

Montgomery County Board

Minutes

For Tuesday, October 11th, 2016 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, October 11th, 2016 in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Roy Hertel at 8:30 AM.

Roll call was taken - 20 members present, 1 member absent.

Members Present: Mary Bathurst, Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Nikki Bishop, Ronald Deabenderfer, Joe Gasparich, Chuck Graden, Heather Hampton+Knodle, Roy Hertel, Tim Hopper, Jay Martin, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Mike Plunkett, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Mike Webb, Richard Wendel, Evan Young

Member Absent: Earlene Robinson

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by member Nikki Bishop in honor of her son Alex Bishop's win at the recent Sectional Golf tournament. Chairman Hertel called upon press member Mary Herschelman of the Journal-News, who gave also recognition to the Litchfield, Hillsboro and Lincolnwood golf teams for their recent achievements at the Sectional Golf tournament.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Graden and second by Wendel to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried. Hopper voted no, all others are in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting: Motion by Bathurst and second by Webb to approve the Minutes of the Previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, September 13th, 2016.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Animal Control Report ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
2. Circuit Clerk's Report ---- Holly Lemons – report was submitted.
3. County Clerk and Recorder's Report ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
4. Health & TB Department Report ---- Hugh Satterlee was present for questions and he stated that County Employee Flu Shots are underway now.
5. Highway Department Report --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions and informed members of updates on the Red Ball Trail and Rocky Hollow Trail.
6. Probation Office Report ---- Banee Ulrici – report was submitted.
7. Public Defender's Report ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
8. Recycling Report ---- Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
9. ROE Report – Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
10. Sheriff's Report ---- Rick Robbins was present for questions.
11. SOA Report ---- Ray Durston was present for questions.
12. Treasurer's Report ---- Ron Jenkins – report was submitted.
13. V.A.C. Report ---- Dave Strowmatt was present for questions.

APPROVAL OF 13 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Gasparich and second by Young to approve the 13 items on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- 911 Board – Webb stated that a meeting is scheduled for one week from tonight.
- CEFS Board - Robinson was absent from today's meeting.
- CIEDA – Hampton+Knodle stated that there is nothing new to report.

- **Health Dept.** – Martin stated that there is a meeting scheduled for tonight.
- **IL Association of County Officials** –Plunkett and Bergen stated that there is nothing to report.
- **MCEDC** – Hopper stated that the MCEDC hired Valerie Belesko of Litchfield for the MCEDC Director position and he said that she has experience so it should be a smooth transition.
- **MCWC** – Deabenderfer stated that there was not a meeting held in September.
- **Planning Commission** – Young stated that they have a meeting scheduled for next week.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Bishop stated that they are getting ready for the annual Christmas dinner and that they are taking donations for the gift bags that are given to the seniors. She also said that work will begin soon on the roof to the Montgomery County Senior building in Taylor Springs.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated that at their recent meeting they discussed the State’s Bicentennial celebration and also had a presentation regarding the 911 administration changes due to the State taking over 911 administration which is resulting in some counties merging services. Miles also stated that UCCI has a reception and seminar planned for this Friday and Saturday in Springfield.
- **U of I** – Young stated that members should have a copy of the U of I Extension Annual Report on their desks and he said that Director Amanda Cole does a good job in keeping costs down to provide those services.
- **VAC** – Sneed stated that there is nothing to report at this time.
- **WCDC** – Wendel stated that they have a meeting scheduled next week.
- **Wellness Committee** – Bathurst stated that there is nothing to report at this time.

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Roy Hertel as follows:

