

Montgomery County Board Minutes

For Tuesday, January 10th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, January 10th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Havera.

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

Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Edward Helgen, Keith Horn, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett.

Members Absent: Bill Sielschott

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Aumann, second by Ogden to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Myers, second by Downs to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, December 13th, 2005. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Special County Board Meeting held on December 28th, 2005:

Motion by Blankenship, second by Helgen to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned Special County Board Meeting held on Wednesday, December 28th, 2005. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – Mary Webb was present for questions and thanked all who attended Jim Roberts' induction ceremony as Associate Judge of the 4th Judicial Circuit on Friday, January 6th, 2006 at the Courthouse Complex.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – submitted.
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions and reported that the transition for the new voting equipment is on schedule and election judges will soon be training on working the new voting machines.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – Jim Vazzi was present for questions and reported that the Sheriff's Department is in the process of having equipment replaced, due to damage received in an electrical storm that occurred on January 1st, 2006.
5. **Health Department Report** – submitted.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – submitted.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – Bane Ulrici was present for questions and introduced Cheryl Adams as a new Probation Officer. Adams is filling the vacancy of Shane Beck, who has transferred to work as a Jailer at the Sheriff's Department.
9. **911 Report** – submitted.

Havera recognized the newly appointed State's Attorney Chris Matoush. Matoush thanked the County Board for their support in his appointment and stated that he would do his best for the county.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Bone, second by Jagodzinski to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Coordinating Committee Report: Discussion took place in the following Committees:

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski as follows:

1. **Recognition of Firefighters Deployed to the Gulf to Aid in the Hurricane Katrina Crisis:** Committee Chairman Jagodzinski read a brief history of how the 8 firefighters were deployed to the gulf to assist in the relief efforts of the Hurricane Katrina Crisis. Jagodzinski and County Board Chairman Havera then called the 7 firefighters and volunteer Joe Gasparich forward to award them a Certificate of Recognition and Humanitarian Medal. Individually, they are Matt Hoffman from Nokomis, Joe Gasparich from Nokomis, Russ Ringhausen from Coffeen, Vern DeWitt from Coffeen, Gary Gile from Coffeen, Chad Smith from Taylor Springs, Ken Lohman from Hillsboro and Dave Beal from Hillsboro. The audience and board members gave the Firefighters a round of applause for their selfless act of voluntary relief to the City of New Orleans and the victims who were affected by the crisis in the gulf.
2. **Ambulance Call Reports:** A summary of monthly operations for December 2005 is as follows: Total calls: 397; Total amount billed: \$172,513.00; Total amount collected: \$54,468.58.
3. **Director Holmes Report:** Jagodzinski reported that the Montgomery County HazMat Team was called out for the first time in its history on December 7th, 2005. The incident took place on the frontage road north of Litchfield at Honey Bend Avenue. A tanker truck loaded with used oil had started to lose the used oil out of the top of the tanker at some point south of Litchfield on I-55. The truck came through Litchfield losing some of its load at a Motel parking lot, at a Shell Station parking lot, and then on the frontage road going north. Someone on a cell phone called in and reported the problem to the Illinois State Police, and the vehicle was stopped from further travel. At the time the truck was stopped, about 500 gallons of oil had spilled out of the tanker through the relief valve. 911 notified the Litchfield Fire Department and the HazMat Duty Officer. Once on the scene, the HazMat Duty Officer asked for the HazMat Team to respond, which was at approximately 10:00 PM. Barricades were brought in from the County Highway Department to block the spill sight until clean up could start the next day. The barricades did not have warning flashers, so at the request of the Illinois State Police the county truck and driver stayed till daylight. Central States HazMat Disposable in Centralia was there the next morning at 9:00 AM to do the cleanup. Holmes has been collecting the bills from each agency, including HazMat equipment, man power hours from Fire Department Personnel and HazMat Personnel. Once all bills are collected, she will turn them over to the State's Attorney's Office so that the bills can be submitted to the Trucking Company for full payment, due to the "Spillers Pay" ordinance approved by the County Board. Holmes has been attending seminars on National Incident Management Services, National Weather Service, Evacuation Process Guidelines and Incident Command Check List. Jagodzinski stated that Holmes has also been working on promoting I.C.E. Your Cell Phone. ICE stands for IN CASE of EMERGENCY. Holmes has sent out posters and letters to the five area ambulance districts, fire services, law enforcements, both hospitals and the newspapers and radio station promoting the ICE program.
4. **Bid for EMA/HazMat Truck:** Jagodzinski reported that the lowest State bid for an EMA/HazMat Truck came in at \$30,494.70 from Wright Automotive. The lowest bid for the HazMat Trailer came in at \$4,700 from Midway Trailer Sales and Service. The money has already been budgeted for Fiscal Year 2006. **Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Blankenship to approve the purchase of a 2006 F250 4-Wheel Drive Truck for \$30,494.70 from the State Bid at Wright Automotive. All in favor, motion carried.**
5. **Bid for HazMat Trailer:** Jagodzinski reported that Midway Trailer Sales bid \$4,700.00 for a 20 foot dual axel trailer. **Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Dean to purchase a trailer from Midway Trailer for \$4,700.00. All in favor, motion carried.**

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **Price Quote for Bat Wing Mower:** Branum reported that the committee received a bid of \$9,472.00 with a trade in allowance of \$2,900.00 from Sievers Equipment Company for a new Bat Wing Mower. Branum stated that this mower has a heavier deck and should last longer than the old one. **Motion by Branum, second by Painter to approve the bid from Sievers Equipment in the amount of \$9,472.00 for a Bat Wing Mower at the Highway Department. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Fillmore Road Project #9330:** Branum reported that the Highway Department still owes \$50,000 to Macoupin County Contracting Company for materials used on the Fillmore Road Project. Branum stated that Dustin Sefton is going through all of the material tickets again to make sure nothing has been missed, and will then send the contracting company a list of the material slips that are missing in order to get them paid. The Highway Department can not pay the contracting company until the company turns in all their material tickets, which is required by IDOT.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Vice Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Bid Approval for Upgrade of Communications Systems Console, Lock and Intercom Controls:** Downs stated that the committee awarded Global Technical Systems the bid to upgrade the Communications Systems console, lock and intercom controls at the Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$78,300.00. The other company that submitted a bid did not meet the bid spec requirements. Due to an electrical storm that occurred, the Highway Department, Jail, New Courthouse, Historic Courthouse, Sheriff's Department and 911 all had some or extensive damage to equipment, which is all being turned over to the insurance company. The damage done to the Sheriff's Communication System can be repaired by Global Technical Systems and does not need to be bid out since the assessed damaged equipment will be turned over to the county insurance carrier. **Motion by Downs, second by Jagodzinski to accept the bid from Global Technical Systems to replace the Sheriff's Communication System console for \$78,300.00. All in favor, motion carried.** Undersheriff Rick Robbins reported that completion time for the upgrade of the communications system is set for February 18th, 2006.
2. **Litchfield Property, County Trustee Transfer Property to City of Litchfield:** **Motion by Downs, second by Helgen to transfer Property Parcel ID #11-201-146-00 to the City of Litchfield for \$1,497.56. All in favor, motion carried.**
3. **Harvel Property, County Trustee Transfer Property to Village of Harvel:** Downs made a motion to transfer property to the Village of Harvel for \$1,406.26, but it was noted that the amount should be \$406.26, so he rescinded the motion. **Motion by Downs, second by Ogden to transfer property parcel ID #07-000-254-05 to the Village of Harvel for \$406.26. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **Irving Property, County Trustee Transfer Property to Village of Irving:** **Motion by Downs, second by Durbin to transfer Property Parcel ID #09-000-825-00 to the Village of Irving for \$487.72. All in favor, motion carried.**
5. **Manatron Software Program Update:** Downs stated that Bill Purcell reported to the committee on a software program that would allow special reports for GIS to be printed. Purcell will be sharing more information with the committee on this software at future meetings.
6. **Digital Soil Mapping Services Update:** Downs reported that the county paid the third invoice of \$28,456 to USDA for the Digital Soil Mapping. The soil maps will not be delivered in 2006, but may possibly be ready in 2007. The committee discussed withholding the final payment until all of the soil maps have been turned over to the county. Bruce Harris and Associates would be able to provide the digital soil mapping for \$20,465 on the old soil information. The committee discussed getting more information from Bruce Harris and Associates before making any decision.
7. **Sales Ratio from State:** Downs reported that Chief Assessment Officer Julie Kiefer still has not heard anything from the Illinois Department of Revenue regarding the Sales Ratio. Downs stated that the longer it takes for the State to get the sales ratio the longer it will take us for tax bills to be sent out to county taxpayers.

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Elections Update:** Durbin reported that County Clerk Leitheiser updated the committee on the status of Technical Judges for each Polling location. Regular Election Judge schools will be held on February 1st and February 2nd, 2006 with three sessions each day and equipment present for hands on training. Technical Judge School will be held February 15th, 2006 at 1:00 PM and at 6:00 PM in the County Board Room. 52 Technical Judges are needed. Leitheiser also secured 60 voting booths with curtains from the City of Peoria at no charge to the county, and these booths are needed for new polling places.
2. **Animal Control Update:** Animal Control Administrator Chris Daniels reported that a new House Bill 4367 was introduced into the General Assembly, which would amend the Animal Control Act.
3. **EPA Delegation Agreement Approval:** The EPA Delegation Agreement was reviewed and approved by State's Attorney Chris Matoush. The five year delegation agreement will enable the county to participate in the EPA program and receive grant money to help fund the enforcement program. **Motion by Durbin, second by Petty to approve the 5-year renewal for the EPA Delegation Agreement. All in favor, motion carried.**

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Jailers/Dispatchers Union Update:** Downs reported that he has not heard any further information regarding the Jailers/Dispatchers Unions.
2. **Highway Department Arbitration Hearing Date:** An arbitrator has been picked for the Highway Department grievance, and the Hearing will be held on Friday, February 3rd, 2006 at 10:00 AM in the PBC room.
3. **Deferred Compensation Update:** Downs stated that the committee approved the Deferred Compensation Plan that will be offered to all County Employees, and because a letter from O'Hare and Associates found nothing wrong with the Plan, the county will not spend \$1,400 to have a private legal firm review it.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **County Farm Update/Approval:** Painter reported that Jason Anderson was at the committee meeting to discuss the County Farm acreage that was reported from the FSA Office.
2. **Postage Machine Upgrade Update/Approval:** The committee approved the upgrade of the postage machine at the Historic courthouse. The machine was damaged by the electrical storm and according to the Meter company, federal regulations will require all postage meters to upgrade from modem to digital meters by 2008. The committee will revisit upgrading the Courthouse Complex's postage meter at a later time.
3. **Update on Emergency Lighting for Old Courthouse:** Painter reported that Lyerla Electric was at the Historic Courthouse on Friday, December 30th, 2005 to begin installing emergency lighting at the courthouse.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **GIS Monument Update:** Plunkett reported that Tony Hard presented a summary report of the 65 monuments that were installed by McDonough-Whitlow in the county as control points for the GIS system. Originally it was agreed with Bruce Harris that 65 control points would be installed, but only 21 control points were installed, so Bruce Harris agreed to pay for the other 44 control points to be installed. These new monument records will be recorded in the County Recorder's office, and information about their location will be provided to the Highway Department and sent to Township Highway Commissioners.
2. **Update on Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Litchfield for GIS:** The City of Litchfield has signed the Intergovernmental Agreement with the county for GIS services. **Motion by Plunkett, second by Bathurst to accept the Intergovernmental Agreement between Montgomery County and the City of Litchfield for GIS services. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 27-31).**

3. **Letter of Intent Approval:** Plunkett stated that an Irving resident was present at the committee meeting to inquire about potential Enterprise Zone expansion or a special tax abatement for a business idea. Three federal grants are being sought for this business, and in order for the grant paperwork to be completed, the proposed business would need a Letter of Intent from the County Board stating that they would be interested in either expanding the enterprise zone or giving a special abatement on real estate taxes should a grant be awarded. **Motion by Plunkett, second by Horn to approve that a Letter of Intent would be given for enterprise zone benefits should a grant be awarded. All in favor, motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF 7 COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Motion by Painter, second by Downs to approve the 7 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Havera as follows:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Havera referred members to the Christian/Montgomery Regional Office of Education Annual Report provided by Regional Superintendent of Schools Greg Springer they received at this meeting.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: Havera reported that there will be a special Personnel Committee on Friday, February 3rd, 2006 at 10:00 AM in the PBC room for an Arbitration Hearing.

APPOINTMENTS: None

PAY BILLS: **Motion by Myers, second by Aumann to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.** For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, February 14th, 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Painter, second by Branum to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 AM.

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The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, February 14th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Havera.

Roll call was taken, 20 members present, 1 absent. Member George Blankenship arrived at 8:40 AM.

Members Present: Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Edward Helgen, Keith Horn, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott.

Members Absent: Nelson Aumann

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Downs, second by Horn to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Myers, second by Sielschott to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, January 10th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – Mary Webb was present for questions.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – Ron Jenkins was present for questions.
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions and stated that the Election Judge Training schools went well. February 21st, 2006 is the final day for voter registration. Leitheiser also recognized the city clerks from the City of Nokomis and Village of Raymond who have been helping her office register High School eligible seniors to vote in their towns.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – Jim Vazzi was present for questions.
5. **Health Department Report** – submitted.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – submitted.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – submitted.
9. **911 Report** – submitted.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Durbin, second by Bathurst to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Coordinating Committee Report: Discussion took place in the following Committees:

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **Resolution #01-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$3,300.00 for 1020 B-CA, C.H. #3 (Black Diamond Trail)(Bois D'Arc Twp.)(Sec.32), Montgomery County, 100% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$3,300.00). **Motion by Branum, second by Heaton. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 32-33).**
2. **Resolution #02-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$3,600.00 for 1021 B-CA, C.H. #4 (Mt. Mariah Avenue)(East Fork Twp.)(Sec.20), Montgomery County, 100% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$3,600.00). **Motion by Bone, second by Painter. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 34-35).**
3. **Resolution #03-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$3,500.00 for 1022 B-CA, C.H. #3 (Black Diamond Trail) (Harvel Twp.)(Sec. 19), Montgomery County, 100% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$3,500.00). **Motion by Heaton, second by Painter. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 36-37).**

4. **Resolution #04-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$3,000.00 for 1023 B-CA, C.H. #7 (Burg Trail)(South Fillmore Twp.)(Sec. 23), Montgomery County, 100% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$3,000.00). **Motion by Branum, second by Durbin. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 38-39).** (Member Blankenship arrived at 8:40 AM).
5. **Resolution #05-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$11,000.00 for 1024 B-CA, C.H. #13 (Niemenville Trail)(South Litchfield Twp.)(Sec. 29), Montgomery County, 100% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$11,000.00). **Motion by Painter, second by Downs. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 40-41).**
6. **Resolution #06-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$3,000.00 for 1025 B-CA, Location A; C.H. #21 (Elevator Road)(Walshville Twp.)(Sec. 23), Montgomery County, 100% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$3,000.00). **Motion by Painter, second by Plunkett. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 42-43).**
7. **Resolution #07-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$2,600.00 for 1025 B-CA, Location B; C.H. #21 (Elevator Road)(Walshville Twp.)(Sec. 23), Montgomery County, 10% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$2,600.00). **Motion by Komor, second by Helgen. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 44-45).**
8. **Resolution #08-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$2,800.00 for 1025 B-CA, Location C; C.H. #21 (Elevator Road)(Walshville Twp.)(Sec.15), Montgomery County, 100% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$2,800.00) **Motion by Bone, second by Jagodzinski. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 46-47).**
9. **Resolution #09-06:** A Resolution to appropriate \$688,035.00 from Motor Fuel Tax Allotment for the maintenance of Section 06-00000-00-GM for 2006 for Montgomery County. **Motion by Downs, second by Jagodzinski. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 48).**
10. **Resolution #10-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$2,000.00 for 1026 B-CA, Location A; E. 13th Road, Rountree Road District, 50% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$1,000.00) **Motion by Petty, second by Dean. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 49-50).**
11. **Resolution #11-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$2,000.00 for 1026 B-CA, Location B; E. 13th Road, Rountree Road District, 50% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$1,000.00) **Motion by Branum, second by Horn. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 51-52).**
12. **Resolution #12-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$3,000.00 for 1026 B-CA, Location C; N. 23rd Avenue, Rountree Road District, 50% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$1,500.00). **Motion by Bathurst, second by Petty. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 53-54).**
13. **Resolution #13-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$3,000.00 for 1026 B-CA, Location D; E. 13th Road, Rountree Road District, 50% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$1,500.00) **Motion by Blankenship, second by Dean. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 55-56).**
14. **Resolution #14-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$3,000.00 for 1027 B-CA, Location A; Old Litchfield Trail, South Litchfield Road District, 50% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$1,500.00). **Motion by Komor, second by Horn. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 57-58).**
15. **Resolution #15-06:** A Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$2,000.00 for 1027 B-CA, Location B; North 9th Avenue, South Litchfield Road District, 50% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 1.0 (\$1,000.00). **Motion by Painter, second by Downs. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 59-60).**
16. **Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement:** Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement for Existing Structure #068-3042 Bridge Replacement for Section 06-00122-00-BR for Montgomery County on N. 16th Avenue with Allen Henderson and Associates, Inc. East of New Hope School. **Motion by Branum, second by Helgen. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 61-67).**

17. **Letting Date for Annual Small Pipe Culvert:** There will be a Letting Date for Small Pipe Culvert and a B-CA Project Culvert Letting for 2006 on Friday, February 24th, 2006 at 8:30 AM at the Highway Department.
18. **Farmersville Overpass Project Update:** Giesing reported that she had sent a letter two weeks ago to DCEO to see if the Highway Department could get an extension on the grant for the Farmersville Overpass project, but has not heard back from them as of yet.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **County Property:** Sielschott reported that Witt Mayor Bill Korbar addressed the Finance Committee regarding two buildings in the downtown Witt area that are falling in. The county acquired ownership of these properties through delinquent tax sale. Sielschott stated that there is a liability problem there and the committee will discuss the matter further, but has tabled the issue at this time.
2. **State's Attorney Public Funds Authorization Resolution Approval:** Sielschott stated that due to more strict policies, a local bank now requires approval from the County Board on a resolution to have former State's Attorney Jim Roberts' name removed from the State's Attorney's office Revolving Loan account and newly appointed State's Attorney Chris Matoush's name put on the account. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Downs to approve the Resolution to remove Jim Roberts' name from the Revolving Loan account and put newly appointed State's Attorney Chris Matoush's name on the account. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 68).**
3. **Approval to Convey Tax Deeds on 5 Parcels:**
 - **Approval for Resolution #06-01 to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #11-100-059-99 located in the Deer Creek Condominium Campground in North Litchfield Township. Motion by Sielschott, second by Helgen. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 69-73).**
 - **Approval for Resolution #06-02 to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #11-100-059-00-50 located in the Deer Creek Condominium Campground in North Litchfield Township. Motion by Sielschott, second by Durbin. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 74-78).**
 - **Approval for Resolution #06-03 to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #11-100-059-00-43 located in the Deer Creek Condominium Campground in North Litchfield Township. Motion by Sielschott, second by Komor. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 79-83).**
 - **Approval for Resolution #06-04 to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #11-100-059-00-47 located in the Deer Creek Condominium Campground in North Litchfield Township. Motion by Sielschott, second by Bathurst. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 84-88).**
 - **Approval for Resolution #06-05 to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #11-100-059-00-56 located in the Deer Creek Condominium Campground in North Litchfield Township. Motion by Sielschott, second by Helgen. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 89-93).**
4. **Property Tax Update:** Sielschott reported the Sales Ratio was received from the State on January 20th, 2006, which is about two months later than last year, which means that tax bills will be sent out late this year. The deadline for complaints for the Board of Review is thirty days from the publication date.

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Elections Update:** Durbin stated that the committee was updated on the upcoming election and the new Optical Scan Voting system.
2. **Early Voting Procedure Approval for County Clerk's Office:** Durbin stated that County Clerk Leitheiser reported on the new Early Voting law and shared the Illinois Compiled Statutes which outline the procedures for conducting Early Voting. State's Attorney Matoush reviewed the early voting law and agreed with Clerk Leitheiser's interpretation. Leitheiser is asking the County Board to endorse her interpretation of the new Early Voting law, which requires that the County Clerk's office conduct Early Voting during regular hours from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Monday through Friday during the Early Voting

period, from February 27th, 2006 until March 16th, 2006. **Motion by Durbin, second by Painter to have the County Clerk's office be the only Early Voting site during regular office hours from 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM Monday thru Friday from February 27th until March 16th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.**

3. **Animal Control Update:** An update on Animal Control was given regarding House Bill 4367, which pertains to Amending the Animal Control Act. Although it looks as if this bill will die in the Rules Committee, House Resolution 866 has been introduced. This resolution urges hearings during the spring session for the Illinois General Assembly concerning dangerous dogs, vicious dogs and matters related to the Animal Control Act. The Resolution also creates and Animal Control Task Force to examine the Animal Control Act and make comprehensive written recommendations for change. Durbin stated that due to the overflow of paperwork for Animal Control there is a need to hire a temporary part-time person to help with paperwork so that invoicing cities for animal control services and invoicing Veterinarians for rabies certificates can be completed in a timely manner. This will help free up time for the County Coordinator to work on the County Enterprise Zone project. There is \$8,000 in the animal control budget for part time help. The committee gave approval to hire a temporary part time person for a couple of months to process animal control paperwork. Durbin stated that he would need to present this to the Personnel Committee. Havera stated that since the committee already approved the temporary part time position and it was already in the budget that there was no need to go through Personnel and that the board could make the motion. Clerk Leitheiser reminded the board that because this would become an action item and was not on the agenda that it would have to wait until next month for approval, and Chairman Havera agreed.
4. **Recycling Update:** Durbin reported that a county-wide list of current customer pick-ups was compiled along with a toter inventory for recycling. The frequency of customer pick-ups was also listed. A customer survey and letter will be faxed and mailed to recruit more recycling business.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Arbitration Hearing Date:** Downs reported that the Arbitration Hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 15th, 2006 at 10:00 AM in the PBC room of the New Courthouse.
2. **Jailers/Dispatchers Union Update:** Downs reported that the Jailers/Dispatchers have decided to stay with the Laborer's Union for representation. Negotiations on the contract should start soon.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **Cooling System in Data Office for the Sheriff's Department:** Painter stated that the Data Office in the Sheriff's Department needs to have a separate air-conditioning unit to run all the time. County maintenance worker Lloyd Meyer will contact someone for a price on a low ambient air-conditioning unit, which will cool the Data Office all year round.
2. **Postage Machines Update:** It was reported that the postage machine at the Courthouse Complex broke down last week. The committee agreed to replace the postage machine and upgrade to the new meter requirements for 2008, even if the machine was not damaged due to the lighting strike at the beginning of the year.
3. **Tree Removal:** Painter reported that Richard Slepicka asked the committee about cutting down the diseased maple tree on the South side of the Historic Courthouse and removing the stump. The committee approved getting quotes for the cutting of the tree and stump removal. Slepicka will obtain some prices of trees for replacement.

