

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON August 30, 2017.

*ATTEST: LAURIE J. MENSE, COUNTY CLERK*

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A special meeting of the Christian County Board was called for by the County Board Chairman Tim Carlson, Becky Edwards, Paul Schmitz, Donna Hibbetts, Marilyn Voggetzer, and Vicki McMahon for the purpose to discuss and/or approve time sensitive issues and to waive the per diem paid to County Board members for this special meeting.

The following proceeding had and entered at large upon the records of said Board, which is done accordingly in the following words and figures to wit;

Chairman Timothy J. Carlson called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

County Clerk Laurie J. Mense recorded the roll call disclosing all members present except Craig Corzine signifying a quorum.

### **SPECIAL MEETING BUSINESS:**

Chairman Carlson explained that this special meeting was called for as each item on the agenda is time sensitive. Although the committee minutes will not be approved, Donna Hibbetts presented the issues from the recent Personnel/Executive/Liquor committee.

### **APPROVE LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

#### **RJ'S SHAK LIQUOR LICENSE APPROVED**

Rodney E. Jackson of Edinburg has submitted a new liquor license application for package liquor (wine and beer). He will be leasing the property and reopening a bait shop (RJ's SHAK) near SanChris Lake. *A motion was made by Donna Hibbetts and seconded by Chad Michel to approve the application pending all requirements are met.* The motion carried.

#### **APPROVED A NEW POLICY AND APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY LIQUOR PERMIT FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

A special event is scheduled early October for the Luke Bryan Farm Tour in rural Edinburg. This is a unique situation and the only ordinance/policy in place is for liquor licenses for permanent established buildings and year round license holders. The committee reviewed a suggested policy and application which would allow the sale of alcohol to such special events for non-profit groups in the unincorporated parts of the County. *A motion was made by Donna Hibbetts and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to approve the Special Event Liquor License –Temporary Permit (beer and wine only) policy for non-established county license holders (of which they must be non-profit*

*applicants) and the application requirements for such permit.* In discussion, Matt Wells pointed out that the application date of the current applicant and the policy might not be approved by the State upon review of our policy. As it was explained, the Farm Tour Group has been working with local officials for much longer than 60 days, but the actual application did not reflect the time frame. *Hibbetts and Voggetzer both rescinded their motion and noted the correction from 60 days to 30 days, then with the policy corrected Aaron Allen made the motion and it was seconded by Chad Michel to approve the Special Event Liquor License –Temporary Permit (beer and wine only) policy for non-established county license holders (of which they must be non-profit applicants) and the application requirements for such permit.* The motion carried.

#### LUKE BRYAN FARM TOUR APPLICATION APPROVED

Bruce Engeling and Mike Havera were in attendance at the committee meeting to answer questions about the event which apply to the provisions of the policy. In 2016, this tour took place in Effingham. Both the City and County in Effingham were contacted as well as their States Attorney to review permits and inquire about any problems:

- Security, crowd and traffic control will be coordinated by Bruce Engeling with law enforcement from the County, the Auxiliary, and the State Police. All time is paid for by the Tour Group. [Additionally, Mike Crews and community first responders have been meeting for months.]
- Wrist bands will be provided by color for age 21 and must be worn during the event.
- Liquor sales- There will be five serving locations with BASSET trained people on staff at each station and they will use both their own Tour bartenders and local bartenders.
- The Farm For Life, Inc. group meets the non-profit group status as they give back to the local youth involved in 4-H and other agricultural groups through scholarships and other financial support from the onsite sales.
- It is estimated 10,000 to 13,000 people will participate in the event.

*A motion was made by Donna Hibbetts and seconded by Chad Michel to approve the application for a special event liquor permit for Farm For Life, Inc.—Luke Bryan Farm Tour 2017.* The motion carried.

#### COUNTY TO SEEK BIDS FOR WORK COMP, PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE.

Chairman Carlson commented on the brief discussion at the conclusion of the August County Board meeting. He explained the thought not to go forward to bid the insurance this year was due to the timing. It was the original intention to vote on the FY2018 budget in October not November. If that were to happen there would not be enough time to bid it and include the amounts in the new budget. Currently the County carries health insurance with the Health Alliance through American Central Insurance, work comp with the Illinois Public Risk Fund through Dimond Bros. and property/casualty with the Illinois Counties Risk Management Trust through Snedeker Risk Management. We have good representatives with good coverage for our county and employees. We last went out

for work comp and property and casualty 2 ½ years ago when it was necessary to leave ICIT of whom we were with for 15 plus years.

He asked if it was the Board's desire to seek bids for property, casualty and work comp at this time? Aaron Allen commented he felt there might be a savings and it wasn't much time on their part to do so. Donna Hibbetts commented that this is more than just insurance coverage. The Chairman called for a motion and it was made by Aaron Allen and seconded by Chad Michel to seek sealed bids *for insurance for the County's work comp-effective 1/1/2018, causality, liability, and property-effective 12/1/2017as applicable to Christian County.* [The bids will be received at the office of the County Board Chairman, until 4:00 pm on Thursday, October 5, 2017. Bids will be publicly opened and read at 6:30 pm at the Audit/Finance Committee meeting on October 5, 2017. The bids will be evaluated and brought back to the finance committee on Thursday, October 12 at 6:30 pm.] The Chairman called for a roll call vote: Charles DeClerck, Becky Edwards, Donna Hibbetts, Mike McClure, Vicki McMahan, Venise McWard, Chad Michel, Paul Schmitz, Phil Schneider, Marilyn Voggetzer, Matt Wells, Molly Alaria, Aaron Allen, Tim Carlson and Ben Curtin. (15) ayes: (0) nays; Craig Corzine (1) absent. The motion carried.

#### TAYLORVILLE SANITARY DISTRICT APPOINTMENT

Recently Jim Hafliger resigned from the Taylorville Sanitary District. As they are in transition and change, the Chairman noted it was important to make an appointment as soon as possible and fill the position. He called for a motion to appoint Tom Fergin to fill the vacancy from 8/30/2017 thru 5/2019. A roll call vote being called: Becky Edwards, Donna Hibbetts, Mike McClure, Vicki McMahan, Venise McWard, Chad Michel, Paul Schmitz, Phil Schneider, Marilyn Voggetzer, Molly Alaria, Aaron Allen, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin and Charles DeClerck. (14) ayes: (0) nays; Matt Wells (1) present: Craig Corzine (1) absent. The motion carried.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

#### WAIVE PER DIEM PAID TO COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS FOR THIS SPECIAL MEETING.

Chairman Carlson said, "As we try to do our part of reducing spending, I will accept a motion to waive the per diem of this Special meeting. *A motion was made by Vicki McMahan and seconded by Paul Schmitz to waive the per diem normally paid to the County Board members for this Special Meeting.* The motion carried unanimously.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

#### ADJOURN

*A motion was made by Aaron Allen and seconded by Venise McWard to adjourn until the September 19, 2017 full Board meeting.* The motion carried.