1. **Public Safety Sales Tax Update/Approval:** Chairman Hertel deferred to Joe Gasparich who stated that he will give a report at the December full board meeting and ask the board to approve a referendum be put on the April 4th, 2017 Consolidated Election for a ½ cent sales tax per \$100 for Public Safety purposes. He said that if the referendum passes, the new increased sales tax would not include farm equipment, food and prescriptions.
2. **State Grants for Abandoned Buildings Update/Approval:** Chairman Hertel stated that he asked Gasparich and Hopper to look into this grant for the Ohlman School derelict property and he reported that they learned that the grant can only be used for residential properties. Hertel stated that they will ask the MCEDC to apply for grants to tear down the old Ohlman School.
3. **Coal Mine Update/Approval:** Chairman Hertel stated that he has heard there may be some activity at the coal mine in a few years but this depends on political and economic conditions.
4. **Overweight Trucks Update/Approval:** Chairman Hertel stated that State’s Attorney Matoush sent a request for a legal opinion from UCCI. Hertel said that the truck traffic is deteriorating the county roads because they were not established as 80,000 pound roads. Hertel stated that it is extremely costly to put down the required rock base to upgrade the 198 miles of county roads at \$25,000 per mile and reported that that we will probably pass an ordinance that will establish a rule if a truck gets a ticket on our county roads we will get the money rather than the state getting the fine money for overweight trucks.
5. **Moving Ambulance Line Update/Approval:** Chairman Hertel reported that he has talked to State’s Attorney Matoush regarding a constituent request to move the boundary line that separates two county ambulance districts and he is researching this now.
6. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None at this time.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Gene Miles as follows:

1. **Rocky Hollow Trail Bridge in Butler Grove Twp. Update/Approval:** Miles reported that work continues on the Rocky Hollow Trail Bridge and that steel pilings will be installed tomorrow and that a temporary crossing was constructed.

2. **Village of Butler Water Line Issue Update/Approval:** Miles reported that while working on the Rocky Hollow Bridge project they discovered that the Village of Butler has a main water line on the south side of the road that will need to be moved. Engineer Greenwood received a quote from Bondurant Plumbing in the amount of \$8,861.41 to replace about 600 feet of water line and reported that the Highway department will do the digging. **Motion by Miles and second by Martin to hire Bondurant Plumbing to install a water line in the amount of \$8,861.41 by the Rocky Hollow Trail Bridge. All in favor, motion carried.**

3. **Positive Train Control (PTC) Communication Monopole Update/Approval:** Miles reported that the committee discussed the project to construct the 60 foot Positive Train Control Communication Monopole near Litchfield and that Engineer Greenwood stated that it would be OK and not impact the County.

4. **Engineering Agreement for Bridge Inspections Update/Approval:** Miles reported that Greenwood is pursuing Federal Participation with an 80/20 cost share for the upcoming bridge inspections. IDOT has verbally approved the agreement. Engineer Greenwood stated that there will be some bridge training classes offered in the spring and he plans on attending one of them so that we don't have to hire an outside engineering firm to complete these bridge inspections that are required by IDOT.

5. **Dakota Access Pipeline Update/Approval:** Miles stated that Engineer Greenwood and Assistant Engineer Sefton drove on county roads looking for areas that may need some work due to the pipeline project and they are working on cost estimates for these repairs.

6. **Walshville Bridge Guardrail Repair Update/Approval:** Miles reported that Engineer Greenwood talked with the insurance company in this case and they will pay for repairs to the guardrail on the south end of the bridge that was damaged from an accident.

7. **Additional Soil Borings for UST Removal to comply with OSFM Update/Approval:** Miles stated that samples were submitted to the State Fire Marshall and the work is complete and there are no violations.

8. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None at this time.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Sneed as follows:

1. **Maintenance Issues and Report Update/Approval:** Sneed reported that maintenance issues have been running smooth and that Mark Brown has been doing a good job.

2. **County Farm Lease with Jason Anderson Update/Approval:** Sneed reported that Jason Anderson gave an update to the committee regarding the county farm that he cash rents and Sneed said that Anderson would like to continue farming it after the three year lease expires this November 30th, 2016. Sneed stated that Anderson has been doing a good job farming the county property for 20 years and said that he started a fertility program also. Sneed stated that the committee will discuss the rental amount and will get back to Jason Anderson before December 1st, 2016.

3. **Schindler Elevator Maintenance Contract:** Sneed reported that he called a Schindler Elevator representative and was told that we should be getting a quarterly inspection and he will call and follow up to see when it was scheduled.

4. **Other Business Update/Approval:** Sneed stated that he purchased a do-it-yourself radon test for the basement of the Historic Courthouse and the results came back that we received a rating of 8. Sneed stated that we will have the Historic Courthouse basement re-tested with a hand held device.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Heather Hampton+Knodle as follows:

1. **MCEDC Update:** Hampton+Knodle stated that Valerie Belusko has been hired as the MCEDC Director and that she begins soon. Hampton+Knodle stated that Belusko's office will be at the U of I Extension office and she thanked Amanda Cole for handling the hiring so quickly. Hampton+Knodle asked her committee to move their meeting back one week to November 2nd, 2016 at 9:30 am so that Belusko can attend.

