

Montgomery County Board

Minutes

For Tuesday, January, 9th, 2018 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, January 9th, 2018 in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

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

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Jeremy Jones, Jay Martin, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Evan Young

Members Absent: Robert Mulch and Richard Wendel

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Glenn Bishop.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Martin and second by Miles to approve the mileage and per diem. ROLL CALL VOTE: 19 Yes, 0 No, 2 absent. Voting Yes – Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Martin, Miles, Moore, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed and Young. Absent: Mulch and Wendel. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Sneed and second by Robinson to approve the Minutes of the Previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, December 12th, 2017. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Ambulance Billing Report** -- Sherry Greenwood – No report submitted this month
2. **Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
3. **Circuit Clerk's Report** ---- Holly Lemons ---- report was submitted.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
5. **Health & TB Department Report** ---- Hugh Satterlee was present for questions.
6. **Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
7. **Probation Office Report** ---- Banee Ulrici – report was submitted.
8. **Public Defender's Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
9. **Recycling Report** ---- Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
10. **ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
11. **Sheriff's Report** ---- Jim Vazzi - No report submitted this month.
12. **SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston --- report was submitted.
13. **Treasurer's Report** ---- Ron Jenkins – report was submitted.
14. **V.A.C. Report** ---- Dave Strowmatt was present for questions.

APPROVAL OF 12 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Furness and second by Savage to approve the 12 items on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated the 708 Board has just celebrated its one-year anniversary and a new 708 Board from Bloomingdale Township near Chicago has asked them for advice as to how to start up their organization, which is a compliment to us. She stated the Autism Support Connection came to the meeting and thanked the board for their funding, allowing them to purchase gas cards for families to travel to appointments. Robinson said the SAAD group from Nokomis also had representatives at the 708 board meeting and learned they will receive an additional \$28,000 because

they have now met the requirements of the 708 board. Robinson also reported the 708 Board is expecting a large amount of applications for 2018 and they will be due on March 31st and are expected to be awarded in July of 2018.

- **CEFS Board** – Robinson stated there is no report at this time.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergen stated there is nothing to report at this time.
- **Health Department** – Martin stated the Health Department Board will be meeting tonight.
- **IL Association of County Officials** –Plunkett, Bergen – Both stated there is nothing to report at this time.
- **MCEDC** –Mulch was absent so there was no report.
- **Planning Commission** – Young stated there is nothing to report at this time.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported the Senior Board held a Christmas Luncheon at the Free Methodist Church in December and they will be meeting again next week.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated they did not meet in December, and the next meeting is scheduled for January.
- **U of I** – Beck reported the next meeting is scheduled in Carlinville on March 20, 2018, and the U of I has a Community Worker Position opening for the SNAP program which works with local low income residents on health, fitness and budgeting needs.
- **WCDC** – Wendel was absent so there was no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

1. **Coal Mine Update:** Chairman Young reported he called the Illinois Department of Mines and Minerals Safety Division and was told the fire at the coal mine was just smoldering. That section will be sealed so it will choke itself out. Young added they told him this should not cause any further subsidence issues in the area.
2. **Rules of Order Approval:** Chairman Young stated the draft of the Rules of Order was presented last month for a thirty day review and there have not been any concerns or input so they are ready to approve. **Motion by Savage and second by Bergen to approve the Rules of Order as presented. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 16, pages 335 – 338).**
3. **Other Business Update:** None at this time.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Gene Miles:

1. **2018 MFT Rock Letting Approval:** Miles reported Engineer Greenwood opened the sealed bids for the rock letting the day before their committee meeting and shared a spreadsheet showing the results of the eight bidders. There were 74 different groups of rock materials with the county needing 14 different groups of rock materials including rock salt. Engineer Greenwood recommends the low bidders. **Motion by Miles and second by Graden to recommend the low bidders for the Rock and Salt letting for the County. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Miles and second by Furness to approve the low bidders for the Township rock letting. All in favor, motion carried. (For copies of bidder information, see Resolution Book 16, pages 340-341).**
2. **Dakota Access Pipeline Update:** Miles reported Engineer Greenwood was informed by Dakota Access they would not be paying for the requested \$800,000 in damages to the county roads when they were here working on the pipeline. Greenwood was told to contact their surety bonding company Liberty Mutual to pursue the \$3 million dollar bond. Miles explained Dakota Access accepted the offers for road damage reimbursements from many of our county townships, but they have not issued any payments to date. Engineer Greenwood stated he will address this issue with State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings, and he said we have to give a 60 day written notification to Dakota Access should we proceed toward using their bond. Greenwood said this will also be an ICC issue because they issued the permits for this project. He said the bond and road use agreement was only for the county damages and the townships were told to obtain their own road use agreements and bonds. Not all did.

Greenwood stated the six townships involved are North and South Litchfield Townships, Fillmore Consolidated Township, Walshville Township, Grisham Township and East Fork Township. Greenwood also reported he talked with Highway Engineers from Scott and Morgan counties about their negotiated dollar amounts, and they were also told by Dakota Access to start the bonding process for their road damages.

3. **Upcoming Road and Bridge Projects Update:** Miles reported the committee reviewed a list of upcoming road and bridge projects Engineer Greenwood prepared, and the handout was put in everyone's packet for review.
4. **Other Business Update:** Miles reported the state is starting their land acquisition process on the right of way property the county owns in North Litchfield Township, and they are getting an appraisal now. Deabenderfer stated he is concerned if we separate part of the property, we won't be able to develop a bike trail in the future in this area. He said this is what the millennials are looking for when choosing a place to live. Young stated this area of right of way property has already been divided and doesn't extend up to link to the Green Diamond Bike Trail between Farmersville and Waggoner. Sneed stated we only own a strip by the Litchfield High School area and it stops by Hampton's Tree farm.

On another note, Plunkett stated he heard from Mr. Grimes who said he was very happy about the repairs to the Walshville bridge guardrail.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Megan Beeler:

1. **Health Department Maximum Levy Rate Update:** Beeler stated Health Department Administrator Hugh Satterlee addressed the committee regarding the issue of the TB Department dissolution. She reported that Satterlee told the committee he is having the Health Department Association's legal counsel look at this issue. Beeler stated part of the issue is how the TB board was dissolved and our State's Attorney has reviewed the situation. Beeler added they have planned a meeting to be held in the third week of January.
2. **Capital Improvement Fund Reports Update:** Beeler told board members the Capital Improvement Fund report is in their packet. Coal royalty money was transferred back to the Capital Improvement Fund because it was not spent on general operating expenses.
3. **Pre-Approved Vendor List Approval:** Beeler reported the committee reviewed the Pre-Approved Vendor List and recommends adding the new Health Insurance Vendors. **Motion by Beeler and second by Martin to add the health insurance vendors Benefit Planning Consultants (BPC), Health Alliance, and Lincoln Financial Group to the Pre-approved vendor list. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of new Pre-Approved Vendor List, see Resolution Book 16, pages 342-345).**
4. **Circuit Clerk Office FY 2017 Audit Results Update:** Beeler reported the committee reviewed a recap report listing the Circuit Clerk's Office Exception Audit report prepared by KEB which needs to be filed with the State of Illinois by January 31st, 2018. Beeler stated this is the cleanest Circuit Clerk's audit she has seen since her tenure began on the County Board. **(For copy, see Resolution Book 16, pages 346-348).**
5. **Executive Session Approval:** **Motion by Beeler and second by Johnson to enter into executive session to discuss real estate and pending litigation. All in favor, motion carried. Time 9:07 am. Motion by Robinson and second by Johnson to come out of executive session. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 9:30 am.**
6. **Computer Malware Update/Approval:** **Motion by Beeler and second by Moore to pay \$12,000 to the law firm of Mullen and Coughlen Attorneys for services rendered regarding the malware issue. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Beeler and second by Martin to pay EPIQ an amount not to exceed \$4,000 for notification services. All in favor, motion carried.**
7. **Other Business Update:** Beeler announced the FY 2018 Budget Books were on everyone's desk and she thanked the Health Department for printing them.

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Connie Beck:

1. **Animal Control Cage replacement for the Vehicle Update:** Beck stated the committee has authorized the purchase of four stainless steel cages for animal control because the plastic crates used to transport the animals crack in cold weather.
2. **Other Business Update:** Moore asked about the price of recycled cardboard declining and Beck replied it is the time of year when cardboard prices go down because of the excess amount of cardboard at the holiday season.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bob Sneed:

1. **Illinois Local Government Conservation Energy Act Presentation from Smart Watt Update:** Sneed reported he will be meeting with the Smart Watt consultant regarding the county building energy assessment to see if there are any potential cost savings. Sneed also stated the committee is looking to replace the fluorescent lighting with energy efficient LED bulbs, and this work can be done locally.
2. **Maintenance and Cleaning Report Update:** Sneed reported the water heater at the jail and the HVAC blowers have been repaired. Jones stated there are no water fountains in the New Courthouse, and Sneed replied they are expensive to fix and it is difficult to find parts for the fountains. Sneed explained the large unit will not shut off so the water to the entire unit was shut off, which will not allow the small fountain to work, so plumbing has to be re-routed. Sneed reported the roof at the jail will be replaced when the weather gets warmer.
3. **Other Business Update:** Sneed reported he will be working with Engineer Greenwood about work that needs to be done on the buildings at the Highway Department.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairman Glenn Savage.

1. **Allscripts Presentation – Jim Hewitt Update:** Savage reported about Allscripts, a multi-national company located in Litchfield specializing in electronic medical and pharmaceutical records wishing to expand their operation. Savage said that Allscripts CEO and Hillsboro native Jim Hewitt addressed the Economic Development Committee at their last meeting and discussed a few issues and concerns from his employees who do not want to relocate to Montgomery County. Savage reported the first issue he cited was our school systems and the poor ratings they receive on various on-line websites. Savage said another issue Hewitt gave was about our property taxes, which are too high when they can live in the Springfield or Edwardsville areas and pay fewer taxes. Savage stated we need to figure out how to lower taxes. He said the third issue is a lack of housing for Allscripts employees. Savage asked County board members to support Hewitt and Allscripts and take his message to bankers, schools and community leaders to help start this renewal process. Dillon Clark stated no one is coming to Montgomery County to live because there are no jobs. He said we need to lower taxes and get more jobs to help us in the long term. Savage added we are blessed to have Hewitt's emotional attachment to our area, and he hopes we can turn things around so the company will expand here.
2. **Green Diamond Bike Trail Update:** Savage reported he rode the four mile trail with Pitman Township Highway Commissioner Tony Krager and it is in good shape. Savage stated the trail was oiled and chipped about four years ago and he is looking for some grant money to apply another coat of oil and chips. Savage stated he will follow up with a local municipality about the trail. (**See Resolution Book 16, page 339**).
3. **Solar Energy Sample Ordinance Update:** Savage reported the committee will review the final draft of the Solar Ordinance before it is given to the full board for a thirty day review.

4. **MCEDC Update:**

- **Revolving Loan Fund Update:** Savage stated there is nothing new to report at this time.
 - **CEO Program Update:** Belusko reported the CEO Program is having a fundraiser featuring a Saturday Night Live type show called “A Night in New York” on March 3rd. The tickets will be sold for \$20 each or four tickets for \$60.
 - **Broadband/Fiber Project Update:** Belusko reported CTI has begun laying fiber to connect to Montgomery County. This fiber optic is large and will be available to individual consumers.
 - **Illinois Commerce Commission:** Belusko reported that the ICC is hosting a workshop here in the County Board room on Tuesday, January 16th, starting at 1:00 pm. Board Member Furness encouraged board members to attend to show support for Dynegy, our local power plant. Mr. Schroeder asked if citizens can give input, and Belusko responded comments would be taken after the presentation.
5. **Support Letter for America’s Central Port Approval:** Savage stated he did some research into the America Central Port and there is no financial risk for Montgomery County to join, and they will market the free trade zone with businesses. Those businesses would pay on a membership basis. **Motion by Savage and second by Graden to recommend Chairman Young sign the support letter. All in favor, motion carried.**
6. **Enterprise Zone Update:** Savage reported the next Mayor’s meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 21st, 2018, at 6:00 pm.
7. **West Central Development Update:** Jeremy Jones reported there was no meeting in December.
8. **Invoice from MCEDC for Tourism work Approval:** Savage reported there is an invoice in the packet to reimburse MCEDC for working on the county tourism efforts. As per prior committee minutes, they are to be reimbursed at 30% of the hotel/motel taxes collected for the previous fiscal year. There was about \$32,780 collected in FY 2017, so the amount to be paid is \$9,833.91. **Motion by Savage and second by Beeler to pay the invoice in the amount of \$9,833.91 to the MCEDC from the Hotel/Motel tax revenue. All in favor, motion carried.**

E.M.A and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bill Bergen:

1. **Review Ambulance Contracts Approval:** Bergen stated the committee discussed the ambulance contracts and is recommending changing the requirement to have the ambulance districts submit a certified audit every five years and an audit done by a third party the other years. This will help them with the expenses of having a certified audit. **Motion by Bergen and second by Graden to change the contracts to require the ambulance districts to submit a certified audit every five years and an audit done by a third party on the other years pending States Attorney’s approval. All in favor, motion carried.** Beeler stated the contracts are vague and don’t have dates of when things are due, and there are no consequences if papers are not turned in. Bergen stated his committee will review the contracts again.
2. **Computer Changes Update:** Bergen reported the committee approved the purchase of an on-line cloud based program for the Ambulance Billing Department from Tritech for an annual cost of \$3,665.74 along with a onetime payment of \$1,495. Bergen stated the IT computer changes would be to upgrade computer services and files to not store them at the courthouse and instead store them in a “cloud” on-line system, which will be updated every hour. Bergen said this system will offer better security for the records.
3. **EMA /911 Meetings/Responses and Trainings Update:** Bergen said that Nimmo reported DAPL (Dakota Access Pipeline) Funds were received in the amount of \$20,000 and the LEPC committee wants to use the funds to purchase a Drone to be used county-wide for search and rescue and other public safety operations to benefit the entire county.
4. **Other Business Update:** Bergen reported the State of Illinois Archives representative is coming on January 23rd, 2018, to review old files for disposal.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Jay Martin:

1. **Travel Voucher for Bryant Hitchings Approval:** Martin reported the committee reviewed and recommends the approval of a travel voucher submitted from State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings on which his lodging was over the limit of \$159 per night. Martin said this rate is very good for the Chicago area where the conference was held. **Motion by Martin and second by Beck to approve the Travel Voucher for State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings. ROLL CALL VOTE: 19 Yes, 0 No, 2 absent. Voting Yes – Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Martin, Miles, Moore, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed and Young. Absent: Mulch and Wendel. Motion carried.**
2. **Union Negotiations/Strategy Planning Update:**
 - a. Local 1084 – Martin stated at last month's board meeting it was reported the Highway Department asked for a \$1.00 per hour salary increase when they initially asked for \$.75 per hour increase, which was an error. Martin asked media representatives to clarify this information to the public.
 - b. Local 773 – Jailers & Dispatchers – Union representatives Bill Troutt and Judy Simpson will attend the next meeting scheduled for January 11th, 2018, at 6:00 pm.
3. **Ordinance for Identity Protection Policy Update:** Martin reported the committee reviewed a sample ordinance from ICRMT and will have the State's Attorney's Office compare it with the Identity Protection Policy already in place to see if it meets the state requirements.
4. **Ordinance Establishing a Policy to Prohibit Sexual Harassment in the County of Montgomery, Illinois Approval:** Martin reported the committee reviewed and is recommending the approval of the ordinance for Sexual Harassment. The ordinance was submitted and approved by the State's Attorney's Office. **Motion by Martin and second by Hughes to approve the Ordinance Establishing a Policy to Prohibit Sexual Harassment in the County of Montgomery County, Illinois. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 16, pages 349-350).**
5. **Policy Prohibiting Sexual Harassment in the County of Montgomery, Illinois Update/Approval:** Martin stated the Policy Prohibiting Sexual Harassment was reviewed and approved by the States Attorney's Office. **Motion by Martin and second by Furness to approve the Policy Prohibiting Sexual Harassment in the County of Montgomery, Illinois. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 16, pages 351-357).**
6. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chairman Young announced Board Members are invited to the Farm Bureau Breakfast Meeting at 7:00 a.m. before the February 13th, 2018 meeting. Furness stated board members should attend the ICC meeting this Thursday as it is important to support the power plant. He said that testimony can be provided online as at the last meeting if necessary.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: None at this time.

APPOINTMENTS: Leitheiser stated North Litchfield Township recently notified the county they had an inquiry regarding the need for the County Board to appoint a County Public Aid Appeals Committee should a township deny an applicant asking for general assistance funds. She stated there should be at least four members appointed to this board, and Chairman Young has chosen a fifth member as a backup. This committee would convene on an as-needed basis to hear appeals when an applicant is denied township general assistance funds. Leitheiser said that all members must be Township Supervisors.

Motion by Moore and second by Hughes to approve the appointment of Hillsboro Township Supervisor David Loucks to the County Public Aid Appeals Committee. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Graden and second by Johnson to approve the appointment of Audubon Township Supervisor Helen Archibald to the County Public Aid Appeals Committee. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Miles and second by Furness to approve the appointment of Rountree Township Supervisor Ken Folkerts to the County Public Aid Appeals Committee. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Martin and second by Bishop to approve the appointment of Irving Township Supervisor Randel Singler to the County Public Aid Appeals Committee. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Martin and second by Robinson to approve the appointment of Fillmore Consolidated Township Supervisor Scot Usher to the County Public Aid Appeals Committee. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None at this time.

PAY BILLS: Motion by Martin and second by Moore to approve the payment to Dressler Truck Service of \$12,000 for rock at the Highway Department. All in favor, motion carried.

1. **Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC, Books & Moore:** Motion by Hughes and second by Furness to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore. Voice Vote: In favor – 18, Against – 0, Absent – 2 Abstain – 1 (Moore). Motion carried.
2. Motion by Beeler and second by Miles to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjourn: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, February 13th, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Bishop and second by Savage to ADJOURN the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Jeremy Jones, Jay Martin, Jim Moore, Robert Mulch, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Richard Wendel, Evan Young.

Members Absent: Gene Miles

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Montgomery County Farm Bureau President Jay Niemann.

County Board Chairman Young thanked the Farm Bureau for the Breakfast meeting held earlier before the county board meeting.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Savage and second by Sneed to approve the mileage and per diem. **Roll call vote:** 20 members voting Yes were: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Martin, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Young. None voted no, 1 member absent (Miles). **All in favor, motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Sneed and second by Wendel to approve the Minutes of the Previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, January 9th, 2018. **All in favor, motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Ambulance Billing Report** -- Sherry Greenwood – report was submitted.
- 2. Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
- 3. Circuit Clerk's Report** ---- Holly Lemons was present for questions.
- 4. County Clerk and Recorder's Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
- 5. Health & TB Department Report** ---- Hugh Satterlee was present for questions.
- 6. Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
- 7. Probation Office Report** ---- Banee Ulrici – report was submitted.
- 8. Public Defender's Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
- 9. Recycling Report** ---- Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
- 10. ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
- 11. Sheriff's Report** ---- Jim Vazzi - Rick Robbins was present for questions.
- 12. SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston was present for questions and introduced his new GIS employee, Kevin Brink.
- 13. Treasurer's Report** ---- Ron Jenkins – Report was submitted.
- 14. V.A.C. Report** ---- Dave Strowmatt was present for questions.

APPROVAL OF 14 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Martin and second by Johnson to approve the 14 items on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated their next meeting is scheduled for April and said new applications are due March 31st, 2018. She reported the beginning balance in the 708 fund is \$640,500 and third quarter expenses are \$330,500 which includes four invoices. These invoices will be submitted for approval during the Finance Committee report at today’s meeting.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson reported the new Client sector CEFS board member is Justina Snyder from Litchfield.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergan reported they met recently. There were some questions about 911 operations, and he will do more research and inform the board at a later date.
- **Health Department** – Martin stated the meeting was usual and customary.
- **IL Association of County Officials** – Plunkett, Bergen – No report.
- **MCEDC** – Mulch reported the MCEDC is planning to join the Land of Lincoln Community Foundation so donations can be made to bring businesses to the county. He said there will be an informational meeting about this topic on Wednesday, March 7th, 2018 at the Challacombe House in Hillsboro starting at 6:30 pm. Mulch also reported the CEO program is hosting a fundraiser at the KC Hall in Taylor Springs called “A Night in New York” on Saturday, March 3rd, 2018.
- **Planning Commission** – Young stated they will meet next on March 5th, 2018 at 5:30 pm.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported the meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.
- **UCCI** – Miles was absent so there was no report.
- **U of I** – Beck reported they will meet on March 20th, 2018.
- **WCDC** – Wendel stated they will have a meeting this Thursday night.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

1. **FOIA Request Update:** Young reported we have received a few FOIA requests and they were fulfilled.
2. **Resolution for Auditing Standards for Units of Local Government Update: HB4104 and SB 2258:** Young reported the committee is working on a resolution for Auditing Standards which will allow the possibility of continuing to use a cash basis of accounting versus the accrual basis for the audit.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Vice-Chairperson Earlene Robinson:

1. **Resolution #2018-03 to appropriate funds for 1165 B-CA, North 23rd Avenue bridge repair in Raymond Township at a 50% County and 50% Township split Approval:** Resolution #2018-03 to appropriate funds for a bridge repair in Raymond Township on North 23rd Avenue. The county portion will be \$5,500. **Motion by Robinson and second by Beeler to approve Resolution #2018-03 to appropriate funds for 1165 B-**

CA, North 23rd, Avenue bridge repair in Raymond Township and the County share will be \$5,500. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, pages 1-3).

2. **Resolution #2018-04 to appropriate funds for 1163 B-CA, Black Diamond Trail (CH #3) Blade mix Section 18-00142-00-SC, Approval:** Resolution #2018-04 to appropriate funds for the Black Diamond Trail blade mix project. Federal Aide to Matching funds in the amount of \$220,000 and \$100,000 has been budgeted from the County Coal funds. **Motion by Robinson and second by Jones to approve Resolution #2018-04 to appropriate funds for 1163 B-CA, Black Diamond Trail (CH #3) Blade mix on Section 18-00142-00-SC. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, pages 4-5).**
3. **Assign Current Contracts from McDonough-Whitlow, P.C. to Prairie Engineers Update:** Robinson reported the committee reviewed a letter from McDonough-Whitlow advising the business was sold to Prairie Engineers, and the six ongoing engineering projects will now have the new business name on them.
4. **Nokomis Road (CH #7) Extension Update:** Robinson reported the agreement has been signed and Engineer Greenwood and Miles will attend the City of Nokomis meeting on February 26th, 2018. Robinson stated the city of Nokomis has agreed to take over the road once the project is completed.
5. **Dakota Access Pipeline Update:** Engineer Greenwood reported State's Attorney Hitchings has sent a formal letter to Dakota Access last week stating they have 60 days to respond to road repair damage claims or the county will pursue the bond funding.
6. **Bulk Fuel Purchasing Update:** Robinson stated this issue will be covered in the Finance Committee Report by Megan Beeler.
7. **Other Business Update:** None

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Megan Beeler:

1. **Rare Disease Resolution 2018-1 Approval:** Beeler read the Rare Disease Resolution declaring February 28th, 2018 as "Rare Disease Day" in Montgomery County and recognized Grace Herschelmann of Hillsboro and Camden Burke of Irving. **Motion by Beeler and second by Plunkett to recommend the approval of Resolution 2018-1 designating February 28th, 2018 as "Rare Disease Day" in Montgomery County. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 1).**
2. **Health Department Maximum Levy Rate Update:** Health Department Director Hugh Satterlee stated they will have a meeting about this issue next Thursday at the Health Department.
3. **Bulk Fuel Purchasing at the Highway Department Approval:** Beeler reported the Highway Department went to a bulk fuel purchasing method which will result in a cost savings of approximately \$12,000 per year. She stated new hardware and software in the amount of \$10,000 will need to be purchased in order to invoice the other departments using fuel. **Motion by Beeler and second by Mulch to purchase the hardware and software for the fuel pumps for an amount not to exceed \$10,000 and pay it from coal fund 375-520003-005. All in favor, motion carried. (For informational handout, see Resolution Book 17, pages 7-8).**
4. **Forrestal Group – Power Plant Assessment Proposal Update:** Beeler reported the attorneys are now reviewing a draft of the proposal. She stated that Supervisor of Assessments Durston has scheduled another meeting for Tuesday, February 13th, 2018 at 1:00 pm in the County Board Room.

5. **Capital Improvement Fund Reports Update:** Beeler stated the Capital Improvement Fund Report is available in the packet, and this is the only month when the revenue is higher than the expenses.
6. **Pre-Approved Vendor List Update:** Beeler stated there is nothing new to report as we are not ready to delete the former insurance companies from the list.
7. **Audit Update:** Beeler reported KEB has completed their field work and the audit is close to being finished.
8. **708 Fund Expense Approval to Montgomery County Health Department: Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to approve the third quarter 708 Fund Expense in the amount of \$62,875 to the Montgomery County Health Department. Roll Call Vote: 20 members voted yes, none no.** Voting Yes were Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Martin, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Young. Member absent: Gene Miles. 20 members voted yes, none no. **Motion carried.**
9. **708 Fund Expense Approval to FAYCO Enterprises: Motion by Beeler and second by Savage to approve the third quarter 708 Fund Expenses in the amount of \$53,500 to FAYCO Enterprises, Inc. Roll Call Vote: 19 members Yes, 1 member absent, 1 member Abstained.** Voting yes were: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Martin, Moore, Mulch, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Young. Member absent: Gene Miles. Mike Plunkett Abstained. **Motion carried.**
10. **708 Fund Expense Approval to Hillsboro School District #3. Motion by Beeler and second by Hughes to approve the third quarter 708 Fund Expenses in the amount of \$16,029 to Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3. All in favor, motion carried.**
11. **708 Fund Expense Approval to S.A.A.D. Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to approve the 708 Fund Expenses in the amount of \$28,000 to S.A.A.D. (Standing Against Addiction & Drugs). All in favor, motion carried.**
12. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #16-12-132-007 in Hillsboro Township to the City of Hillsboro Approval:** Motion by Beeler and second by Deabenderfer to recommend the approval of the Resolution to convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #16-12-132-007 in Hillsboro Township to the City of Hillsboro. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 9.)
13. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 16-01-152-004 in Hillsboro Township to the City of Hillsboro Approval:** Motion by Beeler and second by Deabenderfer to recommend the approval of the Resolution to convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #16-01-152-004 in Hillsboro Township to the City of Hillsboro. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 10).
14. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 16-14-427-012 in Hillsboro Township to the Village of Taylor Springs Approval:** Motion by Beeler and second by Plunkett to recommend the approval of the Resolution to convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #16-14-427-012 in Hillsboro Township to the Village of Taylor Springs. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 11).
15. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 11-28-276-012 in Butler Grove Township to David Matlock Approval:** Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to recommend the approval to convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #11-28-276-012 in

Butler Grove Township to David Matlock. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 12).

16. Other Business Update: None

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Connie Beck:

1. **Elections Update:** Leitheiser referenced the press release members had regarding the delay of early voting due to an ongoing Appellate court case regarding an Attorney General candidate's petition. She stated early voting will start on February 20th, 2018 and the voter registration deadline is also on February 20th, 2018. Deabenderfer asked about ballot printing, and Leitheiser stated her office hasn't started printing ballots yet, and they can print them as needed as early voting begins. She also informed members that military ballots were sent out on time.
2. **EPA Report Update:** Beck reported we recently received correspondence regarding the state funding to be issued to the county.
3. **Recycling Program and Events Update:** Beck reported the recycling program is moving along and cardboard is currently being sold at \$115 per ton.
4. **Animal Control Facility/Program and Animal Control Ordinance Update:** Beck reported there are thirteen dogs and two cats currently at the facility. They received a call yesterday to pick up thirteen cats.
5. **Other Business Update:** None

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Bob Sneed:

1. **Smart Watt Conservation Energy Presentation Update:** Sneed reported Smart Watt consultant Orry Cummings will address the committee with their audit report at their March meeting.
2. **Maintenance and Cleaning Report Update:** Sneed reported the committee approved the purchase of a drain machine at the jail, and it has already paid for itself.
3. **LED Lighting Replacement Program Update:** Sneed reported we are moving forward with the LED light replacement and the incentive from Ameren is \$7,700. He stated the work will be completed by March.
4. **Other Business Update/Approval:** none

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairman Glenn Savage.

1. **Solar Energy Farm and Garden Sample Ordinance Update/Approval:** Savage reported the Planning Commission has been consulted and the Economic Development Committee has reviewed the changes to the Solar Energy Ordinance. Savage added the Solar Ordinance may be ready to present to the full board next month.
2. **Litchfield TIF #1 Expansion Update/Approval:** Savage reported the City of Litchfield has scheduled an informational meeting about the expansion of TIF #1 on February 21st at Litchfield Community Building.
3. **Green Diamond Bike Trail Update:** Savage reported the committee is seeking funding options to complete some oil and chip work to the Green Diamond Bike Trail.

4. **MCEDC Update:**
 - Mulch reported CTI is trenching when weather permits. Belusko reported CTI entered Montgomery County yesterday, according to Facebook.
5. **IllinoisSouth Tourism Update:** MCEDC Director Belusko reported they will continue to work with IllinoisSouth Tourism and an ad for the Magnuson Grand Hotel will be placed in the next issue of the IllinoisSouth Tourism publication since this business collects the most for the hotel-motel county tax fund.
6. **Planning Commission Update:** Savage stated there is nothing new to report.
7. **Eagle Zinc Cleanup Update:** Savage stated there is nothing new to report.
8. **Enterprise Zone Update:** Savage reported Chairman Young has cancelled the Mayor's meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 21st, 2018, due to the Litchfield TIF #1 meeting, and he will re-schedule it for some time after March. Coordinator Daniels reported she has made contact with the EZ consultant to begin the process of the new EZ application and reported there is need to support HB 4220 which proposes an additional 25 Enterprise Zone for 2018.
9. **West Central Development Update:** none
10. **Other Business Update:** none

E.M.A and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bill Bergen:

Ambulance Billing Report:

1. **Records Destruction Update/Approval:** Bergen reported the State Archives needs a different application form for records destruction and the new form was submitted. He said the State Archives will have their committee review it, and they will get back to us in May about which old billing records can be destroyed.
2. **Ambulance Contracts Update/Approval:** Bergen reported the revised Ambulance Billing Contracts will be mailed out this month.

EMA: Report given by Greg Nimmo:

1. **Malware Incident Update/Approval:**
 - Nimmo reported the malware incident from November 14th, 2017 is now mitigated. He stated the problem was caught in the first ten minutes and the Information Technology Office staff responded quickly. Nimmo stated a forensics company was hired to help with the malware issue. Nimmo reported County email accounts had been compromised, and since then there have been no issues. However, by law all county employees and their beneficiaries from 2010 to today have been contacted and offered credit monitoring services. Nimmo explained the county was required to have credit monitoring service for one year; however, the county board purchased two years of credit monitoring services. Nimmo advised everyone to be cautious of any emails being sent to him/her and stated one easy way to determine if email address is legit is to look at the entire email address and not to click on anything suspicious. Beeler stated there is a call center set up for employees to call with questions regarding the credit monitoring services.
2. **EOC Grant Update/Approval:** Nimmo reported we received \$16,000 from some additional grant funding the State had for technology type items; and he has purchased a plotter, printer, laptop computer, an additional projector unit, a white board, and larger monitors.

3. EMA/911 Meetings/Responses/Training Update/Approval:

- Nimmo reported the LEPC meeting was held on January 5th, 2018.
 - Drone Subcommittee – Nimmo reported the Dakota Access grant funds were to be used for the county-wide emergency service agencies and they decided to purchase a drone.
 - Map Book Subcommittee – Nimmo reported there has not been a 911 mapping book since 2010. If there is any money left over from the drone purchase, we will print 500 maps. Nimmo stated he will work with the GIS Office to get the mapping updated.
 - Search & Rescue Team: Nimmo reported the newly trained Search and Rescue team deployed 14 volunteers last Thursday to help with the search for a missing Macoupin County women. Nimmo stated there have been 25 volunteers who have participated in the search on different days, and the Montgomery County team was the only one to report on Sunday when it was cold and icy.