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski as follows:

Ambulance Call Reports:

1. A summary of monthly operations for **January 2006** is as follows: Total calls: 287; Total amount billed: \$131,878.00; Total amount collected: \$86,984.64.
2. **Approval of the 5 County Ambulance District Agreements:**
 - Approval of the Hillsboro Area Ambulance Service Agreement for \$150,000.00. **Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Bone to approve the Hillsboro Area Ambulance Service Agreement in amount of \$150,000.00. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 94-97).**

- Approval of the Farmersville/Waggoner Area Ambulance Service Agreement \$58,000.00. **Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Heaton to approve the Farmersville/Waggoner Area Ambulance Service Agreement in amount of \$58,000.00. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 98-101).**
 - Approval of the Nokomis/Witt Area Ambulance Service Agreement \$78,000.00. **Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Durbin to approve the Nokomis/Witt Area Ambulance Service Agreement in amount of \$78,000.00. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 102-105).**
 - Approval of the Litchfield Area Ambulance Service Agreement \$120,000.00. **Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Horn to approve the Litchfield Area Ambulance Service Agreement in amount of \$120,000.00. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 106-109).**
 - Approval of the Raymond/Harvel Area Ambulance Service Agreement \$33,360.00. **Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Dean to approve the Raymond/Harvel Area Ambulance Service Agreement in amount of \$33,360.00. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 110-113).**
2. **Approval of the Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Reimbursement Act:** Jagodzinski reminded the board about the need for a *Spiller Pays Ordinance*. The Ordinance will help the county get reimbursed for use of equipment, personnel, labor, etc... in the event of a hazardous materials spill. The company or persons directly related to the spill will issue reimbursement to the county for Spiller Pays. **Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Downs to approve the Montgomery County Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Reimbursement Act for the Spiller Pays Ordinance. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 114-119).**
3. **Director Holmes Report:** Jagodzinski reported that the collections for the month were \$86,984.64. The collections from the Credit Bureau for 2005 were \$6,366.01. Public Aid sent a payment of \$2,189.35, which was their first payment since November 1st, 2005. Jagodzinski stated that Director Holmes went to an IEMA training session on Monday, February 6th, 2006. The Health Department will be hosting an emergency event exercise on Wednesday, February 22nd, 2006. There will be a Weather Spotters Class on Thursday, March 2nd, 2006 from 6:30 PM until 10:00 PM at the Taylor Springs Community Building. This will be for new spotters and a re-certification for others already registered with the National Weather Service. Bridges Trucking Company, which was the one responsible for the oil spill back in December, has been billed over \$9,000 for costs of the spill. Jagodzinski reported that Holmes along with the HazMat team members will be going to Springfield to look over a HazMat Trailer so that they can get some ideas for setting up the county's trailer. Holmes has had money in the budget to purchase a digital camera, but the county will be reimbursed by IEMA. The firefighters who were deployed to the Gulf for Katrina Relief Efforts were to be reimbursed by FEMA for out-of-pocket expenses, but because it may take several months before FEMA can reimburse the firefighters, the county has decided to reimburse the firefighters for a total of a little over \$2,000 and wait for FEMA to reimburse the county.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **GIS Update:** Plunkett stated that NRCS was contacted regarding the delivery schedule of the soil survey because Bulletin 810 needs to be implemented by June of 2006. Since NRCS cannot deliver until June of 2007, the county will then need to pay Bruce Harris and Associates approximately \$20,000 to convert the old soil survey to comply with Bulletin 810 that requires changes made for assessments on farm land.
2. **Enterprise Zone Update:** Plunkett reported that the Village of Raymond called earlier last week and stated that they have a business that would like to re-locate to Raymond and is interested in the Enterprise Zone. Plunkett stated that it would take approximately 120 hours for the Enterprise Zone Administrator to work on the applications for the Village and City. Coordinator Daniels confirmed with the DCEO office in January that state policy says there needs to be a definite project willing to start a business in the new territory so that it could be added to the enterprise zone. The DCEO office also

stated that the new territory could qualify if the unemployment rate is at least 120% of the state's average unemployment rate for the most recent annual twelve month period.

3. **Meeting Date for March:** The Economic Development Committee will move their meeting date from March 8th, 2006 to Monday, March 6th, 2006 at 5:30 pm the County Board Room.

APPROVAL OF 7 COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Motion by Painter, second by Myers to approve the 7 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Havera as follows:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Havera reminded the Personnel Committee of the special meeting for arbitration on Tuesday, February 15th, 2006 at 10:00 AM in the PBC room.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: Havera reported that the Economic Development Committee has changed their March 8th meeting to Monday, March 6th, 2006 at 5:30 PM.

APPOINTMENTS: **Motion by Downs, second by Durbin to approve the re-appointment of Eugene Knodle to the Public Building Commission. Mr. Knodle's term will begin immediately. All in favor, motion carried.**

Motion by Ogden, second by Dean to approve the appointment of Joseph M. Martin to the Raymond Community Fire Protection District to fill the unexpired term of the late Raymond A. Held. Mr. Martin's term will expire on May 5th, 2008. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 120-125).

PAY BILLS: **Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Sielschott to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.** For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, March 14th, 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Painter, second by Myers to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 AM.

Montgomery County Board Minutes

For Tuesday, March 14th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, March 14th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Havera.

Roll call was taken, 21 members present, 0 absent.

Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Edward Helgen, Keith Horn, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott.

Members Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Ogden, second by Myers to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Painter, second by Myers to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, February 14th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – submitted.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – submitted.
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – Jim Vazzi was present for questions.
5. **Health Department Report** – submitted.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – submitted.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – submitted.
9. **911 Report** – submitted.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Bone, second by Branum to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE Report: Given by Chairman Mike Havera as follows:

1. **Road & Bridge Executive Session Update:** Havera stated that only generic reports were given at the Coordinating Committee meeting, with the exception of the Highway Department report, which required an Executive Session to discuss Personnel issues there.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **Longwall Advisory Referendum Resolution Approval:** Chairman Sielschott reported that the committee discussed putting an Advisory Referendum on the November 2006 General Election Ballot to seek the will of Montgomery County voters concerning whether longwall mining should be prohibited in Montgomery County. Sielschott stated that some of those present at the committee meeting yesterday (Monday, March 13th) were also present at today's meeting. He confirmed that the County Board has sold county owned coal rights to Colt Coal Company, and that decision can not be changed. Since the sale, various groups have raised questions about the method of mining the coal, while other groups and individuals are concerned about the economic benefits and are not concerned about the mining method, as long as the laws of the State of Illinois are followed and are regulated by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. He reported that Representative Hannig and Senator Demuzio are also interested in doing the will of the citizens of Montgomery County along with the County Board, and have promised their legislative support should the majority of citizens desire to

prohibit longwall mining in our county. Sielschott stated that in order to determine the citizen's will, the Finance Committee is proposing a nonbinding Advisory Referendum to be placed on the ballot at the November 7th, 2006 election. The question would read "*Should the Longwall Method of mining coal be prohibited in Montgomery County? Yes or No.*" Committee members heard from representatives of the groups opposed to longwall mining that they preferred a variance of the wording of the ballot question, which they proposed should read "*Should the citizens of Montgomery County support Room and Pillar mining and prohibit the longwall method.*" Sielschott reported that this question was rejected by the committee and Representative Hannig as being misleading and too complicated, since the question should be quite simple: Longwall, Yes or No. Sielschott stated that this way all stakeholders can campaign and all Montgomery County voters can express their opinion at the polls. Since this would be an advisory and nonbinding referendum, Representative Hannig has already introduced legislation (HB 5770) in this current session to outlaw longwall mining in Montgomery County only, and Senator Demuzio will support it in the Senate. If it passes, the bill will proceed with our legislators and residents support. If it fails, the bill will be withdrawn and individual landowners will be free to negotiate with the coal company as they can now. Sielschott stated that he cannot speak for Colt Coal, private citizens or groups opposed to longwall mining. However, the board can present it to the people and give them the opportunity to express their wishes after hearing both pros and cons. The resolution passed the Finance Committee on a 6-0 vote to go on the ballot as follows: "*Should the Longwall Method of mining coal be prohibited in Montgomery County? Yes or No.*" Motion by Sielschott, second by Jagodzinski to pass Resolution 06-06, which would place that question on the November, 2006 ballot. In the discussion that followed, member Ed Helgen asked that the advisory referendum wording be amended and instead be written as follows: Should the citizens of Montgomery County support room and pillar coal mining and prohibit the longwall method? Yes or No. Helgen commented that he felt this resolution should have been voted on before the County Board sold the coal, stated that a coal mine will offer more jobs if room and pillar mining is used and that this method of mining will also protect the land. He shared that groups against longwall mining are not against a coal mine or the jobs and revenue, just against longwall mining because of the subsidence issues. Helgen stated that in the beginning, he was proud that the committee discussed the sale of the coal with concerned groups and individuals, but since then has become disappointed because he feels those with opposing views are being ignored. Chairman Havera stated that it was extremely difficult to get this bill introduced into this state legislative session, and that Representative Hannig is proceeding according to Havera's personal request, which they think will be a good faith effort to offer a final resolution to this issue. Havera also stated that member Sielschott called concerned resident Dave Pastrovich after the discussion of putting the question on the November ballot was underway. Helgen inquired if this House bill would only apply to Montgomery County, Illinois, and Havera confirmed that yes, the bill introduced states that longwall mining should be prohibited only in Montgomery County, Illinois. Member Plunkett read a synopsis of the proposed bill (HB 5770), which amends the Illinois Coal Mining Act to add the following: "Section 13.16: Longwall coal mining prohibited. No person may conduct or in any way engage in longwall coal mining in Montgomery County." Plunkett stated that several versions of the ballot question were presented to Representative Hannig for his proposed Bill's use, and he selected the wording approved by the Finance Committee. **Motion by Helgen, second by Blankenship to Amend the Advisory Referendum Ballot Question to be written as follows: "Should the citizens of Montgomery County support room and pillar coal mining and prohibit the longwall method? Yes or No." Roll Call Vote called: Ayes – 4, Nays – 17 Voting for the amended version of the Advisory Referendum: Toby Dean, Ed Helgen, Keith Horn, George Blankenship. Voting against the amended version of the Advisory Referendum: Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ron Deabenderfer, John Downs, Bob Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott, Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst. Motion Failed.** In discussion, member Ron Deabenderfer stated that the wording of the amending question actually is two separate questions, which would be confusing, and Chairman Havera said the Representative Hannig agreed. Member Aumann stated that he does not agree with the amended question wording because with new developments in

mining methods in the future, the county shouldn't be restricted to just room and pillar mining, which this question suggests. Member Bathurst stated that since there has been no opposition to room and pillar mining, only against longwall mining, she feels we shouldn't have to state the obvious, leave the question simple and address what we have been dealing with for the last 14 months, whether or not longwall mining should be allowed. Helgen complimented a recent feature article in the *Journal-News* which gave information on this issue from all sides, and felt his suggested wording of the question also gave that perspective. He stated that many of these concerned residents are farmers who are the Stewards of the soil and seek to preserve the land. Helgen also stated that the farmers are not against Economic Development with the possibility of an Ethanol Plant in the county, all they want is to preserve the soil and support Room and Pillar mining. **Sielschott continued 1st motion – Motion by Sielschott, second by Jagodzinski to put the Advisory Referendum Resolution on the November 2006 General Election Ballot and be written as follows: “Should the Longwall Method of mining coal be prohibited in Montgomery County? Yes or No.” Roll Call Vote: Ayes – 17, Nays – 4 (Voting for the Advisory Referendum: Bonnie Branum, Ron Deabenderfer, John Downs, Bob Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott, Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, Terry Bone). (Voting against the Advisory Referendum: Toby Dean, Ed Helgen, Keith Horn, George Blankenship). Motion Carried.** Havera stated that Rep. Hannig and Senator Demuzio will abide by the will of the people, and if the Referendum passes, Hannig will work to prohibit longwall mining in his proposed legislation, and if it is voted down, then the bill will be pulled out of the House and the coal company will continue to negotiate with individual landowners. (See Advisory Referendum Resolution #06-06 Book 6, page 126).

2. **Approval of Resolutions to Convey Tax Deeds on 3 Parcels:**

- **Approval of Resolution #06-07 to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #07-000-254-05 located in the Village of Harvel:** Motion by Sielschott, second by Downs. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 127-129).
- **Approval of Resolution #06-08 to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #09-000-825-00 located in the Village of Irving:** Motion by Sielschott, second by Downs. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 130-132).
- **Approval of Resolution #06-09 to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #11-201-146-00 located in the City of Litchfield:** Motion by Sielschott, second by Downs. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 133-135).

3. **Discussion on Demolition of County Owned Property in Witt Update/Approval:** Sielschott reported that the county owns two buildings in the City of Witt, which were acquired through tax deeds. The buildings are in disrepair and the committee has been discussing how to take care of the problem. Board members who went to look at the property to see if the Highway Department could take care of cleaning up the area, but it appears that the Highway Department does not have the equipment to remove the buildings. Instead, the committee feels the county will put the demolition of the buildings out for bids and will make a recommendation to do so at the next committee meeting.

4. **Budget/Audit Report Update:** Sielschott stated that the county audit should be completed for recommendation at next month's April board meeting.

5. **Discussion of Elected Officials Salary:** Sielschott stated that six months prior to the November General Elections, salaries of Elected Officials must be set. The committee will discuss setting the salaries at the next regular Finance Committee meeting and make their recommendation at the next month's full board meeting in April.

6. **Discussion on Development of Priority List for Capital Improvement and Countywide Programs:** The county board will be working on a list of Capital Improvements and countywide programs over the next couple of months.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **EXECUTIVE SESSION - PERSONNEL ISSUES:** Chairman Branum requested that the board enter into Executive Session to discussion Personnel Issues.

2. **Motion to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION to Discuss Personnel Issues:** Motion by Branum second by Bone to enter into Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. (Time: 9:05 AM)
3. **Motion to come out of Executive Session:** Motion by Blankenship, second by Dean to come out of Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. (Time: 9:40 AM)
4. **Personnel Issues Approval:** Motion by Branum, second by Heaton to pay Amy Giesing for the remaining two months as stated in her original resolution, and to maintain full benefits including insurance for the two month period. Amy Giesing's last reporting day will be March 31st, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.
5. **Engineering Agreement Approval for Fillmore Township:** Henderson Engineering will arrange an engineering agreement to repair the Fillmore Township Bridge- TR 307 over East Fork of Shoal Creek. Motion by Branum, second by Bone to accept the Engineering Agreement with Henderson and Associates to repair the Fillmore Township Bridge. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 136-139).
6. **Highway Department Equipment Update:** The committee approved a motion to send the old semi and trailer to the Mulberry Grove Auction.

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **County Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance Proposal Approval:** Durbin reported that EPA Inspector Bill Gonet and State's Attorney Chris Matoush were present at the committee meeting to discuss the county's Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance Proposal, which was submitted by Patrick Engineering. State's Attorney Matoush told the committee that the current Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance is outdated and feels that the county should allow Patrick Engineering to update the language in the ordinance, which was signed in 1997. Motion by Durbin, second by Horn to approve the Proposal from Patrick Engineering to amend the Montgomery County Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance in the amount of \$4,400. All in favor, motion carried. (Proposal filed in Book 6, Page 140).
2. **FAYCO Funding Request Update:** Durbin stated that State's Attorney Matoush is looking at funding issues for FAYCO and will report his findings at next month's meeting.
3. **Elections Update:** Durbin deferred to County Clerk Leitheiser to report on the upcoming March Primary Election. Leitheiser stated that she had distributed a Decatur News Herald article to HWE Committee members regarding how Macon County is having trouble finding Election Judges, and thanked members for approving increases in judge's mileage compensation for training, creating the "technical judge" position at each poll and the "technical support" position because it has allowed better participation of Election Judges throughout the county. She also reported that Absentee/Early Voting has gone slow so far, and thanked the county Township Supervisors for their flexibility in storing and setting up the voting booths and the new ballot box as the county uses the new voting system for the first time.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Cafeteria Plan Resolution #06-10:** Downs reported that the committee discussed the resolution to adopt the Cafeteria Plan for County Employees, which has been reviewed and approved by State's Attorney Matoush and this and the "Plan Document" have been approved by Consociate Care Group. Motion by Downs, second by Aumann to approve the Resolution to Adopt the Cafeteria Plan for County Employees. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 141).
2. **Arbitration Hearing Update:** Downs reported that there was an Arbitration Hearing held on Wednesday, February 15th, 2006 at 10:00 AM in the PBC room of the Courts Complex. regarding two Highway Department grievances. The Arbitrator will notify the county within 30 days with a decision on those grievances.
3. **Jailers/Dispatchers Union Meeting Date & Time:** There will be a special Personnel Committee meeting on Thursday, March 23rd, 2006 at 6:00 PM in the PBC room with the Jailers/Dispatchers Union.
4. **Temporary Part-Time Help for Animal Control Update/Approval:** Downs stated that at the last board meeting, discussion took place on a Temporary Part-Time person to help with Animal Control paperwork. The HWE Committee approved the hiring of someone for the temporary position and the Personnel Committee also approved the hiring of the part time temporary person. Motion by Downs,

second by Ogden to hire a temporary part-time employee to help with Animal Control paperwork. All in favor, motion carried.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **Johnson Controls Contract Approval:** Committee discussed the annual Heating and Cooling Maintenance contract with Johnson Control for the Courts Complex building in the amount of \$4,272.00. **Motion by Painter, second by Heaton to approve the annual maintenance contract with Johnson Controls in the amount of \$4,272.00. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Update on Tree Removal and Replacement at the Historic Courthouse:** Kuhl Tree Trimming Service removed the diseased hard maple tree and stump on the south side of the Historic Courthouse for a cost of \$250.00. The committee approved that Richard Slepicka order another Hard Maple tree to replace it from Designer Landscapes for an amount of \$425.00 which will include planting.

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski as follows:

Ambulance Call Reports:

1. A summary of monthly operations for **February 2006** is as follows: Total calls: 323; Total amount billed: \$142,568.00; Total amount collected: \$76,998.96.
2. **Director Holmes Report:** Chairman Jagodzinski reported that a payment from the Credit Bureau was received for \$1,113.85 and that the truck that was purchased for EMA was delivered from Wright Ford on February 15th, 2006. The old EMA car was traded to Mac's Fire and Safety in Litchfield to help pay for new radios and lights. Jagodzinski reported on the grant that was applied for in January with IESMA (Illinois Emergency Services Management Association) in the amount of \$2,294.00 and stated that Director Holmes attended an Earthquake Conference in Fairview Heights on March 2nd and 3rd, 2006, that outlying counties along the Mississippi River bottom like ours, Bond and Fayette would be a support system for other counties affected by any earthquake that may occur in that area. A Weather Spotter's class was held on Wednesday, March 2nd, 2006 at the Taylor Springs Community Center, and Holmes reported that 90 people pre-registered and 68 people came to the class. Jim Kramper from the National Weather service taught the class. Jagodzinski also reported that a State Wide Tornado Exercise was held on Tuesday, March 7th, 2006, a Pancake, Sausage Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast will be held to benefit the Montgomery County HazMat Team on Saturday, March 25th, 2006. The State's Attorney's Office has made contact with Bridges Trucking Company for payment of costs incurred due to the oil spill on December 7th, 2005, with that company responding that the "spill" was not hazardous waste. Assistant State's Attorney Katie Pawlik has informed Bridges Trucking that they are responsible for cleanup costs due to the Montgomery County "Spiller Pays" ordinance. Member Helgen inquired about whether the HazMat Trailer that was ordered has been delivered yet, and Jagodzinski replied that it has not.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **MCEDC Update:** Chairman Plunkett reported that the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation will have their Annual Meeting on Tuesday, March 28th, 2006. The Corporation has been in operation for one year. Heather Hampton+Knodle was present at the Committee meeting and thanked them and the County Board for their support and she shared information on what the corporation is doing. The following MCEDC committees are working to move forward to meet the needs of Montgomery County's Communities: Technology Committee, Business Retention and Business Recruitment Committee, the Workforce Development Committee and Entrepreneurship Committee. MCEDC Chairman Heather Hampton+Knodle reported to the committee that the corporation is trying to help recruit business and retain business in the county and that MCEDC Educator Amanda Cole is willing to assist County Coordinator Chris Daniels' office with the Enterprise Zone and other Economic Development projects as needed. Plunkett reported that the MCEDC is trying to recruit an Ethanol Business and stressed the important need of G.I.S. mapping in order to get the needed County infrastructure information for the application. The County G.I.S. mapping system will become a much needed time-saving tool when it is completed.
2. **Ameren Rail Line Surface Transportation Board Decision Update:** The Surface Transportation Board sent documentation regarding the decision to approve Ameren's request to build a 13 mile rail line to their plant in Coffeen.

