

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MASON COUNTY BOARD

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                              )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, January 10, 2012. 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, ROBERT HARRIS, DOROTHY KREILING, JAMES MILLER, DALE OSING, WILLIAM PARSLEY, and KENNETH WALKER, all being present, none absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board then considered the consent agenda as follows:

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REPORTS:

1.     December report of County Clerk
2.     December report of Treasurer
3.     IDOT 2009 Audit for County Motor Fuel Tax Funds
4.     IDOT 2009 Audit for Road District Motor Fuel Tax Funds
5.     IDOT 2009 Audit for Township Bridge Program Funds

APPOINTMENTS BY CHAIRMAN:

None

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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

MOTION:     Osing made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Walker. Motion carried.

REPORT OF ZONING OFFICE

There was no business to report on from the zoning office. The zoning office has been

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moved to county clerk's office effective January 1, 2012, and staff has been setting up operations in that location.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Garlisch reported for the Licensing Committee that the committee met on December 27<sup>th</sup>, reviewed, and approved the current liquor license applications. However, due to a fire and the closing of an establishment, licenses for Matanza Inn and Long Branch Saloon will not be re-issued.

Mrs. Kreiling reported for the Emergency Services Committee that the 911 board met with Sheriff Youell and a new telecommunications console will be installed at the jail. Once installed, the radio's will operate at 100% usage. Kreiling also reported that unnecessary items are being removed from the county storage buildings and should be completed by the end of the month. County Clerk Blessman suggested meeting with the City of Havana and other local agencies in order to discuss sharing buildings and equipment as an option to resolve the need for more storage space.

Mr. Osing reported for the Finance Committee that the county auditing firm was on site reviewing the 2011 financial records.

Mr. Miller reported for the Planning Committee that Mason County remains under consideration for development of a wind farm and are still in contact with industry representatives. Mr. Miller will also be attending a state wind farm meeting on February 8.

Mr. Harris reported for the Road and Bridge Committee that due to the favorable weather the fuel and overtime expenses are down. County Engineer Pedigo reported that the workers are also getting extra work done due to the good weather.

County Clerk Blessman reported that the auditors are underway and doing well. He also suggested that the board start considering contacting neighboring counties about getting new county GIS photography taken. It has been 8 years since photos were last taken. He estimates that the cost will be between \$60,000 and \$90,000.

He then reported that all municipalities have filed the energy aggregation referendum and it will be on the March 20 ballot.

County Board Chairman Griffin then discussed a new law concerning the disposal of electronic devices which prohibits placement in landfills. He assigned the matter to the Special Problems committee for review and applicability to the county.

### RESOLUTION 2012-16 DECLARING VACANCY IN OFFICE OF BOARD OF REVIEW

The board then considered Resolution 2012-16 declaring a vacancy in the office of Board of Review due to the resignation of Forrest Van Orman. (see board file for resolution) After brief discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Garlisch made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-16. Seconded by Osing. Motion carried.

### RESOLUTION 2012-17 APPOINTING RON KNOLLENBERG TO BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board then considered Resolution 2012-17, appointing Ron Knollenberg to fill the vacancy of the Board of Review. Chairman Griffin reported that he had spoken with Mr.

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Knollenberg about he position and noted that his profession as a realtor would provide a good background for his service. He also noted that notice of such action had been provided to the Chairmen of the respective political parties. (see board file for resolution) After brief discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Miller made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-17. Seconded by Harris.

### RESOLUTION 2012-18 IN APPRECIATION FOR FORREST VAN ORMAN

The board then considered Resolution 2012-18, resolution in appreciation for the service of Forrest Van Orman on the Board of Review. (see board file for resolution) After brief discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Garlisch made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-18. Seconded by Parsley.

### 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 Garlisch. Motion carried on unanimous roll call vote.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 a.m. until February 14, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.