4. Other Business Update/Approval: None.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Jay Martin:

1. **Union Negotiations/Strategy Planning Update:** Martin reported the committee continues to have union negotiation meetings with Local 773 in the Sheriff's Department.
 - a. Local 773 – Jailers – Bill Troutt - Next Meeting for the purpose of conducting mediation is scheduled for Monday, March 12th, 2018 at 5:30 pm.
 - b. Local 773 – Dispatchers – Judy Simpson – The next negotiation meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 26th, 2018.
2. **IPMG sample ordinance for Identity Protection Policy Update:** Martin reported the IPMG sample ordinance for Identity Protection Policy is being reviewed by the State's Attorney's Office.
3. **Other Business Update:** None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chairman Young stated the City of Litchfield will host an informational meeting regarding the proposed Tax Increment Finance District 1 Extension on February 21st, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the Litchfield Community Center.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: none

APPOINTMENTS: none

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Citizen Bill Schroeder asked if the Wright Automotive Enterprise Zone benefit can be transferred, and Coordinator Daniels replied there was only one contractor who received a sales tax exemption for doing the excavating work. It has been completed so there is no need for a transfer.

Circuit Clerk Lemons inquired about the approval of her annual audit submitted for board review in January. Chairman Young stated the board will take action at their March meeting. Circuit Clerk Lemons also noted the auditors only found one exception, and it was an error in a fee from the State's Attorney's Office, not the Circuit Clerk's office.

PAY BILLS:

1. **Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC, Books & Moore:** Motion by Savage and second by Wendel to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore. Voice Vote: In favor – 19. Against – 0, Absent – 1 (Miles), Abstain – 1 (Moore). Motion carried.

2. Motion by Robinson and second by Furness to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjourn: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, March 13th, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Beeler and second by Savage to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, March 13th, 2018 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, March 13th, 2018 in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

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

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Jeremy Jones, Jay Martin, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Richard Wendel, Evan Young

Members Absent: Robert Mulch

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Kirby Furness.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Moore and second by Wendel to approve the mileage and per diem. Roll call vote: 20 members voting Yes: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Martin, Miles, Moore, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, and Young. 1 member absent: Mulch All in favor, Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Sneed and second by Robinson to approve the Minutes of the Previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, February 13th, 2018. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Ambulance Billing Report** -- Sherry Greenwood – No report sent.
2. **Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
3. **Circuit Clerk’s Report** ---- Holly Lemons was present for questions.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder’s Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
5. **Health & TB Department Report** ---- Hugh Satterlee was present for questions.
6. **Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
7. **Probation Office Report** ---- Bane Ulrici – report was submitted.
8. **Public Defender’s Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
9. **Recycling Report** ---- Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
10. **ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
11. **Sheriff’s Report** ---- Jim Vazzi - Undersheriff Rick Robbins was present for questions.
12. **SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston --- report was submitted.
13. **Treasurer’s Report** ----Report was submitted.
14. **V.A.C. Report** ---- Dave Strowmatt was present for questions.

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

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated the 708 board meets next month.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson reported CEFS will be celebrating their 53rd anniversary on March 23rd, 2018. She referred members to a handout for the Head Start program outlining the need for donations and volunteered to transport any donated items after next month's meeting. Robinson also reported the CEFS Early Childhood program is moving to the Lily Pad Child Care facility in Litchfield in August, and said CEFS is taking scholarship applications at this time.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergen stated there is nothing new to report at this time.
- **Health Department** – Martin stated there is nothing to report at this time.
- **IL Association of County Officials** –Plunkett reported there is legislation pending concerning the assessment of solar farms.
- **MCEDC** –Mulch was absent so there was no report.
- **Planning Commission** – Young stated they will meet March 28th, 2018 at 5:30 pm.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported they did not meet in February and will meet on Monday, March 19th.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated they had a seminar on February 28 with three speakers on the following topics: Labor negotiations, salary survey information and IL renewable solar power.
- **U of I** – Beck reported they will meet next Tuesday.
- **WCDC** – Wendel stated they met on February 15th, 2018, and said Taylor Springs and Schram City each submitted a grant for sanitary lift stations. Wendel also reported Jerseyville has a large railroad facility coming there that could create 1000 jobs.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

1. **Central Illinois Public Transit Program Intergovernmental Agreement/Ordinance Approval:** Young deferred to CEFS representative Nathan Nichols who gave an overview of CEFS transportation services. Deabenderfer asked about ridership numbers. Nichols stated they are at their goal. Graden asked how often they go to Springfield, and Nathan stated it depends on the need and availability. Savage asked how many van drivers are employed at CEFS. Nichols responded they have 50 to 60 van drivers for all counties, and said if anyone is interested in applying as a van driver, he/she can get an application at one of their facilities or apply on-line. Chairman Young recognized citizen Bill Schroeder who was in the audience and asked about whether a regular scheduled trip to Springfield for doctor appointments can be made so people can schedule their appointments accordingly. Nichols stated they have tried this before with not much success but are open to trying this again. **Motion by Robinson and second by Wendel to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement and Ordinance with Central Illinois Public Transit Program. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 113-115).**
2. **Other Business Update/Approval:** none

Road & Bridge Committee Report: Given by Committee Chairman Gene Miles:

3. **Resolution #2018-05 to appropriate funds for 1166 B-CA, Hillside Avenue in Witt Township 13.5% and Nokomis Township 36.5%, and County share is 50% for the amount of \$7,000 Approval:** Miles stated the committee reviewed Resolution #2018-05

to appropriate funds for a pipe culvert replacement on Hillside Avenue in Witt and Nokomis Townships. The county portion will be \$7,000. **Motion by Miles and second by Graden to recommend the approval of Resolution #2018-05 to appropriate funds for 1166 B-CA, on Hillside Avenue in Witt and Nokomis Townships with the County share being \$7,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 116-117).**

4. **Resolution #2018-06 to appropriate funds for 1167 B-CA, on Knols School Circle in Fillmore Township a 50% / 50% split, and the County share is \$6,000 Update/Approval:** Miles stated the committee reviewed Resolution #2018-06 to appropriate funds for a pipe culvert replacement on Knols School Circle in Fillmore Township and the county portion will be \$6,000. **Motion by Miles and second by Moore to recommend the approval of Resolution #2018-06 to appropriate funds for a 1167 B-CA, on Knols School Circle in Fillmore Township for a 50% split and the County portion is \$6,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 118-119).**
5. **Resolution #2018-07 to appropriate funds for 1168 B-CA on East 6th Road in Bois D'Arc Township for a 50% split, and the County share is \$5,000 Approval:** Miles stated the committee reviewed Resolution 2018-07 to appropriate funds for a pipe culvert replacement on East 6th Road in Bois D'Arc Township for a 50% split with the County portion being \$5,000. **Motion by Miles and second by Hughes to recommend the approval of Resolution #2018-07 to appropriate funds for an 1168 B-CA, a pipe culvert replacement on East 6th, Road in Bois D'Arc Township with the County portion being \$5,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 120-121).**
6. **Resolution #2018-08 to appropriate funds for 1169 B-CA on North 34th Avenue, Bois D'Arc Township for a 50% split, and the County share is \$4,000 Approval:** Miles said the committee reviewed Resolution 2018-08 to appropriate funds for a pipe culvert replacement on North 34th Avenue in Bois D'Arc Township for a 50% split with the County portion being \$4,000. **Motion by Miles and second by Wendel to recommend the approval of Resolution #2018-08 to appropriate funds for an 1169 B-CA, a pipe culvert replacement on North 34th Avenue in Bois D'Arc Township for a 50% split with the County portion being \$4,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 122-123).**
7. **Resolution #2018-09 to appropriate funds for 1170 B-CA, Morrisonville Avenue in Pitman Township for a 50% split, and the County share is \$9,000 Approval:** Miles stated the committee reviewed Resolution 2018-09 to appropriate funds for an 1170 B-CA on Morrisonville Avenue in Pitman Township for a 50% split with the County portion being \$9,000. **Motion by Miles and second by Jones to recommend the approval of Resolution #2018-09 to appropriate funds for an 1170 B-CA on Morrisonville Avenue in Pitman Township for a 50% split with the County portion being \$9,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 124-125).**
8. **Resolution #2018-10 to appropriate funds for 1171 B-CA, Flitz Avenue in South Litchfield Township for a 50% split, and the County Share is \$6,000 Approval:** Miles said the committee reviewed Resolution 2018-10 to appropriate funds for an 1171 B-CA on Flitz Avenue in South Litchfield Township for a 50% split with the County

portion being \$6,000. **Motion by Miles and second by Johnson to recommend the approval of Resolution #2018-10 to appropriate funds for an 1171 B-CA on Flitz Avenue in South Litchfield Township for a 50% split with the County portion being \$6,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 126-127).**

9. **2018 Bulk Fuel Letting Approval:** Miles deferred to Highway Engineer Greenwood, who reported the fuel bid opening took place and one bid was received from M & M Service Company for bulk fuel purchasing of diesel and unleaded gasoline. Greenwood said the bid for #2 diesel fuel was \$.18 per gallon above terminal price and taxes with an additional \$.05 per gallon for premium diesel additive and \$.03 per gallon for diesel winter additive. Greenwood said unleaded gasoline was \$.18 per gallon above terminal price and taxes. **Motion by Miles and second by Hughes to approve the bid from M & M Service Company to purchase #2 diesel fuel for \$.18 per gallon above terminal price and taxes, \$.05 per gallon for premium diesel additive, \$.03 per gallon for diesel winter additive, and regular unleaded gasoline for \$.18 above terminal price and taxes. All in favor, motion carried.**
10. **2018 Pipe Culvert Letting Approval:** Miles said the low bidder for the Group 1 small pipe culverts was Contech Engineered Solutions of Springfield in the amount of \$30,316.54. **Motion by Miles and second by Moore to approve the low bid from Contech Engineered Solutions for the Group 1 small pipe culverts in the amount of \$30,316.54. All in favor, motion carried.** Miles said the low bidder for the Group 2 small pipe culverts was Metal Culverts, Incorporated of Jefferson City, Missouri, in the amount of \$16,626.92. **Motion by Miles and second by Furness to approve the low bid from Metal Culverts, Inc. for the Group 2 small pipe culverts in the amount of \$16,626.92. All in favor, motion carried.**
11. **2018 MFT Oil Letting Approval:** Engineer Greenwood reported they opened three bids for the County and Township Oil Letting yesterday and the committee reviewed the bid tabulation sheets. **Motion by Miles and second by Beck to approve the low bidders on Groups 75 through 92 for the Township Oil. All in favor, motion carried.** Greenwood informed the committee when the bids for the county oil were reviewed, Counton Petroleum, LLC didn't complete one of the forms, so therefore Louis Marsch, Inc. was the qualified bidder. **Motion by Miles and second by Bishop to approve the qualified bid from Louis Marsch in the amount of \$241,045 for oil purchases in 2018. Roll call vote: 20 members voting Yes: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Martin, Miles, Moore, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, and Young. 1 member absent: Mulch. All in favor, motion carried.** Beeler asked Engineer Greenwood for a comparison of all these bid lettings from last year to this year.
12. **Nokomis Road (CH #7) Extension Update:** Miles reported he and Greenwood attended a City of Nokomis City Council meeting recently to discuss them taking over the maintenance of the Nokomis Road once the county makes the proposed improvements. Miles reported when he attended a city council meeting a few years ago, they showed an interest in taking over the ownership and maintenance of this road; however, the current council members didn't seem like they wanted to maintain this road now due to lack of funding. Miles and Greenwood explained to them they could lower the weight limit for less heavy truck traffic which the county can't do because of state law. Miles said they

asked if the county would still fix the road if they didn't take it over, and Greenwood responded it would be a county board decision. He said we will wait to hear a response from the City of Nokomis before proceeding with the repairs of the Nokomis Road.

13. **Dakota Access Pipeline Update:** Miles reported State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings sent correspondence to Dakota Access Pipeline regarding the money they owe for damages to county roads during their pipeline project last year. He said they have until April 9th, 2018, to reimburse the county for the road repairs; and reported that phone calls will be made in order to get some communication going and start negotiations regarding the settlement.
14. **Farming in County ROW Update:** Miles reported that Engineer Greenwood stated there are some issues on county roads where the farmers are planting in the county right of way which plugs our culverts and ditches causing county highway staff to go out and clean them out. Greenwood stated he has contacted a few of these farmers to alert them of the issue and let them know the telephone poles are good markers.
15. **Section 09-00133-00-BR – SN: 068-3017 Bridge Replacement – Walshville Tr. (CH 11) over Middle Fork Shoal Creek, Engineering Services Supplement Approval:** Miles reported the committee needs to approve a supplement to the current engineering agreement for the Walshville Trail Bridge replacement. Greenwood stated we looked at an alternate alignment to straighten out the road but the committee has since decided to keep the original alignment and just improve the radius of the curve to allow for a 55 mile per hour speed limit and improve the slopes and ditches. Miles reported this work will increase the engineering agreement up to 9% on a \$2 million project and he feels this is a fair amount because it causes additional work for the engineer, and additional surveying and planning will need to be done. He said this will cost an additional \$600,000 which will come from the Federal Aid match fund and we will get some state money for the project. Plunkett stated this plan is at a lesser cost than moving the bridge would have been. **Motion by Miles and second by Bergen to approve the WHKS Engineer Services Supplement No. 2 for the Walshville Trail Bridge Replacement, which increases the contract limit from \$123,085 to \$181,102. Roll call vote: 20 members voting Yes: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Martin, Miles, Moore, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, and Young. 1 member absent: Mulch. All in favor, motion carried.**
16. **IDOT 2017 Compliance Review Results, County MFT/Road District MFT/Township Bridge Program Approval:** Miles said Engineer Greenwood shared copies of the IDOT compliance review reports for the County MFT, Road District MFT and Township Bridge Program that will also be filed with the County Clerk's Office. **Motion by Miles and second by Robinson to accept and approve the IDOT Compliance Review paperwork #82, #61 and #32 and file with the County Clerk's Office. All in favor, motion carried.**
17. **Other Business Update:** Chairman Young reported he received notification from the State of Illinois regarding an offer to purchase 1.083 acres in North Litchfield Township for approximately \$6,000. Young stated this is not enough money since land is selling for over \$10,000 per acre in that area. Young stated State's Attorney Hitchings is researching this request at this time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairwoman Megan Beeler:

1. **April 5th, 2018 Finance Committee Meeting Update:** Beeler reported the committee approved re-scheduling the April Finance Committee meeting for Monday, April 9th, 2018, at 8:30 am. The location will not change for this meeting.
2. **Circuit Clerk FY 2017 Audit Report Approval:** Beeler reported KEB submitted the Circuit Clerk's FY 2017 Audit report and it is now ready for approval. **Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to approve the Circuit Clerk's Audit report for FY 2017. All in favor, motion carried.**
3. **Elected Officials Salaries Update:** Beeler stated statute requires the County Board to set the salaries for the County Clerk, Sheriff, and Treasurer 180 days before they take office on December 1st, 2018, so it is time to start the discussion. She said typically the Circuit Clerk's salary is set at the same time; however, it can be set at any time.
4. **Forrestal Group – Power Plant Assessment Proposal Update:** Beeler stated there is a meeting set for this afternoon (March 13th, 2018) at 1:30 pm in the County Board room to discuss the agreement.
5. **Health Department Maximum Levy Rate Update:** Beeler stated she has talked with Health Department Director Satterlee and Satterlee said he is still waiting on feedback.
6. **Capital Improvement Fund Reports Update:** Beeler stated there was no report this month and it looks like a CD is ready to expire. She said the Committee approved to renew it for one year.
7. **Computer Malware Update:** Beeler reported the malware incident has been closed out after an incident review meeting was held on March 6th, 2018, which the State's Attorney, Nimmo, Beeler, Young and Bergen attended.
8. **Information Systems Needs Approval:** Beeler reported the Information Systems Office is working on a list of needs as a result of the malware incident and one important need is cybersecurity training for employees. She said that IT Director Watkins has been researching different options and prices for cybersecurity training with our insurance company (IPRF) and the forensic company utilized by the county. Beeler reported Watkins would also like to purchase a fire wall system that would identify and block potential cyber threats and also serve as a real time threat protection system. Beeler stated this system is available from Network Security Group at a cost of approximately \$10,000 for three years which includes the cost of the hardware. Beeler stated we have funds available for this system because about \$13,300 will be returned from the forensic company and there may be a small balance with the attorney. **Motion from Beeler and second by Clark to purchase the fire wall system from NSG for an amount not to exceed \$10,000 and pay for it from fund 375 line 540001. All in favor, motion carried.**
9. **Pre-Approved Vendor List Approval:** Beeler reported the committee reviewed the needed changes to the Pre-Approved Vendor List and recommended the changes. **Motion by Beeler and second by Martin to add CMRS-POC/Neopost/Neofunds and Beelman Logistics, LLC to the Pre-Approved Vendor List and to delete Montgomery County Treasurer, Montgomery County Recorder, Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance, Dearborn Life Insurance, Guardian Dental/Vision Insurance and Total Administrative Services Corporation from the Pre-Approved**

Vendor List. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 128-129).

10. **FY 2017 County Audit Update:** Beeler stated the audit is moving along and should be done for a presentation next month.
11. **Resolution #4-2018 for Auditing Standards for Units of Local Government**
Approval: Beeler reported the committee reviewed the legislation to oppose the changes in auditing standards for units of Local Government and recommended the Resolution. **Motion by Beeler and second by Martin to approve the Resolution for Auditing Standards for Units of Local Government. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 130).**
12. **FY 2019 Budget Hearing Dates Update:** Beeler reported the budget hearings are scheduled for Monday, July 9th and July 16th, 2018.
13. **Executive Session Update/Approval:** Not needed.
14. **Other Business Update/Approval:** Beeler announced the Drug Court graduation will be held on March 23rd and she recommended board members go as it is a worthwhile event.

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairwoman Connie Beck:

1. **Elections Update:** Clerk Leitheiser reported as of today, voters cast a total of 650 vote by mail and early ballots. She stated the Primary Election is one week from today, and we will have election results in the County Board room on the night of the election and results will also be available on the county web site.
2. **EPA Report Update:** Beck reported a waste hauler opened a transfer station in Macoupin County that will affect the amount taken to the landfill and the host fee revenue will decrease. Beck reported EPA Inspector Gonet will be trained soon through the EPA to conduct inspections of tire businesses.
3. **Recycling Program and Events Update:** Beck reported the back door of the big white box truck was repaired recently. She also stated the Recycling Electronics Drive will be held on Saturday, April 14th, 2018 at the Hillsboro facility from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.
4. **Animal Control Facility/Program and Animal Control Ordinance Update:** Beck reported things are going well at the Animal Control facility. As of this past weekend, there were 13 dogs and five cats at the facility.
5. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bob Sneed:

1. **Smart Watt Conservation Energy Audit Update:** Sneed reported the committee members reviewed the Smart Watt Energy Audit report and the consultant will come to their meeting next month to explain it.
2. **LED Lighting Preplacement Program Approval:** Sneed reported we have an opportunity to get the LED lighting replacement program for the Historic Courthouse and the other buildings could be added for \$1.50 per bulb or about \$1,650. He said monthly energy savings on the Historic Courthouse will be about \$300 per month so the committee decided to go along with this program. **Motion by Sneed and second by Deabenderfer to proceed with the Ameren LED lighting replacement program**

with A & D Electric for Courts Complex, Annex and Highway buildings. All in favor, motion carried.

3. **Maintenance and Cleaning Issues and Report Update:** Sneed reported there are no maintenance or cleaning issues at this time.
4. **Correspondence from Red Rooster Inn Regarding the Alley Approval:** Sneed reported the committee approved sending a letter of support to vacate the alley behind the Red Rooster Inn. **Motion by Sneed and second by Deabenderfer to support vacating the alley behind the Red Rooster Inn.** Miles votes present. **All other in favor, motion carried.** Bishop stated he had a conversation with the Hillsboro Mayor and the request will be dropped.
5. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairman Glenn Savage:

1. **Litchfield TIF #1 Term Extension Update/Approval:** Savage deferred to Litchfield City Administrator Tonya Flannery, who addressed the committee regarding their request to extend the term of the Litchfield Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District #1. Flannery explained the City of Litchfield has hired a consultant to help with the process to file for the amendment extending TIF district #1 for an additional 12 years. She said TIF District #1 is set to terminate in tax year 2021, payable 2022. Flannery stated this TIF district is a viable economic development tool for the City of Litchfield before she introduced consultant Mike Weber with PGAV Planners, who explained the process and stated that money goes into the TIF fund for infrastructure and building renovations for eligible projects inside the TIF district. Flannery reported they have been visiting various taxing bodies within the TIF district and received positive feedback so far. She said they will go to the Litchfield School Board meeting this Thursday night and the Library and Airport Authority Districts next week. She stated that once all the letters of support are collected, they will present an extension request to the General Assembly through legislation. Beeler asked if the funds can be used for road projects or a grant match amount, and Weber responded public works projects within the TIF are also eligible. Flannery stated the estimated redevelopment is \$19 million in the TIF plan and \$5.4 million has been spent on roadway projects to date. She said a business must commit to creating sales tax and jobs before the city will put TIF dollars into their project. Mayor Dougherty was in attendance and stated all the county schools are benefiting from the 1% school facility sales tax generated from the businesses in the TIF. Plunkett stated we need to support economic development and the TIF is a very important tool for the City of Litchfield, and he agreed all four school districts benefit from the sales tax based on student enrollment. He encouraged the County Board to approve the TIF extension request. **Motion by Savage and second by Martin to approve the Resolution to Petition The Illinois General Assembly To Extend The Term of the Litchfield Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District #1 pending the approval of the State's Attorney. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 131).**
2. **Green Diamond Bike Trail Update/Approval:** Savage reported he will follow up with the property owner at the Waggoner entrance of the Green Diamond Bike Trail.

3. **Solar Energy Sample Ordinance Update/Approval:** Savage stated we have been working on the solar ordinance for one and a half years and it is now ready for a 30 day review. He said copies are in everyone's packet. If there are specific questions, members should either call him or MCEDC representative Valerie Belusko. Savage also reported the state of Illinois is working on issues related to assessing solar farms.
4. **Planning Commission Update/Approval:** Savage reported the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 28th, at 5:30 pm at the conference room located on the 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse in Hillsboro.
5. **Housing Redevelopment Plan Update/Approval:** Savage reported the Planning Commission will discuss this issue at their meeting at the end of this month. Bob Sneed has agreed to attend the meeting regarding the potential Housing Redevelopment Plan.
 - **MCEDC Update/Approval:** Savage deferred to Belusko, who reported she had a meeting with the Land of Lincoln Community Foundation last week. She said additional meetings will be held regarding the long term planning of our community and the MCEDC will continue to support our non-for-profit organizations. Belusko reported the CEO Fundraising Event was a successful event and netted over \$13,000.
 - **IllinoisSouth Tourism Update:** Graden suggested Belusko be reimbursed the money she paid to have someone work on the county logo. Chairman Young said the county will look into this need.
6. **Eagle Zinc Cleanup Update:** Savage reported cleanup efforts continue at the Eagle Zinc site.
7. **Enterprise Zone Update:** Savage deferred to Coordinator Daniels, who reported we need to support HB 4220 which would allow for 25 additional enterprise zones for 2018. Daniels stated she has also communicated with consultant Craig Coil, and there is some time to work on the county's new application.
8. **West Central Development Update:** Savage reported West Central Development is working on infrastructure projects for Schram City and Taylor Springs.
9. **Other Business Update:** Clerk Leitheiser reported she recently received the official Census Bureau LUCA (Local Update of Census Documents) documents for the 2020 census and stated every municipality should have also received these important documents. She encouraged members to make sure their districts' municipalities respond to the LUCA surveys as soon as possible to make sure county addresses are correct for census counts. She stated that GIS Technician Kevin Brink will be attending training in Peoria soon regarding mapping for the 2020 Census.

EMA and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bill Bergen:

1. **Monthly Report Update:** Bergen reported that County retiree Cathy Ulrici came in last week to help Sherry Greenwood with the year-end report, and she will be paid from the EMA revolving account.
2. **Records Destruction Update:** Bergen reported the State of Illinois Archives Department revised their records destruction form so it sent back to the EMA office. Bergen said the State Archives representative said they should be here in May or June to advise EMA about which documents can be destroyed.
3. **EOC Grant Update:** Bergen reported the EMA office received some new equipment purchased with grant funds.

4. **EMA/911 Meetings/Responses/Training Update:** Bergen stated Nimmo attended several meetings during the month, and they are listed in the minutes.
5. **Other Business Update:** none

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Jay Martin:

1. **Union Negotiations/Strategy Planning Update:**
 - a. Local 773 – Dispatchers – Judy Simpson – Martin reported the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 15th, 2018 at 5:00 pm with the Dispatchers in the Sheriff’s Office.
 - b. Local 773 – Jailers – Bill Troutt - Next Meeting: Monday, March 12th, 2018 at 5:30 pm. with Federal Mediator Roland Lewis. Martin reported we are making headway with the negotiations.
2. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

SCHEDULE CHANGES: Chairman Young stated the Finance Committee meeting has been changed to April 9th, 2018 at 8:30 am.

APPOINTMENTS: Motion by Graden and second by Hughes to appoint Joe Gasparich to the ETSB Board. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Bergen and second by Wendel to appoint Mandy Sebeschak to the ETSB Board. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Johnson and second by Miles to appoint J. David Hadley to the Nokomis Area Fire Protection District Board for a three year term. All in favor, motion carried. .

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PAY BILLS:

1. **Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC, Books & Moore:** Motion by Plunkett and second by Bishop to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore. Voice Vote: In favor – 19, Against – 0, Absent – 1 (Mulch), Abstain – 1 (Moore). Motion carried. Motion by Wendel and second by Hughes to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Moore and second by Miles to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, April 10th, 2018 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018 in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

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

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandy Johnson, Jeremy Jones, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Robert Mulch, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Richard Wendel, Evan Young.

Member Absent: Jay Martin

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag: was led by Glenn Bishop.

Jay Martin Resignation Letter Approval: Martin's letter was read by Chairman Young. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 32). **Motion by Miles and second by Jones to accept the letter of resignation from Jay Martin representing County Board District #3. All in favor, motion carried.**

County Board Member Appointment Approval: Chairman Young stated he appoints Donna Yeske to replace Jay Martin to fill the vacancy to represent County Board District #3. **Motion by Graden and second by Savage to approve the appointment of Donna Yeske to fill the vacancy in County Board District #3. All in favor, motion carried.**

County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser administered the Official Oath to Donna Yeske. After the Oath was administered, Yeske was seated as a member of the County Board.

Roll call was taken to include newly appointed County Board member - 21 members present, 0 members absent.

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandy Johnson, Jeremy Jones, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Robert Mulch, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Richard Wendel, Donna Yeske, Evan Young.

Jay Martin Appointment as County Treasurer Approval: **Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to appoint Jay Martin as the Montgomery County Treasurer effective April 10th, 2018. All in favor, motion carried.**

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: **Motion by Moore and second by Wendel** to approve the mileage and per diem. **Roll call vote:** Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske, Young. **All in favor, motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting: **Motion by Sneed and second by Hughes** to approve the Minutes of the previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, March 13th, 2018. **All in favor, motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Ambulance Billing Report** -- Sherry Greenwood – report for February was submitted, no report for March.
2. **Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
3. **Circuit Clerk’s Report** ---- Holly Lemons – report was submitted.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder’s Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
5. **Health & TB Department Report** ---- Jodi Perkins was present for questions.
6. **Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
7. **Probation Office Report** ---- Banee Ulrici – report was submitted.
8. **Public Defender’s Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
9. **Recycling Report** ---- Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
10. **ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
11. **Sheriff’s Report** ---- Jim Vazzi - was present for questions.
12. **SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston – report was submitted.
13. **Treasurer’s Report** ---- Jay Martin – report was submitted.
14. **V.A.C. Report** ---- Dave Strowmatt – report was submitted.

APPROVAL OF 14 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Miles and second by Hughes to approve the 14 items on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated the 708 Board met last night and received seven applications for the new funding year. Robinson reported the 708 Board will meet next month and applicants were informed the first payout will be in November or December, 2018. Robinson reported the Health Department will not take their fourth quarter payment of \$62,875 because they don’t need it, and the UCAN (United Child Advocacy Network) received an additional \$25,000 because there is a great need for this program in our area. Deabenderfer asked how many school districts applied for 708 funds, and Robinson stated two school districts had applied.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson reported the LIHEAP Program is going strong and as of 3/26/18 they took over 769 applications for heating assistance and helped 70 customers with utility reconnect assistance. Robinson stated CEFS is offering a soup and salad meal from 4 pm to 7 pm on Tuesday nights at the Litchfield Community Center for a \$3.00 donation.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergen reported they will meet on April 17th, 2018.
- **Health Department** – No report this month.
- **IL Association of County Officials** – Plunkett, Bergen – Nothing new to report.
- **MCEDC** – Mulch stated they will have their annual meeting at the Litchfield Country Club this Thursday at 6:00 pm.
- **Planning Commission** – Young stated they met recently and are researching ideas to offer incentives to revitalize derelict homes.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported they will work on getting pot holes repaired in the parking lot of the Senior Citizens Center and were asking the Taylor Springs mayor for assistance.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated they had two speakers at their recent meeting- the topics included a review of the recent election and overview of State of Illinois agency services.

- **U of I** – Beck stated there is nothing new to report.
- **WCDC** – Wendel stated they will have a meeting on April 19th, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

1. **Resolution #5-2018 Designating April 2018 as “Autism Awareness Month” in Montgomery County Illinois Approval:** Clerk Leitheiser read the resolution designating April 2018 as Autism Awareness Month. **Motion by Mulch and second by Jones to approve Resolution 35-2018 Designating April 2018 as Autism Awareness Month. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 33).** Lynn Sellers of the Autism Support Connections and TASC Chairman Bill Draper talked about the mission of the group and thanked board members for their support. They told how the 708 board funding is helping their organization by assisting children and young adults with autism function in our community.
2. **Review of Executive Session Minutes Approval:** Executive Session and action was taken at the end of the full board meeting.
3. **Other Business Update:** None

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Gene Miles:

1. **Resolution #2018-11 to appropriate funds for 1172 B-CA, Donnellson Ave., 100% County Project Approval:** Miles reported this resolution is to replace the pipe with a 24 inch poly-coated pipe, which is a 100% county project for a cost of \$5,500 to be paid from the County Aid to Bridge fund. **Motion by Miles and second by Moore to approve Resolution #2018-11 to appropriate funds for 1172 B-CA on Donnellson Avenue in the amount of \$5,500. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 34-35).**
2. **Resolution #2018-12 to appropriate funds for 1173 B-CA, Donnellson Ave., 100% County Project Approval:** Miles reported this resolution is to replace the pipe with a 42 inch pipe, which is a 100% county project for a cost of \$9,500 to be paid from the County Aid to Bridge fund. **Motion by Miles and second by Robinson to approve Resolution #2018-12 to appropriate funds for 1173 B-CA on Donnellson Avenue in the amount of \$9,500. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 36-37).**
3. **Resolution #2018-13 to appropriate funds for 1174 B-CA, Seeding Various Shoulders, 100% County Project Approval:** Miles reported this resolution is to seed various shoulders and ditches covering approximately 4.25 acres on areas reshaped last fall. The cost will be \$5,000 and will be paid from the Federal Aid Match Funds. **Motion by Miles and second by Bishop to approve Resolution #2018-13 to appropriate funds for 1174 B-CA, seeding various shoulders and ditches in the amount of \$5,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 38-39).**
4. **Resolution #2018-14 to appropriate funds for 1175 B-CA, Niemanville Trail, 100% County Project Approval:** Miles reported this resolution is to replace the pipe with 54 inch pipe which is a 100% county project for a cost of \$10,000 to be paid from the County Aid to Bridge fund. **Motion by Miles and second by Wendel**

- to approve Resolution #2018-14 to appropriate funds for 1175 B-CA on Niemanville Trail in the amount of \$10,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 40-41).
5. **Resolution #2018-15 to appropriate funds for 1176 B-CA, North 17th Avenue, 50% Irving Township and 50% County Project Approval:** Miles reported this resolution is to replace the pipe with a 72 inch pipe, which is a 50% split between township and county with the county cost of \$6,000 to be paid from the County Aid to Bridge fund. **Motion by Miles and second by Johnson to approve Resolution #2018-15 to appropriate funds for 1176 B-CA on North 17th Avenue in the amount of \$6,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 42-43).**
 6. **Dakota Access Pipeline Update/Approval:** Miles reported Engineer Greenwood hasn't heard anything from the parent company Energy Transfer. He said State's Attorney Hitchings sent out a letter giving them a 90 day notice to respond by April 9th, 2018, and Hitchings stated he called them yesterday with no news yet.
 7. **Other Business Update/Approval:** none.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Megan Beeler:

1. **County Audit Report for FY 2017 Update:** Beeler deferred to Rick Gratza and Paul Osborne of Kerber Eck and Braeckel, who gave a presentation and explained the results of the FY 2017 county audit. Gratza stated they used three auditing standards and offered an unmodified opinion, which is the best opinion they can provide for an audit. He reported they didn't find any complaints about internal controls regarding the county finances and stated they have a few recommendations for improvements. He suggested the county strengthen budget controls when funds are over their allotted amounts for the year; he suggested the creation of an accounting procedural manual for employees; he encouraged the timely filing of annual economic interest statements, and he informed members about utilizing "positive pay" banking procedures. He stated KEB can help by providing a template as a starting point for the accounting procedural manual and by giving more information about "positive pay" banking. Gratza stated they used the cash basis of accounting and there were no monthly changes and no disagreements with management. He said there was an increase in revenue of \$1,078,226 of which taxes were up \$744,644 due to 708 Board funding implementations as well as increases in other areas. Gratza stated the expenses were down \$1,101,414, mainly as a result of a reduction in county costs for employee health insurance. Gratza ended his report by stating county staff members were very cooperative while working on the audit. Beeler thanked KEB for their hard work and asked board members to review the audit findings for the next 30 days in anticipation of full board approval of the audit next month.
2. **Forrestal Group – Power Plant Assessment Proposal Approval:** Beeler reported the county taxing district negotiating team has worked on the power plant assessment issue for months, and the agreement is now ready to present to the full board for an approval. Beeler explained this is a four year contract which was negotiated to a tax bill amount for Dynege each year. She stated the assessment of the power plant is going from \$54 million to \$32 million this year, and Dynege would only agree to a minimum tax to pay versus agreeing on an assessed amount. Beeler stated the Hillsboro School district superintendent has been involved with the negotiation process and will take the largest hit

with about a \$1 million loss in tax revenue. She said the state aid formula will pick up some of the loss next year, and Dynegy will help make up some of the deficit with additional “pilot” funds to make it easier for the school district to budget. Beeler stated county board members Plunkett and Young were part of the negotiating team and this was a favorable outcome, since they have heard about Jasper County who went to the Property Tax Appeal Board (PTAB) and lost and had to pay money back. In another county the power plant didn’t pay their taxes for two years.

