordinance 1271-1295)

Ron Veenstra made a motion to approve the **2007-2008 Tax Levy Ordinance 2007-O-02**. Charles Rains seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call. (Levy 1296-1298)

David Fulling made a motion to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

CLOSED SESSION AT 7:47 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 8:20 p.m.

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

Tom Titsworth made a motion that the State's Attorney negotiate a settlement with St. Paul Insurance regarding a pending lawsuit. Said settlement is not to exceed \$5000. Bob Tuttle seconded the motion. Upon roll call John Sutfin, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Joe Bliss, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle and Ron Veenstra voted "aye". David Fulling, Charles Rains and Jerry Ping voted "nay". Motion carried with 7 "ayes" and 3 "nays".

Ron Veenstra made a motion that the new contract with Stuart Whitt be rejected, the County withdraw from the current contract as soon as possible, the State's Attorney notify the other taxing bodies in writing of this decision and that the County will not participate in an appraisal of the refinery at this time. Tom Titsworth seconded the motion. Upon roll call Don Richart, Joe Bliss, Tom Titsworth, Ron Veenstra, and Jerry Ping voted "aye". David Fulling, John Sutfin, Bob Tuttle, and Charles Rains voted "nay". Alyce Mullins "abstained". Motion carried with 5 "ayes", 4 "nays", and 1 "abstention".

Ron Veenstra, County Board Member, left the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Charles Rains reported that he had attended a Greater Wabash Regional Planning Commission meeting.

Tom Titsworth reported that the airport had accepted a bid for a new hanger. They also held an Open House that was well attended. Tom also reported all the computers are up to date for Devnet requirements.

Don Richart reported that the Ambulance Committee will be meeting with representatives of Unite Life Ambulance Service regarding a new contract. EMS is continually training and moving ahead in many ways. He has also attended a meeting of the Hospital Board.

Alyce Mullins asked that her picture be added to the group photo of the Board Members in the Courthouse.

John Sutfin reported that he had attended a 708 Board Meeting.

Alyce Mullins made a motion that the County discontinues paying for bottled water in all County Buildings. Jerry Ping seconded the motion. Upon roll call David Fulling, John Sutfin, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle and Jerry Ping voted "aye". Joe Bliss and Charles Rains voted "nay". Motion carried with 7 "ayes" and 2 "nays".

Bob Tuttle made a motion that all County offices close on Christmas Eve and that there be no County Christmas Dinner this year. John Sutfin seconded the motion. Upon roll call David Fulling, John Sutfin, Alyce Mullins, Don Richart, Joe Bliss, Tom Titsworth, Bob Tuttle, and Jerry Ping voted "aye". Charles Rains voted "nay". Motion carried with 8 "ayes" and 1 "nay".

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

PATRICIA LYCAN
Clerk of the Crawford County Board