3. **Expansion to Enterprise Zone Ordinance #06-11 Approval:** Plunkett reported that the board would need to amend the County Enterprise Zone Ordinance and Intergovernmental Agreement to include territory on the west side of I-55 in Litchfield. **Motion by Plunkett, second by Sielschott to amend the Montgomery County Enterprise Zone Ordinance to include territory on the west side of I-55 near Litchfield. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 142-144).**
4. **Expansion to Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement Approval:** Motion by Plunkett, second by Horn to amend the Montgomery County Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement to include territory on the west side of I-55 near Litchfield. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 145-149).

APPROVAL OF 8 COMMITTEE REPORTS & Minutes:

Motion by Durbin, second by Blankenship to approve the 8 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Havera as follows:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

SCHEDULE CHANGES:

1. There will be a Special Personnel Committee meeting on Thursday, March 23rd, 2006 at 6:00 PM in the PBC room of the Courts Complex for the purpose of Jailers/Dispatchers Union Negotiations.
2. There will be a Special Road & Bridge Committee meeting on Wednesday, March 29th, 2006 at 8:30 AM at the Highway Department to discuss personnel issues.

APPOINTMENTS:

1. **Motion by Ogden, second by Dean to approve Resolution #06-12, re-appointing William Beeler to the Raymond Fire Protection District. Mr. Beeler's term will begin on May 1st, 2006 and expire on May 4th, 2009. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 150-154).**

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Aumann, second by Bathurst to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, April 11th, 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Painter, second by Branum to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

Montgomery County Board Minutes

For Tuesday, April 11th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, April 11th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Havera.

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

Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Edward Helgen, Keith Horn, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott.

Members Absent: Dennis Jagodzinski

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Ogden, second by Petty to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Myers, second by Painter to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, March 14th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – submitted.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – Ron Jenkins was present for questions.
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – Jim Vazzi was present for questions.
5. **Health Department Report** – submitted.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – Jodi Huber was present for questions.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – submitted.
9. **911 Report** – submitted.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Aumann, second by Durbin to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE Report: Chairman Havera stated that there was nothing new to report in the Coordinating Committee.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **Approval of Temporary County Highway Engineer Resolution:** Branum reported that IDOT will need to approve the Temporary Engineer replacement for Amy Giesing. Branum recommended the appointment of Road Foreman Kenny Pezold to the Position of Temporary Engineer until a replacement is hired. The Classified Ad for the County Engineer position was published in all County newspapers, the Springfield Journal Register and posted on the Internet. Résumés are due by April 21st, 2006 at 4:00 PM in the Coordinator's Office. **Motion by Branum, second by Heaton to approve the Resolution Requesting Consent of the Department of Transportation to the Appointment of Road Foreman Kenny Pezold as the Acting County Engineer until a replacement Highway Engineer is Hired. Discussion – Havera inquired of Branum if the process of hiring a new engineer can not exceed 100 days, and Branum confirmed that this was correct. Havera asked for a favorable vote, Ayes**

responded (19) . Havera then asked for Those Opposed to vote, One Nay responded (1) – Terry Bone. Motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 155).

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **Bid Opening for Demolition of County Owned Properties in Witt - Approval:** Sielschott stated that the committee looked over the bids that were opened at the Road and Bridge Committee meeting on April 5th, 2006 for the demolition of buildings on county owned property in the City of Witt. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Branum to award the bid to Reynolds Excavating in the amount of \$27,960 for the demolition of the County owned buildings in the City of Witt. All in favor, motion carried.** Witt Mayor William Korbar was in attendance at the meeting and thanked the board for taking this action.
2. **Coroner's Radio Equipment Request Approval:** Sielschott reported that the Sheriff can only communicate with the County Coroner by using cell or phone service, and the Coroner is requesting radio equipment to be installed in the Coroner's van. Sielschott stated that the equipment package from Whiteside Communications will include radio equipment, a handheld unit and repeater in the amount of \$4,044.50 that is compatible with the Sheriff's vehicular radio equipment. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Plunkett to purchase the new radio equipment for the County Coroner from Whiteside Communications in the amount of \$4,044.50.** Member Ogden asked where Whiteside Communications is located, and Sielschott responded that the company is located in Sorento, Illinois. **All in favor, motion carried.**
3. **Audit Report Recommendation Update/Approval:** The County's Auditor, Whitey Patton, was present to provide the Annual Audit Report and gave his recommendations to the board as they prepare the County budget, commenting that the County is in good financial shape at the present time, but it will be a challenge to stay that way in the future. **Motion to accept the Audit report as presented by Whitey Patton by Sielschott, second by Myers. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **ESRI Software for GIS Cost Update/Approval:** Sielschott reported that Network Administrator Purcell discussed with the committee a need for ESRI Software for the GIS system. This software will integrate with GIS software and will compare property values in neighborhoods, and the committee asked Purcell to include it in the FY 2007 budget for consideration at that time.
5. **Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal System (CAMA) Update/Approval:** Sielschott stated that Chief Assessing Officer Julie Kiefer was present at the committee meeting to update the committee on CAMA, a Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal System that is offered by Manatron for Commercial Properties. She and Network Administrator Purcell told the committee that the county needs the ESRI software and the commercial property appraisal tools, and that the county has 1,400 Commercial and 95 Industrial sites at the present time. This software could compare appraisals in commercial and industrial sites for about \$100.00 to \$125.00 per site and provide more accurate assessment information. Sielschott said the committee asked Kiefer to include it in the FY 2007 budget for consideration at that time.
6. **Real Estate Tax Update:** Sielschott reported that the Supervisor of Assessments Office had received the tentative multiplier from the Illinois Department of Revenue last week. The tentative multiplier is 1.0000 and the SOA Office hopes to shift the files to the County Clerk for tax extension by the end of May. Sielschott stated that the tax bills would go out later than last year, but approximately on the schedule of FY 04.
7. **GIS Licensing:** Sielschott stated that Network Administrator Purcell reported that the GIS Licensing will need to be upgraded, and that the software to do so is budgeted this year.
8. **Elected Official's Salary Approval:** The committee discussed setting the salaries for the next 4 years.
 - **Motion by Sielschott, second by Branum to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss salaries of Elected Officials and to excuse County Clerk Leitheiser and to allow Deputy Clerk Daniels to remain in executive session to record the minutes.** All in favor, motion carried. *Time: 9:00 AM.*
 - **Motion to return from Executive Session:** Motion by Sielschott, second by Bone to return from Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. *Time: 9:16 AM.*

- **Setting the Salary:** Motion by Sielschott, second by Aumann to approve a 3.5% per year salary increase for the Elected Officials, which includes the Sheriff, County Clerk/Recorder, Treasurer and Circuit Clerk beginning December 1st, 2006 for 4 years. All in favor, motion carried.

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Review of Election and Polling Location Discussion:** Durbin reported that County Clerk Leitheiser shared election results with the committee as well as information regarding the Election Day inclement weather and snow removal needed at the polling locations. Durbin reported that although there were two power outages in Fillmore and in Coffeen, the new voting system performed successfully. The technical support members visited all polling places several times throughout the day, making sure there were no problems with the new system, and there was good feedback on the voting equipment from election judges and voters. Leitheiser reported that the U-haul rental to deliver the equipment was about \$850.00. The Committee also discussed the need for a snow removal plan should this weather occur again on Election Day, and heard from Witt Lions members regarding polling place rent.
2. **Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance Review:** Durbin stated that a draft of the County's Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance was reviewed by the committee and informed board members to look it over for a possible vote to approve it next month. Durbin asked that any questions or changes to the Ordinance should be directed to him or Coordinator Chris Daniels.
3. **FAYCO Funding Update:** Durbin stated that the committee will continue to look into funding for FAYCO enterprises and they plan to invite the FAYCO Director to their next meeting to provide more information.
4. **CMS Resolution for Participation in State of Illinois Federal Surplus Property Program Approval #06-13:** Clerk Leitheiser read the CMS Resolution that will allow the County to make purchases from the Federal and State Surplus program in Springfield. **Motion by Durbin, second by Helgen to approve the CMS Resolution for the County to make purchases from the State and Federal Surplus program in Springfield. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 156).**
5. **Thanks from Durbin:** Durbin thanked the County Board for the plant sent to he and his family in memory of his mother, Thelma Durbin at her recent passing.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Jailers/Dispatchers Union Update:** Downs stated that the next Union Negotiations meeting for the Jailers/Dispatchers will be held on Wednesday, April 19th, 2006 at 6:00 PM in the PBC room of the Courthouse Complex in Hillsboro.
2. **Arbitration Hearing Update:** Chairman Downs reported that they have received a decision on the Arbitration Hearing held due to two Highway Department grievances and the County won one of the grievance issues and lost on the other.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **Office Storage Space Issues:** Painter reported that there is a need to find additional storage space and possible relocation of employees on the third floor of the Historic Courthouse.
2. **Insect problem in EMA Office:** Painter reported that the committee approved a special insect extermination of flying insects in the EMA Office.
3. **Tree Removal and Replacement West Side of Historic Courthouse:** Due to disease, the tree on the west side of the Historic Courthouse was cut down and the stump was removed last Sunday. Replacement trees will be planted on the west side and the south sides of the courthouse.
4. **Replacement of Carpet in Historic Courthouse Basement Election Room:** Painter reported that the committee approved the removal of old indoor/outdoor carpeting in the election room area of the Historic Courthouse.

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Vice Chairman George Blankenship as follows:

Ambulance Call Reports:

1. A summary of monthly operations for **March 2006** is as follows: Total calls: 356; Total amount billed: \$153,748.00; Total amount collected: \$55,815.34.
2. **Director Holmes Report:** Blankenship reported that due to some weekend storms, EMA opened up a shelter in Raymond for residents in Waggoner and Farmersville area who were without power. The HazMat Trailer arrived on March 24th and is in Litchfield waiting for graphics. Blankenship stated that there have been some problems with the phones in the EMA office and Jagodzinski will be checking into replacement phones. Blankenship stated that discussion also took place regarding a Unified Command Operation, which will involve several agencies and individuals who will apply for a position on the Unified Command Team. There have been some problems reaching Township Road Commissioners in an emergency situation, and Director Holmes will write a letter to Township Supervisors to inquire about getting road commissioners pagers or cell phones. Blankenship reported that the HazMat Pancake and Sausage Breakfast made \$1,048.58 to go to the HazMat program.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **GIS Update:** Plunkett reported that all GIS Layers have been delivered except for the soil mapping and Enterprise Zone layers. Network Administrator Purcell will give a brief presentation showing members the GIS data at next month's board meeting. Plunkett reported that the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation was able to get the county Rail Lines put on as a layer free of charge. Member Sielschott inquired about the status of GIS being able to help the County implement the new Bulletin 810 Law which changes farmland assessment requirements, and Plunkett stated that the County is joining other counties in similar circumstances and is currently working to get an extension beyond the June 2006 deadline for compliance on Bulletin 810.
2. **GIS Conference Approval:** The committee approved for Bill Purcell and Chris Daniels to attend a GIS Conference in Springfield on April 20th and 21st, 2006.
3. **Enterprise Zone Update:** Plunkett stated that all the Enterprise Zone Expansion Intergovernmental Agreements and Ordinances approved by the County Board at their March meeting have been signed and returned by all the municipalities in the Enterprise Zone. The balance of the application should be completed and sent to DCEO by the end of April 2006.
4. **Economic Development Corporation Update:** The Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation held their annual meeting on Tuesday, March 28th, 2006, with all officers returned to their same positions for the coming year. The Corporation's Annual report was passed out for board members to review.

APPROVAL OF 7 COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES:

Motion by Myers second by Downs to approve the 7 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Havera as follows:

SCHEDULE CHANGES: Reminder that there will be a special Personnel Committee meeting on Wednesday, April 19th, 2006 in the PBC room of the Courthouse Complex in Hillsboro for the purpose of Union Negotiations with Jailers/Dispatchers.

APPOINTMENTS:

1. **Motion by Bone, second by Durbin to reappoint Merrill Micenheimer as trustee to the Coffeen Fire Protection District for a three year term, that will begin on May 1st, 2006 and expire on April 30th, 2009. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Motion by Branum, second by Durbin to appoint Gary Harris to the Glendale Cemetery Board in Fillmore. All in favor, motion carried.**

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Dean, second by Blankenship to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 9th, 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Painter, second by Myers to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

Montgomery County Board Minutes

For Tuesday, May 9th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, May 9th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Havera.

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

Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Edward Helgen, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott.

Members Absent: Keith Horn

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Ogden, second by Aumann to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Myers, second by Downs to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, April 11th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – submitted.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – Ron Jenkins was present for questions.
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – submitted.
5. **Health Department Report** – Hugh Satterlee was present for questions.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – submitted.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – Bane Ulrici was present for questions.
9. **911 Report** – submitted.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Blankenship, second by Petty to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE Report: Chairman Havera deferred to Vice-Chairman Jagodzinski, who chaired the meeting in his absence. Jagodzinski stated that there was nothing new to report from the Coordinating Committee.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **County Engineer Position Update:** Branum reported that the committee received and reviewed six résumés for the County Engineer Position. There will be a special Road and Bridge and Personnel Committee meeting to conduct interviews on Thursday, May 11th, 2006 at 5:30 PM in the County Board Room.
2. **Update Farmersville Overpass Grant Money:** Branum stated that the grant money for repairs to the Farmersville Overpass will expire on October 31st, 2006. The committee discussed having the new County Engineer check into getting an extension on the grant to repair the Farmersville Overpass.
3. **Update on Chapman T Trail Bridge:** Branum stated that the committee discussed three letters from concerned citizens regarding the disrepair of the Historic Bridge on Chapman T Trail.
4. **Summer Help Update:** Branum stated that summer help was not needed last year at the Highway Department and is not needed this year. The committee will hire one person for mowing this summer.

5. **New Truck Purchase Approval:** Branum stated that the committee discussed and approved the purchase of a new truck to replace a single axel 1992 truck with over 170,000 miles. A new tandem truck will be about \$80,000 on the State Bid. There is about \$118,000 in the budget. **Motion by Branum, second by Durbin to purchase a new tandem truck from the State Bid for approximately \$80,000. All in favor, motion carried.**
6. **Projects Update:** Branum reported that the committee discussed six major projects that have been done in the last six years, but not all funding on these projects has been received due to some missing paperwork. The committee will have someone from IDOT come to a special meeting to discuss this issue. The Road and Bridge Committee will meet with IDOT on Tuesday, May 23rd, 2006 at 9:30 AM at the Highway Department.
7. **Approval of Resolution #16-06:** County Clerk Leitheiser read Resolution #16-06, a Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$11,000.00 for 1028B-CA, E 8th Road, Harvel Road District, 50% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 0.5 (\$5,500.00). **Motion by Branum, second by Dean. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 157-158).**
8. **Approval of Resolution #17-06:** County Clerk Leitheiser read Resolution #17-06, a Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$5,000.00 for 1029 B-CA, Location A; E 21st Road, Witt Road District, 50% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 0.5 (\$2,500.00). **Motion by Branum, second by Downs. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 159-160).**
9. **Approval of Resolution #18-06:** County Clerk Leitheiser read Resolution #18-06, a Resolution to appropriate an amount of \$3,000.00 for 1029 B-CA, Location B; N 16th Avenue, Witt Road District, 50% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 0.5 (\$1,500.00). **Motion by Painter, second by Aumann. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 161-162).**

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **CEFS Public Transportation Intergovernmental Agreement:** Sielschott introduced Linda Mitchell, Chief Operations Officer for CEFS, who presented an Intergovernmental Agreement and Public Transportation Ordinance. The Intergovernmental Agreement is between Shelby, Fayette, Clay, Moultrie, Douglas and Montgomery counties for the provision of public transportation. Sielschott stated that the county passes this Agreement every year. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Bone to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Shelby, Fayette, Clay, Moultrie, Douglas and Montgomery counties for the provision of public transportation. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 163-164).**
2. **Public Transportation Ordinance #06-14:** The Public Transportation Ordinance authorizes an application to the Division of Public Transportation and Illinois Department of Transportation for operating assistance of public transportation in Montgomery County. Sielschott stated \$3,000 is budgeted for and is from the Senior Citizens Tax. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Blankenship to approve the CEFS Ordinance to provide for Public Transportation in Montgomery County. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 165).**
3. **Resolution #06-15 - Approval to Convey Tax Deed on #13-000-441-01:** Sielschott reported that the county needs to convey a tax deed back to the Village of Raymond for a parcel that is a narrow abandoned alleyway. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Ogden to Convey Tax Deed #13-000-441-01 to the Village of Raymond. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 166-170).**
4. **Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal System Software Update/Approval:** Sielschott stated that the committee discussed and approved the Computer Assisted Mass Appraisal System Software (CAMA), which will convert the county's current Real Estate Tax Billing DOS database into a Windows database and allow the better capability of appraising all county properties. The bid for this software from the county's Real Estate Tax vendor Manatron is \$23,818.00, to be paid as a single expenditure in Fiscal Year 2007. Sielschott deferred to Information Systems Manager Bill Purcell, who briefly discussed the importance of utilizing this software in Montgomery County. Member Ron Deabenderfer asked if the software would eventually pay for itself, and Purcell stated while he couldn't guarantee an eventual

saving to the county if this software is implemented, the CAMA software will more accurately assess county properties by easily retrieving data showing sales of other properties in the county and will also be helpful for Board of Review purposes. Purcell also informed members there will be an annual cost of \$4,900 to continue updating the software. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Plunkett to approve the purchase of the CAMA Software for a one time cost of \$23,818.00 from Manatron to be paid in FY 2007. All in favor, motion carried.**

5. **Update on Priority List for Capital Improvements and Countywide Programs:** Sielschott stated in the interest of implementing long-range planning as directed by Auditor Patton in his recent report, the committee looked over a draft letter for a priority list of Capitol Improvements and Countywide Programs. Committee members will review the list for any additions or corrections before it is sent out to other Board Members and Office Holders.
6. **Witt Building Cleanup Update:** Alan Reynolds of Reynolds Excavating was present and stated that IEPA needs a letter from the County Board stating that the county wants the designated buildings located in the City of Witt demolished by Reynolds Excavating because of the unsafe building conditions. Chris Matoush was also present, and agreed that a letter can be provided for Reynolds to give to IEPA. The demolition of the buildings is set to begin this week.
7. **Discussion of Veterans Assistance Commission Superintendent from Part-time to Full-time position:** Sielschott stated that members from the VAC Board came to the Finance Committee meeting to advise them that their board had approved for the VAC Superintendent Dave Bishop to go from part time to full time. The current salary of the part time VAC Superintendent is \$15,525 and it will be doubled to \$31,050 with benefits for full time. The committee told the VAC that they would not be raising the current 2% Levy in the upcoming budget, and the VAC agreed that this would not be necessary. Sielschott stated that the VAC told the committee that vets did not have a lot of monetary needs, but that they do need advocacy services, which requires a full-time Superintendent. Member Deabenderfer asked Sielschott how many veterans are served by the VAC, and Sielschott stated that the Finance Committee asked the VAC to present facts and figures of how many vets they have served since it was created, and to bring that information to the budget hearings in July. He reported that the County Board can only approve the total amount levied by the VAC, and cannot manage their services.