Beeler stated the taxing districts with funds not at the top of their levy fund rate will get all their tax funds. She shared the 708 Board is at the maximum of their fund levy and won’t get all their money. Beeler stated if the power plant shuts down, this agreement will revert to reflect the change in capacity because it is based on productivity. She said if they close the doors completely, the agreement will be null and void, and the power plant will be re-assessed. Beeler explained power plants and automobile manufacturers are the only parcel types where the law allows these types of agreements with taxing districts to negotiate real estate taxes. Beeler added our consultant felt we came out favorably, and she encourages members to approve this agreement so we can move forward with our tax cycle.

Yeske asked what will hold Dynegy accountable to this agreement and how would we know if they shut down a unit. Beeler responded this agreement is based on their present maximum capacity. **Motion by Beeler and second by Plunkett to approve the power plant Assessment Agreement with Dynegy Energy. All in favor, motion carried.** Beeler stated one of the reasons we have a four year agreement is to have the ability to re-negotiate at the five year mark. Beeler reported State’s Attorney Hitchings was also included in the negotiating meetings along with all the taxing districts who helped pay a portion of the consultant bill. Beeler stated the initial offer of the power plant was to lower the assessed value to \$16 million, but it is assessed at \$32 million. **All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 44-59).**

3. **Health Department Maximum Levy Rate Update:** Beeler stated there is no additional information at this time.
4. **Capital Improvement Fund Reports Update:** Beeler stated there is no report this month.
5. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 13-06-381-002 in Witt Township to Timothy J. Brumberlow Approval:** Committee reviewed and discussed the resolution. **Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to approve the Resolution to convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #13-06-381-002 in Witt Township to Timothy J. Brumberlow. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 60).**
6. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 08-14-361-001 in Nokomis Township to Daniel H. Francis Approval:** Committee reviewed and discussed the resolution. **Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to approve the Resolution to convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #08-14-361-001 in Nokomis Township to Daniel H. Francis. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 61).**
7. **U of I Extension Agreement Approval:** Beeler called upon U of I Extension Director Amanda Cole to give a report. Cole introduced Starr Shooters 4 H member Erin Kistner and asked her to give a report on some of their programs, such as collecting plastic bottles for recycling, collecting items for the food pantries, preparing supply buckets for flood

victims and participating in angel tree collections. Kistner also gave an update on learning about careers in workshops. **Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to recommend the approval of the Agreement with the U of I Extension in the amount of \$154,925. All in favor, motion carried.**

8. **Information Systems Needs Update:** Beeler stated we approved expenses last month for additional IT training, and IT Manager Curt Watkins is checking into some free cybersecurity training for employees with ICRMT.
9. **Elected Officials' Salary Approval:** Beeler stated we are obligated by State Law to set the elected official salaries for Treasurer, Sheriff, County Clerk, and Coroner 180 days before they take office and the Finance Committee had a lengthy conversation at their meeting April 9th about this issue. Beeler reported in 2016 the salary for the Coroner was discussed when we were facing a \$1 million deficit and the motion failed to cut the salary by 10%, so the salary will stay the same for four years for our seated Coroner. She stated because of this circumstance, precedence was set and we have one of these Elected Officials with a salary freeze. She said that Finance Committee discussion also included the employee raises given in the past to union and non-union employees, and the need to set the non-union salaries next month in May prior to budget hearings. Beeler said the salary of the Circuit Clerk traditionally has been also set at this time even though State Law allows this salary to be set annually, but Circuit Clerk Lemons informed the Finance Committee she wants a two year pay freeze in return for consideration for Circuit Clerk staff salaries scheduled for union negotiations later this year. Plunkett stated that the Finance Committee approved a salary increase for the County Clerk, Sheriff and Treasurer of \$520 per year, and that amount is based on a .25 cent per hour raise for working a 40 hour work week. **Motion by Plunkett and second by Furness to give a salary increase of \$520 per year for each of the four years for the County Clerk, Treasurer, and Sheriff.**

Deabenderfer asked if this is comparable with other counties, and Beeler replied our elected officials are paid 6 to 7 percent higher than the state average according to the 2018 UCCI salary survey from which she compared counties with similar EAV and population. McDonough County was close in comparison for both. **Beeler stated she would like to amend the original motion by freezing the salaries for the Sheriff and Treasurer in years one and two and then give them a \$520 increase for years three and four, leaving the County Clerk to receive \$520 a year. No second to the amendment motion was given.** Beeler stated the amendment would not pertain to the County Clerk/Recorder since she is an incumbent returning to office.

Graden stated these positions are very important to this county and should be given an increase; Bergen stated he agrees with Graden.

Beeler stated we have an elected official right now who is not getting an increase, and that precedence was set with that position so it should continue now.

Moore stated whoever is elected as Sheriff or Treasurer will get a substantial raise from what they are currently making.

Clark stated as a candidate for Illinois State Representative, he is not running for elected office for the money; and doesn't believe that county elected officials should run for these offices for the money either, so he believes all of their salaries should be frozen for four years.

Beeler stated she recalls that the Information Systems Supervisor received a pay increase and it didn't come close to the person who retired and the Information Services (IS) Supervisor is not even in the 10% rank for IS Supervisors in the State.

Mulch stated he has a problem giving newly elected officials a salary increase. **Roll Call Vote on Beeler's amendment: 11 No, 10 Yes, Motion failed. Voting Yes to freeze newly elected official Treasurer and Sheriff salaries for the first two years of their terms were:** Beeler, Clark, Hughes, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske, and Young. **Voting No were:** Beck, Bergen, Bishop, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Johnson, Jones, Plunkett, Robinson, and Savage.

Sneed said he would like to make an amendment to the motion to let the newly elected officials of Treasurer and Sheriff start with a freeze in their first year and then give them \$520 per year salary increase for the remainder of their term for three years and the County Clerk would receive \$520 per year for each of the four years. Beeler stated she would second this motion. Roll Call Vote: 11 No, 10 Yes, Motion failed. Voting Yes to freeze newly elected officials salaries for the first year were: Beeler, Hughes, Johnson, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske, and Young. **Voting No were:** Beck, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Jones, Plunkett, Robinson and Savage.

The failure of these amendments, meant a vote on the Original Motion, which was as follows: **Motion by Plunkett and second by Furness to give an annual salary increase of \$520 per year for each of the four years for the County Clerk, Treasurer, and Sheriff. Roll Call Vote: 18 Yes and 3 No Votes. Voting Yes were:** Beck, Bergen, Bishop, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske, and Young. **Voting No were:** Beeler, Clark and Hughes. **Motion carried.**

10. **FY 2019 Budget Hearings Update:** Beeler stated the FY 2019 budget hearings are scheduled for Monday, July 9th and Monday July 16th, 2018 in the County Board room of the Historic Courthouse starting at 8:00 am.
11. **Electric Rate Bids for May 2018 Update:** Beeler said the committee discussed and approved putting out a request for proposals for the electric rate bids and plan to open them before the full board meeting in May.
12. **IRS Mileage Reimbursement Approval:** Beeler reported the IRS mileage reimbursement went from 53.5 cents to 54.5 cents for 2018. **Motion by Beeler and second by Sneed to increase the mileage reimbursement to \$.545 cents per mile. All in favor, motion carried.**
13. **Opioid Litigation Class Action Suit Update/Approval:** Beeler reported we need to address the opioid litigation class action suit, and Chairman Young stated this will be assigned to another committee.
14. **Weed Control Superintendent Update:** Beeler reported we were notified by the Illinois Department of Agriculture we are in non-compliance for not having a noxious weed enforcer, and Chairman Young stated this issue will be assigned to a committee.
15. **Mileage and Per Diem for Sara Batty Approval:** Beeler reported the mileage and per diem for this employee needs to be approved because it went over the state and county board ordinance allowance for lodging. **Motion by Beeler and second by Miles to approve the mileage and per diem for Sara Batty's travel. All in favor, motion carried.**

16. **Executive Session for Litigation Update:** Beeler announced the State's Attorney will be asked to look into this issue.
17. **Other Business Update:** None

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Connie Beck:

1. **Elections Update:** Clerk Leitheiser reported everything went well with the March Primary election, and she stated there was a successful re-tabulation of State Board of Elections' selected precinct and early voting ballots through their Election tabulators with identical results to those reported on Election Day.
2. **Recycling Program and Events Update:** Beck reported the small white box truck is currently down for repairs. Young stated the parts will cost about \$1,400 plus labor. Beck also reminded everyone the Electronics Recycling Drive is scheduled in Hillsboro this Saturday, April 14th, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.
3. **Animal Control Facility/Program Update/Approval:** Beck reported things are going well at the facility. They are currently housing eight dogs and no cats.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bob Sneed:

1. **Smart Watt Conservation Energy Audit Approval:** Sneed introduced Smart Watt representative Orry Cummings, who gave a presentation regarding the energy audit to the full board and answered questions.
Cummings said this is a performance energy savings proposal, and Smart Watt will give us an update on the savings each year. He stated there will be no costs to the county and showed the project could be self-funded.
Beeler asked how long the contract would be. Cummings replied it is typically a deferred payment for 12 months so the county could bank the savings in energy costs to help pay the loan.
Sneed reported Smart Watt is required to guarantee savings to the county as part of the agreement, and the next step would be to advertise for a "request for qualifications." He said this process could take six months before there is any construction or installation, and then will take about 9 to 12 months to complete the projects. **Motion by Sneed and second by Graden to proceed with Request for Qualifications for the Energy Audit. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Maintenance and Cleaning Issues and Report Update:** Sneed reported the mower is ready and the Courthouse Complex lobby lights have been fixed. He also stated that maintenance representative Brown reported the cleaning services at the Courthouse Complex have improved.
3. **LED Lighting Preplacement Program Update:** Sneed reported A & D Electric will begin work soon to replace about 1,000 bulbs in the Historic Courthouse with LED bulbs.
4. **Jail Building Roof Replacement Project Update:** Sneed reported Lipe Construction will be starting the work to replace the Jail roof next week.
5. **Other Business Update:** Jones inquired about the status of the water fountains at the Courthouse Complex, and Sneed replied there are issues with the availability of parts at this time.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee
Chairperson Glenn Savage:**

1. **Green Diamond Bike Trail Update:** Savage reported he visited the Waggoner entrance of the Green Diamond Bike Trail and stated he will be working with the Waggoner Mayor on this issue.
2. **Solar Energy Sample Ordinance Approval:** Savage reported this ordinance was given to the board members for a thirty day review. The Planning Commission also reviewed the final draft at their meeting last week. Discussion took place regarding the set back of 500 feet from a residence. Chairman Young stated the Planning Commission and other county ordinances approved the 500 feet setback. **Motion by Savage and second by Sneed approve the Ordinance for Solar Energy Farm and Solar Garden Installations in Unincorporated Montgomery County, Illinois. Hughes stated he would like to amend the setback from a residence from 500 feet to zero feet. Motion seconded by Bishop.**

Deabenderfer stated the Planning Commission has reviewed this topic for several months and their recommendation is the setback be 500 feet from a residence, but there is a provision in the ordinance where the homeowner can agree to less than the 500 foot setback with a waiver.

Planning Commission member Toni McDonough stated the 500 foot setback was selected because this is a standard setback for airports, and it is also needed to protect neighbors from the glare of the commercial solar operation.

Bishop stated he thinks 500 feet is too much and this can't be compared to an airport.

Hughes added he didn't think it was the county's place to tell people what they could do with their property. He said that Christian County's ordinance didn't have a setback, so he is concerned that solar farms would choose to locate there instead of our county, which would negatively affect economic development efforts in our county.

Chairman Young stated he felt the county should protect homeowners. **Roll Call Vote: 17 No and 4 Yes. Amendment Fails. Voting No were:** Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske, and Young. **Voting Yes were:** Bishop, Clark, Hughes and Plunkett.

Savage then re-stated the original motion and Hughes amended the motion to a 250 foot setback instead of 500 foot setback, Mulch seconded that motion.

Planning Commissioner Schroeder stated they were trying to keep homeowners happy and trying to protect the property values of the neighbors by implementing the 500 foot setback.

Beeler stated the Planning Commission is made up of professional people who have worked on this ordinance for months, so she supports their recommendation.

Bishop stated he feels solar farms are being restricted with a 500 foot set back. Schroeder responded he felt the ordinance covered this concern with the waiver and there is no need to change it.

Clark stated the county needs to support economic development and Jones stated he felt the 250 foot barrier was a compromise.

Furness asked if the ordinance was approved, could it be changed in the near future if needed. Chairman Young replied affirmatively. **Roll Call Vote on the second amendment: 15 No and 6 Yes. Amendment Fails. Voting No were:** Beck, Beeler,

Bergen, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Johnson, Miles, Moore, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske and Young. **Voting Yes were:** Bishop, Clark, Hughes, Jones, Mulch, and Plunkett.

Plunkett asked about the upfront fee for decommissioning the solar farm. Toni McDonough stated the fee amount depends on the size of the farm, and it would not all have to be paid up front.

Savage re-stated the original motion, which was as follows: **Motion by Savage and second by Sneed approve the Ordinance for Solar Energy Farm and Solar Garden Installations in Unincorporated Montgomery County, Illinois. Roll Call Vote: Voting Yes were:** Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske and Young. **Voting No was Hughes. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 62-80).**

3. **Planning Commission Update:** Savage reported the Planning Commission met and discussed ideas for some tax incentives for property owners to make improvements to their properties. He deferred to MCEDC Director Valerie Belusko, who shared a brief overview of the incentives for the property rehabilitation idea.
4. **MCEDC Update:** Savage deferred to Belusko, who reported the CEO Marketplace event will be held on Tuesday, May 8th, 2018 starting at 5:30 pm at the LLCC Auditorium in Litchfield. She also shared next year's CEO students will be announced at the trade show.
5. **IllinoisSouth Tourism Update/Approval:** Savage reported the committee approved to have Beeler and Young work on the IllinoisSouth Tourism Budget, and he stated the revenue comes from the county Hotel/Motel taxes collected each year. **Motion by Savage and second by Furness to approve the IllinoisSouth Tourism Budget and send a support letter for FY 2019. All in favor, motion carried.**
6. **Eagle Zinc Cleanup Update/Approval:** Savage reported cleanup efforts continue at the Eagle Zinc Site.
7. **Enterprise Zone Update/Approval:** Savage reported the committee recommended the approval of the Professional Services Agreement with The Development Consortium, Inc. for consultant services on the New EZ Application. **Motion by Savage and second by Bishop approve of the Professional Services Agreement with J. Craig Coil of the Development Consortium in the amount of \$35,000 plus up to \$5,250 for travel and administrative fees for work on the new enterprise zone application. All in favor, motion carried.**
8. **West Central Development Update/Approval:** Savage reported there is nothing new to report at this time.
9. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

E.M.A and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bill Bergen:

1. **Ambulance Billing Update/Approval:** Bergen reported there have been several requests for reports to the ambulance billing department, so the committee approved having those requests submitted in writing so the committee may review them.
2. **EMA – Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP):** Nimmo reported he met recently with county office holders and provided them information to compile a Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) to be submitted to the State by the end of this year.

3. **EMA Meetings/Responses/Trainings Update/Approval:** Nimmo has attended several trainings this month and Bergen reported there may be some funding available for an update and printing of the 911 map books. Clerk Leitheiser reminded everyone of the importance of completing the LUCA (Local Update for Census Addresses) to assure an accurate 2020 Census count, and she encouraged board members to discuss this with municipalities in their districts.
4. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Kirby Furness:

1. **Employee Health Insurance Update/Approval:** Furness reported Tony Johnston of CIBC gave the committee an update on the county employee usage of the HRA. When CIBC submitted a bid for the county insurance, they estimated a 25 to 40 percent usage for the year. Currently we are at 2.2% utilization as compiled through March 28, 2018. Furness also reported CIBC reached out to other pharmacies to make sure they could participate in the Rx Extra Program and next year all pharmacies will be able to participate.
2. **Employee and Board Member ID Badges Update/Approval:** Furness reported the county is working to issue new ID badges for employees and board members.
3. **Identity Protection Act Sample Ordinance Revision Update/Approval:** Furness stated this ordinance is being reviewed by the State's Attorney's Office. Leitheiser stated State's Attorney Hitchings has provided her revisions to this Ordinance and she will have this newly amended ordinance ready for County Board potential approval next month.
4. **ICRMT Sample Employee Manual Updates for Review Update/Approval:** Furness said the State's Attorney's Office is reviewing this document.
5. **Executive Session to Discuss Personnel and Litigation Issues Update/Approval (not needed):** Furness reported the committee continues to work with the two Local 773 units in the Sheriff's Office and there is a tentative agreement with the Tele communicators unit, and we are now waiting on a date to conduct mediation with the correctional officers unit.
6. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

Motion by Graden and second by Hughes to enter into executive session to discuss executive session minutes. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 11:55 am

Motion by Moore and second by Bergen to come out of executive session. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 12:13 am.

Motion by Moore and second by Johnson to open the County Board and County Board committee minutes from 1/12/16, 6/13/16, 11/15/16, 1/12/17, 4/11/17, and 5/4/17 and to leave the minutes from 1/4/2018, 2/22/2018, and 4/9/2018 on the list pending until the next review and to Forever Seal all other executive session minutes on the list. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of the list of Executive Session minutes not opened, see Resolution Book 17, page 81).

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chairman Young announced new County Board member Donna Yeske will be assigned to the Economic Development Committee and the Personnel Committee, and Glenn Bishop will be serving on the Finance Committee and not the Economic Development Committee.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: None

APPOINTMENTS:

Motion by Robinson and second by Plunkett to re-appoint Donald Sturgeon to the Shoal Creek Fire Protection District Board of Trustees. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Robinson and second by Moore to re-appoint Beverly Whalen as Treasurer to the Coffeen Fire Protection District. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Beck and second by Furness to re-appoint William Beeler to the Raymond Community Fire Protection District Board of Trustees. All in favor, motion carried. Megan Beeler abstained from voting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PAY BILLS:

- 1. Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC, Books & Moore, Motion by Miles and second by Hughes to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore. Voice Vote: In favor – 20, Against – 0, Absent – 0, Abstain – 1 (Moore). Motion carried.**
- 2. Motion by Beeler and second by Savage to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.**

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 8th, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Sneed and second by Johnson to Adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:16 a.m. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

Montgomery County Board

Minutes

For Tuesday, May 8th, 2018 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, May 8th, 2018, in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The meeting was called to order by County Board Vice-Chairman Megan Beeler at 8:30 AM.

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Jeremy Jones, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Robert Mulch, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Donna Yeske

Members Absent: Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Richard Wendel, Evan Young

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by County Board member Mike Plunkett.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Graden and second by Sneed to approve the mileage and per diem. ROLL CALL VOTE: Voting yes: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Yeske. No members voted no. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Deabenderfer and second by Furness to approve the Minutes of the Previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, April 10th, 2018. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Ambulance Billing Report** ---- Sherry Greenwood – report was submitted.
2. **Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
3. **Circuit Clerk's Report** ---- Holly Lemons – report was submitted.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions. She stated Montgomery County has joined 46 other Illinois counties to offer a new free Property Fraud Alert program designed to send alerts to property owners who sign up to be notified via email or phone should a fraudulent document be recorded with their name on it. Leitheiser reported this program is being offered free through their Recording Department vendor and stated there is no deadline for landowners to get registered.
5. **Health & TB Department Report** ---- Hugh Satterlee – report was submitted.
6. **Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood – report was submitted.
7. **Probation Office Report** ---- Banee Ulrici – report was submitted.
8. **Public Defender's Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
9. **Recycling Report** ---- Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
10. **ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – reports were submitted.
11. **Sheriff's Report** ---- Jim Vazzi – Report was submitted, Undersheriff Robbins was present.
12. **SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston – Report was submitted. Beeler reported the new fly over is complete and data will be available soon.

13. **Treasurer's Report** ---- Jay Martin was present for questions and he explained the Capital Improvement report.
14. **V.A.C. Report** ---- Dave Strowmatt – report was submitted.

APPROVAL OF 14 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Mulch and second by Plunkett to approve the 14 items on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated the 708 Board will meet next Monday. Beeler stated she has an estimated equalized assessed value for the 708 board.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson reported Senior Citizens Director Lyn Fugate was recently promoted to site supervisor. She also stated May is Senior appreciation month and local seniors will be served a rib eye meal as part of the celebration.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergen reported there is nothing new to report.
- **Health Department** – Mulch reported he attended the meeting and it went well.
- **IL Association of County Officials** –Plunkett, Bergen stated there is nothing to report.
- **MCEDC** –Mulch stated they had their annual meeting last month and informed members the CEO Marketplace will be held tonight at LLCC at 5:30 pm.
- **Planning Commission** – Beeler stated they have not met and the next meeting is planned for July.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported the Senior Citizens Board now wishes to meet quarterly instead of monthly.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated no meeting was held.
- **U of I** – Beck reported there was no meeting scheduled for last month.
- **WCDC** – Savage stated there are no new developments at WCDC.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Vice-Chairman Megan Beeler:

1. **Other Business Update/Approval:** Beeler stated all business will be covered in the individual committee reports.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Gene Miles:

1. **Power Plant Assessment Update:** Miles reported Beeler came to their meeting and shared the bad news about the county highway funds losing funding due to the reduction of the power plant assessment. Miles reported the Highway Fund could lose about \$21,600 and the Bridge Fund could lose about \$10,826 in property tax revenues as a result of this reduction.
2. **IDOT Property Purchase Update:** Miles reported State's Attorney Hitchings negotiated a sales amount of \$8,000 with the State of Illinois for the 1.083 acre parcel located by the overpass in North Litchfield Township and owned by Montgomery County. He stated the County Board approval will take place in the Finance Committee report.
3. **Fuel System Update:** Miles reported the new software has been installed on the fuel system and it is working properly. He said the digital meter does not have a display feature, which they plan to address later.

4. **Statewide Planning and Research (SPR) Grant Update:** Miles stated Engineer Greenwood is working to receive grants through the Statewide Planning and Research grant program with IDOT.
5. **Dakota Access Pipeline Update:** State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings reported he worked with Engineer Greenwood to draft a letter to the Bond Company to start the process to file a claim on the Dakota Access Pipeline project.
6. **Highway Department Labor and Equipment Reimbursement Approval:** Miles reported a voucher needs to be approved in the amount of \$105,074 for labor and equipment rental reimbursement for 2018. **Motion by Miles and second by Bergen to approve the voucher to the Montgomery County Highway Department in the amount of \$105,071 for labor and equipment rental reimbursement for 2018.** Roll call vote: 17 Members Yes, 0 Members No and 4 Members absent. Voting Yes were: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Yeske. Absent were: Hughes, Johnson, Wendel and Young. **Motion carried.**
7. **Other Business Update:** Miles reported the committee discussed the duties of the Noxious Weed Superintendent and the Highway Department is not interested, so this request will go back to the to the Coordinating committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by County Board Vice-Chairperson and Finance Committee Chairperson Megan Beeler:

1. **IMRF Update:** Beeler reported IMRF Representative Mandy Beedie-Powers attended the committee meeting and shared report balances for the three IMRF accounts from 2009 to 2017. Beeler stated the reports show the County is in a good position and she added Treasurer Jenkins did a great job of funding our pension obligations. Plunkett suggested the IMRF agent give an update once a year so we keep track of this process and Beeler responded she has asked Treasurer's Office Payroll Clerk Liz Holcomb to report numbers to her so the committee is aware.
2. **County Audit Report for FY 2017 Approval:** Beeler stated the Board Members received the FY 2017 audit last month and had 30 days to review it. **Motion by Beeler and second by Bishop to approve the FY 2017 audit report prepared by KEB. All in favor, motion carried.** Leitheiser stated she had a constituent ask whether the auditor could gather the statutory origin of the county special funds
3. **Forrestal Group – Power Plant Assessment Proposal Update:** Beeler reported all taxing bodies have signed off on the Dynegy assessment agreement and the paperwork should be presented to a judge by the end of this week. Beeler stated the assessment changes have been made at the Board of Review level and we anticipate the Judge will approve them.
4. **Health Department Maximum Levy Rate Update:** Beeler reported Health Department Director Hugh Satterlee recently spoke with the State's Attorney regarding the lost revenue due to a tax levy problem when the TB board was dissolved a couple of years ago, and there is no update at this time.
5. **Capital Improvement Fund Reports Update:** Beeler reported the committee reviewed the Capital Improvement Fund reports submitted by the Treasurer's Office and thanked Treasurer Martin for providing them.

6. **Information System Needs Approval:** Beeler stated she met with county insurance agent Tom Franzen and Curt Watkins recently regarding cyber security training for county employees. She said the committee recommended approving 12 month cybersecurity training for all county employees. Beeler added this training will help with our insurance premiums as we are looking at increasing our level of insurance for cyber security. **Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to spend \$2,690.12 on cyber security training for county employees. All in favor, motion carried.**
7. **IDOT Property Purchase Resolution Approval:** Beeler reported an agreement was reached with IDOT to sell them the county owned 1.083 acre parcel near the overpass in North Litchfield Township for \$8,000. **Motion by Beeler and second by Sneed to approve the resolution to sell the 1.083 acres of right of way in North Litchfield Township to the State of Illinois. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Resolution, see Resolution Book 17, pages 82-85).**
8. **FY 2019 Budget Hearings Update:** Beeler reported the budget hearings are scheduled for Monday, July 9th and Monday July 16th, 2018 starting at 8:00 am. She stated the estimated equalized assessed value numbers will be available soon so the Budget hearing worksheets and memo can go out to all department heads.
9. **Salaries for Non-Union County Employees Approval:** Beeler reported the committee discussed and is recommending a \$.35 per hour increase for non-union county employees. Beeler stated the committee looked at past union negotiations and current cost of living increase to arrive at this recommendation. **Motion by Beeler second by Furness to recommend a \$.35 per hour increase for non-union employees for FY 2019.** Jones inquired about the breakdown of which employees are included in this motion and Beeler responded it is for all general fund non-union employees. Jones asked for clarification because discussion took place at the HWE Committee meeting regarding the expectation of salaried supervisors going above and beyond and not getting paid overtime for extra work hours. Beeler responded supervisors will be paid the \$.35 per hour for a 40 hour work week and the hourly non-union employees who work a 35 hour work week will also be paid \$.35 per hour. Furness stated he spoke with board member Beck regarding this issue and the Personnel Committee will find some way to address this concern. Mulch asked why these salaries are addressed by the Finance Committee and not the Personnel Committee. Plunkett responded and stated this is done because historically the Finance Committee Chairperson sends out the budget memo that needs to include the salary increase so affected county office holders can budget accordingly. Mulch stated the Personnel Committee should have input on the salary increases for consistency's sake. Furness suggested the County Board have a joint meeting with both Finance and Personnel committees next year, and Beeler agreed. Treasurer Martin stated in the past the Personnel committee joined with the Finance Committee to set salary increases. **All in favor, motion carried.**
10. **Electric Rate Bids for May 2018 Approval:** Beeler reported the Finance Committee met this morning before the full board meeting to open and review the three bids for electric rates for the upcoming year. **Motion by Beeler and second by Plunkett to approve the low bid of .04245 from AEP Energy for a one year contract.** Plunkett stated this is a reduction from the rate we have now. **All in favor, motion carried.**

11. **FAYCO Enterprises 708 Funding Voucher - Roll Call Approval:** Beeler reported a roll call vote is needed to approve the fourth quarter payment from the 708 Board fund for FAYCO Enterprises. **Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to approve the FAYCO Enterprises 708 Funding in the amount of \$53,500. Roll Call Vote: 16 Yes, 1 member abstained and 4 were absent.** Voting Yes: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Yeske. Plunkett abstained. Members absent: Hughes, Johnson, Wendel and Young. **Motion carried.**
12. **Executive Session for Personnel and Litigation Approval:** Beeler stated Executive Session is not needed at this time.
13. **Village of Panama & Montgomery County, Illinois Assistance Intergovernmental Agreement for Law Enforcement Services Approval:** Beeler informed members that Under Sheriff Robbins shared a revised Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Panama to provide law enforcement services. She stated the agreement was changed to reflect the annual salary increases for the deputies. **Motion by Beeler and second by Sneed to recommend the approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Panama with Montgomery County to provide Law Enforcement Services.** Deabenderfer asked how the amount was reached and Under Sheriff Robbins replied the amount goes up by the deputies' salary increases, along with the population of the Village of Panama and the amount of calls in Panama. Deabenderfer asked if the service costs the county more than the amount to cover the services and Robbins responded not that he is aware of and also said the Village of Panama is happy with the services. Robbins stated the deputies can also go in the areas of the Village of Panama city limits situated in Bond County. **All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Agreement, see Resolution Book 17, pages 86-87).**

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Connie Beck:

1. **Elections Update:** Clerk Leitheiser stated elected Precinct Committee representatives have received their Election Judge commission packets and Election Judges will be commissioned at the July County Board meeting. She stated that her office recently received a \$7,000 grant from the Illinois State Board of Elections to offset voter registration computer system costs. Leitheiser also informed members that HAVA Grant funding is expected this summer and she hopes to put some of these funds in the cyber security needs of the county. Bishop stated he appreciates Leitheiser's efforts in applying for election grants.
2. **EPA Report Update:** Beck reported the State funding has been received.
3. **Recycling Program and Events Update:** Beck reported the baler and trucks are operational at this time and the price of cardboard has really gone down due to the China trade issues. She said the next electronic recycling event is scheduled for September 29th, 2018, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Litchfield recycling facility.
4. **Animal Control Facility/Program Update:** Beck reported there are several dogs and cats now available at the facility. She stated the spring rabies and microchip clinic held last Saturday went well and the cracked windshield on the animal control truck was repaired. Beck also reported she recently attended the U of I Extension Safety Day at Russell School in Litchfield with Animal Control Warden Daniels where they educated fourth graders regarding pet safety and gave out goodies bags. Jones asked Beck to give

an update about the donation the Animal Control facility will receive from an estate bequest. Beck explained a neighbor of hers has passed away and the Animal Control facility was named in his will to receive \$50,000. Beck reported the committee is discussing how the money can be invested for a higher interest rate with the Treasurer's office, and Treasurer Martin will meet with State's Attorney Hitchings to see if this money will fall under other requirements since it is not tax money. Beeler stated they will make a plan to use the money. Beck stated the committee would like to put it aside for future building repairs and possible vehicle purchases. Plunkett stated this donation shows the respect for the work done down at the facility and he appreciates the accomplishments of the employees. He added this is a program appreciated by our public since they donate their time, food, supplies and money to help the animals. Beck stated the employees are dedicated and pick up or rescue animals at all hours of the night and in all types of weather conditions.

5. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bob Sneed:

1. **Smart Watt Conservation Energy Audit Approval:** Sneed reported the committee listened to a report from Smart Watt representative Orry Cummings regarding the Request for Qualifications For A Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract and a Pre-bid meeting is scheduled for May 21st, 2018, with the bid opening scheduled for the beginning of June. **Motion by Sneed and second by Jones to accept the Smart Watt proposal template as presented, pending State's Attorney approval. All in favor, motion carried.** Furness asked if the energy upgrade project could be self-funded and Beeler responded it could; however, it depends on which company is awarded the contract.
2. **Maintenance and Cleaning Issues and Report Update:** Sneed reported there are no major issues with the maintenance or cleaning of the buildings.
3. **LED Lighting Preplacement Program Update:** Sneed reported he expects the LED lighting replacement program will begin soon in the Historic Courthouse.
4. **Jail Building Roof Replacement Project Update:** Sneed announced the roof replacement work is finished and the roof looks great. He said the next step will be to fix the ruts and re-seed the area with grass to complete the project.
5. **Other Business Update:** None

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairman Glenn Savage:

1. **Green Diamond Bike Trail Update:** Savage reported he has been working with the Waggoner Mayor to address the issue of a property owner with a trailer parked on the Green Diamond Bike Trail. Savage stated they both are working with law enforcement to come up with a solution to address the issue.
2. **Planning Commission Update/:** Savage reported they are working on housing issues in Montgomery County and a few board members are attending the meetings.
3. **MCEDC Update:** Savage stated CTI is installing fiber in the Nokomis area.
4. **Eagle Zinc Cleanup Update:** Savage reported cleanup efforts continue at the work site.

5. **Enterprise Zone Update:** Savage deferred to Coordinator Daniels, who reported the Mayor's Meeting was held on May 2nd, 2018, and was well attended. She said consultant Craig Coil addressed the Mayors and attendees with the requirements to proceed with the new Enterprise Zone Application due on December 31st, 2018.
6. **West Central Development Update:** Savage reported the committee continues to work with West Central Development to secure grants for the County.
7. **Coal Mine Update/Approval:** None.

E.M.A and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bill Bergen:

1. **Monthly Ambulance Report Update:** Bergen reported the committee was asked to meet with the Litchfield Area Ambulance Service regarding some questions about their contract.
2. **Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) Update:** Bergen reported EMA Coordinator Nimmo has issued homework to county offices so he can develop a call tree and designate duties if there were an emergency. The committee would like to have this done by the end of the year.
3. **EMA/911 Meetings/Responses/Training Update:** Bergen reported the City of Litchfield and Nimmo prepared an Incident Action Plan for the Litchfield Pickers Market in case of emergency, and a meeting has been scheduled for May 23rd, 2018 to discuss the recent problems with phone outages. He said that EMA, 911, Information Services and Sheriff Offices will be involved in the meeting.
4. **L.U.C.A – Local Update of Census Addressing Update:** Bergen reported Nimmo has been working with Clerk Leitheiser and SOA Durston on the LUCA 2020 Census data to make sure it is updated and correct. Bergen reported some address needed to be corrected, and we learned at the Mayor's Meeting some communities did not receive their LUCA paperwork. Clerk Leitheiser stated she has offered to work with the municipalities without the Census LUCA material.
5. **Other Business Update:** Jones thanked Danny Hough and the County EMA Search and Rescue Team for all their volunteer work and efforts regarding their recent deployment to Macoupin County.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Kirby Furness:

1. **Employee Health Insurance Update:** Furness stated he will be giving a monthly report on the employee usage of the Health Reimbursement Account. Furness reported the County has spent \$13,983.88 on the HRA account year to date.
2. **Union Negotiations/Strategy Planning Update:** Furness reported the committee has negotiated with both units of Local 773, Correctional Officers and Telecommunicators and have reached an agreement with both of them. He said the committee is waiting for the union employees to meet to ratify the contracts before board action.
3. **Employee and Board Member ID Badges Update:** Furness stated if any board member needs an ID Badge to have a photo taken so it can be sent to the Information Systems Department to print the badge. He said printed badges will then be sent to the County Board Office to obtain a lanyard and plastic protector.
4. **Identity Protection Act Sample Ordinance Revision Approval:** Furness reported the State's Attorney has reviewed and approved the Identity Protection Act Ordinance. **Motion by Furness and second by Mulch to approve the revised Identity Protection**

Act Ordinance. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Ordinance, see Resolution Book 17, pages 88-92).

- 5. ICRMT Sample Employee Manual Updates for Review Update/Approval:** Furness stated the State's Attorney's Office is reviewing this document at this time.
- 6. Executive Session to Discuss Personnel and Litigation Issues Update:** Not needed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Vice-Chairman Megan Beeler welcomed newly appointed Farm Bureau Director Katie Wilson to the County Board meeting and thanked her for her work at WSMI Radio and her involvement with the "Wet Nose Wednesday Program" promoting Animal Control services. Wilson stated she looks forward to continuing the good working relationship between the County Board and the Farm Bureau and offered her assistance when needed.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: None

APPOINTMENTS: Motion by Beck and second by Robinson to appoint Daniel Hough as Commissioner on the Montgomery County Housing Authority Board. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Robinson and second by Moore to appoint Breanna Watson as Trustee to the Coffeen Fire Protection District. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Montgomery County Planning Commission Member Bill Schroeder read a statement to the full board regarding the passage of the Solar Farm Ordinance at last month's meeting. (For a copy of this statement, see Resolution Book 17, pages 93-94).

PAY BILLS:

- 1. Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC, Books & Moore.**
Motion by Furness and second by Robinson to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Books & Moore. Voice Vote: In favor – 16 Against – 0, Absent – 4 Absent: Hughes, Johnson, Wendel and Young. Abstain – 1 (Moore). Motion carried.
- 2. Motion by Savage and second by Sneed to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.**

ADJOURN:

Motion by Bishop and second by Sneed to ADJOURN the Full Board Meeting until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, June 12th, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, June 12th, 2018 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, June 12th, 2018, in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

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

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Jeremy Jones, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Robert Mulch, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Richard Wendel, Donna Yeske, Evan Young.

Members Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by County Board member Ron Deabenderfer.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Graden and second by Savage to approve the mileage and per diem.

ROLL CALL VOTE Voting yes were Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske, Young. None voting no. **All in favor, motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting: Motion by Moore and second by Sneed to approve the Minutes of the Previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, May 8th, 2018. All in favor, motion carried. Clerk Leitheiser thanked County Board member Ron Deabenderfer for proofreading the County Board minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Ambulance Billing Report** -- Sherry Greenwood – report was submitted.
2. **Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
3. **Circuit Clerk’s Report** ---- Holly Lemons – report was submitted.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder’s Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
5. **Health & TB Department Report** ---- Hugh Satterlee was present for questions.
6. **Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
7. **Probation Office Report** ---- Bane Ulrici – report was submitted.
8. **Public Defender’s Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
9. **Recycling Report** ---- Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
10. **ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
11. **Sheriff’s Report** ---- Jim Vazzi - report was submitted. Undersheriff Robbins was present for questions.
12. **SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston – report was submitted.
13. **Treasurer’s Report** ---- Jay Martin reported coal money was invested at 1.44% for 9 months at Hillsboro National Bank; the annual audit was submitted to the State and the real estate tax bills will be mailed on or before June 22nd. Martin stated the first installment will be due on July 27th, 2018; and the second installment will be due on September 7th, 2018.

14. V.A.C. Report ---- Dave Strowmatt reported the VAC commission voted to ask the county to explore the legality of getting some property tax relief for disabled veterans and their surviving spouses at the county level if legislation isn't passed by the State. He said they will also be asking the county to explore providing a property tax exemption to veterans if they buy a new house similar to the exemption currently provided for senior citizens since this is currently also not State law.

APPROVAL OF 14 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Sneed and second by Wendel to approve the 14 items on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated the 708 Board met last month after the regular county board meeting, and informed members that one applicant turned their application in two weeks late so the 708 board declined the application. She said the 708 board met again last night and approved eight applications from the following applicants: FAYCO, TASC, SAAD, UCAN, Continuing Recovery Center, Montgomery County Health Department, Litchfield School District and Panhandle School District. She said the funding amount for each applicant will be determined at a later date once real estate taxes are collected. Robinson reported during the discussion, the Health Department offered a counselor for the schools, but it was stated the need is so great one counselor for all schools would not be enough.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson reported there has been \$493,000 in ILHEAP funding to help local clients with their utility bills, and over \$93,000 has been paid out in reconnection assistance. Robinson stated of the seven counties served by CEFS, Montgomery County paid out the most. Robinson reminded everyone June 21st is “Dump The Pump” day and encouraged everyone to take public transportation provided by CEFS that day.
- **911 Board** – Bergen reported there is nothing new to report at this time
- **Health Department** – Mulch stated they will meet next month.
- **IL Association of County Officials** –Plunkett, Bergen – no report at this time.
- **MCEDC** –Mulch stated they didn't have a meeting last month and will meet Thursday night.
- **Planning Commission** – Chairman Young stated they will work on Opportunity Zones at their next meeting.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported a quarterly meeting will be held this month.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated he attended a meeting where members of the Illinois Labor Relations Board discussed economic impact of using local labor.
- **U of I** – Beck reported they will meet in July.
- **WCDC** – Wendel stated they will meet next week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

1. Other Business Update:

Opioid Litigation Class Action Suit Update: Attorney Thomas Leck of Goldenberg, Heller and Antagnoli, P.C. in Edwardsville addressed the County Board regarding that law firm's services to assist the County in filing individual actions against drug

manufacturers, drug distributors and retail pharmacies to better enforce their compliance to the Controlled Substances Act. Leck stated for the past two decades there has been an increase in the misuse and abuse of prescription opioids, and statistics show forty people die every day as a result of opioid drugs, and the economic burden is \$75.5 billion per year. Leck stated the County Board has the legal ability to abate nuisances which cost counties money. He said according to current law, costs to abate this problem should be taken care of by prescription drug companies. He said this lawsuit would seek to have drug manufacturers and distributors pay to educate children about opioid addiction as well as public safety and first responder costs. Leck stated his law firm would calculate damages the county could sue for and their contingency fee is 25% of the fund collected as a result of the lawsuit. Chairman Young stated he will assign this request to a committee and he will also check with local law enforcement and the State's Attorney before committing the County Board to a law suit.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Gene Miles:

1. **Resolution #2018-16 to appropriate funds for 1177 B-CA, Niemanville Trail, 100% County Project Approval:** Miles stated the committee discussed replacing a 24" pipe on Niemanville Trail with a 100% county project for \$3,000 to be paid from the County Aid to Bridge Fund. **Motion by Miles and second by Mulch to approve Resolution #2018-16 to appropriate funds for 1177 B-CA on Niemanville Trail - a 100% county project for \$3,000 to be paid from the County Aid to Bridge Fund. All in Favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 95-96).**
2. **Resolution #2018-17 to appropriate funds for 1178 B-CA on Phillips Trail Bridge Replacement Section 18-13123-00-BR, Proposed SN 068-3372 in Raymond Township for a split of 80% Township Bridge Funds, County portion is 10% and Raymond Township is 10% Approval:** Miles stated the committee discussed this project to take out the pipe and replace it with a bridge on Phillips Trail in Raymond Township. He said the estimated total cost of the project is \$150,000 and the County portion would be 10%. Deabenderfer asked if there is a load limit and the response is 80,000 lb. weight limit. **Motion by Miles and second by Beeler to approve Resolution #2018-17 to appropriate funds for 1178 B-BC on Phillips Trail Bridge Replacement, Section 18-12123-00-BR, proposed SN 068-3372 in Raymond Township with the County Portion of \$15,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 97-98).**
3. **Section 18-13123-00-BR (1178 B-CA Phillips Trail Bridge Replacement Engineering Services with Hurst Rosche Engineers Approval:** Greenwood stated this is a preliminary engineering agreement with Hurst Rosche Engineers for design and engineering work on the Phillips Trail Bridge Replacement. Greenwood reported IDOT now requires load ratings to be included on the engineer work for all structures and the fee is \$1,200. **Motion by Miles and second by Furness to approve the Engineering Services Agreement with Hurst Rosche Engineers for an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for design and engineering work and an amount not to exceed \$1,200 for the load rating for the Phillips Trail Bridge replacement. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 99-103).**

4. **Highway Department Building Improvements Update:** Miles stated Engineer Greenwood will get estimates to repair the pipe in the second floor restroom and for the roof replacement at the Highway Department Building. He said the committee discussed research currently being done to relocate the ownership of all the Highway Department buildings and parcels.
5. **Dakota Access Pipeline Project Update/Approval:** State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings was in attendance and stated he has received forms from the Bond Company and will be meeting with Engineer Greenwood this afternoon.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Megan Beeler:

1. **Health Department Maximum Levy Rate Update:** Beeler deferred to Health Department Director Satterlee, who reported there is no update at this time, and they are still looking into this issue.
2. **Property Casualty Insurance for Earthquake coverage Update:** Beeler reported ICRMT agent Tom Franzen is looking at options for earthquake insurance for the committee to review. She said they are also seeking input from EMA Director Greg Nimmo regarding the county's need for earthquake insurance.
3. **SOA Report Update:** Beeler reported the flyover is complete, and this layer is now on the county Beacon web site. Beeler added they are working on the Pictometry change finder functionality, and this service should be available in September. Beeler reported Supervisor of Assessments Durston is seeking more staff training for Pictometry.
4. **Capital Improvement Fund Reports Update:** Beeler stated the reports are available for review.
5. **FY 2019 Budget Hearings Update:** Beeler reported budget hearings are scheduled for Monday, July 9th, 2018 and Monday July 16th, 2018, starting at 8:00 am.
6. **FY 2019 Budget Review Update:** Beeler reported the Employee Health Insurance Budget was given to Personnel Chairman Furness, and the committee discussed other budget line items at their recent meeting.
7. **County owned parcel # 03-04-200-008 in Farmersville Update:** Beeler stated the committee will speak to State's Attorney Hitchings and then start the process of selling this parcel. She said Parcel 03-04-200-008 was deeded over to the county in October, 2011, by Springfield Coal Company who wanted to get rid of the liability of the public crossing this property to reach the bike trail. Jones asked about the property's value, and Beeler replied this conveyance is in the preliminary stages now, so the value hasn't been established.
8. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 11-28-259-002 in Butler Grove Township to Michael D. Johnson, Rebecca P. Johnson Approval:** Beeler said the committee reviewed and approved the resolution to convey the trustee deed in Butler Grove Township. **Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to approve the resolution to convey trustee deed for Parcel #11-28-259-002 in Butler Grove Township to Michael D. Johnson, Rebecca P. Johnson. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 104).**
9. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 08-22-233-006 in Nokomis Township to Ken Wilbur, Janice Lock & JD Wilbur Approval:** Beeler said the committee reviewed and approved the resolution to convey the trustee deed in Nokomis Township. **Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to recommend the approval of**

the resolution to convey trustee deed for parcel #08-22-233-006 in Nokomis Township to Ken Wilbur, Janice Lock and JD Wilbur. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 105).

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Vice Chairman Chuck Graden:

1. **Elections Update/Approval:** Graden referenced the written long agenda for County Board Member review.
2. **EPA Report Update/Approval:** Graden referenced the written long agenda for County Board Member review.
3. **Animal Control Facility/Program Update:** Graden deferred to Committee Chairperson Beck, who reported they currently have 15 dogs and eight cats at the facility.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Bob Sneed:

1. **Energy Audit Request for Qualifications and Resolution #7-2018 Approval:** Sneed reported the committee opened and reviewed the one Request for Qualifications received from Smart Watt for the energy audit. He said the R.F.Q. gives financial information and references for Smart Watt. Sneed stated the board will decide on a professional service today and that vendor will come back with the full energy audit and recommendations on which projects will offer utility savings to the county. Sneed said after reviewing the audit, the county will be able to choose which energy saving projects to pursue. He stated Smart Watt will bring sub-contractors on site to evaluate the county buildings and local companies will be utilized as much as possible. Sneed said the audit process will take two to three months and they will give us delivery dates. **Motion by Sneed and second by Deabenderfer to approve the Smart Watt RFQ proposal and Resolution to proceed with the project. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Resolution 7-2018, see Resolution Book 17, page 106).**
2. **Maintenance and Cleaning Issues and Report Update:** Sneed reported there are no maintenance issues at this time.
3. **National Maintenance & Cleaning Inc. Contract Renewal Approval:** Sneed reported the committee reviewed and approved the contract from National Maintenance Cleaning Inc. for cleaning the Courthouse Complex. **Motion by Sneed and second by Hughes to approve the contract with National Maintenance & Cleaning Inc. through November 30th, 2019 at a rate of \$19 per hour. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairperson Glenn Savage:

1. **Green Diamond Bike Trail Update:** Savage reported the box trailer has been removed from the bike trail property; Waggoner Mayor Seaton deserves credit for resolving this issue.
2. **Revolving Loan Fund Approval:** Sneed reported the R.L.F. board met and approved a loan to a business located in Nokomis in the amount of \$49,999.99. **Motion by Savage and second by Beeler to recommend the approval of the RLF loan in the amount of \$49,999.99. Roll call Vote:** Voting yes were: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark,

Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske, Young. None voting no. **All in favor, motion carried.**

3. **MCEDC Update:** Savage reported the following:
 - CEO Program Update: MCEDC is working on investor renewals.
 - Broadband/Fiber Project Update: He reported the CTI Project is moving forward.
4. **Opportunity Zones Update:** Savage deferred to Belusko, who stated the Governor's Office has identified several areas in Montgomery County as Opportunity Zones.
5. **Money for Tourism grants Update.** Savage reported the committee approved granting \$1,000 to Imagine Hillsboro's Summer Concert Series for advertising. Belusko will submit the tourism grant guidelines to the committee next month for their review and approval.
6. **Eagle Zinc Cleanup Update/Approval:** Savage reported Nicole Wilson with the Eagle Zinc project will attend the July County Board meeting to give an update on the Eagle Zinc cleanup process.
7. **West Central Development Update/Approval:** Savage reported training opportunities in the LLCC area for people interested in becoming a Phlebotomist. He also stated Pioneer has some new hire incentives available, and the County is at an 18 year low on unemployment.

E.M.A and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Bill Bergen:

Ambulance Billing Report:

1. **Monthly Report Update:** Bergen said the committee reviewed the ambulance billing reports.
2. **Ambulance Contracts Approval:** Bergen reported he had a meeting with the City of Litchfield regarding their ambulance contract and stated the committee reviewed and is recommending approval. **Motion by Bergen and second by Graden to approve the Ambulance Billing Contract with the City of Litchfield pending review and approval of the State's Attorney. All in favor, motion carried.**

EMA Report:

1. **Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) Update:** Bergen reported Nimmo has been working with County offices to develop a Continuity of Operations Plan.
2. **EMA/911 Meetings/Responses/Training Update:** Bergen reported Nimmo has attended several meetings and trainings, including those below:
 - On May 9th, 2018, Nimmo met with Litchfield First Baptist to tour their facility and discuss a future partnership as an emergency hub and training center through Southern Baptist Disaster Relief Services. Bergen said they have massive emergency supplies, a chainsaw, building teams etc. Jones stated this is a good organization which works well with the Red Cross organization.
 - On May 25th, 2018, Nimmo assisted at the Borgic Farms Fire Response. Bergen offered his congratulations to the first responders who worked well together. He also stated a drone was used and was a tremendous asset during the situation.
3. **Drone Purchase Approval:** Bergen reported the EMA committee is recommending the purchase of a DJI Inspire Drone with the night flight kit at a cost of \$12,541.96. He said the committee also approved training for fifteen volunteer pilots with King Aviation

School at a cost of \$1,161 each and the Pilot Agreement Part 701 License at \$150 per Student, which is good for two years. Bergen stated the total cost for the County wide EMA Drone Program will be \$15,952.96. **Motion by Bergen and second by Clark to purchase the drone, training package and pilot license agreements for a total grant expense of \$15,953.96. All in favor, motion carried.**

4. **FY 2019 EMA Budget Proposal Update:** Bergen reported the committee reviewed and recommended the FY 2019 EMA Budget.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Kirby Furness:

1. **Employee Health Insurance Update:** Furness reported the following:
 - HRA Report – He stated the committee reviewed and discussed the current HRA Utilization reports which indicate a 5.17% rate as of 5/30/18, which is about \$21,000 and is below what we expected.
 - LFPC and Health Alliance – Furness reported Litchfield Family Practice Center and Health Alliance have come to an impasse with their contract negotiations and Tony Johnson with CIBC is looking for another employee health insurance carrier to finish this contract year for our entire group should the negotiations fail.
2. **Overtime Compensation for Salary Employees Update** Furness stated the committee discussed the overtime issue for salaried employees and we will stay status quo.
3. **OSHA Bulletin regarding Electronic Recordkeeping Update:** Furness reported the committee reviewed and discussed the OSHA Bulletin, and we will have Insurance representative Franzen check to see if this applies to the County.
4. **Prevailing Wage Ordinance #8-2018 Approval:** Furness reported the committee reviewed the Prevailing Wage Ordinance, which is now presented for County Board approval. **Motion by Furness and second by Mulch to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Ordinance #8-2018, see Resolution Book 17, page 107-108).**
5. **Union Negotiations/Strategy Planning Approval:**
 - a. Local 773 – Correctional Officers: Furness reported there is a tentative agreement with the Correctional Officers, and we are waiting for them to vote on the contract.
 - b. Local 773 – Tele-communicators, Cook, Secretary, Custodians: Furness reported the committee reviewed the emails from union representatives Guare and Simpson regarding the language in the contract about wages and pension. He stated the committee agrees with the contract language prepared by Mr. Guare.

Executive Session to Discuss Personnel and Litigation Issues Update/Approval:

Motion by Moore and second by Robinson to enter into executive session to discuss union contracts. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 10:43 AM.

Motion by Bishop and second by Savage to come out of executive session. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 10:55 AM.

Motion by Furness and second by Johnson to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement with Local 773-Telecommunicators, cook, secretary and custodian unit. All in favor, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chairman Young stated he is appointing County Board member Robert Mulch as a Liaison to the Health Department Board.

Chairman Young reminded all Departments and Committees their FY 2019 budgets are due Friday, June 15th 2018.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: None

APPOINTMENTS:

Board of Review re-appointments of Kent Aumann, Dick James and Mike Rappe:

Motion to re-appoint Kent Aumann to the Board of Review for the 2018 session. **Motion by Hughes and second by Bishop to re-appoint Kent Aumann to the Board of Review for the 2018 session. All in favor, motion carried.**

Motion to re-appoint Lyle R. James to the Board of Review for the 2018 and 2019 sessions. **Motion by Mulch and second by Bergen to re-appoint Lyle R. James to the Board of Review for the 2018 and 2019 sessions. All in favor, motion carried.**

Motion to re-appoint Mike Rappe to the Board of Review for the 2018 and 2019 sessions. **Motion by Deabenderfer and second by Clark to re-appoint Mike Rappe to the Board of Review for the 2018 and 2019 sessions. All in favor, motion carried.**

RLF Board Appointment of Ron Deabenderfer:

Motion by Moore and second by Yeske to appoint Ron Deabenderfer to the Revolving Loan Fund Board. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PAY BILLS:

1. Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC, Books & Moore, and Point of Light:

Motion by Miles and second by Hughes to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore. and Point of Light. Voice Vote: In favor – 19, Against – 0, Absent – 0 Abstain – 2 (Moore and Bishop). Motion carried.

Motion by Yeske and second by Johnson to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjourn: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, July, 10th, 2018 at 8:30 AM in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois. Motion by Bishop and second by Miles to **ADJOURN the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.**

Montgomery County Board

Minutes

For Tuesday, July 10th, 2018 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, July 10th, 2018 in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois. **The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Evan Young at 8:30 AM.**

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Jeremy Jones, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Robert Mulch, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Richard Wendel, Donna Yeske, and Evan Young.

Members Absent: Kirby Furness and Megan Beeler

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by U.S. Army Corp of Engineers Captain John Rossi who was in attendance with the EPA inspection team.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: **Motion by Hughes and second by Wendel** to approve the mileage and per diem. **Roll Call Vote:** Beck, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske and Young. Absent were Beeler and Furness. **19 members yes, 0 members no, two absent. Motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Wendel and second by Johnson to approve the Minutes of the Previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, June 12th, 2018. **All in favor, motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Ambulance Billing Report** -- Sherry Greenwood – report was submitted.
2. **Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
3. **Circuit Clerk’s Report** ---- Holly Lemons – report was submitted.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder’s Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
5. **Health & TB Department Report** ---- Hugh Satterlee was present for questions.
6. **Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
7. **Probation Office Report** ---- Banee Ulrici – report was submitted.
8. **Public Defender’s Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
9. **Recycling Report** ---- Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
10. **ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
11. **Sheriff’s Report** ---- Undersheriff Rick Robbins was present and reported two employees have recently resigned to take positions with the Illinois State Police. He said a Correctional Officer position and Sheriff’s Deputy position was advertised recently and an orientation for applicants will take place this Friday at 10:00 am and 5:00 pm.
12. **SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston was present for questions.
13. **Treasurer’s Report** ---- Jay Martin – Martin stated the Coal Report is in members’ packets and real estate taxes are now being collected routinely. Martin reported about \$7.4 million has been collected in real estate taxes so far and they will do a tax distribution to the taxing bodies either this Friday or next Monday.
14. **V.A.C. Report** ---- Dave Strowmatt was present for questions.

APPROVAL OF 14 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: **Motion by Miles and second by Yeske** to approve the 14 items on the Consent Agenda. **All in favor, motion carried.**

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** –Earlene Robinson reported the 708 board met last night to review and approve this year’s applications for a total award distribution of \$595,200. She provided the total monetary award for each approved organization, as follows: FAYCO requested and was awarded \$194,000 after receiving \$214,000 last year; Montgomery County Health Department requested \$304,280, but was awarded \$244,280; they received \$240,000 last year; Continuing Recovery Center requested and received a one-time award of \$3,000 for this year after receiving \$27,000 last year; TASC requested and received a one-time award of \$6,500 for this year; they received \$8,000 last year; UCAN requested \$30,000 but will receive a one-time award of \$15,000, and they received \$35,000 last year; SAAD requested \$50,000, but was awarded \$35,000 after receiving \$46,050 last year. Robinson also said first time requestors Panhandle School District and Litchfield School District requested and received 708 board funds, and stated the Litchfield District requested \$58,468 and was awarded \$55,000, and the Panhandle School District requested \$51,835 and was awarded \$42,420. Robinson concluded her report by stating each recipient will need to submit a semiannual report with the first report due at the November 19th, 2018, 708 Board meeting.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson reported they will meet tonight.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergen stated he will give his report during the EMA report.
- **Health Department** – Mulch stated they will meet later this month.
- **IL Association of County Officials** –Plunkett, Bergen – no meetings.
- **MCEDC** –Mulch stated MCEDC grant writer Dan Rogers resigned recently, so they hired Nancy Slepicka for that position. He said they are currently planning the MCEDC Summit in October which will include a meal and motivational speakers, with the focus on technology and problem-solving. Mulch reported MCEDC Director Belusko is drafting grant paperwork so organizations will have an opportunity to apply for tourism funds generated from the hotels located in the county. Mulch reported the City of Nokomis requested and received \$500 for fireworks.
- **Planning Commission** – Young stated they met last Wednesday and are working on different ideas for the county and also looking at updating membership on the Planning Commission.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported they met in June and reviewed the budget requests to be presented at the Finance Committee budget hearings.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated they will have a three day meeting and seminar in Galena, Illinois, starting on July 21st, 2018.
- **U of I** – Beck reported they will meet again in October and there are currently two seats open on the U of I Extension board.
- **WCDC** – Wendel stated there is nothing new to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

1. **Opioid Litigation Class Action Suit Update:** Chairman Young stated Undersheriff Robbins and State’s Attorney Hitchings will provide statistics about opioid abuse in the county. Thus better information will be available before a decision is made about joining this litigation.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Gene Miles:

1. **Resolution #2018-18 to appropriate funds for 1179 B-CA, North 20th Avenue, 50% Nokomis Township/50% County Project Approval:** Miles reported the committee discussed and approved replacing a 72” pipe in Nokomis Township for a total of \$12,000 which is a 50% county project in the amount of \$6,000. **Motion by Miles and second by Graden to approve Resolution #2018-18 to appropriate funds for 1179 B-CA on North 20th Avenue in Nokomis Township for a 50% county project for \$6,000. All in Favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, pages 109-110).**

2. **Dakota Access Pipeline Project Update:** Miles reported Engineer Greenwood and State's Attorney Hitchings met recently to complete and mail the forms to Liberty Mutual Bond Company regarding the Dakota Access Pipeline Project. He said Dakota Access will be given another chance to pay the claims or negotiate a settlement, and we are waiting on a response from the bond company.
3. **Highway Department Building Improvements Update:** Miles reported the committee discussed options for making improvements to the current Highway Department buildings, or looking for another building, or building a new building.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Vice-Chairman Mike Plunkett:

1. **Montgomery County Predictable Recording Fee Ordinance Update:** Clerk Leitheiser shared a copy of the Montgomery County Predictable Recording Fee Ordinance for review. She stated state law has changed to require all Recorders have fees that are a flat rate and that will not require customers to count pages to determine the correct fee. She said if this ordinance is passed at next month's meeting, the standard recording fees will be increased from the current fee of \$75 for the first four pages with \$1 for each additional page to \$79.00 to record any amount of standard size pages. Leitheiser said this recording fee is still comparable to other counties in Illinois, and we shouldn't lose any revenue as a result of this change. If passed at the August, 2018, County Board meeting, this new fee will be implemented on January 1st, 2019.
2. **Pre-Paid Vendor List Revisions Update:** Plunkett reported the committee reviewed and approved the revised Pre-Paid Vendor List to delete Direct Energy, Homefield Energy, and United Office Systems and to add Kerber, Eck & Braeckel LLP, National Maintenance & Cleaning Incorporated and AEP Energy. **Motion by Plunkett and second by Miles to revise the Pre-Paid Vendor list as presented. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, pages 111-112).**
3. **Capital Improvement Fund Reports Update:** Plunkett stated the Capital Improvement Fund Report was explained earlier in the Treasurer's report.
4. **FY 2019 Budget Hearings Update:** Plunkett reported the first day of budget hearings was held on Monday, July 9th; and they worked through lunch to complete hearings by 2:30 pm. He said hearings will be held again at 8:30 am on Monday, July 16th, 2018 in the County Board room. Plunkett stated the committee goes through the county \$20,000,000 budget line by line, and the budget will be voted on at the November, 2018 meeting. Plunkett also reported we don't have renewal numbers for employee health insurance yet so nothing has been budgeted for that expense.
5. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 18-23-460-001 in Fillmore Township to the Village of Fillmore Approval:** Plunkett reported the committee reviewed and approved conveying the Trustee Deed to the Village of Fillmore. **Motion by Plunkett and second by Johnson to approve the Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #18-23-460-001 in Fillmore Township to the Village of Fillmore. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, pages 113-114).**
5. **Lipe Construction Invoice for Replacement of Jail Roof Approval:** Plunkett reported the invoice for the replacement of the jail roof was not received in time to pay it at last month's meeting, so we need to pay it this month. **Motion by Plunkett and second by Graden to approve the invoice to Lipe Construction for the replacement of the Jail roof in the amount of \$75,792.50. ROLL CALL Vote: 19 Yes – 0, No -- 2 absent. Voting Yes: Beck, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske, and Young. Absent: Beeler and Furness. Motion carried.**
6. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairwoman Connie Beck:

1. **Elections Update:** Leitheiser reported she recently attended a conference in Bloomington regarding election cybersecurity. She stated County Clerks are hopeful there will be grant funds to help pay for cybersecurity needs. She reported Early Voting for the November 6th, 2018 election starts September 27th, 2018.