2. Incentives Update:

- RLF - Community Eligibility – Hampton+Knodle stated that a \$50,000 loan was given to the City of Witt from the Revolving Loan Fund to demolish three old buildings and said that the Village of Panama was interested in a similar loan arrangement for the roof on their building. Chairman Hertel stated that this program will work out well for the communities and he thanked the committee, Treasurer Jenkins and State’s Attorney Matoush for their work in implementing this loan program for the RLF.
- Enterprise Zone – Hampton+Knodle stated that the state is working on the EZ application and said that the committee learned about some new tax abatement opportunities for local business projects.
- Incentives: Hampton+Knodle stated that the committee reviewed and discussed a draft of a general tax abatement application and guidelines document that they will consider at their next meeting in order to present it to the full board in November.

3. Planning Commission Update:

- Hampton+Knodle stated that the committee has a meeting scheduled for October and they will discuss information derived from the high speed internet meeting that took place at Aumann Auctions in Nokomis last week.

4. Infrastructure Update:

- Eagle Zinc – Hampton+Knodle stated that the work has not begun yet on the Phase II clean up. Young asked who the contractor will be and Chairman Hertel responded that we will not know until the work starts.

5. Branding Brainstorm Update – Hampton+Knodle stated that a meeting was held in September at Forsee Vineyard to discuss a “branding” name for the county and another meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 18th, 2016 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm with IllinoisSouth Tourism to pursue this topic.

6. Workforce Update:

- West Central Development – Hampton+Knodle stated that we received a delinquent notice for \$5,969.60 for membership dues and that she will try and get the letter written to them explaining our concerns by the November board meeting.
- CEO Program – Hampton+Knodle stated that the CEO program has scheduled a Night of Networking on Monday, November 7th from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Litchfield Holiday Inn Express and she invited board members to attend.
- WCDC Representative- Hampton+Knodle stated that Jeremy Jones has agreed to fill the vacancy on the WCDC Board left by JoAnn Keele’s resignation, and plans will be made to appoint him to that position in the November 2016 meeting.

E.M.A./AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Savage as follows:

EMA:

- 1. EMA Job Description Draft Update:** Savage reported that the committee received a draft of the revised EMA Director job description from Greg Nimmo.
- 2. Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Update:** Savage reported that Nimmo stated he is working on starting up the LEPC and that Gasparich stated that he will help activate the group again.
- 3. Incident Management Team Update/Approval:** Savage stated that Nimmo will work towards getting a meeting set up for the group after the holidays.
- 4. Montgomery County Resolution of Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan Update/Approval:** Savage stated that Nimmo will be following up with Greg Michaud to see what is applicable for grants and get examples of what grants have been filed in the County and then report back to the committee.

5. **Ambulance Billing Office Approval:** Savage reported that the committee voted and approved that the part time person be made full time. Ambulance Billing Clerk Sherry Greenwood reported that she is behind with billing and collections and that there is a backlog of Medicare and Medicaid documents to process. Savage stated that he received a letter from the Nokomis/Witt Area Ambulance that was in support of hiring a full time person instead of a part time person and he said that Greenwood has been working extra hours to keep caught up with the ambulance billing. Savage stated that he notified the five area Ambulance Districts and they are in agreement. Chairman Hertel stated that the ambulance districts will be paying for all the staff expenses and not the County General Fund.

6. **Other Business Update:** None at this time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Megan Beeler as follows:

1. **Forrestal Group Power Plant Assessment Proposal Update/Approval:** Beeler reported that the taxing bodies for the Dynegy Power Plant parcels attended a meeting on September 14th, 2016 to discuss a proposal from Consultant Gene Stuard of the Forrestal Group to negotiate and perform a new assessment of the Power Plant. She said that the ten year agreement that was negotiated with the help of Stuard will expire soon and the Finance Committee is asking the affected taxing bodies to help share in the cost of his consulting fees due to the financial hardship the county is facing. Beeler stated that they reached a tentative agreement with the taxing bodies who will help pay for the consulting fees with the understanding that if the coal mine were to re-open and the county started to collect royalties again in excess of \$250,000 within a five year period we will reimburse the taxing bodies for their portion of the taxes. Beeler stated that the total agreement is in the amount of \$83,700 with the county portion of the cost at \$12,781. **Motion by Beeler and second by Young to hire the Forrestal Group to negotiate a new assessment with the power plant for an amount not to exceed \$83,700. Roll Call Vote- 20 Yes and 0 No, 1 Absent. Voting Yes were** Mary Bathurst, Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Nikki Bishop, Ronald Deabenderfer, Joe Gasparich, Chuck Graden, Heather Hampton+Knodle, Roy Hertel, Tim Hopper, Jay Martin, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Mike Plunkett, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Mike Webb, Richard Wendel, Evan Young. **None voting no.** Earlene Robinson was absent. **Motion by Beeler and second by Moore to hire the Forrestal Group to represent the County on the Dynegy assessment contingent on the other taxing bodies approving their portion as proposed with an agreement that we will pay them back when we have received more than \$250,000 in coal royalties within five years.** Discussion: Moore stated that Dynegy has hired a group to represent them and is ready to fight so we should be ready to respond and that Mr. Stuart is the man for the job. Beeler stated that Jasper County lost a 40% reduction in their assessment because they lost the appeal with their power plant so she supports hiring a consultant to represent us. Plunkett stated that they have lawyers working on this so we need a body of evidence to support what this power plant is worth and that he worked with Mr. Stuart on the last assessment ten years ago and agrees that he is the man for the job and that it was well worth the money. Hampton+Knodle asked about the timeline and SOA Durston responded that an agreement should be in place at this time next year. **Voice vote: 19 voting Yes, 1 No vote and 1 absent. Voting Yes were** Mary Bathurst, Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Nikki Bishop, Joe Gasparich, Chuck Graden, Heather Hampton+Knodle, Roy Hertel, Tim Hopper, Jay Martin, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Mike Plunkett, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Mike Webb, Richard Wendel, Evan Young. **Voting No was** Deabenderfer. Earlene Robinson was absent. **Motion carried.**

2. **Employee Health Insurance Update/Approval:** Beeler stated that Mary Bathurst will report on this issue during the Personnel Committee report.

3. **Monthly Coal Revenue Report and Revenue, Expense & Bank Balance Report Update/Approval:** Beeler stated that the monthly coal Revenue, Expense and Bank Balance reports prepared by Treasurer Jenkins are in everyone's packet.

4. **FY 2017 Budget Discussions Update/Approval:** Beeler reported that the committee went through the proposed FY 2017 Budget's revenue and expense reports for final revisions which were then made by the Treasurer's Office and copies are on everyone's desk. Beeler stated that all the changes on the reports have been highlighted so that everyone can see what was recently changed.
5. **Adopt the Aggregate Levy Update/Approval:** Beeler reported that the committee reviewed and discussed the final aggregate levy report that was submitted by Treasurer Jenkins. **Motion by Beeler and second by Hampton+Knodle to approve the aggregate tax levy in the amount of \$5,650.125. Roll Call Vote. 20 Yes and 1 absent. Voting Yes were Mary Bathurst, Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Nikki Bishop, Ronald Deabenderfer, Joe Gasparich, Chuck Graden, Heather Hampton+Knodle, Roy Hertel, Tim Hopper, Jay Martin, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Mike Plunkett, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Mike Webb, Richard Wendel, Evan Young. None voting no. Earlene Robinson was absent. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Real Estate Tax Levy/Extension Summary see Resolution Book 15, page 309).**
6. **County Trustee Resolution to Convey Deed on Parcel 13-06-260-001 in Witt Township to the City of Witt Update/Approval:** Beeler reported that the committee reviewed the resolution to convey the deed to the City of Witt. **Motion by Beeler and second by Young to approve the County Trustee Resolution to Convey Deed on Parcel 13-06-260-001 in the City of Witt. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Resolution, see Resolution Book 15, page 310).**
7. **County Trustee Resolution to Convey Deed on Parcel 13-06-253-011 in Witt Township to the City of Witt Update/Approval:** Beeler reported that the committee reviewed the resolution to convey the deed to the City of Witt. **Motion by Beeler and second by Martin to approve the County Trustee Resolution to Convey Deed on Parcel 13-06-253-011 in the City of Witt. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Resolution, see Resolution Book 15, page 311).**
8. **Resolution Fixing Juror Compensation and Jury Trial Demand Fee Update/Approval:** Beeler reported that the Finance Committee reviewed the draft of the resolution fixing Juror Compensation and Jury Trial Demand Fee to change the reimbursement. The rate was \$15.50 for many years and Chairman Hertel stated that he drafted the Resolution which has been reviewed and approved by State's Attorney Matoush and Circuit Clerk Lemons. Hertel said the law was deemed unconstitutional so we are changing the amount by County Board Resolution. **Motion by Beeler and second by Bathurst to approve the Resolution fixing Juror Compensation and Jury Trial Demand Fee. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Resolution, see Resolution Book 15, page 312).**
9. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None at this time.