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Presentation of FAYCO Organization & Funding Approval:** Durbin reported that FAYCO representatives Robert Lindberg and Anita Marcoot, and FAYCO Board members Marty Dawson and Richard Slepicka were present at the committee meeting to discuss the possibility of Montgomery County approving funds to help fund FAYCO's Montgomery County services. The committee learned that Fayette County and Bond County levy taxes to support FAYCO, with Fayette County's FAYCO levy set at .00025%, which brings in approximately \$38,000 annually, and Bond County levy's FAYCO levy set at .0002%, which brings in approximately \$24,000 annually. Before 2003, the Montgomery County Health Department contracted \$12,600 a year to FAYCO, but in 2003 the contract was terminated. Since then, Montgomery County has not financially supported the program, and due to lack of funding, referrals have gone down and FAYCO has had to waiver some services. Montgomery County is currently getting 30% of FAYCO's services for the people who need them in this county, but currently has no funding invested in the program. The committee discussed that Montgomery County should be doing something to help the FAYCO Organization and instead of levying taxes, the board could take \$20,000 of the county's coal revenue and allocate that to FAYCO for services to the citizens of Montgomery County.
2. **Presentation of FAYCO:** Durbin introduced FAYCO representatives Robert Lindberg and Debbie Hopwood, and FAYCO board member Richard Slepicka. Lindberg reiterated the need for Montgomery County funds to provide FAYCO services to more local individuals, and confirmed that about 80 Montgomery County residents are currently on their waiting list. Slepicka spoke about the dignity of work that is performed at FAYCO, what the operation means to the individuals who work there and their families, encouraged anyone with more questions about FAYCO services to set up an appointment to

tour the facility. Lindberg stated that FAYCO employees are close to producing their 10 millionth inkpen, which is an example of their productivity and work ethic. Member Deabenderfer asked if the

committee discussed putting FAYCO's financial need on the ballot to allow county citizens to decide to levy the money. Chairman Havera stated that by using some of the coal money instead of levying taxes for the revenue needed by FAYCO would relieve taxpayers of the tax burden and still assist Montgomery County citizens in need of FAYCO services. Deabenderfer asked if the prior financial problems at the county Health Department contributed to FAYCO's financial problem, and Havera responded that it did. Durbin stated that an additional \$20,000 for FAYCO will be put into the county's budget for Fiscal Year 2007, with those funds, if approved, can be allocated again in July 1st, 2007. **Motion by Durbin, second by Petty to allocate \$20,000 from the county's coal revenue to FAYCO Enterprises in Montgomery County, effective July 1st, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.**

3. **Election Judges' Commission Approval:** Durbin reported that County Clerk Leitheiser has presented a list of Election Judges for Commission received from the Democratic and Republican parties, and referred members to their individual copies of the list. **Motion by Durbin, second by Painter to approve the List of Election Judges for Commission as submitted by County Clerk Leitheiser. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 171-182).**
4. **Election Update:** County Clerk Leitheiser gave a brief update on Senate Bill 1445, which passed both houses on May 3rd, 2006 and is now on the Governor's Desk for signature. This bill includes procedure changes on Early Voting which may require the county to purchase more M100 tabulators, and would require that political committees identify themselves on robo-calls that name candidates for elections.
5. **Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance Update/Approval:** Durbin reported that the second draft of the Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance was distributed to board members for their review, and stated that there were a few minor changes to the first draft. Board members should review the second draft of the Siting Ordinance, with its potential approval at the June, 2006 Full Board meeting.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Consociate Care Group Update/Approval:** Steve Spinner from Consociate Care Group was present at the committee meeting to address members with the annual financial reports for the county's Self Insurance Health Plan.
2. **Jailer's/Dispatcher's Union Update:** There will be a special Personnel Committee meeting on Wednesday, May 10, 2006 at 6:00 PM in the PBC room to continue the Jailer's/Dispatcher's Union Contract negotiations with Union Representatives.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **Postage Machine System Update:** Painter stated that the committee heard reports from County Clerk Leitheiser and Office Assistant Dawn Lutz regarding the Postage Machines in the Historic Courthouse and the Courthouse Complex. In December, 2008, both machines will be phased out and all postage systems will need to be completely digitized. In January, 2006, the Postage Machine in the Historic Courthouse was damaged by a lightning strike, which destroyed the internal circuit boards. United Office Systems replaced the machine with a loaner and stated that the county would need to decide if they would want to upgrade to the digital meter since this machine would be phased out in 2008 or use the loaner until the lease expires in 2007 and re-bid the postage machines. The committee stated that they prefer to complete the current lease and re-bid both machines next year, which will cost an additional \$170.00 a month for the remainder of the lease agreement. These additional funds will be covered by the insurance reimbursement the county will receive for the postage machine that was struck by lightning.
2. **Update on Bids Requested for Medical Professional Services for Detainees:** Painter reported that the Sheriff's Department has advertised for Medical Professional Services to put in a bid for medical services for detainees at the County Jail.

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski as follows:

Ambulance Call Reports:

1. A summary of monthly operations for April 2006 are currently unavailable, and will be given at next month's Full Board meeting.
2. **Director Holmes Report:** Jagodzinski stated that the committee approved hiring a temporary part-time person to fill in for Maurica Manley while she is on Maternity Leave. Montgomery County will be hosting a two day Emergency Planning Class for IEMA at the Hillsboro Moose Lodge, with classes held on May 10th and 11th from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM and open to any EMA/ESDA Coordinators from Illinois. The Montgomery County Health Department will hold a Health Expo on May 9th at the Calvary Baptist Church, and EMA will provide a display of their services. Jagodzinski reported that letters have been sent to interested persons who would like to be on the Montgomery County Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT) that there will be a Health Fair at the Litchfield Fire Station on May 13th, 2006 from 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM, with the HazMat Team will do decontamination demonstrations that day. EMA received an invoice from Midway Trailer for the cost of the HazMat trailer, with its cost totaling \$5,092.00 with lettering, freight, title, plates and document fees. Jagodzinski also reported that phone problems continue in the EMA office with digital phones for that office being sought.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **GIS Update & Presentation of Montgomery County GIS:** Plunkett reported that GIS vendor Bruce Harris and Associates will be contacted to include the Coal Rights Parcels on the county's GIS Mapping System, and that there have been several requests from private and municipal organizations for the new GIS maps. Bill Purcell will give a presentation of the GIS Mapping System at next month's board meeting.
2. **Enterprise Zone Update:** Plunkett reported that the Application for Territory Expansion for the Litchfield area was submitted to DCEO on Tuesday, April 25th, 2006, and approved by that State agency within three days of receiving it. He reported that three pages of legal description discrepancies in the Enterprise Zone territory are being reviewed by GIS vendor Bruce Harris and Associates. The municipalities will be contacted to have their city attorneys review the legal description discrepancies for their own territory and get them corrected. Daniels reported that she is finalizing Enterprise Zone Property Abatements for tax year 2005 payable 2006, and will review the 22 pending properties and submit final Enterprise Zone Abatement approval letters to County Clerk Leitheiser by May 15th, 2006 for the properties that will begin their abatements this year.
3. **FutureGen Update:** Plunkett reported that Montgomery County submitted an application to the State of Illinois to propose the ASARCO property in Taylor Springs, Illinois as a site for the FutureGen Plant, but the proposed site was denied. Instead, Effingham, Tuscola, Mattoon and Marshall County have been selected to compete with each other and with two other states, Texas and Ohio, for the final site selection process. The county was informed that the four sites that were selected in Illinois have more favorable conditions than Montgomery County's site for the storage of the carbon dioxide that would be produced from the FutureGen plant.
4. **Citywide Cleanup Update:** Member Toby Dean asked Chairman Plunkett if the committee has considered raising the citywide cleanup reimbursement grant from its current \$500.00 annual limit. Plunkett reported that unfortunately the annual reimbursement grant amount could possibly decrease as the money generated for this fund from county property sold at tax sales is decreasing.

APPROVAL OF 7 COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES:

Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Downs to approve the 7 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Havera as follows:

SCHEDULE CHANGES: Havera reminded everyone of the special Personnel Committee meeting on Wednesday, May 10th, 2006 at 6:00 PM in the PBC room of the Courthouse Complex to continue union negotiations with the Jailers/Dispatchers Union.

Havera stated that there will be a special combined meeting of the Road and Bridge and Personnel Committees on Thursday, May 11th, 2006 at 5:30 PM in the County Board room of the Historic Courthouse to interview applicants for the Highway Engineer Position.

Havera stated that there will also be a special Road and Bridge Committee meeting on Tuesday, May 23rd, 2006 at 9:30 AM at the Highway Department with IDOT to discuss various projects.

APPOINTMENTS: Motion by Myers, second by Bathurst to approve the re-appointment of Harold Lankutis to the Montgomery County Housing Authority Board. Mr. Lankutis' term will be for 5 years, beginning on July 1st, 2006 and expiring on June 30th, 2011. All in favor, motion carried.

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Downs, second by Sielschott to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, June 13th, 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Painter, second by Myers to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, June 13th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, June 13th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Havera.

Roll call was taken, 19 members present, 2 absent.

Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Edward Helgen, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott.

Members Absent: Keith Horn and Dennis Jagodzinski

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Resignation of County Board Member: Havera stated that County Board member Keith Horn from County Board District #5 has resigned from the county board due to his relocation to another county, and he has respectfully requested that William E. Hicks be appointed to his resigned seat.

Appointment Letter: Havera stated that he sent letters to both Montgomery County Republican and Democratic Party chairmen informing them of Horn's resignation, and a request to have William Hicks appointed to the complete Horn's term on the board, which expires on November 30th, 2006, was also sent to Democratic Party Chairman Steve White. Mr. White responded with a letter of support for the appointment of William E. Hicks to the Montgomery County Board. **Motion by Painter, second by Blankenship** to approve the appointment of William E. Hicks from County Board District #5 to fill the vacant seat of the resigned Keith Horn and complete the unexpired term. **All in favor, motion carried.**

Oath of New Montgomery County Board Member: County Clerk Leitheiser gave the Official Oath to William E. Hicks of Litchfield to complete the vacated term of Keith Horn of County Board District #5. Mr. Hicks then took his seat on the Montgomery County Board.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Myers, second by Downs to approve the mileage and per diem. **All in favor, motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Aumann, second by Dean to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, May 9th, 2006. **All in favor, motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – Mary Webb was present for questions
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – submitted.
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – Jim Vazzi was present for questions.
5. **Health Department Report** – submitted.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – Jodi Huber was present for questions.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – submitted.
9. **911 Report** – Greg Nimmo was present for questions.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Bone, second by Sielschott to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. **All in favor, motion carried.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE Report: Chairman Havera stated that there was nothing new to report in the Coordinating Committee.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **Update on Sunset Village Subdivision Plans for Heneghan and Associates, P.C.:** Branum stated that the Committee will wait until a new County Highway Engineer is hired before they move to approve the plans of Sunset Village Subdivision west of Farmersville.
2. **Update on Chapman T Trail Historical Bridge:** Branum reported that a Public Hearing will be held to explain to area residents the reasons for replacing the Chapman T Trail Historical Bridge. The Public Hearing will be on Wednesday, June 28th, 2006 at 7:00 PM at the East Fork Township Building in Coffeen.
3. **Update on Farmersville Overpass:** Branum stated that the DCEO grant for the Farmersville Overpass project will expire on October 31, 2006. The new County Engineer will need to file for an extension of the grant.
4. **Approval to Purchase Right-of-Way on Deer Trail:** Branum reported that the committee approved giving Branum the authority to sign a voucher for no more than \$3,500 for the purchase of a Right-of-Way on Deer Trail in Fillmore Township, which is currently closed. Havera stated that since the amount may be over \$2,000 the full board would need to approve the authorization. **Motion by Heaton, second by Bone to give Branum approval to sign a Voucher that would not be more than \$3,500 for the purchase of a Right-of-Way on Deer Trail. All in favor, motion carried.**
5. **Update on Tandem Truck:** Branum reported that the new tandem truck has been ordered on the State Bid.
6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Branum asked that the board go into Executive Session to discuss the County Engineer Position and a building purchase proposal.
7. **Motion to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION to Discuss County Engineer Position and a Building Purchase proposal:** Motion by Branum, second by Durbin to *enter into Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. (Time: 8:45 AM)*
8. **Motion to come out of Executive Session:** Motion by Bathurst, second by Blankenship to *come out of Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. (Time: 9:10 AM)*
9. **Approval of Hiring New County Highway Engineer:** Motion by Branum, second by Heaton to hire Ruben Boehler as the County Highway Engineer effective July 17th, 2006 at a starting salary of \$76,000, with annual raises based on performance and comparable to non union personnel at the Highway Department. Roll Call Vote: 15 Ayes, 3 Nays (Helgen, Myers, Bathurst), 2 Present (Hicks, Aumann), 1 Absent. Motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 183).
10. **Approval of Resolution for New County Highway Engineer to Take IDOT Test required for position:** Motion by Branum, second by Painter to approve the IDOT Resolution to have Ruben Boehler take the State Engineer test required for the position. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 184-185).

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **Update on Farm Bureau Building:** Painter stated that the committee discussed the proposal submitted to purchase the Montgomery County Farm Bureau building on Courthouse Square in Hillsboro. The committee is waiting on an appraisal of the property.
2. **Update on the Planting of Trees at Historic Courthouse:** Painter reported that two trees were planted at the Historic Courthouse by Designer Landscapes in the amount of \$850.00, which included labor. A Glory Maple tree was planted on the south side of the courthouse and a Sugar Maple tree was planted on the east side of the courthouse.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **Update on G.I.S. Layer Addition Report:** Sielschott reported that there has been discussion regarding the addition of coal rights to the G.I.S. mapping system. This issue will be communicated to Bruce Harris and Associates. Sielschott stated that there is one year of payment left to Bruce Harris and Associates for their mapping services, and one year of payment left for the Soil Survey layer also.
2. **Presentation of G.I.S. Mapping Service:** Mary Purcell gave a presentation of the G.I.S. Mapping System and some of its features.
3. **Update of Bid Opening for the Medical Professional for Detainees at the Jail:** Sielschott reported on a bid that was received for Medical Professional Services for Detainees at the County Jail. Under-

Sheriff Rick Robbins informed committee members that he has surveyed and checked references with other counties that have this on-site medical professional service for detainees. There was only one bid proposal received for this service, from Health Professionals, Ltd. in the amount of \$58,465.42 for an average daily population of 35 detainees, with a per capita cost of \$1.78. The bid price includes a \$1,000 per year charge for ambulance services. Sielschott called on Under-Sheriff Robbins, who reported that this service will not require the Sheriff's employees to take detainees back and forth to the doctor or hospital, as they must do now, and would take a lot of the liability off of the Sheriff's Correctional Officers, Under-Sheriff, and State's Attorney, who now must decide whether or not a detainee goes to the doctor or hospital. Prisoner Medical expense has been running about \$68,000 to \$70,000 a year, and this expense is usually reduced substantially with on-site medical services. Member Bathurst asked about what on-site services would be offered, and Robbins stated that a nurse would be available 6 hours a week at the jail to perform sick call and evaluate prisoners for illness, and a doctor would be available at the jail 3 hours a week. The medical professionals would also be available by phone 24 hours a day, 7 days per week. The insurance liability for the medical professionals and medical services, which is now solely the county's responsibility, would be under the on-site medical service company's coverage, also. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Downs to approve the proposal from Health Professionals, LTD effective immediately until November 30th, 2006 on a trial basis, with renewal pending the 2007 Budget.**

4. **Update on Status of the 2005 Assessment Cycle:** Chief Assessment Officer Julia Kiefer sent the committee a report on the status of the 2005 Assessment Cycle. The 2005 taxes have rolled over to the County Clerk's office, and the Assessment Office is now working with 2006 data. The county is currently waiting on the final multiplier from the State before the County Clerk can proceed with the extension of taxes, which means that taxes could be late in going out this year.
5. **Update on 2007 Budget:** Budget Hearings will be held on July 26th, 28th, and 31st. 2006. The letters for Senior Citizens Clubs were sent out last week requesting their FY 2007 budget information.
6. **Update on Long Range Planning Survey:** A long range planning survey was prepared for county board members, elected county officials, and appointed office holders asking them to prioritize projects for revenues from the coal sale. The surveys will need to be turned in by the July board meeting.
7. **Update on Witt Building Cleanup:** Cleanup of the county owned buildings in Witt has been completed, and some bricks need to be replaced in one building. Chairman Sielschott spoke with contractor Alan Reynolds and stated that a voucher will be made out for the remaining balance owed for this cleanup, less \$1,000.00 until the bricks are repaired. The committee also discussed putting these parcels up for auction at the next county surplus property sale.
8. **Approval/Update of Public Defender's Salary:** Sielschott informed members that legislation passed (Public Act 92-0508) for Public Defender's Salary Reimbursement, which states that a full time Public Defender is to be paid at 90% of the State's Attorney's salary. The State will reimburse the county for two-thirds of the salary and Montgomery County's portion will be 33.33% of the State designated salary. Sielschott stated that as a result of this new state law, the county's portion of the Public Defender's salary will be lower than the county's contribution prior to the law's passage.

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Approval of the Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance:** Discussion took place on the second and final draft of the Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance that was passed out at last month's Full Board meeting. State's Attorney Chris Matoush called Patrick Engineering after last month's meeting regarding a question he had and is satisfied with the second and final draft, which is now presented for approval. **Motion by Durbin, second by Petty to approve the second draft of the Pollution Control Facility Siting Ordinance. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 186-215).**
2. **Update on Animal Control:** Durbin reported that the committee discussed new legislation signed by Governor Blagojevich regarding toughening the penalties for owners of vicious and dangerous dogs if their pets attack someone. The committee also discussed touring the renovated Macoupin County Animal Control facility and the Animal Protective League facility in Springfield to get some ideas for a future county facility. The current contract for pound services will expire this November, and the

committee would like to get ideas and costs for a county owned facility to prepare a FY 2007 budget for Animal Control. The HWE Committee will have a special meeting on Friday, June 23rd, 2006 at 8:30 AM to meet at the Historic Courthouse and go to Carlinville and Springfield to tour those animal control facilities.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Approval of the Consociate Care Group Employee Health Insurance Contract:** Downs reported that Steve Spinner of Consociate Care Group addressed the committee regarding reinsurance issues and explained what an Aggregating Specific Insurance could do for the county's self insurance policy. **Motion by Downs, second by Aumann to approve the Consociate Care Group contract for Employee Health Insurance that would incorporate an Aggregating Specific Clause. All in favor, motion carried.** The insurance contract will be for one year and reviewed annually.
2. **Approval of the Prevailing Wage Ordinance# 06-16:** Downs stated that every year the board must pass a Prevailing Wage Ordinance, according to state law. **Motion by Downs, second by Myers to approve Ordinance# 06-16 establishing Prevailing Wage Rates in Montgomery County. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 216-223).**
3. **Update on the Jailer's/Dispatcher's Union Contract:** Downs reported that the Personnel Committee will meet on Wednesday, June 14th, 2006 at 6:30 PM in the PBC room, Courthouse Complex to continue union negotiations.

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Member Ron Deabenderfer as follows:

1. **Ambulance Call Reports:**
 - a) A summary of monthly operations for **April 2006** is as follows: Total calls: 336; Total amount billed is \$137,829.00: Amount collected is \$91,804.19.
 - b) A summary of monthly operations for **May 2006** is as follows: Total calls: 341; Total amount billed is \$136,982.00. Total amount collected is \$94,769.75:
2. **Director Holmes Report:** Deabenderfer stated that there would be a Regional meeting in July for all Region 8 Coordinators which will be held at the Courthouse in Waterloo, Illinois, and Holmes and Office Assistant Cathy Ulrici will attend the Regional meeting. Dr. Mark Ernst DVM, who is with the Illinois Department of Public Health, a division of the Department of Agriculture, will speak on the subject of Bird Flu to Montgomery County Veterinarians. EMA is also inviting the Montgomery County Health Department, Macoupin County Health, St. Francis Hospital, Hillsboro Area Hospital, Heartland Home Care, USDA Representative Dan Puccetti and the 5 area Ambulance Districts to this presentation, however, a date has not yet been set. The 911 office held a communications meeting on May 23rd. Discussion took place at the meeting regarding new radios, radio band, etc..., and 911 will try to host a communications meeting once every year. Deabenderfer also reported that the Illinois Fire Service Institute IC/UC classes are set for July 6th and 7th, and will be held at the Taylor Springs Community Building at a cost of \$50.00 per day for building rental, and will be the first step in the implementation of the Montgomery County Incident Management Assistance Team (IMAT). The next round of training will be in December, 2006 for three days and will finish up in January of 2007. Holmes has received applications for Volunteers for IMAT. Some did not have a résumé attached, so Holmes has contacted the applicants and asked for a résumé.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **Approval of Three GIS Intergovernmental Agreements:** Plunkett reported that three more municipalities have decided to sign the GIS Intergovernmental Agreement with the county: the Village of Waggoner, the Village of Taylor Springs and the City of Nokomis.
 - a) **Motion by Plunkett, second by Ogden to approve the GIS Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Waggoner. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 224-228).**

- b) **Motion by Plunkett, second by Bone to approve the GIS Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Taylor Springs. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 229-233).**
- c) **Motion by Plunkett, second by Petty to approve the GIS Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Nokomis. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 234-238).**

- 2. **Approval of the Illinois Workforce Partnership Resolution #06-17:** Plunkett reported that discussion took place on the Illinois Workforce Partnership Resolution submitted by Mik Arnett of the West Central Workforce Development Commission. **Motion by Plunkett, second by Aumann to approve the Illinois Workforce Partnership Resolution #06-17. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 239).**
- 3. **Update on the Economic Development Corporation:** Plunkett reported that the Economic Development Corporation recently hired a college student as an intern for ten weeks during the summer, Laura LeBeck from Harvel, who will be working on Community Profiles and assisting Amanda Cole.

APPROVAL OF 7 COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES:

Motion by Blankenship, second by Durbin to approve the 7 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Havera as follows:

1. **SCHEDULE CHANGES:**

- a) There will be a special Personnel Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 14th, 2006 at 6:30 PM in the PBC room of the Courthouse Complex to continue union negotiations.
- b) There will be a special Road and Bridge Committee meeting on Wednesday, June 28th, 2006 at 7:00 PM at the East Fork Township Building for a public hearing on the Chapman T Bridge.
- c) There will be a special HWE Committee meeting on Friday, June 23rd, 2006 at 8:30 AM so that the committee can tour the animal control facilities in Macoupin County and Springfield.

APPOINTMENTS:

- 1. **Motion by Downs, second by Ogden to re-appoint William Harpole to the Board of Review for the 2006, 2007 session & the 2007, 2008 sessions. All in favor, motion carried.**
- 2. **Motion by Blankenship, second by Myers to re-appoint Gerald Huber to the Board of Review for the 2006, 2007 & the 2007, 2008 sessions. All in favor, motion carried.**

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Bathurst, second by Sielschott to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, July 11th, 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Painter, second by Branum to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, July 11th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, July 11th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Havera.