2. **Election Judge Commission Approval:** Leitheiser shared a list of the Democrat and Republican Election Judges approved by the Democrat and Republican Central Committee Chairmen, which is done every two years. She asked the board to approve this list of Election Judges so they can then be commissioned by the Circuit Court to perform their official Election Judge duties. **Motion by Beck and second by Jones to approve the list of Elections Judges. Robinson abstained. All others present are in favor, motion carried.**
3. **Recycling Program and Events Update:** Beck reported recycled cardboard prices are down due to the trade problems with China, but recycled office paper prices have increased. Beck also reported the committee is discussing different options to replace the current baler.
4. **Animal Control Facility/Program Update:** Beck reported there are ten dogs and ten cats currently at the facility and she reminded everyone to make sure their pets are up to date on their rabies shots according to state law.
5. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bob Sneed:

1. **Smart Watt Energy Survey Audit Agreement Update:** Sneed reported Smart Watt will be installing logging instruments this week to be used to monitor energy usage in the county buildings. Smart Watt will bring the committee up to speed at the next committee meeting.
2. **Maintenance and Cleaning Issues and Report Update:** Sneed reported Jacky DeWitt sold the cleaning business to her grandson Tyler Ross.
3. **LED Lighting Preplacement Program Update:** Sneed reported they are ready to replace the lights in the Historic Courthouse next week.
4. **Attorney/Client Private Conference areas for New Courthouse Update:** Sneed reported the committee discussed the letter from Judge Jim Roberts explaining the standards now required per Illinois Law in the Courthouse Complex for every courtroom to have at least two rooms or adequately portioned areas in the adjacent public lobby for private attorney/client and litigant conferences. Sneed said Judge Roberts has been exploring and investigating some options to address and remedy these deficiencies with our existing facilities. Sneed stated he will contact Judge Roberts and set up a meeting to review these options to alleviate these issues cost effectively.
5. **Building Computer Security Issues Update/:** Sneed reported he had a meeting with Insurance representative Tom Franzen and Information Technology Director Curt Watkins regarding some security issues with the location of some of the computer servers. He said further discussions will take place to remedy the issues and costs will be researched for budgeting purposes.
6. **Invoice for Lipe Construction – Jail Roof and Landscaping Update:** Sneed reported Lipe Construction split the cost of landscaping with the county.
7. **Pictures from Roof of Historic Courthouse for Imagine Hillsboro Update:** Sneed reported he talked with GIS Coordinator Kevin Brink to have photos taken from the Historic Courthouse roof for the Imagine Hillsboro group.
8. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairman Glenn Savage:

1. **Eagle Zinc Cleanup Update:** Savage introduced the following guest speakers to give an update on cleanup efforts at the Eagle Zine Site: Margaret Gielniewski with US EPA, Nicole Wilson with IL EPA and Captain John Rossie with the Army Corp of Engineers. They each shared information, maps and photos of cleanup work started last April. Gielniewski explained the cleanup efforts have taken longer because they found underground tunnels about 15 feet below the surface where the concrete is about 24” thick. Rossi reported they have daily air monitoring located in six locations around the perimeter of the 132 acre site, and there has not been any detection of problems with air quality. Gielniewski said there are 25 to 30 employees working at the site, and a good portion of them are local workers. She said the contaminated debris will be moved to a 10 acre containment cell on the west side of the property lined with two feet of clay. She also said the City of Hillsboro is in talks to purchase the property from the current

owner once the cleanup is completed next spring. Gielniewski also said once the project is done, there will be a 5 to 8 acre wetland area with ditches and fencing around the cell to help with erosion, and there will be semiannual monitoring of the site.

2. **Green Diamond Bike Trail Update:** Savage reported the committee will spend about \$2,000 for repairs to the Green Diamond Bike trail this year and will put \$9,000 for oil and chip work for this site in the FY 2019 budget.
3. **Montgomery County School Study Approval:** Savage reported the Economic Development Committee recommends \$10,000 to fund the Montgomery County School Study. **Motion by Savage and second by Hughes to give \$10,000 to the MCEDC for the Montgomery County School Study from County Fund 375 (Coal Fund).** Savage asked Mulch to explain the project to members. Mulch stated several months ago, All Scripts representative Jim Hewitt spoke to the County Board about barriers keeping his employees from re-locating to Montgomery County. The issues cited were high property taxes, lack of housing and the need for improved ratings for our schools. Mulch stated he and a small group of concerned citizens from Hillsboro and Litchfield have formed a School Study Commission and have been meeting with school officials and they would now like to hire a consultant to evaluate the needs of the county schools. Mulch reported the study will cost \$18,000 to \$20,000 and the group has been fund raising to pay for the cost of the study. Mulch explained the group is fundraising through the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation's 501C3 status, so donated funds can be tax deductible. Mulch stated the primary goal of this project is to improve the education infrastructure of the schools, and once the study is completed the School Study Commission will present it to each of the school boards within the county. Jeremy Jones stated to locate a Vocational School in our county is very important, and asked if this would be part of the school study. Mulch replied we will have to wait and look at the results of the study. **All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

E.M.A and AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bill Bergen:

Ambulance Billing Report:

1. **Monthly Report Update:** Bergen said the committee reviewed the ambulance billing reports.
2. **Ambulance Contracts Update:** Bergen said the five ambulance district contracts have been received, and EMA Office representative Sherry Greenwood reported ambulance revenue has increased and a \$70,000 deposit was made on Friday since the Litchfield Medicare issue was resolved. He said Greenwood also reported there is a \$500 fee for getting information stored on the internet "Cloud" for the City of Litchfield and the City will pay the fee. Bergen reported the Ambulance Contracts were received, but not all the proof of insurance documents have been received as required by the contract, so Greenwood will follow up to get the needed documents.
3. **Five Ambulance District Contracts Approval:**
Motion by Bergen and second by Beck to approve the Farmersville/Waggoner Ambulance Agreement pending getting proof of insurance. All in favor, motion carried.
Motion by Bergen and second by Deabenderfer to approve the Hillsboro Area Ambulance Agreement. All in favor, motion carried.
Motion by Bergen and second by Wendel to approve the Litchfield Area Ambulance Agreement pending proof of insurance. All in favor, motion carried.
Motion by Bergen and second by Johnson to approve the Nokomis/Witt Ambulance Agreement pending proof of insurance. All in favor, motion carried.
Motion by Bergen and second by Jones to approve the Raymond/Harvel Ambulance Agreement. All in favor, motion carried.

EMA Report:

1. **ETSB – 911 Board Update:** Bergen reported the ETSB/911 board sent a letter to the County Board on June 14th, 2018 giving a 90 day notification to the Sheriff stating they are terminating the current intergovernmental agreement for centralized dispatching services. Bergen stated EMA Director/911 Coordinator Greg Nimmo does not report to the Sheriff any longer and will instead report to the ETSB Board and the EMA Committee, effective immediately. Bergen stated the intergovernmental

agreement with the Sheriff's office was implemented in 2010 when 911 funding was decreasing due to dwindling funds received from the land line 911 surcharge. Bergen said legislation has changed to include 911 fees for cell phones so the funding has increased and the ETSB board feels they can now financially support the dispatching services.

2. **EMA Committee Meeting Time Change Update/Approval:** Bergen said the committee discussed and approved changing the monthly EMA Committee meeting time to 8:30 am on the first Monday of the month at the EMA Office in the Courthouse Complex.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Vice-Chairman Robert Mulch:

1. **Employee Health Insurance Update/Approval:**

- **HRA Report** – The committee reviewed the Health Reimbursement Account report submitted by CIBC representative Amanda Mast and she said we are doing great.
- **LFPC and Health Alliance** – Mulch reported Litchfield Family Practice gave an official notification to Health Alliance stating as of August 31st, 2018, the contract will end unless they can negotiate better reimbursements. Mulch said CIBC has asked for quotes from other insurance carriers just in case the negotiations are not successful.

2. **Supreme Court's Janus Decision Regarding "Fair Share" Provisions Update/Approval:** Mulch reported the committee reviewed the correspondence from County Labor Attorney Guare regarding the Supreme Court's decision on June 27th, 2018, that stated "fair share" union dues are unconstitutional and should stop immediately. Mulch stated this ruling affected four county employees and those deductions were stopped.

3. **Executive Session to Discuss Union Contract with Local 773 Correctional Officers Update/Approval:** Motion by Yeske and second by Wendel to enter into executive session to discuss the Local 773 Correction Officers' union contract. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 10:05 am

Motion by Hughes and second by Bishop to come out of executive session. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 10:15 am

Motion by Mulch and second by Plunkett to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Sheriff's Department Correctional Officers in Local 773. All in favor, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/SCHEDULE CHANGES: Chairman Young stated the EMA committee changed their meeting time to 8:30 am on the first Monday of the month starting in August, 2018.

APPOINTMENTS:

Motion by Clark and second by Hughes to re-appoint Bill Kinney as a Commissioner to the Litchfield Airport Authority Board for a five year term. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Citizen Bill Schroeder stated he was at a meeting with IDNR Officials in Carlinville recently and was told the Deer Run Coal mine was permanently closed. He asked why the remediation process hasn't started yet, and Chairman Young said he hadn't received information saying the Coal Mine was permanently closed. Schroeder stated he also wonders why there have not been any solutions or answers about the underground fire at the coal mine site, and said the county needs to be more proactive about checking what is going on with the coal mine. Chairman Young replied he will find out more information and report this back to the board. Citizen Karyl Dressen expressed her appreciation for the county recycling program and asked for continued County Board financial support for recycling, despite budget hardships.

PAY BILLS:

1. **Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC, Books & Moore, and Point of Light**
Motion by Wendel and second by Deabenderfer to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore. and Point of Light. Voice Vote: In favor –17, Against – 0, Absent – 2 (Beeler and Furness), Abstain – 2 (Moore and Bishop). Motion carried.
2. Motion by Plunkett and second by Miles to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjourn: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, August, 14th, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Robinson and second by Graden to ADJOURN the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, August 14th, 2018 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, August 14th, 2018 in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

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

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Jeremy Jones, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Robert Mulch, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Richard Wendel, Donna Yeske, and Evan Young

Members Absent: None

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by County Board Member Bob Sneed.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Wendel and second by Yeske to approve the mileage and per diem.

Travel Voucher for County Board Member Gene Miles Approval: Motion by Moore and second by Mulch to approve the travel voucher for Gene Miles, which exceeded the approved lodging amount in the Travel/Lodging ordinance. **ROLL CALL VOTE: 21 members voted Yes, No members voted No. Voting Yes were:** Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske and Young. None voted no. **Motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Furness and second by Deabenderfer to approve the Minutes of the Previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, July 10th, 2018. **All in favor, motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Ambulance Billing Report** -- Sherry Greenwood – report was submitted.
2. **Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
3. **Circuit Clerk’s Report** ---- Holly Lemons – report was submitted.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder’s Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
5. **Health & TB Department Report** ---- Hugh Satterlee was present for questions.
6. **Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
7. **Probation Office Report** ---- Banee Ulrici – report was submitted.
8. **Public Defender’s Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
9. **Recycling Report** ---- Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
10. **ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – reports were submitted.
11. **Sheriff’s Report** ---- Jim Vazzi-report was submitted. Under Sheriff Robbins was present for questions.
12. **SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston – report was submitted.
13. **Treasurer’s Report** ---- Jay Martin – was present for questions and reported 64% of the real estate taxes have been collected to date, and stated the second installment is due

Friday September 7th. 2018. Martin said the first property tax disbursement to other taxing bodies went out on August 1st, 2018.

14. **V.A.C. Report** ---- Dave Strowmatt was present for questions.

APPROVAL OF 14 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Wendel and second by Johnson to approve the 14 items on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated the 708 Board met last night and they continue to work on their by-laws so they can be reviewed by the State’s Attorney’s Office before voting on them in September.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson stated there is nothing to report.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergen stated there is nothing to report.
- **Health Department** – Mulch stated there is nothing to report.
- **IL Association of County Officials** –Plunkett referred members to the *Illinois Counties at the Capital* Report in everyone’s packet.
- **MCEDC** –Mulch stated they will meet this Thursday.
- **Planning Commission** – Young stated there will be some appointments made at the end of the meeting.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported they are meeting quarterly.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated he attended the annual seminar in Galena and discussion took place on the state’s fiscal impact on local governments as well as Cook County, which is the only home rule county in Illinois. Miles reported it will take several years for the State to get out of debt.
- **U of I** – Beck reported they will meet in October.
- **WCDC** – Wendel stated they will meet this Thursday night.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

1. **Ballot Public Question for Fire Arm Legislation Resolution #9-2018 Approval:**
Chairman Young reported State Representative Avery Bourne asked the county board to put the following question on the November Ballot. *“Should the Illinois General Assembly pass any additional legislation that restricts a citizen’s ability to own and possess guns or firearms?”* Representative Bourne was in the audience. Young stated this will give our citizens a chance to vote on the issue. Moore replied he is a hunter and owns guns and asked about the need to hurry and said he felt this could be put on the April 2019 ballot instead. Moore added he first saw this resolution five days ago and there is nothing specific listed in it. Jones said we should do it expeditiously because we don’t know what the legislature is doing, so it should be on the next ballot to protect ourselves. Moore stated firearms are already regulated by state and federal law and some other counties put it on the ballot by petition. Bourne replied Christian County and Massac County put it on the ballot by County Board Resolution and Macoupin put it on the ballot by petition. Young stated he wants to get it out to the voters now and said it will put the State on notice by letting them know what Montgomery County voters would

like to see done about guns. Bishop stated we need to act on this quickly so the State knows what we want in our county. Clark stated he is in favor of doing this now. **Motion by Savage and second by Bergen to approve the Resolution #9-2018 to put the advisory fire arm legislation question on the November 2018 ballot. Roll Call Vote: 19 Yes, 2 No. Voting Yes were:** Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Mulch, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske and Young. Voting No were: Moore and Plunkett. **Motion carried. (For copy of Resolution, see Resolution Book 17, pages 130-131.**

2. Other Business Update/Approval: None

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Gene Miles:

- 1. Resolution #2018-19 to appropriate funds for 1180 B-CA, North 13th, Avenue, Witt, a 100% County Project Approval:** The committee discussed replacing a 36" and a 30" pipe on Witt South Road for a total of \$7,000 which is a 100% county project. **Motion by Miles and second by Moore to approve Resolution #2018-19 to appropriate funds for 1180 B-CA on North 13th Avenue, Witt, which is a 100% county project in the amount of \$7,000. All in Favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, pages 130-131).**
- 2. Dakota Access Pipeline Project Update:** Miles reported Engineer Greenwood will email additional information regarding estimated road repairs requested by Liberty Mutual Bond Company for the Dakota Access Pipeline Project.
- 3. Highway Department Building Improvements/Property Acquisition Update:** Miles reported Engineer Greenwood is getting estimates for the construction of a new building on the county farm to give us an idea versus purchasing another building.
- 4. Other Business Update:** Miles reported the new tandem truck arrived a couple of weeks ago.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairwoman Megan Beeler:

- 1. FY 2019 Budgets Update:** Beeler encouraged everyone to read the finance budget hearing minutes and said there will be a lot of input in the next couple of months. She said they hope to have a draft of the budget out for review in September.
- 2. Cyber Security Insurance ICRMT Quotes Update:** Beeler reported ICRMT Insurance Agent Tom Franzen has submitted a few Cyber Security Insurance Quotes for IT Director Curt Watkins and the Finance Committee to review.
- 3. Property Casualty Insurance for Earthquake coverage Update:** Beeler reported Agent Franzen is also working on quotes for Earthquake coverage for the committee to review.
- 4. Postage Machines Lease ends 11/30/18 Approval:** Beeler said the committee reviewed a spreadsheet showing a comparison of expenses for a 36 month lease renewal on the two postage machines in the amount of \$6,288.96. She said if we went to one postage machine the lease amount per year would be \$3,144.48. **Motion by Beeler and second by Beck to approve a 36 month lease renewal for two postage machines in the amount of \$6,288.96 per year. All in favor, motion carried.**
- 5. 708 Board Approval for Vouchers Approval:** Beeler said the committee reviewed the voucher for the Health Department in the amount of \$61,070 for their 1st quarterly 708 board funding. She said they are on the same fiscal year as the county, but their payments

are not. **Motion by Beeler and second by Yeske to approve the payment of the Health Department Voucher in the amount of \$61,070. All in favor, motion carried.**

6. **Montgomery County Predictable Recording Fee Ordinance #10-2018 Approval:** Beeler stated this ordinance was presented to the full board last month for a 30 day review. **Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to approve the Montgomery County Predictable Recording Fee Ordinance #10-2018.** Deabenderfer asked about the timeline, and Clerk/Recorder Leitheiser said it will be implemented on January 1st, 2019, which will be not less than 60 days from the ordinance's passage, as required by law. Leitheiser stated overall revenue should stay the same, since this is an adjustment of fees, not an increase. **All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Ordinance #10-2018, see Resolution Book 17, page 116.)**
7. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 10-06-111-003 in North Litchfield Township to Helgen Brothers, LLC Approval:** **Motion by Beeler and second by Bishop to recommend the approval of the Resolution to convey Trustee deed for Parcel #10-06-111-003 in North Litchfield Township to Helgen Brothers, LLC. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, page 117).**
8. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 16-12-110-009 in Hillsboro Township to Michael D. Lee Approval:** **Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to recommend the approval of the Resolution to convey Trustee deed for Parcel #16-12-110-009 in Hillsboro Township to Michael D. Lee. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, page 118).**
9. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #15-04-427-006 in South Litchfield Township to the City of Litchfield Approval:** **Motion by Beeler and second by Bergen to recommend the approval of the Resolution to convey Trustee deed for Parcel #15-04-427-006 in South Litchfield Township to the City of Litchfield. Sneed abstained. Motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, page 119).**
10. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #15-04-176-001 in South Litchfield Township to the City of Litchfield Approval:** **Motion by Beeler and second by Johnson to recommend the approval of the Resolution to convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #15-04-176-001 in South Litchfield Township to the City of Litchfield. Sneed abstained. Motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, page 120).**
11. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #15-04-429-010 in South Litchfield Township to the City of Litchfield Approval:** **Motion by Beeler and second by Mulch to recommend the approval of the Resolution to convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #15-04-429-010 in South Litchfield Township to the City of Litchfield. Sneed abstained. Motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, page 121).**
12. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairwoman Connie Beck:

13. **Health Department Food Amended Ordinance #11-2018 Approval:** Cindy Howard from the Health Department explained our county food ordinance needs a few revisions to comply with the changes made by the State of Illinois. Howard stated Montgomery County and other counties will need to adopt the section of the food code and incorporate it into our food ordinance. Howard explained the "A", "B" and "C" grading scale will still be used for all food establishments and they will enforce the ordinance the way they do now. She said the code will have some various small changes and we have no choice but to amend our ordinance to comply with the state. Satterlee stated the Health Department Board has already approved

the revisions effective on January 1st, 2019. Howard stated the forms will not significantly change nor will the number of food establishments to inspect. Satterlee reported there were 806 inspections last year resulting in 12 B grades becoming A's and three A grades became B's. **Motion by Beck and second by Graden to approve the Health Department Food Amended Ordinance #11-2018. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, pages 122-129).**

1. **Elections Update:** Clerk Leitheiser stated the Election Judge commission list was approved by the Circuit Court, and all Election Judges approved by the County Board at last month's board meeting are now commissioned to serve for the next two years. Leitheiser also reported Early Voting and Voting by mail for the November 6th, 2018 Election will start on September 27th, 2018.
2. **Recycling Program and Events Update:** Beck reported Young, Furness and Bishop will look at a reconditioned baler in the St. Louis area. Jones stated he has a concern with using the present conveyor, and Chairman Young replied our current conveyor will last a long time as long as it is not rusted at the bottom. Miles stated we might check into purchasing equipment from other counties who dropped their recycling programs and Jones responded their equipment is junk, not worth pursuing. He said host fees are dropping because one of the waste haulers built a transfer station and is now taking less waste to the landfill. He said the refurbished baler is a straight eight inch ram cylinder and the cost is \$42,000 with no conveyor or installation. Young reported a new baler would cost about \$67,000.
3. **Animal Control Facility/Program Update/Approval:** Beck reported there are 16 dogs and 5 cats currently at the facility, and she thanked Tremont Ridge Assisted Living staff for conducting a hot dog lunch fundraiser last week for County Animal Control. Beck also reported the large amount of kitty litter donated four years ago has run out so they are looking for donations. She stated Animal Control staff will receive \$150 first place prize for their Scooby Doo and the Mystery Machine entry in the Old Settlers parade, and they also plan to participate in the Witt Labor Day parade. Beck reported the committee discussed the minimal fee for the Municipal Contracts and approved setting the minimum animal control call at \$65. **Motion by Beck and second by Jones to include a \$65.00 charge per call for animal control services in the contract.** Beck deferred to State's Attorney Hitchings who replied this fee can be put into the contract and implement language to recover some of the costs because we can't recover them through the criminal system. He said with the County ordinance violation, we used to be able to recover through the prosecution of the offense, but we can't do this anymore. Hitchings also reported this can be done as long as the county agrees to the \$65 fee for calls and investigations. Jones stated this fee is for the smaller communities and we are only trying to cover the costs of the animal control program. Deabenderfer asked if the towns have been notified of this, and Jones responded most have not. Young stated the fee is based on a history of their calls for the previous year, and he plans to inform the mayors of cities in the county at an upcoming mayors' meeting. Jones stated the cost per call is really \$75 but we would only charge \$65 per call. Hitchings stated he will work on the municipality contract. Beck stated the cost of animal control will be divided among the municipalities for their use because the county doesn't want to continue to use all the Vanek money paying for day to day operations. Deabenderfer asked who pays for the animal control services when a rural county person places a call and Beck replied the county should pay

for those calls. Beck and Jones agree to withdraw their motion so this issue will be tabled until next month after State's Attorney Hitchings has given input on the language changes.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bob Sneed:

1. **Smart Watt Energy Survey Audit Update:** Sneed reported Smart Watt representatives addressed the committee regarding the kick off meeting for the Investment Grade Audit (IGA). He said most of the energy saving measures will be at the jail, and we will have to figure out the most cost effective way to go. He said the committee became excited about the use of a solar garden to reduce electricity costs for the county. Sneed said Smart Watt will come to the September 7th committee meeting to give an update, and they will also attend the October 5th committee meeting to give an update on the project scope. He said on November 9th they will deliver the final proposal and contract to the committee. Sneed said Smart Watt will have some better projections at the next committee meeting and review solar energy options. Graden stated we own the county farm and have plenty of room for a solar garden.
2. **Other Business Update:** None

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairman Glenn Savage:

1. **Community Reports for CEDS Document Update:** Savage reported every municipality was invited to submit their infrastructure needs to be eligible for Federal grants, and there had been some trouble getting information back. He said the municipalities of Farmersville, Hillsboro, Nokomis, Panama, Schram City and Taylor Springs submitted information to West Central Development for the CEDS document. Jones stated to be successful, counties and municipalities have to make sure their district sounds amazing. He said the more information included in a report, the better. Jones also said we need everyone to participate in order to obtain grants.
2. **Bike Trail Update:** Savage reported the committee discussed a request to extend the Arches Trail in Butler to the Green Diamond Trail in Waggoner; however purchasing the old railroad right of way from private ownership would be very costly. Then the cost of building the trail would have to be taken into consideration.
3. **MCEDC Update:**
 - **Revolving Loan Fund Update/Approval:** Savage reported there has been an application for a revolving loan.
 - **CEO Program Update/Approval:** Savage reported the CEO program will be gearing up for their annual breakfast meeting.
 - **Broadband/Fiber Project Update/Approval:** Savage reported CTI continues to bore and install high speed broadband in the Hillsboro area. He said the committee will be considering hiring a professional consultant to help promote the fiber.
4. **Tourism funding for Video Marketing Approval:** Savage reported a lack of return for the rack cards or advertising in publications like Illinoisouth. He said the committee reviewed and discussed the proposal from MCEDC Representative Valerie Belusko to use county tourism dollars for video marketing. The committee approved the proposal from Megan Fairless with Maegyme to develop a series of marketing videos in the

amount of \$7,000, with the County and MCEDC to split the cost at \$3,500 each. **Motion by Savage and second by Clark to approve hiring Megan Fairless with Maegyme to create a series tourism marketing videos in the amount of \$7,000, with the county funding \$3,500 of the tourism video with \$1,000 to be paid now and \$2,500 after December 1st 2018. All in favor, motion carried.**

5. **Eagle Zinc Cleanup Update:** Savage reported they will be excavating and transporting about 30 truckloads of top soil to the Eagle Zinc Site.
6. **Enterprise Zone Update:** Daniels reported she has met with Consultant Craig Coil, and they will be sending a letter to the school districts and setting up a mayor's meeting so Coil can explain what is needed from their end for the narrative. She said data sets to complete the narrative will be out the beginning of October, so Coil can gather our statistics for the new application. Craig Coil also reviewed our legal descriptions and maps and stated they look good.
7. **Other Business Update:** None

E.M.A and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bill Bergen:

A. Ambulance Billing Update:

- **Ambulance Contracts** – Bergen reported all the insurance certificates have been received from the ambulance districts and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.
- **Old Ambulance Reports for Destruction update:** Bergen reported the State has given approval to destroy the old ambulance billing records.

B. EMA Old Business Update:

- **Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP)** – Bergen reported Nimmo continues to work with the County Department Heads on their COOP plans.
- **Update on 911 and Sheriff Department:** Bergen reported they had a meeting with the Sheriff regarding the Dispatching Services, and it was decided there will be no changes until a new Sheriff is seated as of December 1st, 2018. They did agree to split the expenses for the dispatchers 50/50 for FY 2019 and they are looking at a new 911 system and will transition everything by December 1st 2019.

- C. **EMA New Business Update:** Bergen reported Nimmo has identified an ESDA Coordinator volunteer from each of the 19 municipalities in the county.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Kirby Furness:

1. **Employee Health Insurance Update:** Furness reported Amanda Mast of CIBC attended the committee meeting with information regarding the contractual agreement reached between Litchfield Family Practice and Health Alliance so we will continue to have in-network services at LFPC. Furness stated CIBC asked BCBS to give a quote and the cost would be 19% higher than Health Alliance. He said the quote requested was matched to our former BCBS plan as close as possible plus added an HRA. Furness said the HRA report and the utilization is 6.99% as of July 24th, 2018.
2. **Union Negotiations/Strategy Planning Update:** Furness reported we received some letters from union locals to begin the process of union negotiations, with the following Collective Bargaining agreements ending on 11/30/18: Local 397 – SOA, State's

Attorney and Ambulance billing; Local 148 – Circuit Clerk; and the Deputies represented by the Fraternal Order of Police.

3. **ICRMT Sample Employee Manual Updates for Review Update:** Furness reported the committee reviewed the new employee manual items from the ICRMT sample manual, and they will bring back comments and revision suggestions to next month's meeting.
4. **Other Business Update:** None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chairman Young announced the invitation from Farm Bureau to attend an informational meeting on August 19th, 2018, regarding the Ameren pipeline project going through Taylor Springs.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: None

APPOINTMENTS Approval:

1. **Motion by Beeler and second by Robinson to Re-Appoint Toni McDonough to the Montgomery County Planning Commission with a term expiring in June 2020. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Motion by Sneed and second by Miles to Re-Appoint Brian Niemann to the Montgomery County Planning Commission with a term expiring in June 2020. All in favor, motion carried.**
3. **Motion by Yeske and second by Moore to Re-Appoint C.J. Liddell to the Montgomery County Planning Commission with a term expiring in June 2021. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **Motion by Beck and second by Bishop to Re-Appoint Joe Goeke to the Montgomery County Planning Commission with a term expiring in June 2021. All in favor, motion carried.**
5. **Motion by Moore and second by Wendel to Re-Appoint Bill Schroeder to the Montgomery County Planning Commission with a term expiring in June 2021. All in favor, motion carried.**
6. **Motion by Furness and second by Mulch to Re-Appoint Ron Deabenderfer to the Montgomery County Planning Commission as an Ex Officio Appointed Member. Deabenderfer abstained. All others in favor, motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS: County Board member Jones asked about the Montgomery County Growth Initiative and Sneed responded this is going to be under the umbrella of MCEDC because MCEDC is a 501 c 3 organization. Sneed said this group is in the beginning stages and is geared towards Veteran services. Mulch reported he and Belusko met with Veterans Assistance Superintendent Strowmatt and county citizen and veteran Bob Buda to discuss working with MCEDC to find donations for this organization. Jones stated he is excited to fix up properties and said a few Veteran owned businesses are also inquiring about the county.

Citizen Bill Schroeder thanked the board for passing the gun resolution this morning which will let the voters decide. He also thanked Clerk/Recorder Leitheiser for initiating the Property Fraud Alert hotline, informing members he and his wife recently recorded their property's deed and received 10 alerts confirming this transaction occurred. Leitheiser said this is a free service to customers and the county taxpayers, and encouraged members to help educate others about it. Savage stated it takes just about three minutes to sign up, and it was very easy.

PAY BILLS:

1. **Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC, Books & Moore, and Point of Light:** Motion by Beeler and second by Hughes to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore, and Point of Light designs. Voice Vote: In favor – 19 Against – 0, Absent – 0 , Abstain – 2 (Moore and Bishop). Motion carried.
2. **Approval to Pay the FAYCO Voucher in the amount of \$61,070:** Motion by Miles and second by Moore to pay the FAYCO Voucher in the amount of \$48,500. Plunkett abstained, all others voted in favor. Motion carried.
3. **Motion by Mulch and second by Bishop to pay all other approved bills:** All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2018.

Adjourn: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, September 11th, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois. Motion by Robinson and second by Bishop to ADJOURN the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

Montgomery County Board Minutes

For Tuesday, September 11th, 2018 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, September 11th, 2018 in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

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

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Jeremy Jones, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Robert Mulch, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Donna Yeske, and Evan Young

Members Absent: Bill Bergen and Richard Wendel,

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Chuck Graden.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Miles and second by Yeske to approve the mileage and per diem. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** 19 members voted Yes, none voted No, 2 members were absent. Voting Yes: Beck, Beeler, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Yeske and Young. 2 Members were absent: Bergen and Wendel. **All in favor, motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Sneed and second by Hughes to approve the minutes of the previous county board meeting held on Tuesday, August 7th, 2018. **All in favor, motion carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Ambulance Billing Report** -- Sherry Greenwood – report was submitted.
2. **Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
3. **Circuit Clerk’s Report** ---- Holly Lemons – report was submitted.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder’s Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
5. **Health & TB Department Report** ---- Hugh Satterlee – report was submitted.
6. **Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
7. **Probation Office Report** ---- Banee Ulrici –was present for questions.
8. **Public Defender’s Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
9. **Recycling Report** ---- Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
10. **ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
11. **Sheriff’s Report** ---- Jim Vazzi - Report was submitted. Sheriff’s office representative Bruce Sanford was present for questions.
12. **SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston was present for questions.
13. **Treasurer’s Report** ---- Jay Martin was present for questions and reported that 93.7% of the first property tax installment payments have been made and 83.7% of the second installments have been paid. Martin reported they are busy processing the real estate payments received in the mail and paid to the local banks. He stated the treasurer’s office is also working on the month end revenue and expense reports for the month ending August 31st, 2018 and they will be sent out once they are finished balancing.
14. **V.A.C. Report** ---- Dave Strowmatt was present for questions.

APPROVAL OF 14 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Miles and second by Bishop to approve the 14 items on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated the board met on September 10th and they are revising their by-laws and they will have the State’s Attorney’s Office review them when they are complete. She said they are working on their one and three year plans, and an open house is planned for September 20th. Robinson said there will not be a meeting in October and the next 708 Board meeting will be held on November 12th, 2018.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson reported Golden Circle in Litchfield received a new walk-in cooler, and the ILHEAP program will be open on October 1st for the elderly and disabled. She said the program will open up to families with children under the age of 6 on November 1st, 2018; and then on December 1st, it will open up to other low income families.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergen was absent.
- **Health Department** – Mulch stated there is no report at this time.
- **IL Association of County Officials** – Plunkett stated there is no report at this time.
- **MCEDC** – Mulch stated he met with MCGI and the MCEDC board of directors recently regarding land acquisition for organizations like MCGI. He said the MCEDC charter states they can own property; and Mulch stated the MCEDC directors recommended he meet with a few attorneys in Springfield who have expertise in 501C3’s regarding this matter, so he did. Mulch informed members the attorneys’ recommendations are not to assume control of fiscal assets. They suggested MCGI get their own 501C3 to take care of their own projects. He said the attorneys also recommended a LLC be set up for MCEDC to limit their liability. Mulch stated the cost would be about \$1,000 to set all this up and pay an annual filing fee, plus there would be a requirement to file for tax-exempt status to not pay taxes on the property. Mulch said after hearing this information, he then met with MCGI representative Bob Buda and explained the situation. Mulch publicly thanked Buda for all his work with MCGI and most recently for bringing a new business (Atlas 46) to the county.
- **Planning Commission** – Young stated there is no report at this time.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported the quarterly meeting will be held next week.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated they didn’t meet this month and there is a seminar next month.
- **U of I** – Beck stated there is no report at this time.
- **WCDC** – Wendel was absent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

Guest Speakers from IDNR Update/Approval: Young reported Dr. Mulch contacted representatives from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and invited them to answer questions regarding the Deer Run Coal Mine. Chairman Young opened the floor for questions to the following IDNR Representatives who were present:

Thomas Benner – IDNR Director Office of Mines and Minerals

Bill Patterson – State Mine Safety Inspector-at-Large (supervises all the mine safety inspectors underground)

Nick San Diego - Supervisor of the Land Reclamation Division (deals with permits and environmental issues)

Dan Barkley – Wildlife, Hydrology Division

Cliff Johnson –Coal Mine Inspection Division (inspects Hillsboro mine)

Chairman Young opened the floor to the public for questions, and Citizen Bill Schroeder asked how long the coal mine will be held in limbo, and what is the future risk for property owners. Benner replied IDNR is in the technical review stage of the permit; however, due to the non-activity of the coal mine it hasn't been a priority for the agency to finish the review so the revised permit has not been approved.