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Connie Beck as follows:

1. **Election Update/Approval:** County Clerk Leitheiser reported that today is the last day to register to vote and she thanked the media for helping promote voter registration. She stated that Grace Period registration starts tomorrow and will require voters to register at the County Clerk's office and then vote early at the same visit. She also said there has been a good response of early voters and ballots requested by mail so far.
2. **Recycling Program and Events Update/Approval:** Beck reported there was a successful electronics drive held at the Litchfield recycling facility on Saturday, October 1st and stated that they received twice the amount of product as the collection done last year. Beck also said that BLH Electronics Recycling company is still trying to find a place to re-locate in Montgomery County.
3. **Animal Control Facility Program Update/Approval:** Beck stated that Animal Control Warden Daniels reported that there were over 40 animals vaccinated at last Saturday's clinic at the facility and she also told the committee that an Open House is scheduled for Saturday, October 8th, 2016 from noon until 3:00 pm.
4. **Animal Control Ordinance** – Beck reported that several interested citizens attended their last HWE committee meeting and informed members of a few changes that were made to the ordinance based on their suggestions. Beck went over a summary of the changes and provided a copy of the final draft for

everyone's review and said it was also given to State's Attorney Matoush for his approval. She said that the HWE committee will make a recommendation on the Animal Control Ordinance at their next meeting so that action can be taken at the November board meeting. Hampton+Knodle asked if the ordinance could be voted on in sections at the November meeting rather than in its entirety, and Chairman Hertel responded that he feels it will be best if they vote on the ordinance as a whole because of the amount of work that went into it. Plunkett stated that there are ways to do this process under Robert's Rules of Order.

5. Other Business Update/Approval: None at this time.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mary Bathurst:

1. Employee Health Insurance Approval: Bathurst reported that this has been a painful process and she explained what has transpired in the past few months regarding the employees' health insurance renewal. Bathurst reminded members about the new formula that was approved by the County Board last month where the employees with dependents on the county health insurance will be paying 50% of the premium costs which is expected to save the county about \$200,000 per year. Bathurst also explained that last month the board approved opening up the bidding process for the employee health insurance and that four companies have sent in their qualifications to submit proposals. She said that in order for the bidding process to take place, the employees had to quickly complete a health questionnaire online or by hard copy. Bathurst stated that with the short time frame to get everything done to begin the new insurance on December 1st, 2016, the employees would only have a few weeks to try and get different health insurance for their dependents if the county insurance was too expensive. Bathurst stated that since the last board meeting, Blue Cross Blue Shield representative Shannon Hall has come to the committee with the official BCBS renewal rates for December 1st, 2016 and they will be .21% cheaper than the current premium rates. Bathurst stated that based on this new information she feels that with the short timeframe we need to go with the BCBS renewal and then actively research for a new health insurance program for next year.

Motion by Bathurst and second by Moore that the County accept the final proposal from Blue Cross Blue Shield for the effective dates 12/01/2016 through 11/30/2017 and that we investigate all alternative insurance savings options immediately during this policy period with a plan to bring a thoroughly researched savings option in a practical timeframe before the 12/1/17 renewal date.