Roll call was taken, 18 members present, 3 absent. Dave Heaton entered meeting at 8:45 AM. 19 members present, 2 absent.

Members Present: Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Edward Helgen, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott.

Members Absent: Nelson Aumann and William Hicks

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Petty, second by Ogden to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Bone, second by Painter to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, June 13th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – submitted.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – Ron Jenkins was present for questions and stated that tax bills are being sent out and tax payments will be due August 25th and September 25th. Jenkins stated that when he was elected in 1983, the county took in over \$12.5 million in property tax dollars, and in 2006 the county is expected to take in over \$27 million.
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – Jim Vazzi was present for questions.
5. **Health Department Report** – submitted.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – Jodi Huber was present for questions.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – submitted.
9. **911 Report** – submitted.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Painter, second by Bathurst to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE Report: According to Chairman Havera, there was nothing new to report in the Coordinating Committee.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **Recommendation/Approval of Chapman T Bridge:** Branum stated that a Public Hearing took place in Coffeen on June 28th, 2006 regarding the Chapman T Bridge. Four options were presented at the Hearing: Option A- to do nothing and have zero costs; Option B- to rehabilitate the Structure for an estimated cost of \$1,000,000; Option C- to construct a new structure on an offset alignment for an estimated cost of \$1,507,000, and Option D- to construct a new structure on existing alignment for an estimated cost of \$568,000. Option D won the majority vote of those attendees (20 in favor/1 opposed), and Public Comment forms were handed out at the hearing, ten of which were returned, with nine of the ten forms returned in favor of the removal of the bridge and to construct a new structure on the existing alignment. **Motion by Branum, second by Bone to approve the removal of the Old Chapman T Bridge and to construct a new structure on existing alignment for approximately \$568,000. All in favor, motion carried.**

2. **Update on Bridge Letting Date:** Branum stated that a Bridge Letting for section 91-05118-00-BR, Fillmore Township Bridge on Deer Trail has been set for 10:00 AM Wednesday, July 19th, 2006 at the Highway Department in Hillsboro.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **Approval of Resolution #06-18 to Convey Tax Deed on ID #04-001-175-02:** Motion by Sielschott, second by Bone to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #04-001-175-02 located in the City of Coffeen. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 240-244).
2. **Approval of Resolution #06-19 to Convey Tax Deed on ID #11-100-059-26:** Motion by Sielschott, second by Komor to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #11-100-059-26 located at the Deer Creek Condominium Campground. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 245-249).
3. **Approval of Resolution #06-20 to Convey Tax Deed on ID #17-000-561-00:** Motion by Sielschott, second by Helgen to Convey Tax Deed on Parcel ID #17-000-561-00 located in the Village of Walshville. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 250-252).
4. **Update on the Fiscal Year 2007 Budget:** Sielschott reported that Budget Hearings are set for July 26th, 28th and 31st at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room of the Historic Courthouse.
5. **Update on the January 3rd, 2006 Lightning Strike Refund:** Sielschott stated that the expenses were submitted to the Insurance Company from the lightning strike that occurred on January 3rd, 2006. A total of \$258,513.46 was submitted in damages and \$237,071.55 has been reimbursed to the County. Treasurer Jenkins stated that the final check was received and all reimbursement monies are in the bank, and that the county paid only \$1,000 deductible for damages that occurred.
6. **Update on the Long Range Planning Survey:** Sielschott stated that a survey for Long Range Planning was handed out to all Office Holders, Supervisors and County Board members. Sielschott reported that although some of the surveys have been turned in it would be in the county's best interest to have all of the surveys filled out and returned so that they can be reviewed and tallied. Sielschott has given everyone another week to get the surveys into the Coordinating Office.

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Update on Tour of Animal Control Facility and Recommendation:** Durbin reported that on June 28th, 2006, the HWE Committee toured a few Animal Control facilities in the surrounding counties to get some ideas for a county operated pound. The facilities they toured included: Macoupin County Animal Control in Carlinville, Animal Protective League in Springfield, and Christian County Animal Control in Taylorville. Currently Montgomery County contracts with Countryside Vet Clinic to board dogs and cats that are brought in from county calls. The county also contracts with 14 municipalities to pick up stray dogs and cats. In the last few years, calls on stray dogs and cats, bite cases, abuse, neglect and abandonment cases has continued to grow. The county is finding that there is a greater need for a county owned and operated Animal Control facility. Montgomery County has gone from averaging approximately 100 dogs annually to nearly 250 animals picked up in 2005 and over 300 calls. Durbin stated that the committee discussed submitting the need for an animal control facility on the long range planning sheets that were passed out at the last board meeting.
2. **Update on Cemetery Cleanup:** Durbin stated that the committee discussed the issue of cemetery cleanup in the county. There was a complaint regarding the Old Providence Cemetery in Zanesville Township and how overgrown it is. HWE Committee member Dale Ogden and Durbin will go to the Old Providence Cemetery in Zanesville Township and assess the cleanup needs.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Update of the Jailer's/Dispatcher's Union Negotiations:** Downs stated that the next meeting date for the Jailers'/Dispatchers' Union Negotiations will be Thursday, July 13th, 2006 at 6:00 PM in the PBC Room at the Courthouse Complex. Downs is hopeful that this will be the last meeting in these negotiations.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **Update on Office and Storage Space Issues:** Painter stated that the committee discussed a building appraisal that was submitted for 102 North Main Street in Hillsboro. The committee will be reviewing options to address office space and storage space issues at the Historic Courthouse and Courthouse Complex. An Office Space Needs assessment packet will be compiled and mailed to all board members in the next few weeks so that they can review it before the August Full Board meeting. Safety issues in the Historic Courthouse will be a top priority.

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski as follows:

1. **Ambulance Call Reports:** Jagodzinski stated that the summary of monthly operations for June and July will be presented at the August 2006 Board meeting.
2. **Director Holmes Report:**
 - a) Jagodzinski stated that Dr. Mark Ernest, DVM, who is with the Illinois Department of Public Health's Illinois Department of Agriculture division, will be speaking on the subject of "Bird Flu" to area Veterinarians and staff from the Montgomery County Health Department, Macoupin County Health Department, St. Francis Hospital, Hillsboro Area Hospital, Heartland Home Care, and the 5 Ambulance Districts. The meeting will be held at the Hillsboro Moose Club on Thursday, July 13th, 2006 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM.
 - b) Jagodzinski reported that the HazMat Team will invite county board members to a training session in July. The team would like for the board to observe the HazMat session and what HazMat means for the county. Director Holmes will send out a letter to all board members and other county officials when the arrangements are finalized.
 - c) Jagodzinski reported that the Incident Command/Unified Command classes were held July 6th and 7th, 2006 at the Taylor Springs Community Building, and were well attended. This is the first step in putting together the county IMAT team.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **Update on GIS:** Plunkett reported that the GIS Oversight Committee met Thursday, July 6th, 2006 and discussed the 2007 budget. Plunkett stated that Fiscal Year 2007 will be the last year for payment to Bruce Harris and Associates and the Soil Survey, which together total approximately \$120,000, and this will bring the GIS budget down considerably.
2. **Update on Enterprise Zone:** Plunkett reported that they are waiting on legal descriptions from the Village of Raymond to be put on the Enterprise Zone layer of GIS. There are also some discrepancies being corrected in the original legal descriptions of the County Enterprise Zone. Once these are completed, they will be added to GIS mapping.
3. **Update on the Maintenance of the Montgomery County Web Site:** Plunkett reported that currently the Montgomery County Web Site is maintained by Richard Slepicka for \$20.00 per hour. Slepicka asked the committee to consider having someone else maintain the web site as he is very busy, and recommended a replacement. The committee will discuss his request at a future meeting.

APPROVAL OF 7 COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES:

Motion by Blankenship, second by Durbin to approve the 7 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Havera as follows:

SCHEDULE CHANGES:

- a) Havera stated that there will be a special Personnel Committee meeting on Thursday, July 13th, 2006 at 6:00 PM in the PBC room to continue Jailer's/Dispatcher's Union Negotiations.
- b) Havera reminded everyone of the Bridge Letting on Wednesday, July 19th, at 10:00 AM at the Highway Department.

APPOINTMENTS:

- a) **Motion by Myers, second by Ogden to re-appoint Danny McFarlin to the Tuberculosis Care and Treatment Board for a term of 3 years. All in favor, motion carried.**
- b) **Motion by Petty, second by Dean to appoint Louis Stauder to the Nokomis Area Fire Protection District Board, who will be finishing the resigned Dave Carey's two year term. All in favor, motion carried.**

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Downs to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, August 8th, 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Painter, second by Myers to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, August 8th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, August 8th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Havera.

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

Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Edward Helgen, William Hicks, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott.

Members Absent: Bonnie Branum.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Helgen, second by Petty to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Painter, second by Downs to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, July 11th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – submitted.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – submitted
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – submitted.
5. **Health Department Report** – submitted.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – submitted.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – Bane Ulrici was present for questions and reported that Probation Officer Tara Jacobs has resigned her position with the Probation Office, so she will be advertising for a Probation Officer. The Probation Office received a \$3,000 grant for a "Youth Court" program, which will allow juvenile offenders to be tried by their peers for a first offense crime.
9. **911 Report** – submitted.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Myers, second by Bone to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT:

Chairman Havera introduced Panama Mayor Joe McCario and his wife Naomi for a presentation of a plaque to Montgomery County given by his brother Paul McCario who is serving in Iraq. **(See Attached Speech Given by Joe McCario).**

Chairman Havera also presented a check previously approved by the county board in the amount of \$20,000 to Marty Dawson of FAYCO Enterprises, Inc. Dawson stated that approximately 500 individuals will benefit from these funds, stated that this is a great start to aid in the efforts of "helping people help themselves," and sincerely thanked the county board for its generosity.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Vice Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **Approval of the Sunset Village Subdivision Plans in Farmersville:** Painter stated that the committee discussed the plans for the Sunset Village Subdivision in Farmersville. **Motion by Painter, second by Heaton to approve the Sunset Village Subdivision Plans in Farmersville. All in favor, motion carried.**

2. **Update on Farmersville Overpass:** Painter reported that Engineer Rueben Boehler spoke with John McCarthy of DCEO regarding the Farmersville Overpass grant, and that Boehler is working to extend the grant. The County will use its own forces to cut out joists and rent equipment needed to start patch and repair work so that man hours and machine use can be billed to the grant for County Matching Funds. Engineer Boehler has checked with the State of Illinois to see if planned repairs and patches would meet the State's code. Pezold and Boehler estimate it will take about one month for county workers to make the necessary patching repair, which is a step toward the final solution to fix the overpass. DCEO told Boehler that everything should be approved for the grant extension past October 2006. The Committee will write a letter of support for a new grant and other support letters will be sought.
3. **Approval of Final Pay Estimate for Section 88-13117-00-BR, Raymond R.D. Township Bridge:** Painter reported that the final pay estimate for section 88-13117-00-BR, Raymond R.D. Township Bridge on Saddle Club Road, will be sent to the State and hopefully will receive approval in a timely manner to finish the project. **Motion by Painter, second by Heaton to approve the final pay estimate for Section 88-13117-00-BR, Raymond R.D. Township Bridge. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **County Highway Engineer:** Havera introduced Rueben Boehler, the new County Highway Engineer, who thanked the County Board for their support and stated he looks forward to making good progress together.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **Approval of Additions to Pre-Paid Vendors List:** Sielschott stated that there are two additions to the Pre-Paid Vendors List. The additions are for the Interpreter for the Court System and for Health Professionals, LTD which provides Health Services for jail detainees. Sielschott also stated that even though all pre-paid vendor approved invoices are paid before the Committee meets, a list of those vendors and invoice totals are presented at the Committee meeting for review. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Blankenship to approve the two additions to the Pre-Paid Vendors List. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 253-254).**
2. **Update on the Fiscal Year 2007 Budget:** Sielschott stated that the committee reviewed a draft of the Revenue and Expenses for the Fiscal Year 2007 budget, and said that the budget would be ready for review by board members at the September full board meeting.
3. **Update/Approval on Fiscal Year 2007 Levy:** Sielschott reported that the tentative levy for Fiscal Year 2007 is for 1.9896% increase over last years' levy.
4. **Update on the Long Range Planning Survey:** Sielschott reported that a Long Range Planning survey had been sent out to board members and office holders for their input about how the money from the coal rights sale should be best put to use. After looking at a graph that was compiled from the survey results, Sielschott stated that it was obvious that additional office and storage space is needed and economic development for the county will be the top priorities. The board will review the final survey results and report their findings at next month's meeting.
5. **Update of the Senior Citizens Budget Requests:** Sielschott reported that this year the Committee raised the tax levy for Senior Clubs for Fiscal Year 2007.
6. **Approval of the Medical Professional Services Agreement for Detainees at the Jail:** Sielschott reported that at last month's board meeting, the approval for the Medical Professional Services Agreement for Detainees at the Jail was not properly stated on the Full Board Agenda as an approval, which is a requirement of the Open Meetings Act. Because of this oversight, the board needs to re-approve the motion for the Medical Professional Services agreement for Detainees at the Jail. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Aumann to approve the Proposal from Health Professional, LTD for Medical Professional Services for Detainees at the Jail. All in favor, motion carried.** Under Sheriff Rick Robbins told the committee that those on-site medical services are working out well.

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Update/Approval of Montgomery County Animal Control Facility Architect Services:** Chairman Durbin stated that the committee discussed different designs of animal control facilities that were toured last month and decided that the facility design in Christian County would best suit our county's needs for an Animal Control Facility. Durbin reported that the Finance Committee stated at budget hearings that the proposed \$125,000 for the county's animal control facility should be put in the fiscal year 2007 budget under Capital Improvements, which is money from the sale of the coal rights. The Full Board would also be required to vote on the expenditure for the facility. The Committee reviewed a map of the current county farm and found an area for the location of the facility about two tenths of a mile east of Route 127 off of North 9th Avenue. Durbin stated that the Committee also discussed hiring an architect to draw up plans for the facility. Durbin will contact State's Attorney Matoush to see if an architect must be hired to draw up the facility plans.
2. **Early & Absentee Voting Location Update:** Durbin reported that County Clerk Leitheiser shared information with the Committee regarding early voting and absentee voting. Durbin reported that Senate Bill 1445 was recently signed into law by the Governor, and will require early and in-person absentee voters using Optical Scan voting equipment to run their ballot through the tabulator to give them the opportunity to correct their vote if there was an error such as an under vote. Durbin stated that the Committee discussed a location that would be suitable to house the voting and tabulating equipment, along with election judges, for three weeks for the early voting requirements. Having the equipment stored on the second floor in the county board room for the three weeks was discussed as well as the options available that would make sure the equipment would be secure at night in that room during that time period.
3. **Recycling Update:** Durbin reported that the county received a \$500 Community Grant last week from Wal-Mart. Coordinator Daniels had applied for the \$500.00 matching fund grant for recycling containers, which will be located in front of the Wal-Mart store and other shopping areas in Litchfield to encourage the recycling of aluminum and plastic drink containers.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Executive Session Begins:** Downs stated that the board needs to go into executive session to discuss the Jailers and Dispatchers union contract and a proposal for Property Acquisition. **Motion by Downs, second by Bathurst to enter into executive session to discuss the union contract for the Jailers and Dispatchers and a proposal for Property Acquisition. All in favor, motion carried.** Executive session began at 8:55 AM.
2. **Executive Session Ends:** **Motion by Helgen, second by Bone to come out of executive session. All in favor, motion carried.** Executive session ended at 9:32 AM.
3. **Jailer's & Dispatcher's Union Contract Approval:** **Motion by Downs, second by Bathurst to approve the Jailer's/Dispatcher's Union Contract, which will be retroactive from December 1, 2005. All in favor, motion carried.**

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **Update on Office and Storage Space Issues:** Painter stated that discussion took place in executive session on the storage and office space issues with the Historic Courthouse, and the need to purchase the Farm Bureau Building to alleviate these issues. **Motion by Dean, second by Komor to authorize the Building and Grounds Committee to make a counter offer on the Farm Bureau Building. All in favor, motion carried.**

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Vice Chairman George Blankenship as follows:

1. **Ambulance Call Reports:** A summary of monthly operations for June & July 2006 are as follows:
For June: **Total calls: 292; Total amount billed: \$131,759.00; Total amount collected: \$84,531.96.**
For July: **Total calls: 324; Total amount billed: \$132,512.00; Total amount collected: \$60,413.82.**

2. **Director Holmes Report:**

- a) Blankenship reported that Cooling Stations were set up throughout the county when there were excessive heat warnings for Montgomery County.
- b) Blankenship stated that the committee will be getting bids for a bed liner for the HazMat truck.
- c) Blankenship reported that six county board members attended a HazMat demonstration on July 27th at the Raymond Fire Station, and stated that it was very interesting to see all that the HazMat team has accomplished to date.
- d) Blankenship reported that the next EMA meeting will be on Wednesday, August 30th, 2006 at 3:00 PM in the EMA office instead of Tuesday, September 5th, 2006.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **Letter of Support Approval for Illinois Central Ethanol, LLC:** Plunkett reported that Don Frank with Route 16 Co-op was present at the committee meeting and stated that for the past three months they have been working on getting a 50 to 55 million gallon Ethanol Plant in the Nokomis area. They have been looking at land options, working with Ameren and Shelby Electric for their gas and power needs, and are looking at a gas fired facility which would use approximately 600 gallons of water per minute and create about 35 to 38 permanent jobs after construction. As soon as a site is selected, the group will seek information about getting into the County Enterprise Zone. The committee recommends that the County Board send a letter of support for Illinois Central Ethanol, LLC. **Motion by Plunkett, second by Deabenderfer to send a support letter for Illinois Central Ethanol, LLC. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Approval of an Ordinance to Extend Abatement for Business in City of Hillsboro:** Plunkett reported that Hillsboro Mayor Bill Baran addressed the Committee regarding an interested business wanting to move to Hillsboro who will be seeking Enterprise Zone benefits. Plunkett stated that the retail business and property owner are still negotiating, so if all goes well, next month the Committee will present a request for possible Enterprise Zone benefits for the business.
3. **Maintenance for the Montgomery County Web Site Update/Approval:** Plunkett reported that Richard Slepicka, who used to update the Montgomery County web site, is unable to continue providing the updates because of his busy schedule. Plunkett stated that Miller Enterprises gave the Committee a proposal of \$2,350.00 to redesign the county's web site, with a \$25.00 an hour fee to maintain it. **Motion by Plunkett, second by Bathurst to approve the proposal from Miller Enterprises of Hillsboro to redesign and maintain the Montgomery County Web Site for \$2,350.00 with a \$25.00 per hour maintenance fee. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **Update on Wind Power Presentation:** Plunkett reported that Ron Deabenderfer, Ed Helgen and Dave Heaton attended a presentation by Regional Electric Authority which is proposing the installation of a Wind Turbine generator on the coal pile at the Farmersville Coal Mine. Regional Electric Authority would like to show the Committee a power point presentation regarding the proposal for a wind generator in the Farmersville area, so the Committee will invite representative David Stuva to the September, 2006 Economic Development Committee meeting. Helgen stated that the presentation was very interesting, and that the turbine stands about 235 feet tall with three wings. Helgen stated that even though the presentation was given under the turbine and it was quiet enough to hear the presenter, that one generator can supply power to up to 440 homes and businesses, and that the company is not asking for any money from the county at this time just to give a presentation about the project.

APPROVAL OF 8 COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES:

Motion by Myers, second by Durbin to approve the 8 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Havera as follows:

APPOINTMENTS:

- a) **Motion by Aumann, second by Petty to amend the term appointed to Louis Stauder of the Nokomis Area Fire Protection District Board, from a two-year term to a four-year term. All in favor, motion carried.**
- b) **Motion by Durbin, second by Downs to approve the appointment of Tonya Rench as Secretary/Treasurer to the Fillmore Community Fire Protection District. All in favor, motion carried.**

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Painter, second by Sielschott to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, September 12th. 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Painter, second by Myers to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 9:50 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, September 12th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, September 12th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Havera.

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

Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Edward Helgen, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott.