Schroeder asked about the status of the fire at the coal mine. Benner deferred the question to DNR representative Cliff Johnson, who replied there is no evidence of a fire and there never was a raging fire. Johnson said the problem was just that hot spots of oily shale generated carbon monoxide so the federal mine inspectors shut the mine down for safety reasons. Johnson further explained the mine has since been completely shut off from oxygen, so the hot spots have diminished and currently there is no evidence of elevated levels of carbon monoxide. Schroeder asked if the coal mine was closed or not, and Brenner responded the mine is in an "idle" status and they could start mining coal again at any time. He said the coal mine is considered in idle status as long as there are employees working on the site, and IDNR inspectors are constantly monitoring the situation. Brenner reported miners are going underground and working where they can, and said the water is being managed and subsidence work is continuing. Schroeder then asked what would happen if the coal company declared bankruptcy, and Brenner replied they could then go to the surety company's bond and then enforce reclamation. He said after bond forfeiture, the state oversees the reclamation process. Brenner stated technology today can monitor carbon monoxide levels underground and shared an example of how a stove fire in a home could generate CO2 levels of 400 parts per million before an alarm goes off, whereas the coal mine is held to the standard of only 17 parts per million and then everyone has to evacuate the coal mine.

Deabenderfer asked if the longwall machine was in the sealed area and if so, if there was a possibility to break the seal to retrieve it. Brenner replied they could break the seal; however they would have to submit a plan to IDNR and MSHA and get permission to break it.

Plunkett asked what steps would need to be taken for the company to open the coal mine again, and Brenner responded the coal mine is in compliance with all state regulations and could start mining today.

Clark asked what could happen in the future, and Brenner responded everything is market driven and he can't answer what the company will do in the future; but if there is a market for coal, he speculated they would be mining coal.

Citizen Larry Schraut asked about the current lawsuit with Murray for coal royalties, and if Murray can close the mine. Brenner responded they would have to go into reclamation status, and IDNR doesn't make speculations about pending lawsuits. He said the only way IDNR can get involved is if a court of law orders them to act.

Citizen Don Karban asked the dollar amount of the bond, and Brenner responded the bond would have to be determined because reclamation is site specific and the amount is calculated during the design phase for the hydrology design and environmental impacts.

Schroeder asked when the refuse will be moved so our water won't be affected, and IDNR representative Barkley replied the refuse is down stream of the area and the water leaving the site has be in compliance. Barkley also stated they have checks and balances at IDNR so this shouldn't happen; if it does, the coal mine will be fined and have to repair the damaged areas. Karban asked what would happen if the refuse site failed, and Barkley responded the site is monitored weekly for stability to make sure this never happens.

Deabenderfer stated Illinois Route 185 going to Coffeen is a little rough around 9th Avenue. Barkley stated that the Deer Run Mine's panel two stopped before Route 185 and panel one did not go under Route 185, and the coal mine has an agreement to make repairs to any subsidence to the roads.

Schroeder stated he would like to see the citizens get more information about the mine's status, such as a quarterly report regarding current operations. Brenner stated IDNR doesn't have the staffing to make such frequent visits to county board meetings; however, they are working on revamping their website to make information more available. Schroeder stated every public hearing should be structured so the public can interact more to ask questions so they don't have to wait three months for the transcripts to come out. Brenner replied the Attorney General's Office sets the rules for public hearings and not IDNR.

IDNR representative Nick San Diego stated all comments are recorded and taken into consideration as to how it applies to the application. Brenner stated IDNR is planning to change the permit process and possibly synchronize all permits into a single permit so the public hearing can encompass everything about the mine operation and make it easier for the public to ask questions.

1. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Gene Miles:

1. **Section 15-08114-00-RR Red Bridge Trail Railroad Crossing and Section 15-08115-00-RR Miller Brand Trail Rail Road Crossing Improvements, Hillsboro Township Bid Letting Results Update/Approval:** Miles reported four bids were received for the letting and he didn't read two of them because they didn't have the required supplier's commitment

letter with the bid. Stutz Excavating of Alton, Illinois, submitted a bid for \$233,236.20 and Cline Excavating of Pana submitted a bid for \$270,626.14. Greenwood said funds will be used from the Rail Road Grade Crossing Protection fund and the Townships will be reimbursed. **Motion by Miles and second by Johnson to approve the low bid from Stutz Excavating in the amount of \$233,236.20 to do the improvements on Section 15-08114-00-RR Red Bridge Trail Railroad Crossing and Section 15-08115-00-RR Miller Brand Trail Rail Road Crossing in Hillsboro Township. ROLL CALL VOTE:** 19 Members voted yes, none no, 2 Members absent. Voting Yes: Beck, Beeler, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Yeske and Young. 2 Members Absent: Bergen and Wendel. **All in favor, motion carried.**

2. 911 Sign Maintenance Agreement Update/Approval: Miles said Engineer Greenwood shared the 1997 agreement regarding paying for the 911 sign and post purchases and installations. Greenwood stated he would like to return to using this agreement, which would require 911 to pay for the signs and posts and the labor would be split 50/50 between the Highway Department and 911. **Motion by Miles and second by Graden to reinstate the 1997 sign agreement for 911 to reimburse the Highway Department for 911 signs, posts and labor costs. All in favor, motion carried.**

3. Dakota Access Pipeline Update/Approval: Miles reported State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings has sent more information requested by Dakota Access and we are waiting for their response.

4. Highway Department Building Improvements/Property Acquisition Update/Approval: Miles reported Engineer Greenwood has drawn up some preliminary plans for constructing new highway department buildings on six acres of the county farm property. Greenwood has sent the drawings to Hurst-Rosche Engineers, and we will receive some estimates on the cost to build in a few weeks.

5. Other Business Update/Approval: Miles also reported Highway Department employees are finishing the blade mix project on the Black Diamond Trail. Beeler said she got two positive calls from her constituents thanking the county for work on the Black Diamond Trail.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Megan Beeler:

1. Property Casualty and Workers Compensation Mid-Year Review Update/Approval: Beeler reported the committee reviewed the property casualty and workers compensation activity reports submitted by ICRMT Insurance representative Tom Franzen. Beeler stated Franzen will present the new insurance renewal at the November 13th, 2018 full board meeting.

2. Cyber Security Insurance ICRMT Quotes Update/Approval: Beeler reported Tom Franzen brought three options for cyber security insurance coverage for the committee to review. She stated the current policy includes \$50,000 cyber security coverage and we are going to increase that amount to \$1 million. Beeler reported within the first few days of the county's November 2017 malware attack, the county spent \$120,000 for attorneys and forensic specialists. She said the deductible on the new coverage would be \$10,000 and different deductibles apply for different type of cyber-attack events. Franzen stated this will help the county IT department get resources fast and complimented the county for being proactive by educating employees about cyber security issues. **Motion by Beeler and**

second by Mulch to recommend purchasing the \$1 million cyber security insurance policy with AXIS. Discussion: Graden asked the cost of the additional insurance and Beeler replied it will cost about an additional \$4,000 per year and the current \$50,000 coverage will be deleted from the policy. **All in favor, motion carried.**

3. Property Casualty Insurance for Earthquake coverage Update/Approval: Beeler reported the committee also discussed increasing earthquake coverage and stated they will discuss this further at the renewal time in November.

4. FY 2019 Budget Update/Approval: Beeler stated she encouraged everyone to read the finance committee minutes regarding the FY 2019 budget discussions and to review the updated revenue and expense reports. Beeler explained there will be revisions to the FY 2019 budget because there is a deficit in the general fund. She said the committee continues to work on budget requests; and she provided members a copy of the report showing the estimated taxes to be levied and stated we will have to adopt the aggregate levy next month. Beeler reported the committee is looking at our IMRF obligation, and said Treasurer Martin is working to see that we will meet our obligation and not collect more than we need. Bishop asked how the \$500,000 amount was put in the budget for the IMRF fund because he didn't recall discussing this at the recent Finance Committee meeting. Beeler deferred to Martin to research Bishop's question, and she replied our IMRF obligation is about \$900,000 for all the employees and we are levying \$1.3 million. She said the difference of \$500,000 is to cover the obligation of the Sheriff's retirement on November 30th, 2018. Beeler reported the ECO IMRF fund needs additional funding in the budget to avoid the potential need to borrow money to meet our IMRF obligations because not enough tax dollars were levied. She said we are at the point now we don't have to borrow and are in a good place with the pensions, and we can't jeopardize this. Bishop stated his issue is he feels the county has levied too much for the past six years to pay for this, so he feels we are levying too much money. Beeler stated she is working with IMRF to make sure we are budgeting and levying correctly, and we have an obligation to employees to fund the pensions. Martin stated IMRF Representative Mandy Beedie attended the Finance Committee meeting on May 3rd and stated in her presentation the county should have about \$500,000 in the account for the ECO IMRF fund. Beeler said she anticipates more discussion next month and reminded members we are levying now for money needed for FY 2020.

5. Adding Budget Line Items during the Fiscal Year Update/Approval: Beeler reported the committee had a discussion regarding the practice of adding budget line items during the fiscal year and this issue will be referred to State's Attorney Hitchings. Beeler stated there will be more updates for next month's meetings.

6. Property in Farmersville Update/Approval: The committee discussed the need to put the parcel outside of Farmersville out for bid. **Motion by Beeler and second by Beck to approve putting the parcel in Farmersville out for bid.** Discussion: Board members and Highway Engineer Greenwood had some questions about the location of this parcel and felt this should be tabled until next month. **Beeler and Beck withdrew their motion and Young stated this issue will be tabled until next month.**

7. Other Business Update/Approval: Beeler handed out the flyer for the upcoming "Suicide the Ripple Effect" event held by Cross Over Ministries, a group that is working to prevent suicide, which is a large concern in our county. She encouraged all to attend this event, and stated a proclamation will be made on this issue at next month's meeting.

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairperson Connie Beck:

1. Elections Update/Approval: Beck deferred to County Clerk Sandy Leitheiser, who reported they are preparing for the November 6th, 2018 General Election. She asked board members to refer to the map on their desks regarding no electioneering near the courthouse starting on the first day for early voting, September 27th, 2018. Leitheiser reminded everyone there can be no political signage on vehicles within the boundaries set forth in the map.

2. Recycling Program and Events Update/Approval: Beck reported an Electronics Recycling Drive is scheduled for Saturday, September 29th, 2018 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Litchfield Recycling Center. She said there will be a fee to take console and projection TV's ranging from \$20 to \$60. Chairman Young reported he and Kirby Furness recently went to a business in St. Louis to check out a used 2006 baler, and he encourages its purchase. He stated he and Furness ran the baler and the unit runs well, and we will receive a six month warranty on the refurbished baler. The deal includes the trade-in of our old baler. Young reported we will have to pay for the freight charges. Jones asked about a conveyer, and Young replied the DeHart representative stated our conveyor is fine. Jones stated our conveyor belt and motor is a concern because if the belt goes backwards, it puts product under the baler, and he said he would like to see us do this right with a whole new system set up. Furness stated the conveyer on the used baler was not good, so it should not be bought. Young said our current baler was purchased in 2008 and has 15,000 hours on it and the one in St. Louis has 7,000 hours on it. Graden called for the question. **Motion by Beck and second by Jones to approve the purchase of a refurbished baler from DeHart for an amount not to exceed \$45,000, with payment coming from the 375 coal fund line item.** Bishop abstained. **All others in favor, motion carried.**

3. Animal Control Facility/Program Update/Approval: Beck said she and Animal Control Warden Amanda Daniels will meet with the State's Attorney regarding some language changes to the municipality contracts. Beck reported currently there are 27 cats and 14 dogs at the facility.

4. Other Business Update/Approval: None

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bob Sneed:

1. Smart Watt Energy Survey Audit Update/Approval: Sneed reported Orry Cummings and Kevin Wolf from Smart Watt gave an update on the energy audit, and they are about half way through the process of evaluating the county buildings for energy efficiency. He said the committee discussed concentrating on the three main buildings in the courts complex on this project. Sneed stated Smart Watt representatives will attend the November 9th, 2018, committee meeting to present a proposal outlining the scope of the project for all the selected county buildings.

2. LED Lighting Preplacement Program Update/Approval: Sneed reported we were contacted by A & D Electric regarding the renewal of the Ameren free LED Lighting replacement project, with an estimated savings of \$3,900 a year in electricity. He said after reviewing the savings, it was agreed to proceed with the free LED lighting for the Jail, Recycling centers in Hillsboro and Litchfield, Annex Building and Highway Department.

3. Attorney/Client Private Conference areas for New Courthouse Update/Approval: Sneed reported he hasn't heard any updates at this time.

4. **Courthouse Complex Air Conditioning Update/Approval:** Sneed reported we are working on a few issues with air conditioning in the Circuit Clerk and SOA offices.
5. **Air Conditioning Unit in the Server Room of the Historic Courthouse Update/Approval:** Sneed reported the committee approved the purchase of a portable air conditioning unit for the server room in the basement of the Historic Courthouse.
6. **Projector Installation in the Annex Conference Room Update/Approval:** Sneed reported the Regional Office of Education has agreed to purchase a projector for the Annex Conference room and asked if the County would pay to install an electrical outlet so it can be mounted to the ceiling. He said the committee approved the quote from Hillsboro Electric to install an outlet in the ceiling for \$375.
7. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairman Glenn Savage:

1. **Atlas 46 Update/Approval:** Savage reported a meeting and presentation was held recently in Litchfield to discuss Atlas 46.
2. **Green Diamond Bike Trail Update/Approval:** Savage reported we received an invoice in the amount of \$2,086 from Pitman Township for oiling and chipping the bike trail. He said the county only had to pay for the oil, and Pitman Township supplied the rock and labor. We put money in next year's budget to complete the oiling and chipping project.
3. **Planning Commission Update/Approval:** Savage stated the next meeting is scheduled for October 24th, 2018 at 5:30 pm in the Conference room on the second floor of the Historic Courthouse. Chairman Young said the Planning Commission has been discussing a real estate tax incentive for property owners, but he doesn't think we can freeze property taxes so home owners can fix up houses in disrepair under current law.
4. **MCEDC Update/Approval:**
 - CEO Program Update/Approval: Savage stated they held an annual breakfast meeting last Thursday at 7:30 am at the Hillsboro Free Methodist Church.
 - Broadband/Fiber Project Update/Approval: Savage stated CTI is progressing.
 - MCEDC Summit Meeting is scheduled for October 25th, 2018.
5. **Tourism Update/Approval:**
 - Tourism Financial Grant Application (draft) Update/Approval: Savage reported Valerie Belusko is working on the tourism financial grant application and will present a draft to the committee.
 - Tourism Video Marketing Update/Approval: Savage reported money is being spent to place more information on social media to advertise tourism in Montgomery County.
6. **Enterprise Zone Update/Approval:** Daniels reported we will set up a mayors' meeting the third week of September so Enterprise Zone representative Craig Coil can come and address the mayors regarding the new application.
7. **West Central Development Update/Approval:** Chairman Young stated he has attended two meetings regarding the disqualification of West Central's authority to administer Federal Economic Development Assistant grants. He said there are seven counties in our economic development region, and EDA manager Darrin Flenner doesn't want the seven

counties to split up should West Central be dissolved. Bishop stated he would like to see Montgomery County take the lead role in the reorganization of our region.

8. Other Business Update/Approval: None

E.M.A and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Vice Chairman Chuck Graden:

EMA Update/Approval:

1. Coop Plan – Graden reported EMA Coordinator Nimmo has been working on a COOP plan with the county offices so we can identify which records would need to be accessed within 72 hours of an emergency event so the offices could function.
 - EMA Meetings and Trainings: Graden stated the list of Nimmo’s meetings and trainings are self-explanatory. Graden reported Nimmo worked with the City of Litchfield recently to complete a school exercise regarding an active shooter. Graden stated the committee saw the drone video of the training, and it was very impressive. The little drone was used inside the school and big drone was flown outside. Graden reported after reviewing the video, they will work on a couple of issues and all four school districts will use this training video.
2. Graden reported the EMA Truck overheated recently when Nimmo was on his way to Litchfield. He said the truck was taken for repairs in Litchfield and it was determined the truck had a blown head gasket, and the repair cost estimates range of \$4,000 to \$5,000. Graden said the committee approved an expense not to exceed \$6,000 to make the necessary repairs to the pickup truck. Young reported the repairs came in at \$5,600. Beeler stated the money is not in the 911 budget and we will have to find a line item to voucher this expense.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Kirby Furness:

1. **Employee Health Insurance Update/Approval:** Furness reported CIBC representative Tony Johnston expects us to get a good renewal rate and he will ask Health Alliance for no increase in premiums for next year’s employee health insurance. Furness explained at this point in time, Health Alliance has made about \$102,000 on our account. He reported the committee reviewed the HRA report and we are running at 8.24% usage at this time. Johnston estimated we could be at about a 15% utilization rate for the year, and we can safely budget for a 20% HRA utilization for next year.
2. **Union Negotiations/Strategy Planning Update/Approval:** Furness stated we are in contact with two of three employee unions up for re-negotiation.
 - Local 397 (SOA, State’s Attorney and EMA) – Furness stated a letter of notification has been received from Union Representative Traylor.
 - FOP (Deputies) - Furness stated a letter of notification has been received, and the committee and Undersheriff Robbins reviewed an email from Union Representative Guare.
 - Local 148 (Circuit Clerk) – Furness stated we have not yet been notified by the union representative.
3. **ICRMT Sample Employee Manual Updates for Review Update/Approval:** Furness stated the Committee will review the ICRMT Sample Employee Manual next month.
4. **Cyber Security On-Line Training Update/Approval:** Furness reported he spoke with IT Manager Curt Watkins, and there was almost 100% employee participation in the

Cyber Security Cyber Hygiene on-Line Training, with only about five or six people who need to complete the training.

5. Other Business Update/Approval: none

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

SCHEDULE CHANGES: None

APPOINTMENTS:

Motion by Graden and second by Miles to appoint Randal Singler to the Mutual Drainage District No. 1 of the Townships of Irving, Witt, Nokomis and Rountree in Montgomery County. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Schroeder thanked County Board member Mulch for bringing IDNR Representatives to the meeting to answer questions. He also noted the anniversary of the 911 tragedy, and at his request a moment of silence was held.

PAY BILLS:

1. Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC, Books & Moore, and Point of Light:

Motion by Savage and second by Furness to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore. and Point of Light. Voice Vote: In favor – 17. Against – 0, Absent – 2 (Bergen and Wendel), Abstain – 2 (Moore and Bishop). Motion carried.

2. Motion by Miles and second by Hughes to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjourn: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, October 9th, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Robinson and second by Furness to ADJOURN the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, October 9th, 2018 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, October 9th, 2018 in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

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

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ronald Deabenderfer, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Jeremy Jones, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Robert Mulch, Mike Plunkett, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Richard Wendel, Donna Yeske, and Evan Young

Members Absent: Kirby Furness

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by County Clerk Sandy Leitheiser.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Moore and second by Wendel to approve the mileage and per diem. ROLL CALL VOTE: 19 Members Yes - Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske and Young. 1 member was out of the room during the vote—Robinson- and 1 member was absent – Furness. **Motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Johnson and second by Graden to approve the minutes of the Previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, September 11th, 2018. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1. Ambulance Billing Report ----** Sherry Greenwood – report was submitted.
- 2. Animal Control Report ----** Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
- 3. Circuit Clerk’s Report ----** Holly Lemons was present for questions.
- 4. County Clerk and Recorder’s Report ----** Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions and reported there have been 316 early voters so far; and 396 vote by mail ballot have been sent, with 72 of those returned to date. She said the vote by mail ballots need to be postmarked on or before Election Day, November 6th, 2018, to be counted; and as a reminder she stated there is to be no electioneering within 100 feet of the Historic Courthouse.
- 5. Health & TB Department Report ----** Hugh Satterlee was present for questions, and the stated Health Department staff was on site after the County Board meeting to administer flu shots to board members and county employees.
- 6. Highway Department Report ---** Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
- 7. Probation Office Report ----** Banee Ulrici – No report was submitted.
- 8. Public Defender’s Report ----** Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
- 9. Recycling Report ----** Ben Bishop – report was submitted.
- 10. ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports –** Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
- 11. Sheriff’s Report ----** Jim Vazzi - report was submitted, and Undersheriff Robbins reported jail population is now 40, which includes 10 females.

12. SOA Report ---- Ray Durston was present for questions.

13. Treasurer's Report ---- Jay Martin was present for questions, and he reported 95.22% of the real estate taxes have been collected. He said there is about \$1.9 million left to be collected, and also stated the latest certificate of deposit for \$1 million is earning 2.5% interest which is almost double from the last time we invested. We are falling very close to having \$3 million in our reserve account.

14. V.A.C. Report ---- Dave Strowmatt was present for questions.

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

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated the 708 board did not meet this month.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson reported CEFS is looking for a board member to represent low income families.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergen reported there was no meeting this month.
- **Health Department** – Mulch stated there will be a meeting next week.
- **IL Association of County Officials** – Plunkett and Bergen had nothing to report.
- **MCEDC** – Mulch said the CEO program is going well, and he stated they have scheduled a Summit meeting on Oct. 25th at 6:00 PM which will focus on technology. He reported three of the four school districts will be participating in the county school study, and said November 1st, 2018 is the date to kick off the project. He said it will take three to four months to complete the study, and the Nokomis School District is the only one of the four main county schools choosing not to participate.
- **Planning Commission** – Young stated the Planning Commission will meet again on October 24th, 2018.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported the Senior Citizens Board met to review the financial reports from the last three months. He said the Senior Citizens Holiday party is scheduled for January 12th, 2019 at the Hillsboro Free Methodist church starting at Noon, and the next meeting is scheduled for December 11th, 2018.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated they met a few weeks ago, and the State Board of Elections gave a presentation on Elections Cybersecurity. He deferred to Clerk Leitheiser, who stated she and Information Technology Director Curt Watkins will meet with State Board of Elections representatives soon because we are choosing to be a pilot county for the new State Board of Elections Cyber navigator program to put those services in place as soon as possible. She also stated the County will receive a \$14,000 grant for cyber security, which will assist us as we keep our voting system secure.
- **U of I** – Beck reported their next meeting will be held on October 18th, 2018.
- **WCDC** – Wendel stated they will have a meeting next week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

1. **Recognition of Service for Ron Jenkins Update/Approval:** Chairman Young stated we will address this topic next month.

2. **Proclamation – October as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month Update/Approval:** Beeler read a Proclamation recognizing the month of October as Suicide Prevention Awareness Month for Montgomery County, Illinois. Beeler presented the Proclamation to Crossover Ministries representative Wayne Wedekind. **Motion by Beeler and second by Robinson to approve the Proclamation for October as Suicide Prevention Month in Montgomery County, Illinois. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, page 131A.)**
3. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Gene Miles:

1. **Resolution #2018-20 to appropriate funds for 1181 B-CA, Silo Trail, 50% Pitman Township 50% County Pipe Culvert Replacement Project Update/Approval:** Miles reported the total cost for this project is \$8,500 and the county share is \$4,250 to be paid out of county aid to bridge fund. **Motion by Miles and second by Jones to approve Resolution #2018-20 to appropriate funds for 1181 B-CA on Silo Trail and the county share is \$4,250. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Resolution, see Book 17, pages 132-133).**
2. **Resolution #2018-21 to appropriate funds for 1182 B-CA, on North 29th Avenue, a 50% Pitman Township/50% County Pipe Culvert Replacement Project Update/Approval:** Miles reported the total cost is \$7,500 and our share is \$3,750 to be paid from Budget Office #850 (county aid to bridge) fund. **Motion by Miles and second by Beeler to approve Resolution #2018-21 to appropriate funds for 1182 B-CA on North 29th Avenue and the County share is \$3,750. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Resolution, see Book 17, pages 134-135).**
3. **Resolution #2018-22 to appropriate funds for 1183 B-CA, West County Line Road, a 57.31% Macoupin County/42.69% Montgomery County Pipe Culvert Replacement Project Update/Approval:** Miles reported this project has a total cost is \$30,867.36 and we split the cost with Macoupin County. Their portion is 57.31% and our portion is 42.69%. HE said Montgomery County's cost will be \$13,176.61 to be paid from the County Aid to Bridge Fund. **Motion by Miles and second by Mulch to approve Resolution #2018-22 to appropriate funds for 1183 B-CA on West County Line Road and the County share is \$13,176.61. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Resolution, see Book 17, pages 136-137).**
4. **2019 Road and Bridge Committee Dates Update/Approval:** Miles reported the Committee reviewed and approved their meeting dates for 2019.
5. **Engelman Addition, minor subdivision south of Nokomis, Update/Approval:** Miles reported the committee reviewed and approved the minor subdivision south of Nokomis involving ten acres. Miles stated Engineer Greenwood has reviewed it also, and it complies with the county subdivision ordinance. **Motion by Miles and second by Graden to approve the Engelman Addition minor subdivision south of Nokomis. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Book 17, pages 138-139).**
6. **Sale of Used Tandem Dump Truck Update/Approval:** Miles reported the used tandem dump truck will be advertised in the October issue of *Township Prospective* magazine and sealed bids will be opened on November 1st, 2018.
7. **FY19 Heavy Equipment Purchase Update/Approval:** Miles reported the FY 2019 budget has a new wheel loader budgeted, and they will plan to purchase it next year.

8. **Dakota Access Pipeline Update/Approval:** Miles reported Engineer Greenwood spoke with Dakota Access Pipeline regarding the status of reimbursement for damages during the pipeline construction. He said Dakota Access has responded with a low offer for damages in the amount of \$97,000. State's Attorney Hitchings reported he is negotiating with Dakota Access and should have more info next month.
9. **Highway Department Building Improvements/Property Acquisition Update/Approval:** Miles reported the committee reviewed the drawings and estimate prepared by Hurst-Rosche Engineers to build a new Highway Department facility on the county farm property for \$3.5 million. He said the committee also discussed the option of updating the current building, but then decided they would still like to move out of the residential area. Moore stated the committee needs to figure out what route to go and look at what could be offered for the building. Greenwood stated Illinois statute allows for some MFT money to be spent on building improvements; however, fewer roads would be maintained as a result. Miles said Engineer Greenwood will check with other county engineers to see how they built new buildings.
10. **Other Business Update/Approval:** Miles reported Engineer Greenwood is working to hire Christian County to stripe the North Road, Mount Olive Trail, and a few other county roads.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairwoman Megan Beeler:

1. **Capital Improvement Fund Reports Update/Approval:** Beeler stated the committee reviewed the Capital Improvement Fund report.
2. **FY 2019 Budget Update/Approval:** Beeler reported the committee discussed changes in the IMRF line item after Treasurer Martin completed research. Beeler stated the board will vote on the Aggregate Levy in November when the FY 2019 budget is scheduled for approval. Beeler stated she doesn't anticipate any changes in the levy for next month. She stated last month the FY 2019 budget draft was about \$200,000 in the red and there were less conservative changes made in revenue. Beeler said most departments were affected regarding expenses, with reductions made in office supplies, travel, and training lines. She said Building and Grounds budget changes were also made to reflect more historical numbers. Beeler stated the main changes were in office 47 in the health insurance line item, and explained the HRA was broken out and added to the budgets with non-general fund employees. She said every fund paying for insurance now has two expense lines, one for the premium and one for the HRA component. Beeler stated our employee health insurance premium came in at a 6.4% increase originally, and then CIBC negotiated the premium down to a 2% increase, which is now reflected in this budget. Beeler stated we budgeted 40% for HRA utilization, and we will be budgeting 30% for HRA utilization in FY 2019.

Beeler reported some part time salary funding was added in the County Admin Office and the Sheriff's Department also eliminated an Administrative Position. She said the Sheriff's Department original request was to eliminate an administrative position and add a clerical position; last week a deputy was just requested. Beeler stated the committee was not able to fund the Deputy position, and the committee decided to earmark some money by putting \$30,000 more in the overtime line item. She said there will be more discussion after the election, so the new Sheriff could come back to the

board for a 2/3 vote to increase the deputy line item to hire a new deputy. Hughes asked if Robbins could take some overtime money budgeted so it could go for a deputy's salary. Yeske stated this position has been empty for two years. Beeler responded she doesn't want to hire a person if we cannot afford to pay him/her, and putting a little more in the overtime line item is a way to hold some money open for a position. Robinson stated we should just put some money in the deputy line item to fill the position vacated a couple of years ago. Beeler stated we are not voting on this today.

Beeler reported we are bumping the ECO line item to \$750,000, and it will be in a separate line item for transparency reasons. She added we are only levying for current employee retirement obligations. Beeler stated the Golden Circle expenses went up to \$25,000 from \$20,000, and the part time line item in Animal Control for FY 2019 was reinstated to the current expense because the grant for part time help is gone.

Beeler stated \$600,000 was budgeted in the coal fund 375 Building and Grounds line item for the Smart Watt project. Deabenderfer asked if we should borrow money for the Smart Watt project instead to prevent using our coal reserve money for this purpose, and Beeler replied this is a better option because we are borrowing from ourselves and it will be paid back. She said \$40,000 was budgeted for cyber security needs in the Information Technology line item. Deabenderfer suggested a County Board member vote next month so members can voice if they feel saving the coal money is important, and Beeler responded the auditor suggested keeping the minimum reserves at \$3.1 to \$3.5 million.

Beeler stated the Highway requested a road project to be funded by coal funds, but said we are going to just appropriate funds in office 375, and the board still needs to vote on any money spent out of the coal funds. Beeler stated last year the board voted to subsidize the recycling program by \$13,500, and this year we will need to subsidize the program by about \$80,000 as it is difficult to project revenues when commodity prices are down. Beeler reported the board will have to request funds to sustain the recycling program next month, and the Finance Committee had a lot of discussion about recycling and how much longer we can subsidize it.

Beeler concluded by stating the general fund is currently about \$1,000 in the red; however there are still two union contracts to be negotiated, and they are not reflected in this draft Budget. Leitheiser asked Beeler if she anticipates this draft will be the version that is displayed publicly for 15 day review, and Beeler stated affirmatively. She said we will post this draft Budget, and any concerns need to be brought to her by next month.

3. **Increase of the Public Defender's Salary Resolution Update/Approval:** Beeler reported the State of Illinois changed the State's Attorney's Salary to \$170,171 effective July 1st, 2018; and the Public Defender by State Statute is to be paid 90% of the State's Attorney's salary, which will change the Public Defender's salary from \$149,857 to \$153,154.17.
4. **Adopt the Aggregate Levy Update/Approval:** Beeler stated we will adopt the Aggregate Levy next month and then approve the budget as we did last year.
5. **Adding Budget Line Items during the Fiscal Year Update/Approval:** Beeler stated the committee discussed the issue of adding budget line items during the fiscal year, and there has not been any money moved between funds this year. After checking with the State's Attorney's office and our auditor, we can move money as long as it does not deal with personnel or capital improvements, and it cannot go over the total office budget.

She said the general public may not understand the budget process, so changing it during the fiscal year could be perceived as changing a budget.

6. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 09-05-229-008 in Audubon Township to Mitchell K. Wood Update/Approval:** Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to approve Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #09-05-229-008 in Audubon Township to Mitchell K. Wood. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Book 17, page 140).
7. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 20-24-485-004 in Grisham Township to Robert Hoxsey Update/Approval:** Motion by Beeler and second by Plunkett to approve Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #20-24-485-004 in Grisham Township to Robert Hoxsey. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Book 17, page 141).
8. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 16-01-329-014 in Hillsboro Township to the City of Hillsboro Update/Approval:** Motion by Beeler and second by Yeske to approve Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #16-01-329-014 in Hillsboro Township to the City of Hillsboro. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Book 17, page 142).
9. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel #16-12-252-028 in Hillsboro Township to the City of Hillsboro Update/Approval:** Motion by Beeler and second by Clark to approve Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed to Parcel # 16-12-252-028 in Hillsboro Township to the City of Hillsboro. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Book 17, page 143).
10. **Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 10-33-252-001 in North Litchfield Township to John and Linda Marty Update/Approval:** Motion by Beeler and second by Hughes to approve to approve Resolution to Convey Trustee Deed for Parcel # 10-33-252-001 in North Litchfield Township to John and Linda Marty. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Book 17, page 144).
11. **Bid out Property in Farmersville Update/Approval:** Beeler stated Engineer Greenwood said we don't have a rock pile storage area on the property in Farmersville, so the committee voted to bid it out pending approval from the State's Attorney.
12. **Circuit Clerk Public Act 987 Update/Approval:** Beeler reported Circuit Clerk Lemons informed the committee Illinois Public Act 987 passed and will become effective January 1st, 2019, and will require uniform fines and fees for traffic and criminal cases. Beeler explained 90%-95% of the tickets are issued by the State, which results in approximately \$220,000 in revenue going to the State of Illinois and not the county. Beeler stated we have until July 1st, 2019 to adjust this.
13. **Recycling White Box Truck Repair/Replacement Update/Approval:** Beeler stated the transmission went out on the smaller white box truck, and given the amount the county is subsidizing recycling we need to figure out how to fund this service. Bishop asked if the Highway Mechanic can work on the recycling truck, and Beeler replied it has been to two places for an estimate and is currently at Midwest Bus Services in Litchfield. Engineer Greenwood asked for copies of the estimates and said he will check on the availability of the Highway Mechanic to fix the truck.
14. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairwoman Connie Beck:

1. **Elections Update/Approval:** Clerk Leitheiser reported early voting and voting by mail services are underway and everything is running smoothly for the General Election.
2. **EPA Report Update/Approval:** Beck stated everything is going well with EPA.
3. **Recycling Program and Events Update/Approval:** Beck stated the committee discussed the options of repairs to the white box truck and approved using the larger white box truck for delivering and picking up the elections equipment. Beck also reported they do not know when the refurbished baler will be ready for installation.
4. **Animal Control Facility Program Update/Approval:** Beck reported the part-time position has been filled, and the State's Attorney will meet with Animal Control Warden Amanda Daniels regarding the municipal contracts soon. She reported a low cost rabies clinic is scheduled for Saturday, October 20th, 2018 at the facility. Jones stated there is a problem of people bringing non-domesticated wolf hybrids into the county to breed and sell and informed members Animal Control has been dealing with re-locating them to a licensed sanctuary. Beck stated there four to five court cases pending and asked State's Attorney Hitchings to look into these so the animals can be released from the facility.
5. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bob Sneed:

1. **City of Hillsboro Installation of Electricity on the North Side of the Square Update/Approval:** Sneed reported the City of Hillsboro came to the committee with a request to install an underground electric conduit line from a pole behind the Red Rooster to the east side of the Historic Courthouse. He said the city will repair any sidewalks damaged. **Motion by Sneed and second by Deabenderfer to approve the request from the City of Hillsboro to install the electricity on the east side of the Historic Courthouse. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Smart Watt Energy Survey Audit Update/Approval:** Sneed reported the committee is working with Smart Watt to install solar panels at the county farm or at the Hillsboro recycling facility, which might require the county to purchase the recycling facility parcel. Sneed stated the City of Hillsboro has this item on their city council meeting agenda for tonight.
3. **Emergency Lighting at the Historic Courthouse Update/Approval:** Sneed reported maintenance staff person Mark Brown has been installing new batteries in the emergency lighting in the Historic Courthouse.
4. **Maintenance and Cleaning Issues and Report Update/Approval:** Sneed reported an outlet was installed recently for the new projector at the Annex Conference Room for \$212. Sneed stated a county mower was repaired recently for \$845 and Neuhaus recently fixed the air conditioning unit for the SOA office. Sneed reported Johnson Controls had to replace some switching on the chiller unit at the Courthouse Complex, and they are there again today working on it.
5. **LED Lighting for other County Buildings through the AMEREN Program Update/Approval:** Sneed reported A & D Electric has completed installing the new LED lighting in the county buildings. The energy savings will be about \$4,000 per year.
6. **AMEREN pipeline project on County Farm Update/Approval:** Sneed reported the committee reviewed the maps of the AMEREN pipeline project going through Taylor Springs and on the county farm.

7. **Lactation Room at the Courts Complex Update/Approval:** Sneed reported Circuit Clerk Lemons addressed the committee regarding Public Act #100-947, which requires a lactation room at all Circuit Courts. Sneed stated there is a designated area in the Circuit Clerk's Office for employees, but not for the public. Clerk Lemons will meet with Judge Roberts to check out the options for these areas and other space issues and bring the information back to the committee.
8. **Other Business Update/Approval:** Sneed reported Schindler Elevators installed a new part on the elevator door in the Courthouse Complex so it will open properly, and he thanked everyone for their patience as it was down for over two weeks.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairman Glenn Savage:

1. **Planning Commission Update/Approval:** Savage said the next meeting will be held on October 24th, 2018 at 5:30 pm in the Conference room of the Historic Courthouse. Savage reported the committee will drop the property tax freeze idea on the advice of legal counsel.
2. **MCEDC Update/Approval:** Savage said Belusko sent an invitation for the Montgomery County Summit, which will have the theme "Using Technology to Increase Your Bottom Line." The meeting is scheduled for October 25th, 2018, at LLCC from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.
 - **Revolving Loan Fund Update/Approval:** Savage stated the RLF has a healthy balance at this time.
 - **CEO Program Update/Approval:** Savage stated Mulch gave the update during the liaison reports.
 - **Broadband/Fiber Project Update/Approval:** Savage said CTI is currently hooking up customers in the Hillsboro area.
3. **Tourism Update/Approval:** Savage reported Belusko is making some changes to the draft to submit to the committee for review.
4. **Eagle Zinc Cleanup Update/Approval:** Savage reported they continue to move clean dirt onto the Eagle Zinc Site.
5. **Enterprise Zone Update/Approval:** Savage asked Coordinator Daniels to give an update on the Enterprise Zone. Daniels reported the next Mayor's Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 11th, 2018 at 6:00 pm in the County Board Room of the Historic Courthouse. She reported the Enterprise Zone Association learned last Thursday that to be able to reapply for the Enterprise Zone a new Criteria #11 must be met which requires documentation of promoting businesses owned by women, minorities, veterans, and people with disabilities.
6. **West Central Development Update/Approval:** Savage reported he discussed the need to work on organizing a new group with like interests to work on our EDA grants with Jersey County Board Chairman Don Little. He stated we need to get together with the six counties in our region and then put funds in the budget for a new consortium. Beeler stated there is not any new funding put in the FY 2019 budget for developing a new consortium. Chairman Young said he and Savage will be having more discussions with Jersey County Chairman Don Little and the other counties in our region. Savage stated he doesn't think we should pay dues to an organization where services are not provided.

7. **Solar Seminar Update/Approval:** Savage said he attended the Solar Seminar on September 28th, 2018, and reported Montgomery County has a good Solar Farm/Garden Ordinance which follows Illinois guidelines. Beeler stated we need to check with the Planning Commission to see if we need to address assessing property taxes on a per megawatt basis as the State just approved.
8. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

E.M.A and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bill Bergen:

Ambulance Report Update/Approval:

1. **Shredding Update/Approval:** Bergen reported the shredding of the old documents in the Ambulance office should be completed this week.
2. **Hours of Work Update/Approval:** Bergen reported the Ambulance Billing staff has requested the chance to work a four day work week as the Probation Office does, and he will talk to the Personnel Committee and the union about this request. Bergen stated staff assured him the office services will be covered five days a week. Graden stated they are good employees and we should do this for them if we can. Miles asked why the committee was in favor of this request when other offices don't have a four day work week, and staff would be working after hours when the courthouse is closed. Robinson stated there have been occasions when staff did computer work on the weekend. Robbins stated the building security needs to be addressed if work hours are changed. Bergen stated he will research answers to the questions and report back in November.
3. **Making Copies as Requested Update/Approval:** Bergen reported Greenwood is checking to see if they can charge for copies requested by businesses or attorneys.
4. **Computer Screens for Ambulance Billing Update/Approval:** Bergen reported the committee approved the purchase of two smaller computer screens for each desk so they can search for stored documents in the "cloud" and enter data correctly.

EMA Office Report Update/Approval:

1. **911 Funds:** Bergen reported there was a problem paying a few invoices, but the issue was resolved.
2. **911 Radios:** Bergen reported in the past few weeks there have been three failures on the main 911 system, and Coordinator Nimmo had two vendors look at it. They found the transmitter inside the equipment is failing, so he approved an equipment purchase of \$5,000 to keep the system operational.
3. **Truck Tires-** Bergen reported Nimmo needed a truck tire and he chose not to replace until the new budget year so he can have all four tires replaced.
4. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Vice-Chairman Robert Mulch:

1. **Employee Health Insurance Update/Approval:** Mulch reported the Health Alliance initial renewal rate increase came in at 6.4% but was recently reduced to a 2% increase. Mulch stated committee members received an email from Hillsboro pharmacist Brian Sullivan with concerns with pharmacy benefit managers and reported CIBC addressed the issue. CIBC thinks they have the best price so the problem should be solved. Mulch reported there was a significant 14% rate increase in employee paid dental insurance, and the committee is looking at other dental insurances. Mulch also reported the committee

is investigating other options for employee flex spending accounts with the Aflac company, which may also offer a cheaper service.

2. **Cyber Security On-Line Training Update/Approval:** Mulch reported there is almost 100% participation from employees completing the cyber security training.

3. **Union Negotiations/Strategy Planning Update/Approval:**

- FOP Union Negotiations for contract ending 11/30/18- Mulch reported the Fraternal Order of Police has notified us about union negotiations.
- Local 148 Circuit Clerk Union Negotiations for contract ending 11/30/18- Mulch reported we have received notification from Local 148 to meet for negotiations.
- Local 397 – SOA, State’s Attorney and Ambulance billing offices- Mulch reported we have a tentative agreement with Local 397 and need to go into executive session to discuss it.

4. **Executive Session to Approve the four year contract with Local 397 Update/Approval:**

Motion by Mulch and second by Savage to enter into Executive Session to discuss the Union contract with Local 397 representing employees in the SOA, EMA and State’s Attorney’s Offices. All in favor, motion carried. TIME: 10:20 am.

Motion by Savage and second by Beeler to come out of Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. Time 10:27 am.

Motion by Mulch and second by Bergen to approve a four year contract with Local 397 representing the employees in the Supervisor of Assessments, Ambulance Billing and State’s Attorney’s Offices with wage increases of \$.35 per hour for the first year and \$.30 per hour for each of the following three years. All in favor, motion carried.

5. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

SCHEDULE CHANGES: None

APPOINTMENTS: Motion by Graden and second by Bishop to re-appoint Paul Pershing as a Trustee to the Three County Public Water District Board for a five year term expiring in October 2023. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

PAY BILLS:

1. **Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC, Books & Moore, and Point of Light:**

Motion by Plunkett and second by Miles to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore, and Point of Light. Voice Vote: In favor – 18. Against – 0, Absent – 1 (Furness), Abstain – 2 (Moore and Bishop). Motion carried.

2. **Motion by Wendel and second by Moore to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2018.**

RECESS: Until the Full Board Meeting on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois. Motion by Bishop and second by Yeske to **RECESS the Full Board Meeting.** All in favor, motion carried. Meeting Recessed at 10:30 a.m. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

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Members Absent: Dillon Clark and Bob Sneed

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by County Board member Connie Beck.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Wendel and second by Graden to approve the mileage and per diem. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Wendel, Yeske and Young. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting: Motion by Hughes and second by Deabenderfer to approve the Minutes of the Previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, October 9th, 2018. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Ambulance Billing Report** -- Sherry Greenwood – report was submitted.
2. **Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
3. **Circuit Clerk’s Report** ---- Holly Lemons was present for questions.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder’s Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
5. **Health & TB Department Report** ---- Hugh Satterlee was present for questions.
6. **Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
7. **Probation Office Report** ---- Bane Ulrici – report was submitted.
8. **Public Defender’s Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
9. **Recycling Report** ---- Chris Daniels -- report was submitted.
10. **ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
11. **Sheriff’s Report** ---- Jim Vazzi - Undersheriff Robbins was present for questions.
12. **SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston – report was submitted.
13. **Treasurer’s Report** ---- Jay Martin was present for questions. He stated the annual tax sale was held recently, and he thanked members for the opportunity to serve as Treasurer.
14. **V.A.C. Report** ---- Dave Strowmatt was present for questions.

APPROVAL OF 14 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Moore and second by Yeske to approve the 14 items on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated they met last night and she reported on activities from the following organizations: SAAD, TASC, and UCAN. She said Litchfield School District informed the 708 Board they have not hired a social worker using their 708 funds from the 1st quarter, and the 708 board informed them they will allow them to keep their first quarter payment but further payments will be withheld until they inform the 708 Board they have hired someone. She said the 708 board also set their meeting dates for 2019 at their recent meeting, and their meetings will be moved to the Courthouse annex meeting room next year. She informed members 708 Board Chairman Bruce Sanford is resigning from the board as of Nov. 26th, 2018; and they are looking for a new board member who has a law enforcement background. Bruce Sanford was in attendance at the County Board meeting and thanked the 708 Board for the opportunity to serve as chairman.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson reported a new board member was found who resides in Montgomery County.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergen had nothing to report.
- **Health Department** – Mulch had nothing to report.
- **IL Association of County Officials** –Bergen stated he plans to attend a meeting in Springfield on November 30th.
- **MCEDC** –Mulch stated the independent school study consultant has been selected, and a “kickoff” meeting will be held soon. He said results from the school study will not be released until after the April 2nd, 2019 election.
- **Planning Commission** – Young stated the commission is selecting their next project at this time.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported they will meet in December.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated he attended a meeting on October 27th which discussed solar energy and provided ideas toward financing county projects.
- **U of I** – Beck reported they will meet December 20th, 2018.
- **WCDC** – Wendel stated there is nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

1. **Holiday Schedule for 2019 Update/Approval:** Young introduced the Holiday Schedule to members. **Motion by Beeler and second by Wendel to approve the Holiday Schedule for 2019. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of schedule, see Resolution Book 17, page 145).**
2. **Letter from the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts re: Probation Office:** Young complimented Chief Probation Officer Bane Ulrici for her hard work.

3. **Meeting Time for 2019 Full Board Meetings Update/Approval:** Young stated he would like to change the meeting time from the morning to evening to promote more participation. Members discussed various options for changing meeting times, including changing the meeting date to the 3rd Tuesdays of each month. **Motion by Robinson, second by Jones to hold the Full Board meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM. ROLL CALL VOTE: 12 members voting yes: Beeler, Furness, Hughes, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Yeske, Young. Seven members voting no: Beck, Bergen, Bishop, Deabenderfer, Graden, Johnson, Wendel. Motion carried.** Young then asked Robinson if she would like to amend that motion to another meeting start time. **Motion by Robinson, second by Jones to hold the Full Board meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 5:30 PM. ROLL CALL VOTE: 12 members voting yes: Beck, Beeler, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Johnson, Jones, Moore, Plunkett, Robinson, Yeske and Young. Seven members Voting no: Bergen, Bishop, Hughes, Miles, Mulch, Savage, Wendel. Motion carried.**
4. **Plaque for Ron Jenkins Update/Approval:** Young reported a plaque was ordered for former Treasurer Ron Jenkins and his wife Margo requested it be hung in the office. The plaque was provided to current Treasurer Martin for placement in the Treasurer's office area.
5. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Gene Miles:

1. **Amended Resolution #2018-02, BLR – Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Payment of the County Engineer's Salary for 2018 Approval:** Miles reported this resolution was passed last November, and IDOT wanted it revised because dates were incorrect. He said Greenwood's salary was prorated for 17 days. **Motion by Miles and second by Hughes to approve Amended Resolution #2018-02, BLR, a Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Payment of the County Engineer's Salary for 2018. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Resolution, see Resolution Book 17, pages 146-148).**
2. **Resolution #2018-23 to Appropriate Funds for 1184 B-CA on Elevator Road, which is a 100% County Project Approval:** Miles reported this is a pipe project on Elevator Road south of Walshville to replace a 48" pipe with a 54" pipe. The cost is \$11,000 which is a 100% county project to be paid from the County Aid to Bridge Fund. **Motion by Miles and second by Moore to approve Resolution #2018-23 to Appropriate Funds for 1184 B-CA on Elevator Road in the amount of \$11,000. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of Resolution, see Resolution Book 17, pages 149-150).**
3. **Resolution #2018-24, 2019 MFT Resolution Update:** Miles stated this resolution is tabled until next month because we are waiting for information from IDOT.
4. **Resolution #2018-25, BLR 09221 – Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Payment of the County Engineer's Salary for 2019 Approval:** Miles reported IDOT recently provided the 2019 Salary Recommendations for Counties participating in the State reimbursement program which subsidizes Greenwood's salary. For Montgomery County, the State is recommending \$108,871 and the county will need to pay 95% of this to remain in the program to be reimbursed 50%. Miles said Greenwood's current salary is \$100,500, and the 95% level would make the salary \$103,500. **Motion by Miles and**

second by Graden to increase the Highway Engineer's Salary from \$100,500 to \$103,500 for FY 2019. Motion carried, all members but Yeske voted yes. Yeske abstained. (See Resolution Book 17, page 151).

5. **2019 Bulk Fuel Purchasing Update:** Miles reported Engineer Greenwood is preparing bid specs for the 2019 bulk fuel letting, which will be advertised in November and reviewed at the December committee meeting so the contract can start on January 1st, 2019.
6. **Dakota Access Pipeline Update:** Miles reported Engineer Greenwood said there was movement on the Township reimbursements with Dakota Access agreeing to pay what the verbal original contracts stated. He said State's Attorney Hitchings emailed a settlement form and we should receive checks in the next few weeks.
7. **Highway Department Building Improvements/Property Acquisition Update:** Miles reported Greenwood researched other county highway departments as to how they funded their building improvements. Some counties issued bonds, and some borrowed from the General Fund and reimbursed it as Highway funds became available. Miles reported he received information from UCCI for financing a project like this, and he gave the information to Finance Chair Beeler.
8. **Other Business Update:** Greenwood reported five or six of the county roads were striped recently. Cottonwood Bridge will be let in the Spring. Deabenderfer asked where the striper came from, and Greenwood said Christian County provided it to them.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairwoman Megan Beeler:

1. **Increase of the Public Defender's Salary Resolution Approval:** Beeler reported the full board will need to approve the Public Defender's Salary Resolution effective July 1st, 2018. She said the current salary is \$149,857 and it was increased to \$153,154.17. **Motion by Beeler and second by Moore to approve the Resolution to Increase the Public Defender's Salary. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Prepaid Vendor List Changes Approval:** Beeler reported Clerk Leitheiser presented a few changes to the Prepaid Vendor List, which include the need to delete the vendor Correct Care Solutions and add Advance Correctional Health Care and ESCHEATS. **Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to delete Correct Care Solutions and add Advanced Correctional Health Care and ESCHEATS to the Prepaid Vendor List. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy of List, see Resolution Book 17, pages 152-153).**
3. **Health Department 708 Board second quarterly payment for \$61,070 Approval:** Beeler said the committee reviewed the Health Department's quarterly payment and confirmed that the Litchfield School District 708 fund payment will not be made today. **Motion by Beeler and second by Johnson to recommend paying the 708 Board second quarterly payment to the Health Department in the amount of \$61,070. ROLL CALL VOTE: 18 members voted yes: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Savage, Wendel, Yeske and Young. One member, Robinson abstained. Motion carried.**
4. **Trustee owned Parcel ID 16-13-305-023 located in the Village of Taylor Springs Fuel Tank Removal Update:** Beeler reported there is a potential of two underground fuel tanks on a parcel overseen by the County Trustee located in the Village of Taylor Springs. She said the State Fire Marshall's Office is scheduled to come to see if they are

there, and Taylor Springs would like to acquire the parcels from the County Trustee and then pursue applying for the Underground Leaking Storage Tank grant from Illinois EPA to clean them up if they are.

5. **Road and Bridge Vouchers over \$50,000 – Roll Call Update:** Beeler stated the Finance Committee discussed the need to roll call vote on Highway Department vouchers over \$50,000 limit as outlined in the county board Rules of Order. She stated that the next Rules of Order committee will be reviewing this topic for future consideration.
6. **Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Approval:** Beeler stated there are a few budget changes to review this month before final passage, and stated the county engineer's salary increase to \$103,500 approval in today's meeting is one of them. She stated that the need for funding for a Sheriff's deputy has been taken care of by County Clerk Leitheiser, who offered to pay another of her staff salaries from her office's Automation fund so the General Fund can afford the Sheriff's deputy. Beeler thanked Leitheiser for this kind gesture, and Leitheiser stated she is blessed to have the means to help provide a much needed deputy so crime rates can hopefully remain low and help keep our residents safe so our population remains steady.

Undersheriff Robbins also thanked Leitheiser for providing this Deputy position. Beeler said with the Deputy position intact, there will be a decrease in Sheriff's office overtime funding. She said the General Fund is at \$6,238,427 in expenses and \$6,246,720 in revenues, with a surplus of \$8,293, and thanked the Finance Committee for all their long hours. She said the entire budget is over \$22,000,000 in expenses with over a \$1,000,000 deficit, and stated we are spending savings and budgeting \$1,200,000 in coal funds.

Bishop asked why the IMRF revenue line is not reduced in the budget as it was in the levy sheet. Beeler asked Treasurer Martin to explain the IMRF funding, and he referred to our county IMRF representative providing information to the board regarding our IMRF obligations, and stated IMRF funding is dependent upon the stock market. Plunkett stated he thinks we have the revenues and expenses covered and agreed with Bishop to reduce the amount in the IMRF line in the revenues section of the budget to align with the levy summary and then vote on it. Beeler directed Treasurer Martin to make a reduction in the IMRF revenue line of the budget document, and he retired to his office to do so, and returned to the meeting with a revised version of the budget for Beeler. **Motion by Beeler and second by Plunkett to approve the FY 2019 Budget reflecting the changes. All in favor, motion carried.**

7. **Adopt the Aggregate Levy for FY 2019 Approval:** **Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to approve the FY 2019 Aggregate Levy in the amount of \$5,833,825 which is a -9.0127% decrease. ROLL CALL VOTE: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Wendel, Yeske and Young. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 154).**

The following Resolutions were read by State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings and approved: (For copies of Resolutions, see Resolution Book 17, pages 155-175)

1. **Resolution #12-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Moore to approve the Resolution to Adopt the Fiscal Year 2019 Financial Appropriation Ordinance in the amount of \$ 22,307,158.00. All in favor, motion carried.
2. **Resolution #13-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to approve the Resolution to pass the General Corporate Fund levy for the current taxable year in the amount of \$866,700.00. All in favor, motion carried.
3. **Resolution #14-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Mulch to approve the Resolution to pass the County Health Department levy in the amount of \$556,400.00. All in favor, motion carried.
4. **Resolution #15-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Hughes to approve the Resolution to pass the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund levy in the amount of \$850,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
5. **Resolution #16-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Miles to approve the Resolution to pass the Social Security Fund levy in the amount of \$540,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
6. **Resolution #17-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Robinson to approve the Resolution to pass the levy to pay the costs of Insurance Premiums in the amount of \$540,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
7. **Resolution #18-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Johnson to approve the Resolution to pass Community Mental Health Board Tax Levy in the amount of \$642,000.00. All in favor, motion carried. Robinson abstain
8. **Resolution #19-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to approve the Resolution to pass the County Highway Fund levy in the amount of \$428,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
9. **Resolution: #20-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Miles to approve the Resolution to pass the County Highway Federal Aid Matching Fund levy in the amount of \$214,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
10. **Resolution #21-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Hughes to approve the Resolution to pass the Special Aid to County Bridge Fund levy in the amount of \$214,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
11. **Resolution #22-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Savage to approve the Resolution to pass the levy for the Litchfield Special Service Area in the amount of \$181,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
12. **Resolution #23-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to approve the Resolution to pass the levy for the Hillsboro Special Service Area in the amount of \$97,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
13. **Resolution #24-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Graden to approve the Resolution to pass the levy for the Nokomis/Witt Special Service Area in the amount of \$261,000.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
14. **Resolution #25-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Mulch to approve the Resolution to pass the levy for the Raymond/Harvel Special Service Area in the amount of \$65,800.00. All in favor, motion carried.
15. **Resolution #26-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Beck to approve the Resolution to pass the levy for the Farmersville/Waggoner Special Service Area in the amount of \$72,000.00. All in favor. Motion carried.

16. **Resolution #27-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Furness to approve the Resolution to pass the levy for the County Extension Service in the amount of \$154,925.00. All in favor. Motion carried.
17. **Resolution #28-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Bergen to approve the Resolution to pass the levy for Senior Citizen Social Services in the amount of \$107,000.00. Motion carried. 1 member - Deabenderfer abstained.
18. **Resolution #29-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Jones to approve the Resolution to pass the levy for Veterans Assistance in the amount of \$44,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
19. **Resolution #30-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Johnson to approve the Resolution to set Salaries for the following Department Heads: Supervisor of Assessments in the amount of \$63,247.00, Probation Officer in the amount of \$68,764.00, and the Assistant Probation Officers in the amount of \$197,417.00. All in favor, motion carried.
20. **Resolution #31-2018:** Motion by Beeler and second by Hughes to approve the Resolution to Authorize State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor and to appropriate the sum of money not to exceed \$12,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.
21. **IPMG and ICRMT Insurance Renewals Approval:** The committee reviewed the proposals from representative Tom Franzen. Motion by Beeler and second by Beck to approve the proposal from ICRMT for the workers compensation, property casualty and cyber security insurance in the amount of \$290,289. ROLL CALL VOTE: 19 members voted yes: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Miles, Moore, Mulch, Plunkett, Robinson, Savage, Wendel, Yeske and Young. All in favor, motion carried.
22. **Earthquake Insurance ICRMT Quotes Update:** The committee decided to leave coverage as is for now.
23. **Bid out Property in Farmersville Update:** Beeler stated we are waiting on the State's Attorney's Office to prepare a draft of the bid.
24. **Committee and Full Board Meeting Dates and Times Update:** Beeler stated the Committee discussed and approved moving the committee meetings to the first Wednesday of the month and moving Road and Bridge committee meetings will move to the first Thursday of the month.
26. **Other Business Update:** Beeler shared a copy of full board meeting minutes from June 13th, 2015 regarding how the coal monies and reserve fund is to be utilized. Beeler also reported \$50,000 will be needed to fill the gap in the recycling program.

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairwoman Connie Beck:

1. **Elections Update:** Clerk Leitheiser stated everything went smoothly at the Tuesday, November 6th, 2018, Election, and thanked board members, her staff, and election judges. Young complimented the office's organized election night process, and Robinson referenced her election judge experience to complement the County Clerk's election process as well. Plunkett asked when candidates will file for the April 2019 Consolidated Election, and Leitheiser said the filing period will be held from December 10th to the 17th, 2018.
2. **Recycling Program and Events Update:**
 - Recycling Coordinator Position: Beck reported Recycling Coordinator Ben Bishop resigned effective Friday, October 26th, 2018, and the position has been

advertised and applications will need to be turned in by 11/15/18. Young reported a joint meeting with HWE and Personnel Committee will take place to hire a replacement. Beck stated the new person will need to be able to do all the paperwork required for the position.

- Baler Replacement: Young stated the refurbished baler should be ready to install on December 4th, 2018.

3. Animal Control Facility Program Update:

- Municipal Contracts – Beck reported Warden Daniels will meet with State’s Attorney Hitchings to review the municipal contracts.
- Wolf Hybrid Dogs – Beck reported the committee discussed the ongoing issues with wolf hybrid dogs and said there is one young female still running at large, with four adults and five pups brought to the facility and then sent to a sanctuary.

2. Other Business Update/Approval: None

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Vice Chairman Chuck Graden:

- 1. Smart Watt Energy Survey Audit Update:** Graden reported the committee is still working with Smart Watt for the energy audit, and the committee will keep everyone updated. He said the Jail Building is the priority and the final audit will be presented to the full board in upcoming months. Graden reported they also discussed putting solar panels on an acre of county property to provide power for three county buildings.
- 2. Emergency Lighting at the Historic Courthouse Update:** Graden reported Maintenance worker Brown recently changed the batteries in the emergency lights in the Historic Courthouse.
- 3. Maintenance and Cleaning Issues and Report Update:** Graden reported a local vendor put a new regulator on the boiler in the Historic Courthouse and a broken water pipe was fixed at the jail. The four water fountains at the Courthouse Complex have been fixed and are now operational. Deabenderfer asked for a yellow line to be painted on the north stairs outside of the Historic Courthouse because it is very dark at night. Mulch stated if night meetings are held, our basement door needs to be unlocked because with it locked we are not ADA compliant.
- 4. Imagine Hillsboro Building Tour Request Update:** Graden said the committee discussed and approved a request from Felicia O’Dell of Imagine Hillsboro to have a 15 minute tour of the Historic Courthouse on Friday, November 30th, 2018, at about 9:00 pm as part of a walking tour of the downtown Hillsboro area.
- 5. Committee and Full Board Meeting Dates and Times Update:** Graden said the committee reviewed and approved keeping the committee meeting date on the first Friday before the full board meeting at 8:30 AM.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairman Glenn Savage:

- 1. Mine Avenue Solar Project Approval:** Savage shared information from a business with an interest in constructing two solar projects on Mine Avenue near Farmersville. He reported a meeting was held recently with the business representative and Planning Commission Chairwoman Toni McDonough, and the business representative had some additional questions to which McDonough and Coordinator Daniels will respond. He

thanked the Planning Commission for a good solar ordinance which is now being implemented. **Motion by Savage and second by Mulch to recommend Prairie Engineers or the next best alternative as approved by the County Board Chairman as our independent engineering firm to review this solar application.** Beeler stated the applicant has to pay for the independent engineer. **All in favor, motion carried.**

2. **Planning Commission Update:** Savage stated the Planning Commission met recently and the fiber project was discussed in length.
3. **MCEDC Update:**
 - Revolving Loan Fund Update/Approval: Savage stated the payments are being made.
 - CEO Program Update/Approval: The Shark Tank event was held last week and it went well. The CEO class was critiqued by the Sharks and will work on tweaking some things.
4. **Eagle Zinc Cleanup Update:** Savage stated there is a lot of dirt moving equipment at the Eagle Zinc site. Hughes asked when work will begin to move dirt, and Young replied work has been delayed due to weather conditions.
5. **Enterprise Zone Approvals:** Savage stated the following documents need to be approved at the full board meeting for the new enterprise zone application.
Montgomery County Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement: Motion by Savage and second by Beeler to approve the Montgomery County Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, pages 176-188).
Ordinance #32-2018 Establishing the Montgomery County Enterprise Zone: Motion by Savage and second by Beeler to approve an Ordinance Establishing the Montgomery County Enterprise Zone within the Cities of Coffeen, Hillsboro, Litchfield, Nokomis and Witt; Illinois and the Villages of Butler, Coalton, Donnellson, Irving, Raymond Schram City and Taylor Springs, Illinois; Enterprise Zone Designation Property Tax Abatement. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, pages 189-197).
Resolution #33-2018 Approving Participation in the Montgomery County Enterprise Zone: Motion by Savage and second by Robinson to adopt the Resolution Approving Participation in the Montgomery County Enterprise Zone. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 17, pages 198-205).
6. **West Central Development Council Update:** Savage reported MCEDC representative Belusko will be meeting with Economic Development specialists Shari Albrecht and Tonya Flannery tomorrow regarding the West Central Development Council issues. He stated we are trying to find the most efficient way to administer the program previously utilized by WCDC. Savage stated that WCDC continues to administer Trade and Response Grants, Job Training and Support Grants, and Work Experience and On The Job Training Grants through their Workforce Investment and Opportunities Act services. Miles stated he thought they were going out of business in general. Savage said this is not the case, as they administer these other grants. Wendel said Workforce development is 99% of their business while EDA was only 1% of their business.
7. **Committee and Full Board Meeting Dates and Times Update:** Savage said the committee reviewed their meeting dates and decided to keep their meetings on the first

Monday of the month at 5:30 pm. He said there were a few months with a conflict with holidays and those were changed.

E.M.A and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bill Bergen:

- **Ambulance Billing Office Hours Update:** Bergen reported the committee approved changing the work week to four days a week last month; however the full board had additional questions about security and why they want to work four days a week. He said the union contract states specific hours and Young stated the full board will need to vote on any changes in work days and hours. Graden stated there was a concern at the full board regarding coverage in the office, and the precedent if other offices want to go to a four day work week. Bergen stated he will take this issue to the Personnel Committee for review at their next regular meeting.
- **DRONE:** Pilots licenses came out of grant money didn't cost the county anything. The drone helped with the wolf dog incident.
- **EMA:** Bergen reported the Drone team is becoming organized. EMA helped with wolf dog capture attempts, and EMA was represented at a recent meeting regarding domestic emergencies dealing with mental health issues.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Kirby Furness:

- **Employee 2019 Health Insurance Approval:** Furness reported Tony Johnson and Amanda Mast from CIBC presented the Employee Insurance renewal with Health Alliance. **Motion by Furness and second by Yeske to approve the renewal from Health Alliance with CIBC for the employee health insurance. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Furness and second by Hughes to amend the original motion to include the year 2019 in the employee health insurance renewal. All in favor, motion carried.**
- **Vision and Dental renewal:** Furness presented the renewal for the dental and vision insurance to members, and said it represents a 14% increase which is paid in full by the employees who participate in this ancillary insurance. **Motion by Furness and second by Johnson to approve the ancillary renewals for the Dental and Vision insurance for 2019. All in favor, motion carried.**
- **Monthly HRA report:** The HRA rate is running at 11% and Johnson feels we could end the year at about 15% utilization on the HRA.
- **Flex Spending Account Renewal:** Furness said the committee decided to stay with BPC for another year.
- **Union Negotiations/Strategy Planning Update:** Furness reported FOP Union Negotiations are underway for their contract ending 11/30/18. He also stated Local 148 Circuit Clerk Union Negotiations for their contract ending 11/30/18 will begin soon, with the first meeting scheduled for Monday November 19th, 2018 at 5:00 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Young thanked Plunkett and Mulch for their service on the County Board, and recognized newly elected member Dennis McCammack, who was in the audience.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: none

APPOINTMENTS:

Motion by Graden and second by Hughes to re-appoint Paul Pershing as a Trustee to the Three County Public Water District Board for a five year term expiring in October of 2023. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Citizen Bill Schroeder asked about the potential conflict for our engineer to review solar applications. He also asked the status of whether the County Board will consider legal proceedings regarding opioid abuse after hearing the presentation from an attorney regarding joining pending litigation this past summer. Young stated these topics are under consideration at this time.

