

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 8, 2013. 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, DALE OSING, RONALD KNOLLENBERG, WILLIAM PARSLEY, ELDON GARLISCH, DOROTHY KREILING, and KENNETH WALKER seven being present, one absent, ROBERT HARRIS being the one absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

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. Erla Ebken-Knuppel-Commissioner-Herget Drainage exp. September, 2016

RESOLUTIONS

- 1. Resolution 2013-68 Tax Agent Deed-Parcel 011-1504000, 1505000 to Rick Whitely-\$655
- 2. Resolution 2013-69 Tax Agent Deed-Parcel 011-1523000, 1524000 to Rick Whitely-\$655

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 Kreiling. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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County Administrator Blessman reported for the Zoning Office that the Board may want to discuss making an amendment to the zoning ordinance for Dorchester Estates. It is currently zoned residential but may be more suitable for Rural Estate Zoning.

Mr. Parsley reported for the Building and Grounds Committee that the new storage building located in conjunction with the highway department building is complete.

Mrs. Kreiling reported for the Emergency Services Committee that Chris Youell will be retiring from her position as 9-1-1 coordinator and a part time employee has been hired to replace her.

Mr. Osing reported for the Finance Committee that the budget request forms have been turned in to the County Administrator from the department heads. There will be a finance meeting scheduled to review the requests and a subsequent meeting with department heads to discuss their budgets.

County Administrator Blessman then reported that the county economic development committee will be finalizing the county economic development plan during the coming month and invited board members to participate.

He then discussed the federal Affordable Care Act and how it is affecting the county health care plan.

RESOLUTION 2013-70 APPROVING UPDATES HEALTHCARE PLAN

The board then considered Resolution 2013-70 approving an update to the healthcare plan raising the eligibility threshold to 35 hours per week. County Administrator Blessman explained that the changes would allow more flexibility in hiring practices. He recommended approval. (see board file for resolution) After brief discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Osing made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-70. Seconded by Knollenberg. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-71 APPROPRIATING MFT FUNDS FOR COUNTY ENGINEER SALARY

The board then considered Resolution 2013-71 appropriating County Motor Fuel Tax funds for the salary of the county engineer. It was noted that the salary amount was previously established within a contract and this action was merely authorizing the expenditure of funds. (see board file for resolution) After brief discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Kreiling made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-71. Seconded by Garlisch. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2013-72 APPROVING USE OF COURTYARD OF LIGHTS DISPLAY

The board then considered Resolution 2013-72 approving the use of the courtyard for the Courtyard of Lights display. It was noted that this will be the 25th year for the display. (see board file for resolution) After brief discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Walker made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-72. Seconded by 2013-72. Motion carried.

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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 Knollenberg. Motion carried on unanimous roll call vote.

Ken Walker addressed the Board stating that he completed the leadership academy conducted by United Counties Council and recommended it to the Board. He said that it was very informative and educational.

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 9:28 a.m. until November 12, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.