Members Absent: William Hicks.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Aumann, second by Downs to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Painter, second by Myers to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, August 8th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – submitted.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – submitted
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions and thanked the Building and Grounds Committee and the Coordinated Services Office for their help in obtaining an outside bulletin board for the south side of the Historic Courthouse. Leitheiser stated that now when the courthouse is closed citizens will still be able to view upcoming county meetings' notices and agendas.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – Jim Vazzi was present for questions.
5. **Health Department Report** – submitted.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – submitted.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – submitted.
9. **911 Report** – submitted.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Bathurst, second by Blankenship to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairman Havera stated that the committee has nothing to Report.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **Farmersville Overpass Approval:** Branum stated that Highway Engineer Boehler has recommended to the committee to contract out the entire concrete patching work for the Phase I of the Farmersville Overpass project. After looking into the feasibility of doing the work in-house, it was decided that the Highway Department is not equipped to undertake such a large and complicated project, since it would require specialized equipment and more manpower. Branum reported that Boehler applied for TARP funding and another grant from DCEO for Phase II of the project, and that support letters were obtained from local officials for the grant. A special meeting was held on Monday, September 11th for a bid letting. One bid proposal was received for the bid letting of Phase I for the Farmersville overpass concrete patching from Kinney Contractors Inc. with a bid of \$274,958.46. Kinney Contractors plans to begin work on Monday, September 18th, 2006 pending full board approval. **Motion by Branum, second by Heaton to approve the bid of \$274,958.46 from Kinney Contractors Inc., to do the concrete patching work on the Farmersville overpass. All in favor, motion carried.**

2. **Update on Deer Tail Bridge Project:** Branum reported that the committee discussed the progress of the Deer Trail bridge project and that it is on schedule. The existing bridge has been removed and the foundations to the new bridge are nearly complete.
3. **Approval of Section 00-10119-00-BR/00-04115-00-BR, 559 B-CA, Nokomis/Greenwood Township Bridge, Montgomery County/Christian County:** Branum referred to Highway Engineer Boehler, who informed members of the approval to finalize section 00-10119-00-BR/00-04115-00-BR, 559 B-CA for job letting. Boehler stated that the plans are complete and they will now be able to prepare for the letting. **Motion by Branum, second by Painter to approve finalizing of Section 00-10119-00-BR/00-04115-00-BR, 559 B-CA for job letting. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **Update on TARP Funding Application:** Branum stated that the committee discussed Engineer Boehler's report on the deadline to apply for Truck Access Road Program (TARP) funding, which was at the end of August. Boehler applied for TARP funding for the following projects: 1) Phase II of the Farmersville overpass, 2) Mt. Olive trail and 3) Phase I of the Nokomis road.
5. **Update of State Fire Marshall Inspection:** Branum stated that the committee approved to have Engineer Boehler, Kenny Pezold and Dave Waggoner proceed with getting fuel tanks and pumps for the Highway Department to maintain compliance with the Illinois State Fire Marshall's office. The State Fire Marshall was at the Highway Department and stated that the county was deficient on several code requirements on the fuel tanks and pumps there. The County needs to install an in-tank monitoring system with a console inside the garage. In addition, a master shut off switch must be installed at least 20 feet from the pumps in case of fire, breakaway hoses must be installed, and steel/concrete barrier posts must be installed to protect the pumps. Branum stated that the committee will be looking to other county offices who use the fuel tanks and pumps, like the Sheriff's Department, to share the cost of bringing the tanks and pumps up to State Fire Code.
6. **Update on Butler Grove Township Bridge:** Engineer Boehler is gathering cost information to widen the Butler Grove Township bridge.
7. **Update on Chapman T Bridge:** Branum reported that the county is waiting on IDOT's approval of the historic bridge 106 report, since the consultant cannot proceed with the project report and finalize plans on the project until after IDOT's approval. Engineer Boehler has contacted both the consultant and IDOT about the county's concerns.
8. **Update on Tandem Truck:** Branum reported that the tandem truck has not been delivered yet, but may be delivered in October.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **Update on the Long Range Planning Survey:** Sielschott thanked everyone for their help and support in finalizing the Fiscal Year 2007 budget, and then moved on to the County Long Range Planning survey, which was sent out to county board members and all office holders to receive their input about how the county can put the coal money to the best use. Some of these issues have already been addressed in the 2007 budget.
2. **Natural Area Guardians Discussion/Update:** Sielschott stated that Richard Slepicka was present at the committee meeting to discuss Montgomery County Natural Area Guardians or NAGS. NAGS serves as a committee of the Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation District, and was formed to provide an organized means for locating and preserving natural areas and open lands in Montgomery County. The Finance Committee decided to turn the discussion of upkeep and prairie restoration on abandoned county cemeteries over to the HWE Committee, and this topic will be discussed at the HWE committee's October 5th, 2006 meeting.
3. **Commercial/Industrial Property Assessment/Appraisal System Discussion/Update:** Sielschott reported there has never been a complete assessment/appraisal done on all commercial/industrial property in Montgomery County. There are 1,540 total parcels, which include vacant lot parcels for a total cost to assess and data enter parcels into the Manatron Pro-Val computer system of \$193,750, which would be approximately \$125.00 per parcel. If only the parcels with buildings on them were

completed, the appraisal/assessment fee would be approximately \$137,000. The committee will invite Manatron to the next Finance Committee meeting on October 2nd, 2006 to help answer some questions.

4. **R.O.E. Quarterly Report Update:** Sielschott reported that Superintendent of the Regional Office of Education (ROE) Greg Springer reported to the committee on his budget as mandated by the State of Illinois.
5. **Update on Estimate on FY 2007 Levy:** Sielschott reported that due to the new coal money, the Real Estate Tax Levy will decrease by about 13% for a total of \$83,000 in 2007, which should be good news to taxpayers. The total levy is under 2%, which is up slightly from 2006 due to some increases in Ambulance levies and Senior Citizens' budgets.
6. **Update on the Fiscal Year 2007 Budget:** Sielschott reviewed the 2007 budget. Revenue in the 2007 budget will show an increase of \$1.4 million as \$1 million is from the coal money and the other \$400,000 is from interest from coal money. Sielschott reported that the county will be using some of the revenue from the interest to obtain additional office space, an animal control facility, two sheriff's cars and add three new employees to the Sheriff's Department. \$950,000 has also been put in Capital Improvements.
7. **Update on State's Attorney Report:** Sielschott called on State's Attorney Chris Matoush to give an update on Montgomery County's collection of fines and fees in the nine-county 4th Judicial Circuit. Matoush reported that Montgomery County is the busiest in the Circuit for collecting fees and fines, and has collected \$1.7 million in criminal court costs, plus \$90,000 in additional court costs. Effingham County is second busiest and has collected \$1.1 million and Marion County third busiest and has collected \$1 million. The population at the jail has been running approximately 24-25 detainees per day, versus the 40 average per day in the past, due to more warrants being served and detainees being processed quicker. In the circuit, Montgomery County is #1 in Criminal fines and #4 out of the nine Counties for Child Support collections.
8. **Approval of Public Fund Resolution:** Sielschott reported on a Public Fund Resolution that would need the board's approval for Treasurer Ron Jenkins and Assistant Treasurer Aimee Shelton to be authorized to sign checks, drafts or withdrawal orders from National Bank of Hillsboro. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Aumann to approve the Public Fund Resolution. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6. page 255).**

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Update on Elections:** Durbin reported that County Clerk Sandy Leitheiser shared General Election information with a timeline of the upcoming elections. Early voting will start on Monday, October 16th, 2006 and end on Thursday, November 2nd, 2006 and will be held in the County Clerk's Office in a designated election area. Early voting hours during this time will be Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Saturday, October 21st and 28th from 8:00 AM until Noon. **Motion by Durbin, second by Helgen to approve Early Voting from Oct. 16th through Nov. 2nd in the County Clerk's office during regular business hours Monday thru Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM and on Saturday October 21st, and Saturday, October 28th from 8:00 AM to Noon. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Update on Recycling:** Durbin reported on shipped materials and revenues from the County Recycling Center. Year to date checks received for recycled material total \$49,472. Material that has been shipped and waiting for payment from the vendor total \$10,140. Material that is baled and ready to ship total \$20,984. This brings the processed recycling revenue for fiscal year 2006 to \$80,897 for the past 9 months, and represents 1,635,540 pounds processed so far this fiscal year. During fiscal year 2005 the recycling center processed about 2 million pounds and the revenues totaled approximately \$90,500. Durbin reported that he currently pricing an aluminum carport building and concrete work for a recycling drop shed in Witt.
3. **Update on Insurance from Lightning Damage:** Durbin reported that the county was reimbursed in full for the lightning damage that occurred in January, 2006. The damages totaled \$237,071.55.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Update from Cavanaugh & O'Hara:** Chairman John Downs reported that an attorney from IBG has filed a motion to reconsider the complaint.
2. **F.O.P. Contract:** Downs stated that the FOP is ready to open their contract, but signed copies of the new contract have not been received yet.

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski as follows:

1. **Ambulance Call Reports:** A summary of monthly operations for August 2006 is as follows: **Total calls: 359; Total amount billed: \$157,948.00; Total amount collected: \$82,944.99.**
2. **Director Holmes Report:**
 - a. **IEMA Conference:** Jagodzinski reported that Holmes attended the IEMA Conference in Springfield. Everyone in attendance for the G.I.S. training received a computer and software that day, which was courtesy of an Illinois Terrorism Task Force Homeland Security grant.
 - b. **Payment from the State to EMA:** Jagodzinski reported that the third quarter EMA payment from the State was received and EMA has a little less than \$2,000.00 in extra funds.
 - c. **Truck Problems:** Jagodzinski stated that the spray-in bed liner for the EMA truck, which will be \$595.00, has been approved.
 - d. **Table Top Exercise:** Jagodzinski stated that the Montgomery County Health Department and EMA will host a table top exercise on September 27th at the Taylor Springs Community Building from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM.
 - e. **Cooling Stations Update:** Jagodzinski stated that it was decided to discontinue the Cooling Stations after checking with the National Weather Service.
3. **Approval of the County's 5 Ambulance Service Levies:**
 - a. **Resolution #06-21 for Litchfield Ambulance Service:** Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Painter to approve the Litchfield Ambulance Service Area Levy in the Amount of \$145,000.00 for 2007. **All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 256).**
 - b. **Resolution #06-22 for Hillsboro Ambulance Service:** Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Downs to approve the Hillsboro Ambulance Service Area Levy in the Amount of \$154,000 for 2007. **All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 257).**
 - c. **Resolution #06-23 for Nokomis/Witt Ambulance Service:** Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Petty to approve the Nokomis/Witt Ambulance Service Area Levy in the Amount of \$78,000 for 2007. **All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 258).**
 - d. **Resolution #06-24 for Raymond/Harvel Ambulance Service:** Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Dean to approve the Raymond/Harvel Ambulance Service Area Levy in the Amount of \$32,662 for 2007. **All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 259).**
 - e. **Resolution #06-25 for Farmersville/Waggoner Ambulance Service:** Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Heaton to approve the Farmersville/Waggoner Ambulance Service Area Levy in the Amount of \$58,000 for 2007. **All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 260).**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **City of Hillsboro Enterprise Zone Business Approval:** Plunkett reported that Ace Hardware will be moving into the old TSC building (Parcel ID# 08-100-725-06) in Hillsboro, and that the contractual language has been worked out and the contract for the sale of the building and property has been signed. At the request of the new business owners and the City of Hillsboro, the committee is recommending an extension of a 3 year property tax abatement to 5 years. The property in question is within the Montgomery County Enterprise Zone. Mayor Bill Baran reported that this would bring in approximately 15 to 20 jobs to the county. **Motion by Plunkett, second by Bathurst to approve Ordinance # 06-26 to extend the Abatement of Property Taxes from 3 years to 5 years on Parcel ID #08-100-725-06. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 261).** Hillsboro

Mayor Bill Baran was present and thanked the county board for approving the extension, and stated that this will be a real boost to the economy of Montgomery County, since these owners operate 9 other Ace Hardware stores, and hope to be opened by mid November, 2006.

2. **Wind Power Turbine - Presentation:** Plunkett reported that Dana Smith, Marketing Director for Rural Electric and David Stuva, President/CEO of the Rural Electric Convenience Cooperative gave a power point presentation regarding Wind Power Generation in Illinois. The wind turbines consist of 3 blades that are 125 feet in length and turn at 14 to 15 mph with each blade weighing about 7 tons. The height of the turbine is 230 feet to the hub. The rotor assembly weighs in at 37 tons. The 1.8 mega watt wind turbine has enough energy production to service approximately 400 to 500 homes. Rural Electric is proposing to build a wind turbine project in the Farmersville area by late summer or early fall of 2007. The State of Illinois owns this 14 acre spot near Farmersville that was previously owned by Freeman United Coal and is a covered coal gob or refuse pile. The wind speed on that hill is rated at 6 to 7 miles per hour for wind speed. Rural Electric has a sub station within a half of a mile of the site. The power will be used by rural customers in the Farmersville area. Rural Electric would need approval from the FAA for the project, and the cost to Rural Electric would be approximately \$1.5 million for the turbine, but the property would be leased from the State of Illinois.
3. **Bike Trail Maintenance Update:** Plunkett stated that he will check out the bike trail for oil and chipping and any maintenance issues with the trail.
4. **Resolution #06-27 Approval to Void Tax Bill ID #12-000-405-05 on County Owned Bike Trail Property: Motion by Plunkett, second by Myers to approve voiding Tax Bill #12-000-405-05. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 262).**
5. **Special Meeting Date:** Plunkett stated that the Economic Development Committee discussed an offer by the Lt. Governor's Office to have a round table discussion regarding broadband high speed internet, and the committee will hold a special meeting on Thursday, September 14th, 2006 at 1:30 PM in the County Board Room to discuss broadband services.
6. **G.I.S. Update:** Plunkett reported that a GIS Oversight Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, September 5th, 2006, and Colin Russell with GIS vendor Bruce Harris and Associates was present to update the committee on the County's contract, which will expire in December of 2007. Bruce Harris has mapped more parcels than those included in the contract, so at the end of the contract, the county will owe Bruce Harris an additional \$40,000. The County will also have to correct parcels that have been combined over the years, and add the Coal Rights parcels to the GIS system. The Full Time GIS Coordinator will not be hired until 2007. The committee plans to begin establishing a job description for the GIS Coordinator position.
7. **Enterprise Zone Update:** Plunkett reported that Julie Knodle from Route 16 Grain Co-op has stated that they will soon be able to announce their site selection for the Ethanol Plant in the Nokomis area to be entered into the County Enterprise Zone.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **Update on Property Acquisition:**
 - a. **Enter Into Executive Session:** Motion by Painter, second by Branum to Go Into Executive Session to discuss Property Acquisition. All in favor, motion carried. (Time: 9:25 AM)
 - b. **Come Out of Executive Session:** Motion by Bone, second by Painter to Come Out of Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. (Time: 9:35 AM)

APPROVAL OF 8 COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES:

Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Durbin to approve the 8 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Havera as follows:

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Havera announced that there will be a Benefit Breakfast from 6:00 AM until Noon on Saturday, September 23rd, 2006 at the Hillsboro Moose for Jerad Kiefer, 7 year old son of Supervisor of

Assessments Julie Kiefer. Jerad has the same debilitating disease that his late brother Charlie had, and will be receiving a bone marrow transplant soon.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: There will be a special Economic Development Committee meeting on Thursday, September 14th, 2006 at 1:30 PM in the County Board room of the Historic Courthouse. A representative of the Lt. Governor's Office will attend to discuss the issues of Broadband services.

APPOINTMENTS:

- a) **Motion by Ogden, second by Heaton to appoint Evelyn Riemann to Union Drainage District #1, Town of Pitman and Zanesville for a term of 3 years. All in favor, motion carried.**

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Blankenship, second by Aumann to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

RECESS: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, October 10th, 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Painter, second by Branum to recess the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.
Meeting recessed at 9:43 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, October 10th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, October 10th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Prior to the meeting's start, a disruption was caused by county resident William Duff, who was escorted from the building by Undersheriff Rick Robbins and then taken to the Montgomery County Jail. Vice Chairman Jagodzinski, who chaired the meeting, apologized to all in attendance for Duff's disruption.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Vice Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski.

Roll call was taken. 17 members present, 4 absent.

Members Present: Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Dave Heaton, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott.

Members Absent: Nelson Aumann, Mike Havera, Edward Helgen, William Hicks.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Ogden, second by Downs to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Myers, second by Painter to approve the Minutes of the Previously Recessed County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, September 12th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – submitted.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – Ron Jenkins was present for questions.
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions and reported that today is the last day to register to vote with deputy registrars. She stated that there have been approximately 100 Absentee Voters requesting ballots so far and Early Voting will begin on Monday, October 16th, 2006.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – Undersheriff Rick Robbins was present for questions.
5. **Health Department Report** – submitted.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – submitted.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – submitted.
9. **911 Report** – submitted.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Durbin, second by Bone to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: Jagodzinski stated that the committee had nothing to report.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **Fire & Life Safety Inspection Recommendation:** Branum stated that the committee discussed several recommendations from the insurance consultants regarding a Fire and Life Safety survey that was completed for the Highway Department buildings.
2. **Fuel Tanks Update:** Branum stated that discussion took place on putting up piping or a protective guardrail around the fuel tanks at the Highway Department.
3. **Fillmore Bridge Update:** It was reported that the deck on the Fillmore Bridge has been set and the bridge is almost complete.
4. **Road & Bridge Committee Tour Date:** The Road and Bridge Committee will be taking a tour of the County Roads and Bridges on Wednesday, October 18th, 2006 beginning at 8:00 AM.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **2007 Budget Update:** Sielschott stated that discussion took place on a letter received from Circuit Clerk Mary Webb to amend the document storage fund #308 and increase it by \$65,000 to improve and modernize the file storage needs for that office, and that these revenues generated for these expenditures are not from the general fund.
2. **Sheriff's Vehicle Approval:** Sielschott reported that the Sheriff's vehicle was in an accident and a total loss. The total cost for a new vehicle is \$27,976.90 from Wright Automotive. Insurance will reimburse the county in the amount of \$15,040.00. The county portion will be \$12,326.90. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Branum to approve the purchase of a new Sheriff's vehicle from Wright Automotive, with the county portion being \$12,326.90 and insurance reimbursement will be \$15,040.00 for a total of \$27,976.90. All in favor, motion carried.**
3. **Update/Approval on Additional Hours for Inventory:** Sielschott stated that Treasurer Ron Jenkins has asked the committee if they would approve \$1,800 for additional hours that would be worked by a staff member in his office to do the county's inventory. Jenkins stated to the committee that it would be more cost effective to have someone from his office do the inventory instead of having RCI Technologies contract the services and do the inventory. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Downs to approve \$1,800 for additional hours that will be worked to do the county inventory internally in the Treasurer's Office. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **Update of Commercial/Industrial Property Appraisal:** Sielschott reported that Mike Meyer from Manatron addressed the committee regarding a program that would calculate data for the 1,500 plus commercial and industrial sites in Montgomery County. The price would stay at \$125.00 per parcel and the county does not have to do vacant lots. The committee will be discussing this proposal at a later time.
5. **Approval to Adopt the Aggregate Levy:** Sielschott reported that the Aggregate Levy has not changed. The levy is less than last year, due to the coal money. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Bathurst to approve the aggregate Levy for Fiscal Year 2007. All in favor, motion carried.**
6. **Approval to Void Tax Bills on 78 Parcels:** Sielschott reported that the county needs to void the tax bills on 78 parcels. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Bone to approve voiding the tax bills on 78 parcels. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 263-265.)**
7. **Update on Survey for Potential Business Tax Revenue:** Sielschott reported that the committee discussed information that was received from the coal company regarding the coal project, costs and possible tax revenue. Coordinator Daniels shared a spreadsheet with information gathered that listed the assessed valuation and property taxes paid by other power plants in Illinois. This information concludes the addition of a coal mine and power plant would have a significant positive affect on Montgomery County revenue.