PAY BILLS:

- 1. Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC and Books & Moore, and Point of Light Motion by Wendel and second by Furness to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore. and Point of Light. Voice Vote: In favor – 17, Against – 0, Absent – 3 (Bishop had left meeting). Abstain – 1 (Moore). Motion carried.**
- 2. Approval of all other bills: Motion by Miles and second by Moore to pay all other approved bills. Motion carried. Robinson abstained, all others voted yes.**

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING on Monday, December 3rd, at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois. The next REGULAR full board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 11th, 2018 at 8:30 am. Motion by Yeske and second by Plunkett to Adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 11:07 a.m. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.

Montgomery County Board Re-Organization Minutes

Date: Monday, December 3rd, 2018 Time: 8:30 AM – County Board Room

Clerk Leitheiser called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance was given by members of the media, John Hanafin and Mary Herschelman.

Official Verbal Oath was administered to the following elected or re-elected County Board members by Judge Jim Roberts: Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Ron Deabenderfer, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, David Loucks, Dennis McCammack, Earlene Robinson, Bob Sneed, Donna Yeske, Evan Young.

Roll call was taken, with 21 Members present, none absent. Those present were: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Dillon Clark, Ron Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Jeremy Jones, David Loucks, Dennis McCammack, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Richard Wendel and Evan Young. Leitheiser stated there was a quorum to conduct business.

Leitheiser asked for a nomination for a Temporary Chairman of the county board. **Motion by Furness and second by Bergen that Bob Sneed be elected temporary County Board Chairman. All in favor, motion carried.** Leitheiser asked for other nominations for a Temporary Chairman of the county board and there were none. She asked three more times for nominations for a Temporary Chairman of the County Board, and there were none. Leitheiser asked for a motion to close the nominations for a Temporary Chairman of the County Board. **Motion by Beeler and second by Hughes to close the nominations for a Temporary Chairman of the County Board. All in favor, motion carried.**

Temporary Chairman Sneed then called for nominations for County Board Chairman.

Motion by Miles and second by Johnson to nominate Evan Young as County Board Chairman. Temporary Chairman Sneed then asked for other nominations for County Board Chairman.

Motion by Hughes and second by Jones to nominate Glenn Bishop as County Board Chairman.

Temporary Chairman Sneed then asked for other nominations for County Board Chairman. Temporary Chairman Sneed asked three more times for other nominations for County Board Chairman, and heard none. Temporary Chairman Sneed then asked for a motion to close the nominations. **Motion by Robinson and second by Yeske to close the nominations. All in favor, motion carried.**

Temporary Chairman Sneed stated that both candidates could speak before the board. **Motion by Graden and second by Moore to call for the vote for Chairman.** Clark stated he thinks we should hear from both candidates and they should speak to the full board. Moore stated he knows the candidates and said we should just vote for Chairman

of the county board. Hughes said we need to have discussion and hear from the candidates. A Roll Call Vote was held whether to Vote for Chairman with no discussion to be held: **10 voted Yes and 11 vote No. Motion to call for the vote for Chairman failed. Members voting yes were: Beeler, Bergen, Furness, Graden, Loucks, Miles, Moore, Wendel, Yeske, Young. Members voting no were: Beck, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, McCammack, Robinson, Savage, Sneed. Motion failed.**

Both Chairman candidates were allowed to speak at the beginning of the discussion. Young stated Bishop could speak first. Bishop stated he wants to bring unity and cohesiveness to the county, and gave his qualifications for the chairmanship to members. He fielded questions from several members regarding his values and ethics, and he stated he is in favor of property tax reform and would not plan to make many changes in the committee structure should he attain the County Board Chairmanship.

Young was next to speak, and he stated the county has a \$70,000 budget surplus as a result of his Chairmanship, and funding for county offices has been also maintained without layoffs. He stated he attends committee meetings but he lets committee chairpersons do their jobs. He fielded questions from several members regarding various topics including the future of the coal mine; his management style over committees; his personal time given to help the recycling program; communication issues leading to the delay of the release FY2019 County Revenues and Expenses documents, and potential committee membership changes Young would make should he retain County Board Chairmanship. **Temporary Chairman Sneed called for a Roll Call Vote for the two nominations of Young and Bishop: 14 Members voted for Young and 7 Members voted for Bishop. Voting for Young: Beeler, Bergen, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Johnson, Loucks, McCammack, Miles, Moore, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske and Young. Voting for Bishop: Beck, Bishop, Clark, Hughes, Jones, Robinson and Savage. Evan Young was elected as County Board Chairman.**

Temporary Chairman Sneed asked for nominations for County Board Vice-Chairman. **Motion by Young and second by Moore that Megan Beeler be nominated as County Board Vice-Chairman.** Temporary Chairman Sneed asked for any other nominations for County Board Vice-Chairman. Sneed asked three (3) more times for nominations and heard none. Temporary Chairman Sneed asked for a motion to close the nominations for Vice Chairman of the county board. **Motion by Yeske, second by Hughes that nominations be closed for Vice Chairman of the County Board. All in favor, motion carried.** Temporary Chairman Sneed asked for a motion to elect Beeler as Board Vice-Chairman by acclamation. **Motion by Bergen and second by Miles to elect Beeler as the County Board Vice Chairman by acclamation. All in favor, motion carried.** Vice Chairman Beeler thanked the members for their support.

Newly elected Chairman Evan Young then named the Committee Chairpersons and Coordinating Committee members as follows: Personnel – Kirby Furness; Building & Grounds - Bob Sneed; Economic Development – Donna Yeske; EMA/Ambulance – Bill Bergen; Finance - Megan Beeler; Health, Welfare & Elections – Chuck Graden; Road & Bridge - Gene Miles. Chairman Young distributed a list of the committee assignments to

board members and the media members present. These committee assignments are as follows:

Building and Grounds Committee: Chairman Bob Sneed, Vice Chairman Chuck Graden. Members - Gene Miles, Richard Wendel, Jeremy Jones, Dennis McCammack and Glenn Bishop.

Economic Development Committee: Chairman Donna Yeske, Vice Chairman- Ron Deabenderfer. Members – Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Dennis McCammack and Mark Hughes.

EMA/Ambulance Committee: Chairman Bill Bergen, Vice Chairman – Chuck Graden, Members, Connie Beck, Dillon Clark, Jeremy Jones and Richard Wendel.

Finance Committee: Chairman Megan Beeler, Vice Chairman – Jim Moore, Members Kirby Furness, Bob Sneed, David Loucks and Earlene Robinson.

Health, Welfare and Elections Committee: Chairman Chuck Graden, Vice Chairman- Sandra Johnson. Members – Richard Wendel, Connie Beck, Mark Hughes and Glenn Savage.

Personnel Committee: Chairman – Kirby Furness, Vice Chairman – Sandra Johnson. Members – Bill Bergen, Ron Deabenderfer, Donna Yeske and Megan Beeler.

Road and Bridge Committee: Chairman Gene Miles, Vice Chairman Bill Bergen. Members - Jim Moore, David Loucks, Dennis McCammack and Glenn Bishop.

Chairman Young then appointed Furness, Bergen and Deabenderfer to the Rules of Order-Ad Hoc Committee to update the county board Rules of Order. **Motion by Beeler and second by Wendel to appoint Furness, Bergen and Deabenderfer to the Rules of Order Committee. All in favor, motion carried.** Young stated a Rules of Order Committee meeting date is yet to be determined and it will be announced at a later date.

Appointments for 708 Board: **Motion by Moore and second by Yeske to re-appoint Earlene Robinson to the 708 Board. All in favor, motion carried. Robinson abstains.**

Motion by Beeler and second by Deabenderfer to re-appoint Daniel Hough to the 708 Board. All in favor, motion carried.

Young reminded members there will be a new group county board member photo and individual board member photos for new photo ID badges after the December 11th, 2018 County Board meeting.

Motion by Hughes and second by Johnson to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:37 AM. The next County Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 11th, 2018 at 8:30 am.

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

**Montgomery County Board
Minutes**

For Tuesday, December 11th, 2018 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, December 11th, 2018 in the County Board Room, 2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

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

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

Members Present: Connie Beck, Megan Beeler, Bill Bergen, Glenn Bishop, Ronald Deabenderfer, Kirby Furness, Chuck Graden, Mark Hughes, Sandra Johnson, Jeremy Jones, David Loucks, Dennis McCammack, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Earlene Robinson, Glenn Savage, Bob Sneed, Donna Yeske, and Evan Young.

Members Absent: Dillon Clark and Richard Wendel

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by County Board member Dennis McCammack.

Mileage and Per Diem Approval: Motion by Hughes and second by Bergen to approve the mileage and per diem. ROLL CALL VOTE: 19 members who voted yes were: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Loucks, McCammack, Miles, Moore, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Yeske and Young. No members voted no, two members were absent. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:

Motion by Furness and second by Hughes to approve the minutes of the previous County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, November 13th, 2018. All in favor, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **Ambulance Billing Report** --- Sherry Greenwood – report was submitted.
2. **Animal Control Report** ---- Amanda Daniels – report was submitted.
3. **Circuit Clerk’s Report** ---- Holly Lemons was present for questions and stated county auditors are ready to start the audit for the Circuit Clerk’s Office.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder’s Report** ---- Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions.
5. **Health & TB Department Report** ---- Hugh Satterlee was present for questions.
6. **Highway Department Report** --- Cody Greenwood was present for questions.
7. **Probation Office Report** ---- Banee Ulrici was present for questions.
8. **Public Defender’s Report** ---- Erin Mattson – report was submitted.
9. **Recycling Report** ---- Mike Hand -- report was submitted.
10. **ROE - Monthly and Quarterly Reports** – Julie Wollerman – report was submitted.
11. **Sheriff’s Report** ---- Rick Robbins was present for questions.
12. **SOA Report** ---- Ray Durston was present for questions.
13. **Treasurer’s Report** ---- Nikki Lohman was present for questions and stated the FY2019 budget books have been printed and delivered.
14. **V.A.C. Report** ---- Dave Strowmatt was present for questions.

APPROVAL OF 14 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by McCammack and second by Johnson to approve the 14 items on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

LIAISON REPORTS:

- **708 Board** – Robinson stated they met recently, and she introduced Kenny Ryker, who would like to be appointed to the 708 Board. Lieutenant Ryker stated he has worked for the Litchfield Police Department for the past 17 years, which included five years with the Drug Task Force. Robinson reported they are gearing up to review applications for FY 19 708 funding and the grant filing period opens on February 1st and ends on March 1st, 2019. Robinson added no late or incomplete applications will be accepted.
- **CEFS Board** – Robinson reported CEFS is doing a survey calculating the total homeless population in Montgomery County the last Saturday in January, and they need volunteers to help. Robinson stated 22 homeless individuals were reported in Montgomery County last year and those willing to volunteer can contact her. Robinson reported CEFS assisted with Taylorville’s tornado cleanup recently.
- **911 Board** – Bill Bergan stated he will give his report during the EMA Committee report.
- **Health Department** – Chairman Young stated there is no report.
- **IL Association of County Officials** –Bergen. No report.
- **MCEDC** – Chairman Young stated there is no report.
- **Planning Commission** – Deabenderfer stated a meeting has been scheduled for next month.
- **Senior Citizens Board** – Deabenderfer reported they will meet today at 1:30 PM for planning and to review the budget. He said the Senior Citizens will have their Christmas luncheon later today at 1:30 pm in Hillsboro.
- **UCCI** – Miles stated they met in November and went over the mid-term election results. He said no meeting has been scheduled for December, and their next meeting will be in January.
- **U of I** – Beck reported a meeting will be held on December 20th, 2018.
- **WCDC** – Wendel was absent, so no report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE: Given by Chairman Evan Young:

1. **Information System Report Update:** Young reported the Information Systems department is working on upgrading the computers in the Circuit Clerk’s Office.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Gene Miles:

1. Miles asked County Engineer Greenwood to give an update on how the Highway Department assisted with the cleanup efforts in Taylorville after the tornado, and Greenwood stated he was contacted by the Christian County Highway Department for cleanup assistance and he sent two trucks and two employees to help out for four days. Savage asked if IPWMAN (Illinois Public Works Mutual Aid Network) was able to assist and EMA/911 Coordinator Nimmo responded the City of Taylorville was not signed up so they were not eligible for IPWMAN assistance. Nimmo reported there are nine of the 20 communities in Montgomery County who are signed up, and Jones encouraged all county communities to sign up.

2. **Resolution #2019-01, 2019 MFT Resolution Approval:** Miles reported the committee discussed and approved Resolution #2019-01 to amend the MFT funds for 2019 in the amount of \$816,625 based on an estimate. **Motion by Miles and second by Graden to approve Resolution #2019-01 to amend the 2019 MFT Resolution in the amount of \$816,625. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, page 206).**
3. **Amended Road and Bridge Committee Meeting Dates for FY 19 Update:** Miles reported the committee approved changing their meeting dates to the first Thursday of the month at 8:30 am so the Finance Committee could have their meetings on the first Wednesday to allow more time for board preparations.
4. **2012 International Dump Truck Bid Results Approval:** Miles reported there were 6 bids received for the 2012 International Dump Truck, and they had a \$40,000 minimum reserve on the truck. The highest bid was from Will Township in the amount of \$61,125. **Motion by Miles and second by Furness to sell the dump truck to the highest bidder, Will Township, for the amount of \$61,125. All in favor, motion carried.**
5. **2019 Bulk Fuel Purchasing Bid Results Approval:** Engineer Greenwood reported they received two bids for the bulk fuel purchasing, one from M & M Service and the other from Farmers Oil. He said the delivered price from Farmers Oil was \$.04 cheaper per gallon. **Motion by Miles and second by Moore to approve the low bid from Farmers Oil for the 2019 Bulk Fuel Purchasing. All in favor, motion carried.**
Greenwood stated the bulk fuel bid was for a delivered charge.
6. **Dakota Access Pipeline Update:** Engineer Greenwood reported he is waiting on a response from Dakota Access regarding our counter offer reported last month. Greenwood said State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings will follow up with some paperwork. Greenwood also reported he found several areas on the county roads needing some attention as a result of this project. Bishop asked about the counter offer amount, and Greenwood responded our counter offer was just over \$650,000 after he removed the contingency and engineering fees, and said the original request was \$801,000. Greenwood said the bond was for \$3.5 million.
7. **Highway Department Building Improvements/Property Acquisition Update:** Miles reported the committee discussed and approved making repairs to the upstairs restroom at the present Highway Department building, and they are trying to decide between building a new building on the County Farm or making repairs at the current building.
8. **Other Business Update:** Miles reported Greenwood will call the Treasurer's Office regarding the county trustee property needing cleaned up in Butler. Greenwood confirmed the location of the property with members, and said the county trustee is not responsible for the cleanup of any property owned by Trustee Deed.
9. **Front End Loader Purchase Approval:** Miles said the committee discussed the need to have a roll call vote at the full board meeting for payment of the front end loader purchased a few months ago. **Motion by Miles and second by Jones to approve the purchase of the front end loader in the amount of \$115,158. Roll Call Vote: 19 Members voted yes: Beck, Beeler, Bergen, Bishop, Clark, Deabenderfer, Furness, Graden, Hughes, Johnson, Jones, Loucks, McCammack, Miles, Moore, Robinson, Savage, Sneed, Wendel, Yeske and Young. No members voted no, and two members were absent (Clark and Wendel).**
10. **Other Business Update:** None

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairwoman Megan Beeler:

1. **SOA Report Update:** Beeler said Durston reported there are 69 board of review complaints; the last day to file a complaint was Monday, December 3rd, 2018.
2. **Capital Improvement Fund Reports Update:** Beeler said the committee reviewed the Capital Improvement Fund Report and reported that one of the CD's was re-invested at a higher interest rate of 2.8%. She said there will be four smaller CDs due in March.
3. **Property Bid in Farmersville Update:** Beeler reported the State's Attorney's Office is preparing the notice to bid the parcel.
4. **Direct Deposit Update:** Beeler reported because the full board will be meeting in the evening starting in January, members need to sign up for Direct Deposit. Beeler shared Direct Deposit forms for members' use.
5. **Finance Committee Meeting Dates and Times Update:** Beeler reported the Finance Committee approved changing their meeting dates to the first Wednesday at 3:00 pm to better accommodate some board members' schedules.
6. **Other Business Update/Approval:** None

H.W.E. COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Chuck Graden:

1. **County Food Service Sanitation Ordinance Amendments Update/Approval:** Graden reported Cyndy Howard and Hugh Satterlee from the Health Department addressed the committee with amendments for the County Food Service Sanitation Ordinance as outlined by the State of Illinois. He said the committee recommends the revised changes. **Motion by Graden and second by Furness to approve the amended Food Service Sanitation Ordinance. All in favor, motion carried. (For copy, see Resolution Book 17, pages 207-218).**
2. **Recycling Program and Events Approval:**
 - **Recycling Coordinator Position:** Graden reported the Personnel and HWE Committees met recently in a joint meeting to conduct interviews for the Recycling Coordinator position, and Mike Hand was selected and offered the job and will start on December 14th, 2018. **Motion by Graden and second by Johnson to hire Mike Hand as the Recycling Coordinator at the starting salary of \$33,000. All in favor, motion carried.** Moore asked if this salary is the same or less than the previous employee. Graden responded prior Recycling Coordinator Bishop would have been making about \$34,000, so it is less.
 - **Baler Replacement:** Graden reported the refurbished baler was delivered and is now in operation. Graden also thanked Highway Department employees for picking up and delivering the new baler, and he thanked Young for the use of his forklift to unload the baler. Young reported the baler is working at the present time, but there are a few bugs that need to be solved. Deabenderfer asked about the old baler, and Young responded the old baler was traded in and sold to a company in Taylorville.
 - **Recycling Union Grievance on the Hours of work:** Graden reported the Recycling union employees filed a grievance regarding their work hours. Their contract states the work hours are 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM, but they were allowed to start at 6:30 AM when the weather was hot. Graden said they liked those hours and continued to work them year round until Chairman Young directed them go back to the hours stated in the contract because during the winter it is still dark out

at 6:30 AM. Young stated the change in hours was never voted on by the full board so the contract wasn't changed. Graden said they are still working on the grievance issue.

3. Animal Control Facility Program Update:

- Municipal Contracts –Amanda Daniels will meet with State's Attorney Hitchings to review the municipal contracts.

4. Other Business Update/Approval: None

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bob Sneed:

- 1. Smart Watt Energy Survey Audit Update:** Sneed reported the committee continues to work with Smart Watt for the energy audit, and the committee will review a final report in a few months. Sneed reported the committee is focusing on replacing aging equipment at the jail, and they will not be doing any solar projects at this time.
- 2. Maintenance and Cleaning Issues and Report Approval:** Sneed reported the heat valves are stuck, and we still haven't received the parts. Sneed reported we are learning about the preventative maintenance now; and when something breaks, our new maintenance man is learning how to repair it. Sneed reported the committee also recommends two areas of the law library be made into a lactation room and conference room as previously addressed by Circuit Clerk Lemons and Judge Roberts. **Motion by Sneed and second by Miles to approve the two areas in the law library to be made into a lactation and conference rooms. All in favor, motion carried.** Sneed will contact a contractor to begin this project.
- 3. Committee Meeting Dates and Times Update:** Sneed reported the committee discussed moving the time of the committee meeting up to start at 8:00 AM; however they decided to keep the meeting date on the first Friday of the month and the meeting time will stay at 8:30 AM.
- 4. Location for 911 Dispatchers Approval:** Sneed reported his committee had a lengthy discussion on the location for the 911 Dispatchers, and they were presented with a map to review so Nimmo could apply for a grant to purchase a new 911 system. Sneed asked Nimmo to address the board with the 911 Board's request. Nimmo stated the 911 board is looking for space for a 911 communication center and they met with the Building and Grounds Committee to share a map that shows the space needed. **(For copy of the map, see Resolution Book 17, page 219).** Nimmo said the existing EMA office would be the 911 dispatching center, and Nimmo's office would be in the small conference room. Nimmo reported he has been in contact with Information Services, the Ambulance Billing Office, and the Judge, and they have no issues. Nimmo reported the Coroner has some concerns with storage space, but this can be worked out. Nimmo stated he didn't speak with Chief Probation Officer Ulrici regarding the proposed space needs. He said the PBC room is scheduled with court security personnel, and would also be used as an Emergency Operations room when needed. Hughes asked why the move is needed, and Nimmo responded 911 equipment needs updated based on state law and he is applying for a grant offered by ISP, which is due by January 31st, 2019. Nimmo said this grant could be for hundreds of thousands of dollars, and he needs to get quotes now for the 911 system. Sheriff Robbins stated if the 911 dispatchers are in the Jail building, the Sheriff will be in charge. Nimmo stated in 2010, the Sheriff's Office took over the 911 Dispatching Services because 911 funding was very low. He said because of state

funding changes, the Illinois State Police is now the governing body, and the 911 board wants to be in control of their dispatchers. Hughes asked Robbins how this will affect the County financially. Robbins responded he supports the change if the county can afford it, but there is a lot to work out in the details. Nimmo stated former Sheriff Vazzi didn't want to be involved in the process because a new Sheriff was soon to be elected. He said locating space is the starting point, and everyone needs to compromise. Jones asked details about the equipment they are purchasing, and if this grant is going to pay for the Sheriff's Office upgrades or if the county will have to pay for their upgrades. Nimmo responded by saying he will attempt to write every penny into this grant, and we are on a deadline right now. He said the current 911 equipment and software programs are no longer supported. If it goes down today we will need a new system as soon as possible and will pay a large sum of money for it. Jones asked if this is a competitive grant, and Nimmo responded affirmatively.

911 Board member Darin Beckman was in attendance at the meeting to inform members the 911 board is supportive. Beckman stated there have been three communication systems in the Sheriff's Office, and it is a jumbled nest of wires. He said the cleanest way to improve this is to put the new system in a different area and then flip the switch so dispatchers aren't in the hallway while they are pulling wires and setting up the new communications system. Nimmo stated the need to prioritize the location of 911 communications center space is important now, so he can start applying for grants. He said he can't answer the detail questions right now. Nimmo said the 911 board is looking at replacing or upgrading equipment every seven years, and stated a whole package is anywhere from \$300,000 to \$400,000 for just the software.

Jones asked about additional personnel needed for dispatching at the Sheriff's office, and Nimmo replied matron duties and bonding work will not be done by 911 dispatchers, but they would still do the LEADS and intercom walk-ins. **Motion by Sneed and second by Miles to move the 911 dispatching system to the Courthouse Complex basement area in the EMA office, contingent upon receiving the ISP grant, and stipulating that the PBC room will still be used for meetings and 911 must coordinate the move with the Coroner and the Sheriff.**

Sneed said if the ISP grant is not received, then the board will revisit this space need. Bishop asked if we can charge the 911 Department rent, and Sneed responded rent could be negotiated if the grant is received, and comparable rent amounts to those charged to the Ambulance Districts who currently pay for billing services. Sneed said Nimmo can write the grant with language to get all the money he can. Beeler stated if they are not allowed space in the Courthouse Complex, they could put the 911 Communications Center at another site in the county, since they are their own entity. She said the 911 Board has full jurisdiction over where the 911 Communications Center is located. Sneed asked if we don't get the grant, will we still proceed, and Nimmo stated he can't answer that at this time, but ISP stated the grants will be awarded on June 30th, 2019. Clerk Leitheiser stated she could foresee a huge need of the Information Services Department staffing for this project and asked if there are 911 funds available for additional IT staff, as they are currently spread very thin. Nimmo stated the IT Department has been involved from the beginning and expects them to continue to be at the table as this project progresses. Graden called for the question. **Voice Vote, All in Favor, Motion carried.**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: Given By Committee Chairwoman Donna Yeske:

1. **Planning Commission Update:** Yeske thanked MCEDC Director Valerie Belusko for her work on the Planning Commission and for keeping us up to date.
2. **MCEDC Update:**
 - **Revolving Loan Fund Update/Approval:** Belusko reported there is an old loan completely closed out, and the owner is currently making double payments. She said the business was selling out and she wasn't notified until the last minute when everything changed and a rent to own agreement was made, so the business making payment to the county will continue for the next few years. She said the owner is making double payments to the county. The RLF is not paid off and everything looks fine.
 - **CEO Program Update/Approval:** Belusko reported the CEO students are planning a talent show and the location is to be determined.
 - **Broadband/Fiber Project Update/Approval:** CTI continues to work on installing fiber in the Hillsboro area.
3. **Tourism Update:** Belusko explained the video project to highlight areas of the county and IllinoisSouth Tourism Bureau will assist us to get a discount on advertising services, etc.... She said the committee approved writing a support letter for the City of Litchfield regarding the Pickers Market.
 - **Tourism Financial Grant Application (draft) Update/Approval:** The committee will discuss next month.
4. **Eagle Zinc Cleanup Update:** Yeske stated they are in the process of moving soil to the site.
5. **Mine Avenue Solar Project Update:** Yeske reported a public hearing for this project is scheduled for Monday, January 7th, 2019 at 3:30 pm in the county board room.
6. **Shoal Creek Community Solar Update:** Shoal Creek Community Solar Project will hold a public hearing in the County Board Room on Monday, January 7th, 2019 at 4:30 PM. They are applying for one of the 22 grants offered by the State. The deadline to submit the project is January 15th, 2019.
7. **Enterprise Zone Update:** Coordinator Daniels reported the Ordinances, Intergovernmental Agreements and Resolutions are being completed by the 13 designated units of government. She said work continues on collecting information from county businesses and schools for the application.
8. **West Central Development Approval:** Yeske reported the committee discussed writing a letter to WCDC stating we paid our dues for services not received and to ask for our money back. Yeske stated State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings was asked to review this letter and advise the committee. Jones stated WCDC performs other functions, and this will be detrimental to take the money from them. Savage stated they are not allowed to use this money for anything else, and they need the money for writing grants for municipalities. Jones stated ECDC can also do DCEO grants. **Motion by Yeske and second by Savage to request our dues back for 2018 due to the lack of services and the inability to complete EDA grants pending legal advice from the State's Attorney's Office. Voice vote, all members voted yes, except Jones, who voted no. Motion carried.**

9. **Other Business Update/Approval:** Yeske reported the committee approved keeping its regular meetings on the same date and time, which is the first Monday of each month at 5:30 PM. She said the January meeting has been scheduled for Monday, January 7th due to the New Year's Holiday.

E.M.A and AMBULANCE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Bill Bergen:

1. **EMA New Business Update:** Bergen deferred to EMA Coordinator Nimmo, who shared an information/timeline sheet for the tornadoes that touched down in the county on Saturday, December 1st, 2018. Nimmo stated he saw two tornadoes on the ground and one funnel cloud. Nimmo reported the EOC was deployed and there were no injuries and no fatalities. He said there was one accident on I-55 when a driver stopped on the highway and a truck rear-ended the vehicle. Nimmo reported the damage assessment team went out at 6:00 AM on Sunday morning to assess damages and make reports. Nimmo reported 24 homes were damaged in Montgomery County, which included two that were destroyed.
2. **Illinois Association of County Board members Update:** Bergen reported he attended the Illinois Association of County Board Members meeting on November 30th, 2018. Bergen stated the state will have over 6,000 new bills introduced in this session; normally there are around 3,000. Bergen reported the ILACBM is also expecting about a \$2 – \$3 billion state budget short fall, which will most likely come from city and county governments. Bergen stated they also discussed the success of the Local Government Debt Recovery program, and Circuit Clerk Lemons stated it has been used very effectively in her office.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Committee Chairman Kirby Furness:

1. **Employee Health Insurance Update:** Furness reported employee health insurance open enrollment took place and employees are now signed up for the current fiscal year.
2. **Hours of Work for Ambulance Billing Department Update:** Furness reported the Ambulance Billing department withdrew their request for a four day work week.
3. **Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Issues and union contracts Approval:**
Motion by Furness and second by Hughes to enter into Executive Session to discuss Union Contracts. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 10:15 AM.
Motion by Furness and second by Yeske to come out of Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. Time: 10:30 AM.
4. **Union Contract Negotiations Approval:**
FOP Union Negotiations for contract ending 11/30/18: Motion by Furness and second by Jones to approve the three year FOP contract with a 2.2% salary increase each year. Furness said this is a \$.63 per hour increase for the first year, \$.65 per hour for the second year and \$.67 per hour in the third year. **All in favor, motion carried.**
Local 148 Circuit Clerk Union Negotiations for contract ending 1/30/18: Motion by Furness and second by Johnson to approve the four year contract with Local 148 representing the Circuit Clerk's Office. Furness said this is a salary increases of \$.45 per hour for the first and second years and \$.40 per hour for years three and four pending their ratification. **All in favor, motion carried.**
5. **Other Business Update/Approval:** Beeler stated that after meeting, all County Board members will be at the \$60 pay for per diem. Member Deabenderfer stated the County Board Resolution should still apply for \$75 pay for per diem. Beeler stated it was for just

their current term, which has now ended. Deabenderfer asked for the State's Attorney's office to review the County Board actions that resulted in this change.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Young reported that a County Board group photo and individual County Board member photos for ID Badges will be taken immediately following the board meeting.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: Young reported the Rules of Order Committee will meet on December 27th, 2018 at 4:00 pm.

APPOINTMENTS:

Appointment to the Zanesville #3 Drainage District: Motion by Jones and second by Beeler to appoint Melvin Wempen to the Zanesville #3 Drainage District. All in favor, motion carried.

Appointment to the Pitman-Zanesville #2 Drainage District: Motion by Beeler and second by Yeske to appoint Gregory Weitekamp to the Pitman-Zanesville #2 Drainage District. All in favor, motion carried.

Appointments to Harvel #1 Drainage District: Motion by Beeler and second by Moore to appoint John Richard Lyons to the Harvel #1 Drainage District for a one year term. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Beck and second by Hughes to appoint Richard Thomas Uhrig to the Harvel #1 Drainage District for a two year term. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Beck and second by Hughes to appoint Christopher Zimmerman to the Harvel #1 Drainage District for a three year term. All in favor, motion carried.

Appointments to Harvel #2 Drainage District: Motion by Beeler and second by Jones to appoint Dennis Held to the Harvel #2 Drainage District for a one year term. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Moore and second by Beeler to appoint John Richard Lyons to the Harvel #2 Drainage District for a two year term. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Jones and second by Furness to appoint Lawrence Meisner to the Harvel #2 Drainage District for a three year term. All in favor, motion carried.

IllinoisSouth Tourism Administrative Board: Motion by Bishop and second by Johnson to appoint Sara Waggoner to the IllinoisSouth Tourism Board. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Savage and second by Deabenderfer to appoint Valerie Belusko to the IllinoisSouth Tourism Board. All in favor, motion carried.

708 Board: Motion by Robinson and second by Beeler to appoint Kenny Ryker to the 708 Board. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Citizen Bill Schroeder asked Chairman Young if there were any updates regarding the Deer Run Mine. Young replied he has not heard from them and hasn't had time to call them. Young asked Coordinator Daniels if there was any news to report, and she responded they are supplying a support letter for the Enterprise Zone. Board member Hughes responded the coal mine has been actively looking for new employees and contacting past employees.

Belusko stated she has difficulty hearing board members when they are speaking; and asked them to project their voices and speak clearly into the microphone so people in the audience can hear them.

PAY BILLS:

1. **Approval to Pay Any Invoices to Adams PC and Books & Moore, and Point of Light:** Motion by Sneed and second by Miles to pay any invoices for Adams, PC and Book & Moore. and Point of Light. Voice Vote: In favor – 17, Against – 0, Absent – 2 Abstain – 2 (Moore and Bishop). Motion carried.
2. **Approval to Pay all other bills:** Motion by Hughes and second by Furness to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board on Monday, January 8th, 2019 at 5:30 PM in the County Board Room, Hillsboro, Illinois. Motion by Robinson and second by McCammack to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:40 AM. Minutes respectfully recorded and submitted by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.