Discussion: Beeler stated that the reason that the County went out for bids is that it is our job to get the best rate for the taxpayers and the employees. Beeler stated that she and Bathurst went to address this issue with employees in several departments and they listened to concerns expressed by the employees about how they were going to pay for the additional health insurance increases. Beeler stated that she feels other options need to be looked at because the board needs to say they looked at every option for the taxpayers and employees. Beeler stated that the board members have a job to do and while she understands the tight timeframe she thinks it is worth the time to look for other cost saving options. Hampton+Knodle stated that she agrees with Beeler and said that we need to look at all options. Hampton+Knodle said that the employees are already filling out the paperwork which will have to be re-done if we are waiting until next year to bid out health insurance because their health history will not be accepted by the companies if it is more than 30 days old. Beck stated that she doesn't see an issue with staying with BCBS for now while still looking for other insurance options for next year. Young stated that he was against the motion and explained that we owe it to the taxpayers and the employees to look at other lower cost options and that he is willing to put in the work and time to look. Beeler asked how the new formula would work with the union contracts and Bathurst responded that they will have to open up the contracts for discussion on the issue and that none of the union contracts state how much the employees have to pay on their premiums. Sneed stated that this is a hard discussion and he feels that we need more time to explore all the options. Chairman Hertel asked Health Department employee Lynn Sellers to address the board regarding the employee health insurance changes. Sellers stated that she has worked at the Health Department for 20 years and she has a twelve year old son who is also on the insurance. Sellers said that she is grateful to have the insurance but the new formula will amount to an over \$200 per month

cost increase and will be a financial hardship to her family. Sellers stated that before she took the job at the Health Department she could have gotten a higher paying job, but she took the lower pay to work for the County because the benefits were good. Webb stated that the insurance renewal is a good number from BCBS, but after hearing the problems with employees paying a lot more money, he feels that we need to look at all options now. Chairman Hertel stated that the County has not raised the health insurance premium costs to employees very much for several years and said that smaller increases should have been made over the years so this is not such a large increase at one time. Moore stated that he feels we should not hurry into this and we have time to do this right and we can balance the budget next year. Deabenderfer called for the question. Roll call vote: 11 voting Yes and 9 voting No. Voting yes were: Bathurst, Beck, Bergen, Bishop, Graden, Hertel, Miles, Moore, Savage, Sneed, Wendel. Voting No were Beeler, Deabenderfer, Gasparich, Hampton+Knodle, Hopper, Martin, Plunkett, Webb, Young. Robinson was absent. Motion Carried.

2. Negotiations with Recycling Local 773 Update: Bathurst stated that first negotiation meeting will take place with Bill Trout on Wednesday, October 12th at 10:00 am.

3. Negotiations with FOP – Mark Russillo Update: Bathurst reported that FOP Union Representative Mark Russillo has received all the information he requested in order to schedule union negotiations and the first negotiation meeting is set for Thursday, October 13th, 2016 at 8:30 am.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None at this time.

SCHEDULE CHANGES:

1. Recycling Union Negotiations: - Meeting with Bill Trout Wednesday, October 12th, at 10:00 am.

2. Negotiations with FOP – Mark Russillo: Union negotiation meeting set for Thursday, October 13th, 2016 at 8:30 am.

3. Economic Development Committee Meeting Change: The Economic Development Committee changed their regular meeting date to Wednesday, November 2nd, at 9:30 am in the County Board Room.

APPOINTMENTS: None at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Chairman Hertel allowed Citizen Mary McKenzie to speak after the Road and Bridge Committee report. McKenzie stated that she wants the County to enforce Judges proving that they are US Citizens in order to be elected, and she said that she has been personally endangered by this issue. Citizen Bill Schroeder was allowed to speak at the end of the meeting, and he thanked the HWE Committee for their work on the Animal Control ordinance and for listening to the input from concerned citizens and said that he feels that the ordinance should be passed. Schroeder also thanked the board for a good discussion on the employee health insurance.

PAY BILLS:

1. Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams, PC or Books & Moore and to Point of Light Awards: Motion by Gasparich and second by Martin to pay any invoices for Adams, PC or Books & Moore, Paris Frozen Foods, Point of Light Awards and Beck's Lawn Care & Landscaping. Voice Vote: In favor – 17 Against – 0, Absent – 1, Abstain - 3 (Moore, Beck and Hopper). Motion carried.

2. Motion by Bishop and second by Bathurst to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2016.

RECESS: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, November 15th, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois. Motion by Hopper and second by Martin to recess the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting recessed at 11:17 a.m. Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.