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Elections Update:** Durbin stated that absentee voting is underway, and reported that the committee approved the use of the Recycling Center truck to deliver voting equipment to each polling place before the General Election and for pick up after the election.
2. **Insurance Premiums Proposal from ICRMT Approval:** Durbin reported that Paul Hamrock presented the Illinois County Risk Management Trust Insurance figures for Fiscal Year 2007. Building and personal property values went up. Worker's compensation rates increased state wide. The total premium is \$283,210 which is approximately \$5,000 higher than last year. **Motion by Durbin, second by Blankenship to approve the Insurance Premium from ICRMT for \$283,210 for Workers Compensation and Property/Casualty Insurance. All in favor, motion carried.**

3. **Update/Approval on Animal Control Facility Building Plans:** Durbin reported that Hurst-Rosche Engineering is working on the blueprints for an animal control facility as well as its water and sewer lines. The engineering company will submit an estimated cost to build the facility. The committee met in a special meeting to approve an amount of \$5,850 for the drawing of blueprints for an Animal Control facility which will include water and sewer lines to run two tenths of a mile west to Route 127. **Motion by Durbin, second by Petty to approve \$5,850 to Hurst-Rosche Engineering to draw up blueprint plans for an Animal Control Facility with water and sewer lines. Member Deabenderfer stated that he had figures showing the plans were \$2,850 for the water and sewer plans. Durbin stated that \$2,850 was for the building plans and \$3,000 was for the water and sewer line plans. All in favor, motion carried.**

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Holiday Schedule Approval:** Downs stated that there will be 13 Holidays in 2007 when the county buildings will be closed. **Motion by Downs, second by Bathurst to approve the 2007 Holiday Schedule. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 266).**
2. **Labor relations with F.O.P.:** Downs reported that discussion took place regarding the Sheriff Deputies' union contract. The Union will be contacted soon to pick a date to start negotiations.
3. **Update Employee Insurance:** Downs stated that after reviewing the budget, the committee has decided that there will not be an increase to the employee portion of the health insurance premiums due to the coal revenue. A letter advising employees will be enclosed with paychecks. **Motion by Downs, second by Durbin not to increase insurance premiums to county employees for Fiscal Year 2007. All in favor, motion carried.**

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Vice Chairman George Blankenship as follows:

1. **Ambulance Call Reports:** A summary of monthly operations for September 2006 will be presented at the November full board meeting.
2. **Director Holmes Report:**
 - Vice Chairman Blankenship reported that the credit bureau payments for May and June were received in September for \$925.63 and \$646.96.
 - Blankenship reported that collections for August were \$82,944.99. For September, collections were \$53,822.72.
 - Blankenship reported that ten out of eleven fire departments are now MABAS members.
 - Blankenship stated that Coffeen Fire Protection District will be hosting a benefit dinner for Walt Tarran, a Coffeen Fire Fighter. The benefit will be held at the Hillsboro Moose Lodge on October 14th, 2006 from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM.
 - Blankenship stated that Montgomery County will need to hold an emergency exercise in 2007.
 - Blankenship stated that the IEMA conference was held on September 5th through the 7th.
 - Blankenship stated that Special Needs shelters were a topic of discussion with the Illinois Department of Public Health at the IEMA conference. As part of the Emergency Operating Procedures, the county will need to find out how many Special Needs residents could be sent to hospitals and/or nursing homes in the event of an evacuation.
 - Blankenship stated that Disaster Mortuary Region Team representative for this area is Brad Targhetta in Brighton, Illinois.
 - Blankenship reported that MABAS has sent an IMAT trailer to EMA, which will be temporarily stored at the Litchfield Fire Department. Greg Nimmo and Holmes will inventory the trailer. MABAS owns the trailer so they will be insuring the trailer and its contents, and not the county.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **49th District Economic Development Summit:** Plunkett stated that Senator Demuzio's third annual, 49th District Economic Development Summit was held in Carlinville last Saturday. There was one session regarding recent legislation that created the "Central Illinois Economic Development Authority Act". The Authority would be governed by an 11 member board, which is comprised of appointees from each of the following counties in the 49th District; Macon, Sangamon, Menard, Logan, Christian, Bond, DeWitt, and Montgomery. The objective of the board is to promote economic development within those counties. The Act allows the Authority to acquire, own, sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of interests in real property and to issue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness for certain purposes in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$250,000,000 within the territorial jurisdiction of the Authority. County Board Chairman Mike Havera appointed Heather Hampton+Knodle to the Authority Board to represent Montgomery County. Plunkett reported that Knodle currently serves as the Chairperson for the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation and is legislatively active. Plunkett stated that he feels that Knodle would be an excellent candidate to serve on the CIEDA Board as the representative for Montgomery County. **Motion by Plunkett, second by Deabenderfer to approve the Appointment of Heather Hampton+Knodle to the Central Illinois Economic Development Authority Board. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Bike Trail Update:** Plunkett reported that he has inspected the bike trail and that it looks as though it can last another season before oiling and chipping.
3. **Website Update:** Plunkett reported that he spoke with Terry Miller regarding the county website and she has most of the site built. Miller told Plunkett that the site should be ready to go for election night.
4. **Revolving Loan Update:** Plunkett reported that the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation has established criteria for a revolving loan fund with some of the coal money to help benefit new and existing businesses that operate in the county. An original investment of \$250,000 by the Montgomery County Board from general revenue will be used to start the revolving loan fund. Plunkett stated that there was a meeting on October 9th at the Extension Office to review criteria, and it will be up to the County Board to establish the criteria of the revolving loan.
5. **Wind Turbine Site Update:** Plunkett stated that there was a ceremony held last week at the Farmersville gob pile where plans are underway to build a Wind Turbine to produce electricity for approximately 500 customers. Lt. Governor Pat Quinn was on site, and construction of the turbine will hopefully begin this next spring.
6. **Update on Broadband Meeting:** Montgomery County hosted a special meeting held recently regarding a pilot program on broadband. The Lt. Governor established this pilot program to help extend broadband services to other counties like Macoupin and Montgomery County. There have been several meetings in the county to get information regarding high speed internet services.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **County Farm Acreage for Animal Control Facility Approval:** Painter stated that the HWE Committee has inquired about the use of one acre of the County Farm for the Animal Control Facility. The acre will be obtained from the parcel off of North 9th Avenue and two tenths of a mile east of Route 127. **Motion by Painter, second by Myers to approve the allocation of one acre of the County Farm property on 9th Avenue and east of Route 127 for the purpose of building an Animal Control Facility. Member Deabenderfer voiced a no vote. Motion carried.**
2. **Enter Into Executive Session:** Painter made a motion that the board go into executive session to discuss property acquisition. **Motion by Painter, second by Heaton for the full board to Enter into Executive Session to discuss property acquisition. All in favor, motion carried.**

3. **Come Out of Executive Session:** Motion by Painter, second by Sielschott to come out of Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried.

4. **Approval of Offer for Property:** Painter stated that the Buildings and Grounds committee proposed offering \$40,000 for the Hicks Property located at the corner of North Main Street and Brailley across from the County Jail for use as a parking lot for county employees and customers. **Motion by Painter, second by Myers to approve offering \$40,000 for the Hicks property located at the corner of North Main Street and Brailley in Hillsboro. Of the 17 members present, a Roll Call Vote was taken: 13 Yes – 4 No. Those voting no to offer the \$40,000 for the Hicks property – Terry Bone, Ron Deabenderfer, Mike Plunkett and Toby Dean. Motion carried.**

APPROVAL OF 8 COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES:

Motion by Branum, second by Dean to approve the 8 committee reports and minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Myers, second by Painter to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

RECESS: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, November 14th. 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Branum, second by Durbin to recess the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting recessed at 9:30 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, November 14th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, November 14th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Havera at 8:35 AM.

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

Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Mike Havera, Dave Heaton, Ed Helgen, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Glenn Painter, Don Petty, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott.

Members Absent: William Hicks.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Aumann, second by Ogden to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Myers, second by Painter to approve the Minutes of the Previously Recessed County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, October 10th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – submitted.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – Ron Jenkins was present for questions.
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – Undersheriff Rick Robbins was present for questions.
5. **Health Department Report** – submitted.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – Jodi Huber was present for questions.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – Bane Ulrici was present for questions and introduced the new Juvenile Probation Officer Holly Hopwood-Lemons, who started October 30th, 2006.
9. **911 Report** – Greg Nimmo was present for questions.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Blankenship, second by Bathurst to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: Havera stated that there would be a photo taken of the current Full Board after the board meeting.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **Update on Fuel Bid for FY 2007:** Branum reported that there was one fuel bid received from M&M Service Company. The bid came in at the following amounts: regular gasoline \$1.981 and diesel \$2.356. **Motion by Branum, second by Painter to accept the fuel bid from M&M Service Company for regular gasoline at \$1.981 per gallon and diesel fuel at \$2.356 per gallon. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Update on Cost of Living Raises for Non-Union Highway Employees:** Branum reported that the committee approved 4% pay increases for non-union highway department employees: Pezold, Waggoner and Sefton.
3. **Approval of Local Agency Agreement for Waggoner Bridge:** Branum reported that the committee discussed and approved a Local Agency Agreement for Waggoner Bridge, between Macoupin County and Montgomery County, which is located 5.5 miles east of Nilwood over Macoupin Creek. **Motion by Branum, second by Aumann to approve the Local Agency Agreement for Waggoner Bridge, between Macoupin County and Montgomery County which is located 5.5 miles east of Nilwood over Macoupin Creek. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 267-272).**

4. **Approval of Resolution #19-06:** Motion by Bone, second by Painter to approve Resolution #19-06 to appropriate an amount of \$3,720.17 for 1030 B-CA, Interurban Circle, Hillsboro Road District, 50% County Project; Montgomery County's Share = 0.5 (\$1,860.09). All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 273).
5. **Approval of Resolution #20-06:** Motion by Dean, second by Komor to approve Resolution #20-06 to appropriate \$764,530.00 from Motor Fuel Tax Allotment for the maintenance of Section 07-00000-00-GM for 2007 for Montgomery County, which has already been approved by the State. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 274).
6. **Update on Chapman T Bridge:** Ruben Boehler reported that the Project Development report has been submitted to the State for approval on the Chapman T Bridge. The project is on schedule for a June 2007 letting provided the State completes its historical review.
7. **North Litchfield Bridge:** Board member Helgen asked Engineer Boehler the status of a project on North 16th Avenue in North Litchfield township. Boehler stated that it is still in the design stage, it will most likely be a bridge and not a culvert, and no letting date has been set.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **Approval on Revolving Loan Fund:** Mike Plunkett reported that the Economic Development Committee approved to recommend a \$250,000 Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) to benefit new and existing businesses that operate within Montgomery County. Plunkett deferred to Amanda Cole, the Economic Development representative for the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation. Board members were sent a copy of a draft of a Revolving Loan Fund in the mail a few days before the board meeting, and it was distributed at the board meeting to review. **(For copy of Draft, see Resolution Book 6, pages 275-278).** Cole presented an overview of the Revolving Loan Fund, highlighting its goals and objectives, eligible and ineligible projects, application procedure, administration and Revolving Loan Fund board. Cole stated that one of the objectives of the RLF will be to create and retain permanent private sector employment. Loan requests between \$5,000 and \$50,000 from financial institutions will be considered and the revolving loan can't exceed 33% of the project. The RLF rate to financial institutions is fixed at 2% for the duration of the loan, and is to be paid directly to the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation to cover costs of the loan fund's administration. The RLF Board would be made up of seven members to be appointed to 3 year terms by the MCEDC. Six board members would be non-staff and non-directors to the Corporation. The 7th member would be a staff person or director from the Corporation. Member Jagodzinski asked if the County Board should appoint members to the Revolving Loan Fund board, and Cole replied that due to the financial sensitivity of the loan application documents, the MCEDC can forego Open Meetings Act requirements by acting as the appointing authority, and she also stated that members would not have to be residents of Montgomery County, but must work within the County or for a financial institution that serves Montgomery County. The financial institution would be the primary lien holder and the County would be the secondary lien holder and the financial institution would not be responsible for the County portion of the loan. This could come out of this year's budget from the Capital Improvement fund, per the county auditor Whitey Patton, so the Fiscal Year 2007 Budget would not have to be amended. **Motion by Plunkett, second by Bathurst to approve transferring \$250,000 from the Fiscal Year 2006 Capital Improvement Fund and establishing a Revolving Loan Fund. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Update/Approval on Affordable Housing Program:** Plunkett reported that there have been some issues and obstacles with getting approximately 38 applicants served with affordable housing. The Housing Authority does not have the resources to get these applications processed; therefore there is a need to get someone to help get the 38 applicants' paperwork completed. Bill Dees stated that the City of Litchfield is interested in getting some qualified applicants processed with training, credit counseling and cost. Dees stated that he would be willing to ask the City of Litchfield for funding to have someone to assist with the applications, training and credit counseling. Litchfield would like to get the program running and demonstrate how the program could work by getting a few of the applicants through the

credit counseling and get housing built. Dees felt that it may take about \$800.00 to hire a consultant from Springfield to come down for a week or two in order to get applicants qualified for the program. Plunkett and Flannery will set up a meeting with Kelly Moroney from the Montgomery County Housing Authority to discuss the issue of getting applicants qualified.

3. **Update on Broadband Services:** Plunkett reported that he received the results of the Broadband Pilot Program this morning for Montgomery and Macoupin Counties. There will be future meetings to get key people from both counties together to get the \$1 Million dollar pilot project started.
4. **Update on County Web Site:** Plunkett reported that the County website had been enhanced and was up and running in time for the November Elections.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **Approval of Fiscal Year 2007 Budget Changes and Recommendations to Full Board:** Sielschott went over two pages of budget changes with board members (**See Resolution Book 6, pages 279-280**). The full draft of the budget was passed out in September, but to cut back on paper usage, only copies of the changes were passed out at the Full Board meeting this month. Some of the changes included \$70,000 for Document Storage for the Circuit Clerk's Office, \$65,000 for Record Keeping, and the Salary for the ETSB Coordinator
2. **Approval of FY 2007 Levies: Resolutions read by State's Attorney Chris Matoush:**
3. **Resolution #06 -28:** Resolution adopting **Fiscal Year 2007 Financial Appropriation Ordinance** totaling the sum of **\$19,055,790.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Petty. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 281).**
4. **Resolution #06 -29:** Resolution to pass tax levy for the **General Corporate Fund** for the current taxable year, in the sum of **\$550,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Painter. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 282).**
5. **Resolution #06 -30:** Resolution to pass tax levy for the **County Health Department**, in the sum of **\$320,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Aumann. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 283).**
6. **Resolution #06 -31:** Resolution to pass tax levy for the **Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund**, in the sum of **\$700,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Downs. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 284).**
7. **Resolution #06 -32:** Resolution to pass tax levy for the **Social Security Fund**, in the sum of **\$435,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Blankenship. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 285).**
8. **Resolution #06 -33:** Resolution to pass tax levy to pay the costs of **Insurance Premiums**, in the sum of **\$232,500.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Durbin. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 286).**
9. **Resolution #06 -34:** Resolution to pass tax levy for the **Tuberculosis Care and Treatment Fund**, in the sum of **\$66,500.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Bone. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 287).**
10. **Resolution #06 -35:** Resolution to pass tax levy for the **County Highway Fund**, in the sum of **\$320,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Heaton. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 288).**
11. **Resolution #06 -36:** Resolution to pass tax levy for the **County Highway Federal Aid Matching Fund**, in the sum of **\$160,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Dean. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 289).**
12. **Resolution #06 -37:** Resolution to pass tax levy for the **Special Aid to County Bridge Fund**, in the sum of **\$160,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Branum. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 290).**
13. **Resolution #06 - 38:** Resolution to pass a levy for the **County Extension Service**, in the sum of **\$146,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Deabenderfer. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 291).**

14. **Resolution #06 - 39:** Resolution to pass levy for **Senior Citizen Social Services** in the sum of **\$74,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Petty. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 292).**
15. **Resolution #06 - 40:** Resolution to pass levy for **Veterans Assistance** in the sum of **\$44,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Heaton. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 293).**
16. **Resolution #06 - 41:** Resolution to set **Salaries for the following Department Heads:** Supervisor of Assessments - **\$44,360.00**, Probation Officer - **\$39,585.00**, and Assistant Probation Officers - **\$134,384.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Ogden. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, page 294).**
17. **Resolution #06 - 42:** Resolution to authorize **State's Attorney Appellate Prosecutor** and to appropriate the sum of money **not to exceed \$11,000.00**. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Downs. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 295-296).**
18. **PASSAGE OF THE FY 2007 Budget & Revisions:** **Motion by Sielschott, second by Bathurst to approve the Fiscal Year 2007 Budget & Revisions which includes all the above mentioned levies and appropriations.**
19. **Discussion/Approval of Assignment of Certificate of Purchase, County Trustee to City of Nokomis:** Sielschott reported that the committee discussed and approved the assignment of a Certificate of Purchase from Trustee Ballinger for #218 for parcel ID #10-000-811-00 to the City of Nokomis for \$254.44. The amount will be paid by the City of Nokomis. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Aumann to approve Montgomery County Trustee to assign the Certificate of Purchase, #218 for parcel ID #10-000-811-00, to the City of Nokomis for \$254.44 to be paid by the City of Nokomis. All in favor, motion carried.**
20. **Approval of Designation of Depositories:** Sielschott stated that the committee reviewed and approved a list of 13 depositories as presented by Treasurer Jenkins. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Myers to approve and designate the list of 13 Depositories. All in favor motion carried. (See Attached letter in Resolution Book 6, pages 297-298).**

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Update on 2007 General Elections:** Durbin stated that County Clerk Leitheiser gave the committee an update on the 2006 General Elections. The County website was visited quite often for the General Election results, with 2,166 unique visitors, 618 returning visitors and the website refreshed 9,607 times. There were also 1,088 ballots cast for early and absentee voting.
2. **Update on Montgomery County Animal Control Facility:** Durbin reported that Attorney Barb Adams addressed the committee on behalf of Jim Lessman, who owns property next to the proposed site for the new Animal Control facility. Attorney Adams stated Lessman feels that any future plans he may have for his property would be limited if the proposed Animal Control Facility was built next to his property. This location may hinder his possibility of someday building homes, apartment buildings, etc... Attorney Adams also stated that in order for the County to get a water line on a township road, it would have to be located on private property because the township road is an easement in itself. Durbin stated that the location was originally selected due to the cost of water and sewer lines. The committee will take Lessman's location concerns under consideration, and Durbin will discuss these issues with State's Attorney Chris Matoush. The committee discussed bidding out the building as a turn key operation. Nancy Richardson was present to express a desire to help with the Animal Control facility in any way that she can and stated that there is a need for the facility. Richardson also urged the committee to look into starting a low cost spay and neuter program as well as a microchip program. Richardson also shared ideas of foster homes and using petfinder.com on the internet to help get strays adopted out. Richardson is willing to help with fund raisers and contact folks to help with the shelter.
3. **Update on Witt Recycling Drop Shed:** Durbin stated that the concrete slab has been poured for the installation of a recycling drop off facility in Witt at a cost of \$1,500.00. The building will cost

\$1,545.00 to construct, and will provide a permanent structure that will not have steps to climb, which will be welcomed by local residents.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Update on F.O.P. Union Negotiations:** Downs reported that the Fraternal Order of Police union contract has been completed after just three negotiation meetings.
2. **Executive Session: Motion by Downs, second by Bone to Enter Into Executive Session to discuss the F.O.P. Union Contract. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 9:45 AM.**
3. **Executive Session: Motion by Downs, second by Durbin to End Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 9:50 AM.**
4. **Approval of the F.O.P. Union Contract: Motion by Downs, second by Painter to approve the 4 year contract with the F.O.P. Union. All in favor, motion carried.**

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Glenn Painter as follows:

1. **Update on Property Acquisition:** Painter stated that the committee is waiting for an update from the owner of the property on North Main Street to pursue acquiring that property for county parking.
2. **Update on Concrete Work at Courthouse:** Painter stated that the committee discussed and approved concrete repair work to some stairs at the north entrance of the Historic Courthouse and behind the Courts Complex.

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Vice Chairman George Blankenship as follows:

1. **Ambulance Call Reports:** A summary of monthly operations for September 2006 are as follows: Total calls: 362; Total amount billed: \$157,778.00; Total amount collected: \$53,822.72. A summary of monthly operations for October 2006 are as follows: Total calls: 338; Total amount billed : \$149,933.00; Total amount collected: \$119,217.77.
2. **Director Holmes Report:**
 - **Collections:** Jagodzinski reported that collections were good for the month of October at \$119,217.77.
 - **Maternity Leave:** EMA employee Maurica Manley is on maternity leave until December and Amy Goodin Jeffers is filling in for Maurica while she is on leave. Jagodzinski reported that they are dealing with issues regarding a HazMat member.
 - **Diesel Fuel Spill:** Jagodzinski reported that EMA was called on October 24th, 2006 by Litchfield Fire Chief Matt Weber. 150 gallons of diesel fuel was standing in a ditch and waterway. At the request of Litchfield Fire Department, Holmes notified a HazMat disposal team from Decatur to remove the fuel and contaminated soil. Property owner Kenny Neece was notified and agreed to the disposal. Holmes reported that anything over 50 gallons must be handled by a licensed HazMat hauler and reported to IEPA. HazMat hauler Bodine from Decatur arrived around 11:30 PM that night and removed the fuel. Bodine returned the following day to remove the contaminated soil and completed the cleanup.
 - **Flu Shots Update:** Jagodzinski stated that flu shots were available at the Health Department on November 8th, 2006 from 4:00 PM until 6:30 PM for First Responders and County Employees. This will be part of an exercise for the Health Department to see how much time it will take to do all first responders. The cost for county employees will be \$15.00.
 - **TV and DVD Update:** Jagodzinski reported that a television and a DVD player were purchased for the EMA Office last Friday for the amount of \$273.46.
 - **HazMat Team Benefit Pancake Breakfast:** The HazMat Team Benefit Pancake Breakfast was held on Saturday, November 11th, 2006 from 6:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the Hillsboro Moose Lodge, with proceeds of about \$600.00 raised.

APPROVAL OF 8 COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES:

Motion by Painter, second by Helgen to approve the 8 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman's Report: Chairman Havera thanked county board members and everyone who helped in the effort and those who voted for it, for their commitment on the Longwall Referendum.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Years of Service to the Montgomery County Board

Havera gave a brief history of the members leaving the county board and a review of their Years of Service. William Hicks replaced Keith Horn for the remainder of his term served 5 months on the County Board from June 2006 to November 2006. Glenn Painter served for 32 years on the County Board from 1972 to 2006. Havera thanked both for their tenure on the board, and presented Painter with a clock and two copies of a framed photograph that pictured Painter on the first Montgomery County Board elected in 1972- one for Painter personally, and the other to be hung in the Montgomery County Board room. The seats held by Hicks and Painter will be replaced by Sharon Kuchar and Richard Wendel of Litchfield.

Dave Heaton served for 3 years and 3 months on the County Board from August of 2003 to November of 2006. Havera thanked Heaton for his commitment to the Farmersville Overpass project. Connie Beck will replace Heaton on the board.

Don Petty served for 6 years on the County Board from December 2000 to November 2006. Gene Miles will replace Petty on the board.

Havera then announced to County Board members pictures would be taken after the board meeting.

Havera's Resignation Speech: Havera then announced that he will resign as Chairman and member of the County Board at the end of November, 2006. **(For copy of resignation letter and speech read by Havera, see Resolution Book 6, page 299).** A clock was then given to Havera from the Montgomery County Board.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: Havera then stated that there would be a special Coordinating Meeting on Friday, November 17th, 2006 at 4:00 PM to discuss the Re-Organizational Meeting in December.

APPOINTMENTS:

- **Motion by Jagodzinski, second by Durbin to re-appoint Tom Rogers to the Emergency Telephone System Board for a term of 4 years. All in favor, motion carried.**
- **Motion by Myers, second by Deabenderfer to re-appoint Roger Reeves to the Public Building Commission with Mr. Reeves term to begin immediately. All in favor, motion carried.**
- **Motion by Ogden, second by Bone to appoint Greg Weitekamp to Zanesville #3, County Zone #33, Drainage District for a term of 1 year. All in favor, motion carried.**
- **Motion by Dean, second by Bathurst to appoint Larry Ziegler to Zanesville #3, County Zone #33, Drainage District for a term of 2 years. All in favor, motion carried.**
- **Motion by Ogden, second by Helgen to re-appoint Charles Herrmann to Zanesville #3, County Zone #33, Drainage District for a term of 3 years. All in favor, motion carried.**
- **Motion by Helgen, second by Sielschott to re-appoint Greg Weitekamp to the Pitman-Zanesville #2, County Zone #33, Drainage District for a term of 3 years. All in favor, motion carried.**

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Blankenship, second by Aumann to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2006.

