

RESUME OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
COUNTY BOARD, CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
February 19, 2009

The County Board of Champaign County, Illinois met at a Regular Meeting, Thursday, February 19, 2009 at 7:01 P.M. in the Lyle Shields Meeting Room, Brookens Administrative Center, 1776 East Washington Street, Urbana, Illinois, with C. Pius Weibel presiding and Sasha Green, as Secretary of the Meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call showed the following Board Members Present: Betz, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, McGinty, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Ammons, Anderson, Beckett, and Weibel – 23; Absent: Bensyl, Carter, Langenheim and Richards – 4. Thereupon, the Chair declared a quorum present and the Board competent to conduct business. Board Members Langenheim and Richards arrived after roll call.

**PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Weibel announced the Board would observe a moment of silence for a member of the military from Oakland, IL who was recently killed in Afghanistan and for soldiers who are currently serving. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

**READ NOTICE OF MEETING**

The Clerk read the Notice of the Meeting, said Notice having been published in the *Southern Champaign County Today* and *Fisher Reporter* on February 4, 2009; *The Leader* on February 5, 2009; *Mahomet Citizen* and *Rantoul Press* on February 11, 2009; *County Star* and *Savoy Star* on February 12, 2009; and *News Gazette* on February 17, 2009. Board Member Betz offered a motion to approve the notice; seconded by Board Member Wysocki. Approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Board Member James offered the motion to approve the corrected minutes of the County Board Meeting of December 18, 2008 and the minutes of the County Board Meeting of January 22, 2009; seconded by Board Member Jay. Approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM**

Board Member Cowart offered the motion to approve the Agenda/Addendum; seconded by Board Member Wysocki. Approved by voice vote.

### **DATE/TIME OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

Chair Weibel announced that the next Meeting of the County Board will be held on Thursday, March 19, 2009 at 7:00 P.M.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Nora Stewart, AFSCME Local 900 President, thanked elected officials, appointed officials, and department heads for budget cuts so County employees would not be subject to lay offs or furlough days, and spoke regarding potential future budget cuts. John Farney, AFSCME Local 900 Vice President, thanked elected officials, appointed officials, and department heads for budget cuts so County employees would not be subject to lay offs or furlough days, and spoke regarding potential future budget cuts. Belden Fields spoke regarding Resolution No. 6883 Appointing the Citizens Advisory Committee on Jury Selection and the proposal to abolish two County Board Committees. Brian Dolinar spoke regarding Resolution No. 6883 and the proposal to abolish two County Board Committees. Brett Kepley spoke regarding Resolution No. 6884 appointing Edward Vaughn, Jr. to the Champaign Southwest Mass Transit District Board and the status of the District. Edward Vaughn spoke regarding Resolution No. 6884. Eleanor Morrow read a letter regarding budget cuts and the accountability of each department on behalf of Angela Lusk.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

Board Member Beckett clarified his suggestion on two County Board Committees; it would be a County Board rule change to fold the duties of Justice and Social Services into Finance and Policy, Personnel & Appointments and County Facilities into Highway and Transportation. Board Member Smucker announced he is organizing a speaker series to be featured on Urbana Public Television; the first Speakers will be Deb Busey, Champaign County Co-Administrator, Bill Keller, EMA Director, and John Hall, Regional Planning Director. Board Member Kurtz thanked Brad Uken from the Farm Bureau for a bus tour to visit wind turbines. Board Member Anderson discussed the Champaign County Soil and Water Conservation district's annual meeting.

### **NURSING HOME BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL REPORT**

Dr. Charles Lansford gave the annual report of the Nursing Home Board of Directors. Mike Scavatto gave a fiscal report of the Champaign County Nursing Home. Discussion followed.

### **CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS BY OMNIBUS VOTE**

Board Member Gladney requested the adoption of Resolution No. 6883 Appointing the Citizens Advisory Committee on Jury Selection, be removed from the Consent Agenda.

JUSTICE & SOCIAL SERVICES

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6881](#) for the Approval of and, if Awarded, Acceptance of Humane Society Grant for the Champaign County Animal Control Department.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6882](#) for the Approval of and, if Awarded, Acceptance of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority - Juvenile Information Sharing Grant for the Court Services Department.

POLICY, PERSONNEL, & APPOINTMENTS

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6885](#) Appointing Raymond Cunningham to the Champaign County Lincoln Exhibits Committee, term ending February 29, 2012.

FINANCE

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6889](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #09-00015

Fund: 080 - General Corporate

Dept: 017 - Cooperative Extension Service

Increased Appropriations: \$16,104.00

Increased Revenue: \$16,104.00

Reason: Revenue neutral budget amendment necessary for FY2009 budget to cover back tax receipts and expenditures.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6890](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #09-00016

Fund: 089 - County Public Health Fund

Dept: 049 - Board of Health

Increased Appropriations: \$17,913.00

Increased Revenue: \$17,913.00

Reason: Revenue neutral budget amendment necessary for FY2009 budget to cover back tax receipts and expenditures

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6891](#) - Budget Amendment:

Budget Amendment #09-00017

Fund: 188 - Social Security fund

Dept: 075 - General County

Increased Appropriations: \$99,887.00

Increased Revenue: \$99,887.00

Reason: FY2009 budget did not reflect the actual amount of reimbursement from other funds.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6892](#) for the Abatement and Reduction of Taxes Heretofore Levied for the Payment of Bonds.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6893](#) for the Approval of and, if Awarded, Acceptance of Renewal of the Violent Crime Victims Assistance Grant for the State's Attorney's Office.

#### HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6894](#) Awarding of Contract for the Replacement of a bridge located on County Highway 9 - Section #07-00936-00-BR.

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6895](#) Awarding of Contract for the Replacement of a bridge located in Ludlow Road District - Section #07-14940-00-BR.

#### ENVIRONMENT & LAND USE

Adoption of [Resolution No. 6896](#) Approving Subdivision Case 194-08 McCulley First Subdivision.

Board Member McGinty offered the motion to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Board Member Beckett. Chair Weibel asked the Clerk to call the roll.

Consent Agenda approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Betz, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, McGinty, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Ammons, Anderson, Beckett, and Weibel – 25;

Nays: None.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### JUSTICE & SOCIAL SERVICES

Board Member Gladney, Chair, recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6883](#) Appointing the Citizens Advisory Committee on Jury Selection; seconded by Board Member Anderson. Discussion followed. Adopted by voice vote.

#### COUNTY FACILITIES

Board Member Beckett, Chair, recommended the adoption of Highway-Fleet Maintenance Project: [Resolution No. 6879](#) Requesting Additional Professional Services Compensation; seconded by Board Member Sapp. Discussion followed. A roll call was requested. Discussion followed.

Adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Betz, Cowart, Hunt, Kurtz, Langenheim, McGinty, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Ammons, Anderson, Beckett, and Weibel – 19;

Nays: Doenitz, James, Jay, Jones, Knott – 5;

Absent: Gladney – 1.

POLICY, PERSONNEL & APPOINTMENTS

Board Member Betz, Chair, recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6884](#) appointing Edward Vaughn, Jr. to the Champaign Southwest Mass Transit District Board, term ending December 31, 2013; seconded by Board Member Knott. Discussion followed. A roll call was requested. Discussion followed. Board Member Kurtz offered a motion to defer the adoption until May 2009; seconded by Board Member Ammons. Discussion followed. A roll call was requested. Discussion followed. The question was called. Motion to call the question passed by a show of hands.

Motion to defer failed by roll call vote.

Yeas: Betz, Cowart, Gladney, Kurtz, Langenheim, Richards, Anderson, and Smucker – 8;

Nays: Doenitz, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, McGinty, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Ammons, Beckett, and Weibel – 17.

Adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Doenitz, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, McGinty, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Beckett, and Weibel – 17;

Nays: Betz, Cowart, Gladney, Langenheim, Richards, Smucker, Ammons, and Anderson – 8.

FINANCE

Board Member McGinty, Chair, recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6886](#) - Payment of Claims Authorization; seconded by Board Member Beckett. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member McGinty recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6887](#) - Purchases not Following Purchasing Policy; seconded by Board Member Beckett. Adopted by voice vote.

Board Member McGinty recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6888](#) Establishing a Hiring Freeze for Champaign County Departments and Offices Funded through the General Corporate Fund; seconded by Board Member Knott. Discussion followed. Board Member Betz offered an amendment to exclude the creation of a single County administrator; seconded by Board member Moser. Discussion followed. After no objection, Board Member Betz withdrew his motion to exclude. Discussion followed. A roll call was requested.

Adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Betz, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, McGinty, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, and Weibel – 23

Nays: Smucker – 1;

Absent: Ammons – 1.

Board Member McGinty recommended the adoption of [Resolution No. 6897](#) Amending the FY2009 General Corporate Fund Budget; seconded by Board Member Moser. Discussion followed. The question was called. Motion to call the question passed by a show of hands.

Adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Betz, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, Langenheim, McGinty, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, and Weibel – 23

Nays: Smucker – 1;

Absent: Ammons – 1.

#### HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION

Board Member Cowart, Chair, announced the Committee had no items for Board action.

#### ENVIRONMENT & LAND USE

Board Member Wysocki, Chair, recommended the adoption of [Ordinance No. 846](#) – Amending Zoning Ordinance Reclassifying Certain Property; seconded by Board Member Schroeder.

Adopted by roll call vote.

Yeas: Betz, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, McGinty, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, and Weibel – 23

Nays: Langenheim – 1;

Absent: Ammons – 1.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Board Member Smucker recommended entering into Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) to discuss collective negotiating matters between Champaign County and its employees or their representatives, further moving that the following individuals remain present: Mike Scavotto, Andrew Buffenbarger, County Administrators, County's Legal Counsel, and Recording Secretary; seconded by Board Member Betz.

Approved by roll call vote.

Yeas: Betz, Cowart, Doenitz, Gladney, Hunt, James, Jay, Jones, Knott, Kurtz, McGinty, Moser, Nudo, O'Connor, Richards, Rosales, Sapp, Schroeder, Smucker, Wysocki, Anderson, Beckett, and Weibel – 23

Nays: Langenheim – 1;

Absent: Ammons – 1.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 9:27 P.M. The Board reentered Open Session at 9:43 P.M.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Weibel adjourned the meeting at 9:44 P.M.

*Mark Sheldon*

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Mark Sheldon, Champaign County Clerk  
and ex-Officio Clerk of the Champaign County Board