

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MASON COUNTY BOARD

State of IL)
)s.s.
County of Mason)

Proceedings of a meeting of the County Board of Mason County, a meeting begun and held at the courthouse in Havana on Tuesday, October 11, 2011. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman James Griffin. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited. Roll call was taken with the following members present: JAMES GRIFFIN, ELDON GARLISCH, DOROTHY KREILING, JAMES MILLER, DALE OSING, WILLIAM PARSLEY, and KENNETH WALKER, seven present, one absent, ROBERT HARRIS being that one absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Garlisch made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Miller. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Osing made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Seconded by Garlisch. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2011-46 APPROPRIATING MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS FOR THE SALARY OF THE COUNTY ENGINEER

The board then considered Resolution 2011-46, appropriating motor fuel tax funds for the County Engineer salary (see board file for resolution). It was noted that the salary had been previously approved in the engineers contract and this action was merely appropriating the funds. After brief discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Walker made a motion to approve Resolution 2011-46. Seconded by Miller. Motion carried on unanimous roll call vote.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board then considered the consent agenda as follows:

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REPORTS:

- 1. September report of County Clerk
- 2. September report of Treasurer

APPOINTMENTS BY CHAIRMAN:

- 1. Don Osborn, Jr. - Trustee - Imperial Valley Water Authority - exp. 12/14

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RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution 2011-45 Tax Trustee Deed to Colleen Wolters-Parcel 011-1872000

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

(see board file for matters pertaining to the consent agenda)

MOTION: Kreiling made a motion to approve the consent agenda.
Seconded by Parsley. Motion carried.

REPORT OF ZONING OFFICE

A written report of zoning activity during the month of September was reviewed by the Board. County Clerk Blessman also reported on clean up enforcement efforts which have been undertaken in the Maple Crest Subdivision; on the municipal meeting to be held in Manito on Wednesday November 2; on the flood plain situation taking place in Mason City; and tentative financial settlement with the insurance provider on the 2009 fire loss of the highway department.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Garlisch reported that the efforts for public transportation in the county continue to move forward.

Mr. Osing reported for the Finance Committee that the committee would meet Tuesday October 18th and October 25th to begin reviewing the 2012 budget.

Mrs. Kreiling reported that the ETSB was undertaking plans to upgrade the communication equipment which dispatch fire districts and that the ETSB will pay for half of the jail phone system.

Mr. Miller reported for the Planning Committee on the need for parking lot lights and has referred them to the building and grounds committee.

Mr. Parsley reported for the Building and Grounds Committee that a tree stump has been removed from the courtyard.

County Engineer Pedigo reported for the Road and Bridge Committee the bridge CHI9 project is underway.

Mr. Walker reported for the Legislative Committee on the ROE. Legislation was proposed for the county to bear additional costs for the operation.

Mr. Griffin spoke about an educational meeting to be held at the Lincoln Presidential Library in Springfield for board members.

Mr. Garlisch spoke about the open house at Head Start that is to be held.

RESOLUTION 2011-47 AUTHORIZING COURTHOUSE PHONE SYSTEM

The board then considered Resolution 2011-47 authorizing the purchase of a new phone system for the courthouse. It was explained that the existing phone system has become obsolete and that a new phone system needs to be provided in order to continue operations of the offices. County Clerk Blessman reviewed the proposal from CenturyLink. He noted the benefits of procuring the system from the phone company, such as continuity of service, and that the cost was not to exceed \$18,000. (see board file for resolution) After brief discussion, the following motion was made:

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MOTION: Walker made a motion to approve Resolution 2011-47. Seconded by Garlisch. Motion carried.

USE OF COURTYARD FOR COURTYARD OF LIGHTS DISPLAY

The board then discussed the request by the Havana Chamber of Commerce to use the courtyard for the Courtyard of Lights during the months of November and December.

MOTION: Garlisch made a motion to approve the use of the courtyard for the Courtyard of Lights display. Seconded by Osing. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

The following motion was then made concerning a list of claims paid in vacation presented to the board for review and approval:

MOTION: Osing made a motion to approve the list of claims. Seconded by Miller. Motion carried on unanimous roll call vote.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m. until November 8, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.