ADJOURN: Until the Re-Organizational Full Board Meeting on Monday, December 4th, 2006 at 8:15 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Painter, second by Myers to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

Montgomery County Board Re-Organization Minutes

For Monday, December 4th, 2006 – 8:15 AM

The following are minutes of the Re-Organization meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:15 AM on Monday, December 4th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Clerk Sandy Leitheiser.

Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Edward Helgen, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Mike Plunkett, William Sielschott.

Newly Elected Members Present: Connie Beck, Sharon Kuchar, Gene Miles, Richard Wendel.

Members Absent: George Blankenship, Terry Bone, resigned member Mike Havera.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Official Verbal Oath administered to all elected members by Circuit Judge Kelly Long. The following members were sworn in: Bonnie Branum, John Downs, Ron Deabenderfer, Dale Ogden, Bill Sielschott, Connie Beck, Sharon Kuchar, Gene Miles, Richard Wendel. George Blankenship and Terry Bone will be sworn in at or prior to the regular Full Board meeting on Tuesday, December 12th, 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro.

Temporary Chairman Nomination: Clerk Leitheiser asked for a nomination of a temporary Chairman of the County Board. **Motion by Mike Plunkett, second by Bonnie Branum** that Dennis Jagodzinski be elected temporary County Board Chairman. **All in favor, motion carried.**

Close Nominations: Clerk Leitheiser asked for a motion to close the nominations. **Motion by Dale Ogden, second by Bob Durbin** to close the nominations. **All in favor, motion carried.**

County Board Chairman Nominations: Temporary Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski took his position and called for a nomination for County Board Chairman. **Motion by Ron Deabenderfer, second by Bill Sielschott that Mike Plunkett be nominated as County Board Chairman. All in favor, motion carried.**

Temporary Chairman asks 3 Times for Nominations: Temporary Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski asked **three more times if there were any other nominations for Chairman.** No other nominations were submitted.

Close Nominations: Temporary Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski asked for a motion to close the nominations. **Motion by Dale Ogden, second by Roger Myers** to close the nominations. **All in favor, motion carried.**

Election of Chairman by Acclamation: Temporary Chairman Dennis Jagodzinski asked for a motion to elect Mike Plunkett as County Board Chairman by acclamation. **Motion by Frank Komor, second by Nelson Aumann to elect Mike Plunkett as County Board Chairman by Acclamation. All in favor, motion carried.**

Chairman Addresses Board: The Newly Appointed Montgomery County Board Chairman Mike Plunkett addressed the board and thanked them for their trust and confidence in his leadership. Plunkett stated that with this incredible opportunity also comes tremendous responsibility and that he will do his best to serve Montgomery County as chairman for the next two years.

Acceptance of Havera's Resignation: As Plunkett's first official duty as Montgomery County Board Chairman, Plunkett accepted member Mike Havera's resignation letter and read a letter from Democratic Party chairman Steve White requesting that Joyce Matthews be seated as Havera's replacement. Plunkett asked for a motion to accept the appointment of Joyce Matthews to finish out the unexpired term of District #2 member Havera. **Motion by Dennis Jagodzinski, second by Ron Deabenderfer to appoint Joyce Matthews to represent District #2 on the County Board. All in favor, motion carried.**

Verbal Oath of New Member: Judge Long gave the Official Oath to the newly appointed board member Joyce Matthews.

Rules Committee: Plunkett asked for a motion to appoint Ron Deabenderfer, John Downs and Mary Bathurst to the Rules Committee of the County Board. **Motion by Bonnie Branum, second by Bob Durbin to approve the appointments of Ron Deabenderfer, John Downs and Mary Bathurst to the Rules Committee. All in favor, motion carried.** Plunkett then announced that the Rules Committee will briefly meet after today's re-organization meeting to discuss when they will meet before the next full board meeting to review the County Board Rules of Order.

County Board Manuals: Manuals were distributed to all Board Members. County Coordinator Chris Daniels gave a brief overview of the new County Board manuals.

Committee Assignment Review: Plunkett briefly went over the committee assignments of the Chairmen of each committee.

Announcements:

- Plunkett announced that there was a Tele – Institute for Newly Elected Officials Session on November 30th, and there will be a second session on Thursday, December 14th, 2006. Bathurst stated that she had attended the first session in November and that it would have been an informative meeting for more board members to have attended, and she conveyed that to the presenters, who promise they will repeat it in the future.
- Plunkett reported that the next County Board Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 12th, 2006 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room.

Adjourn: **Motion by Roger Myers, second by Nelson Aumann to adjourn the re-organization meeting. All in favor, motion carried.**

Time Adjourned: The Re-Organizational Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 AM.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, December 12th, 2006 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, December 12th, 2006 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

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

Roll call was taken. 21 members present, 0 members absent.

Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, Connie Beck, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, Toby Dean, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Ed Helgen, Dennis Jagodzinski, Frank Komor, Sharon Kuchar, Joyce Matthews, Gene Miles, Roger Myers, Dale Ogden, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott, Richard Wendel.

Members Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval:

Motion by Aumann, second by Ogden to approve the mileage and per diem. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Myers, second by Downs to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, November 14th, 2006. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Re-Organizational Meeting:

Motion by Dean, second by Bathurst to approve the Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Re-Organizational Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Circuit Clerk's Report** – submitted.
2. **County Treasurer's Report** – Ron Jenkins was present for questions and stated that on December 5th Colt Coal Company presented the County with an Annual Coal payment of \$1,312,000.00. Jenkins stated that 3 equal investments were made as follows: 1 investment for 6 months at 5.30, another investment for 1 year at 5.26, and the third for 18 months at 5.21.
3. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** – Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions and stated that the filing period for municipal candidates in Hillsboro, Coffeen and Nokomis and partisan candidates in Litchfield and Witt started yesterday (Monday, December 11th, 2006) and will continue until December 18th, 2006. If it is needed, the Primary Election will be February 27, 2007. The Consolidated Election for 2007 will be held on April 17th, 2007.
4. **Sheriff's Report** – Jim Vazzi was present for questions.
5. **Health Department Report** – Hugh Satterlee was present for questions and stated that there is still flu vaccine available. The Health Dept. will be holding a Flu Clinic at their Litchfield office and anyone wishing to receive a vaccine can just stop by.
6. **T.B. Department Report** – submitted.
7. **Public Defender's Report** – submitted.
8. **Probation Office Report** – submitted.
9. **911 Report** – submitted.

APPROVAL OF 9 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by Helgen, second by Blankenship to approve the 9 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by County Board Chairman Mike Plunkett as follows:

1. **County Board Vice Chairman Update:** Plunkett stated that Dennis Jagodzinski would continue to be the Vice Chairman of Montgomery County, and thanked him for his leadership for the four days that he was placed in the Chairman's seat after the resignation of past County Board Chairman Mike Havera. In the four days that Jagodzinski was Chairman the County experienced one of the worst disasters in its history due to the Ice Storm. Jagodzinski had declared the County a disaster the day after the storm to begin the necessary steps to get state and federal help for the County with storm cleanup.

2. **Update Rules Committee, Approval of Changes to Rules of Order:** Rules Committee Chairman Ron Deabenderfer went over changes the committee made to the Montgomery County Board Rules of Order.

- Under Rules of Order section #27 shall read... “27.) Any Person, persons, or organizations wishing to appear before the Board must notify the County Clerk of such request by 4:00 PM on the day the Coordinating Committee meets prior to the next scheduled Full Board Meeting. Persons may also speak before the Board at the Invitation of the Chairman.” Deabenderfer stated that this was changed so that the public would have access to discuss issues, but in an orderly fashion. The word “discretion” was changed to “invitation” so the Chairman could invite someone to speak at the County Board Meeting if he chose to do so.
- Under Rules of Order section #28 shall become #29 and section #28 shall be added as follows... “28.) If a group is invited to address the Board, such group shall choose one spokesperson as their representative and that spokesperson shall be allowed to speak a maximum of 15 minutes.” Deabenderfer stated that each board member has the option to take the floor for no more than 15 minutes and this will allow citizens the same right, but also keeps anyone from filibustering and prolonging the meeting unnecessarily.
- Under Rules of Order section #29 shall now be section #30, section #30 shall now be section #31 and section #31 shall now be known as section #32.
- Under Rules of Order section #31 now known as section #32 shall read... “32.) Members wishing to submit a question to the State’s Attorney shall first submit the question to the appropriate Committee Chair.” Deabenderfer stated that this Rule was more of a fragment and did not make much sense and needed to be re-worded. So now if a committee member or chair has a question it will go before the committee and the committee will decide if the State’s Attorney would need to be informed. Member Mary Bathurst stated that after reviewing the printed Rules of Order handout it came to her attention that the 32nd Rule change had not been made. County Coordinator Chris Daniels stated that that would be taken care of and new booklets re-issued. **Motion by Deabenderfer, second by Downs to accept the changes to the Rules of Order. All in favor, motion carried.** Deabenderfer stated that Rule #6, which has not been changed, needs emphasized. Rule #6 is that “No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without leave from the Chair, and shall not occupy more than 15 minutes the first time, no more than 5 minutes the second time. The member shall stand whenever he speaks on a question.” Deabenderfer asked members to remember to stand when they address the board.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **Parking Lot Across from Courts Complex Update:** Branum reported that the Building and Grounds committee discussed allowing Dr. Mekala of Rehab Edge to install two concrete handicapped parking spaces on the southwest corner of the new parking lot across from the Courts Complex. Engineer Boehler will get bid specs for the two handicapped parking spaces and contact Dr. Mekala regarding the bid specs and the hiring for contractors.
2. **County Sign Ordinance Update:** Branum stated that the committee is having State’s Attorney Chris Matoush research information for a County Sign Ordinance.
3. **County Motor Fuel Tax Audit Report:** The committee discussed and approved the County Motor Fuel Tax Audit Report as presented by IDOT, for the period beginning January 1st, 2003, 2004 and ending December 31st, 2005. **Motion by Branum, second by Kuchar to approve the County Motor Fuel Tax Audit Report from January 1, 2003, 2004 through December 31, 2005. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **Township Motor Fuel Tax Audit Report:** The committee discussed and approved the Township Motor Fuel Tax Audit Report as presented by IDOT, for the period beginning January 1st, 2005 and ending December 31st, 2005. **Motion by Branum, second by Komor to approve the Township Motor Fuel Tax Audit Report from January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005. All in favor, motion carried.**

5. **Township Bridge Program Fund Audit Report:** The committee discussed and approved the Township Bridge Program Fund Audit Report as presented by IDOT, for the period beginning January 1st, 2005 and ending December 31st, 2005. **Motion by Branum, second by Aumann to approve the Township Bridge Program Fund Audit Report from January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2005. All in favor, motion carried.**
6. **Update on Ice Storm Cleanup:** Branum stated that there is help available to clean up brush on the County Rights of Way if the County requests help in writing to the EMA Office. The Highway Department is piling up brush and burning it when it dries out after a few weeks.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **R.O.E. Quarterly Report:** Sielschott stated that Regional Office of Education (R.O.E.) Superintendent Greg Springer submitted an Annual Report. Christian County is now paying their 55% of the Regional Office's funding and Montgomery County their annual 45%. **(For copy of Annual Report, see Resolution Book 6, pages 300-304).**
2. **Sheriff's Vehicle – Review and Award Bid:** Sielschott reported that the committee reviewed the vehicle bids for the Sheriff's Office. One of the vehicles will replace the Sheriff's vehicle and the other is for the new deputy who has been budgeted for in 2007.
 - **Motion by Sielschott, second by Myers to accept the bid of \$19,687.00 from Victory Lane Ford of Litchfield for the 2007 F150 4x4 Ford Crew Cab Truck, with trade-in. All in favor, motion carried.**
 - **Motion by Sielschott, second by Miles to accept the bid of \$20,822.15 from Wright Automotive of Hillsboro for the 2007 Ford Explorer 4x4. All in favor, motion carried.**
3. **Senior Citizens Update:** Sielschott reported that letters were sent out to each of the Senior Clubs explaining the need to submit their expenses for 2006 before their checks for Fiscal Year 2007 can be mailed. Letters will be sent out to some of the Senior Clubs who sent their budget requests in after the budget was passed, explaining why their financial requests were the same as in FY 2006.
4. **Commercial and Industrial Building Assessment:** Sielschott reported that the committee discussed budgeting in Fiscal Year 2008 for a service to assess Commercial and Industrial Building Properties. The committee discussed the need to negotiate an assessment for AmerenCIPS. Some Ameren upgrades may fall under the Air Pollution Control Assessment and not under real estate assessment. Supervisor of Assessments Kiefer and Coordinator Daniels will review the project information submitted by Ameren to try to determine its assessment status.
5. **Highway Department Fuel Pump Upgrade Approval:** The State Fire Marshall has mandated that upgrades are needed on the two Highway Department fuel pumps, which will cost approximately \$10,000. Sielschott reported that because some County Offices also use the fuel at the Highway Department the monies should come out of the Capital Improvement Fund. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Branum to approve an amount of approximately \$10,000 to go towards the mandated fuel pump upgrades to be taken out of the Capital Improvement Fund. All in favor, motion carried.**
6. **2007 Mileage Reimbursement Approval:** Sielschott stated that the new IRS mileage reimbursement for 2007 has been set at 48.5 cents per mile, which will go into effect January 1, 2007. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Durbin to approve the new IRS mileage regulation rate of .48 cents per mile that will take effect on January 1st, 2007. All in favor, motion carried.**

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Member Ed Helgen as follows:

1. **Animal Control Facility Update:** Helgen stated that the committee reviewed and discussed the plans that were submitted by Hurst-Rosche Engineering for the Animal Control facility. The committee has not been informed on any other concerns on the location, and water easement availability on the north side of 9th Avenue will need to be assessed. The committee will need to make a final selection of the location for the facility soon so that estimated costs for running water and sewer lines can be given.

2. **Recycling Update:** Helgen reported that Coordinator Daniels gave an update on the recycling shipments and revenues for Fiscal Year 2006 at the committee meeting. Total revenues received and deposited was \$66,914.10 which represents 1,652,475 pounds. There was 426,986 pounds of material shipped for a total of \$15,854.62 that we are waiting on payment from the brokers. Due to the price of cardboard and plastic going down, there are several loads for a total of 451,900 pounds of material processed and waiting to ship at the recycling center, which is worth about an additional \$16,486.60. The Total Recycled material that was shipped and processed for Fiscal Year 2006 was 2,531,361 pounds for a total of about \$99,255.32. The total that was deposited for Fiscal Year 2006 into the Host Fee account #290 was \$37,447 which is down from \$85,806 received for Host Fees in Fiscal Year 2005.
3. **Witt Recycling Drop-off Shed Update:** The concrete slab and the car port have been installed at the Witt Drop-off recycling location. Containers will be set up at the drop-off area and the media will be notified of the new drop-off facility to help inform Witt residents of its availability.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **Update on F.O.P. Union Contract:** Downs reported that they are still waiting on the signed F.O.P. Contract.
2. **Update on Employee Christmas Party Luncheon:** Downs reminded everyone that the County Christmas Luncheon will be from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Thursday, December 21st in the County Board room of the Historic Courthouse.
3. **Freedom of Information Act Request Update:** Downs briefly stated that Office Holders needed to be reminded about the Freedom of Information Act Requests. Anyone wanting information from any county offices that do not work for the county must obtain a Freedom of Information Act Request Form and fill it out so the board has a better idea on who is requesting information and what type of information they are requesting.

ESDA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Vice Chairman George Blankenship as follows:

1. **Ambulance Call Reports:** A summary of monthly operations for November 2006 will be presented at next month's board meeting because Raymond has not submitted their report.
2. **Director Holmes Report:**
 - **Collections:** Jagodzinski reported that collections were \$91,069.38 for the month of November.
 - **Personnel Issues:** Jagodzinski stated that the committee went into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Issues at the EMA office.
 - **IMAT Classes:** Jagodzinski stated that Director Holmes will be attending IMAT Classes and Damage Assessment Classes.
 - **Countywide Disaster Declared:** Jagodzinski reported that due to the recent ice storm, he declared Montgomery County a disaster Friday Dec. 1, 2006, and warming shelters were opened in the county for those needing assistance. The Unified Command Team was called and Jagodzinski thanked Joe Gasparich and Director Holmes for all their help in getting Montgomery County on the list for State assistance. The County will not receive any funds, but will receive help in the cleanup efforts. Any municipality needing assistance with heavy machinery, clean up, etc... needs to contact Director Holmes and she will get them the proper forms to fill out for assistance in the clean up effort. The cleanup effort will begin in Hillsboro on December 18th.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Ron Deabenderfer as follows:

1. **AmerenCIPS Update:** Deabenderfer reported that Geoff Jones and Dan Whalen were present to update the committee on construction upgrade activity at AmerenCIPS. Ameren is striving for fuel flexibility to burn local Illinois coal and still meet the Clean Air Act. Jones reported that there will be about 200 to 300 additional construction workers implementing the plant upgrades that will start in 2007 and end in 2009. With the new regulations and the State requesting to burn more Illinois coal, it is a necessity to upgrade the plant with 2 new scrubbers which will also require a new stack each. Ameren will need more water for the scrubber process which will necessitate the Coffeen Lake water level to be raised. Ameren currently has a permit application in to raise the spillway by 6 feet. Deabenderfer stated that the committee feels this is good news for Montgomery County.
2. **Approval of GIS Intergovernmental Agreement with Ohlman and Farmersville:** Deabenderfer reported that the committee reviewed and approved a GIS Intergovernmental Agreement for Ohlman and Farmersville. Any town that has joined the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation will get the base layer of the County GIS mapping from the County for free.
 - **Motion by Deabenderfer, second by Matthews to approve the GIS Intergovernmental Agreement with Ohlman. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 305-309).**
 - **Motion by Deabenderfer, second by Dean to approve the GIS Intergovernmental Agreement with Farmersville. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 6, pages 310-314).**
3. **Broadband Update:** Deabenderfer reported that the committee reviewed a Power Point Presentation from Resource Partner's Group, Inc. regarding a Broadband Pilot program for Montgomery and Macoupin counties that was introduced by the Lt. Governor's Office.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Terry Bone as follows:

1. **Update on Concrete Work at Parking Lot Across from Courts Complex:** Bone stated that the Committee discussed the approval of the request by RehabEdge, at their expense, to install two concrete parking spaces in the new parking lot across from the Courts Complex. County Engineer Boehler will assist with the bid specs.
2. **Update on Damage from Ice Storm:** Bone reported on the damage around the Courthouse Complex due to the Ice Storm on December 1st, 2006. There were several limbs and branches on the ground on the west side of the Courthouse, and a tree on east side of Courthouse needs trimmed and has several split branches so the committee approved to have a tree trimming service called to trim the trees. There are some trees around the Courts Complex that are in need of trimming also.
3. **Update on Elevators:** Bone stated that there was a problem with the elevators last Thursday, and that member Ed Helgen was stuck on the elevator for period of about 20 minutes. The elevator in the Historic Courthouse has been down since about 10:00 am on Thursday. Otis Elevator was called out immediately and arrived about 2:00 pm. They did not have the proper tool to get the elevator unstuck, so they came back Friday morning. The committee discussed the poor service issues with Otis elevator and that the County should bid the elevator maintenance work out when this contract with Otis expires in March 2007. Daniels will have Lloyd Meyer keep a log of the maintenance issues with Otis Elevator.
4. **Update/Approval on Painting and Carpets at Historic Courthouse:** The Regional Office of Education requested that their office area be painted. Committee discussed getting a couple of price quotes for painting and carpet cleaning for the next building and grounds committee meeting.
5. **Executive Session: Motion by Bone, second by Myers to enter into Executive Session to discuss Property Acquisition. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 9:05 AM.**
6. **Executive Session: Motion by Bone, second by Jagodzinski to come out of Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 9:20 AM.**

7. **Property Acquisition Approval:** Motion by Bone, second by Beck to offer \$45,000 for the Hicks property, which includes the House and the Lot, located on North Main Street in Hillsboro across from the Sheriff's Office. All in favor, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF 8 COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES:

Motion by Bathurst, second by Branum to approve the 8 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Chairman Plunkett stated that there were replacement sheets for the board's books that were passed out at the re-organizational meeting. There were some changes in the information on phone numbers and other contact information.
- Plunkett reminded board members to let the Coordinating Office know who would attend the Christmas Luncheon on December 21st, so that they could get the numbers to the caterer.

SCHEDULE CHANGES:

- Plunkett reported that the 2007 Motor Fuel Letting would be on Wednesday, December 20th, 2006 at 9:30 AM at the Highway Department.

APPOINTMENTS:

- Motion by Aumann, second by Ogden to approve the Re-Appointment of Julie Kiefer as the Chief Assessment Officer for the County. Ms. Kiefer's term will be a 4 year term from December 1, 2006 until November 30th, 2010. All in favor, motion carried.

PAY BILLS:

Motion by Sielschott, second by Kuchar to pay all approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2007.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, January 9th, 2007 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Myers, second by Bone to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.