

**January 14, 2014 (Page 887 )**  
**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 JANUARY 14, 2014.

*ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK*

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A special meeting of the Christian County Board was called for by the County Board Chairman Paul Schmitz on January 14, 2014.

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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. County Board member Lloyd Washburn gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present, signifying a quorum.

**Special meeting business:**

The purpose of this special meeting is to approve the appointment of Dick Adams to the position of Christian County Treasurer and Collector for the unexpired term through November 30, 2014. The position will be effective Monday, February 10, 2014.

*A motion was made by Mike McClure and seconded by Tim Carlson to appoint Dick Adams of Taylorville as the Christian County Treasurer and Collector for the unexpired term through November 30, 2014. Board Member Jack Pearce inquired whether Adams intends to file as a write-in candidate for Treasurer on the March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014 General Primary ballot. Mr. Adams confirmed he does intend to run as a write-in and hopes to be the Democratic candidate on the General Election ballot in November 2014. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.*

Chairman Schmitz introduced Dick Adams who spoke briefly to the Board expressing his thanks for the opportunity to serve as County Treasurer, thanking both Party Chairman Jack Mazzotti and County Board Chairman Paul Schmitz as well as former Treasurer Hadley, Treasurer Drea and County Auditor Pulley for their time and efforts in working towards his selection. Adams promised to offer the best customer service he can and appreciates the vote of confidence this appointment accords him. Adams will file his declaration of intent as a write-in candidate for the Democratic nominee for County Treasurer and Collector.

*A motion was made by Jack Pearce, Jr. and seconded by Greg Hager to adjourn this Special Meeting on January 14, 2014. The motion carried.*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD  
AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY  
ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE,  
ILLINOIS, ON JANUARY 21, 2014.

ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Reverend Jason Hoffmann of Crossroads Apostolic Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present except Jack Pearce, Jr. and Dave Reed signifying a quorum.

PROCLAMATIONS/ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

These will be handled within Committee reports for this month.

ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

*It was moved by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Joe Marley to accept and place on file the minutes for the December 17, 2013 Board Meeting and the minutes from the January 14, 2014 Special Meeting . The motion carried.*

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The December 2013 Public Defender's Report is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 2- The February 2014 Prevailing Wage report was not yet available.
- 3- The Treasurer's reports ending 12/31/2013 are on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 4- The December 2013 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report was not yet filed.
- 5- The December 2013 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax Allotment and Transactions were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.
- 6- A notice of application for permit to manage waste was received from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency regarding a Five Oaks Recycling and Disposal Facility project described as an alternate source demonstration for confirmed increases in groundwater from third quarter 2013 monitoring event.
- 7- A notice from the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding the approval of the resolution adopted December 17, 2013 appropriating \$106,200 from the County's Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the payment of the County Engineer's Salary and expenses for calendar year 2014 .
- 8- A notice from the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding the approval of the resolution adopted December 17, 2013 appropriating \$60,000 from the County's Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Social Security and IMRF for calendar year 2014.
- 9- A letter from Ameren dated January 16, 2014 regarding tree trimming in the Kincaid area was received. Maps and common addresses were sent as well.

APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ

Chairman Schmitz called a motion by Joe Marley and seconded by Lloyd Washburn to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.

ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED

*A motion was made by Marilyn Voggetzer and seconded by Mike McClure to accept and file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/ENVIRONMENTAL/WELFARE/ZONING COMMITTEE**

Chairman Greg Hager gave the report for the January 14, 2014 meeting.

Circuit Clerk Julie Mayer explained the layout of her two offices on the first floor of the Courthouse and the division of staff on both sides: 6 full time, 1 part time and Julie in south office and 3 full time in north office. She would like to get all employees in the main office and use the North office as file storage only. This will make her office more efficient and help her with cross training employees within the office. To accomplish this, the rolling file system in the main office will have to be relocated to the file room. The company that provided and installed the system will relocate it at a cost of \$6,500. Bill Kennedy looked at the structural capacity of the floor in the file room to see if it was adequate for the additional weight. A column and some frame work needs to be added to ensure the needed capacity. Bill will have the steel fabricated and Zach with help from the Highway Department will install it. Additional items to complete the project will be repairing the flooring and any unknown incidentals. By motion this was approved (not to exceed \$7,500) and referred to the Audit and Finance Committee.

Solid Waste Director Joe Stepping reviewed the result of last month's bid for the recycling roll-off containers: Midstate Salvage's bid was \$344/pull compared to the current \$205/pull. Midstate agreed to provide service at \$205/pull for January. Joe reported the he has been researching other possibilities. One option might be to lease a truck and hire part time drivers to transport the containers to the recycling centers. At this point he would like to reject the bid received last month from Mid-State Recycling and advertise bids for hauling the containers only. Neal Lebeter has agreed to continue his service for \$300 per pull for a 30 day period beginning February 1. This will give Joe time to receive and evaluate bids. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to pay \$300/pull through February.* The motion carried.

**Highway business:**

Cliff Frye presented the following highway business to the Committee:

Resolution R2014HY001 authorizing participation in the State of Illinois Federal Surplus Property Program was presented. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Dick Breckenridge to adopt resolution R2014HY001 authorizing the County to participate in the State of Illinois Federal Surplus Property Program and to dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: **VOTING AYE: (14)** Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; **VOTING NAY: (0);** **ABSENT: (2)** Dave Reed and Jack Pearce, Jr. and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Resolution R2014HY002 showing support for a new transportation infrastructure construction program was presented. The resolution urges the state legislature to look at transportation funding and to try and find a more equitable way to fund it. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Carol Foli to adopt resolution R2014HY002 Supporting a New Transportation Infrastructure Construction Program and to dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: **VOTING AYE: (14)** Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; **VOTING NAY: (0);** **ABSENT: (2)** Dave Reed and Jack Pearce, Jr. and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/ENVIRONMENTAL/WELFARE/ZONING COMMITTEE (cont.)**

Requested to purchase a John Deere 6140D mowing tractor from the CMS joint purchase contract at a cost of \$54,739.27. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Ben Curtin to purchase a 6140D tractor from John Deere Company at a cost of \$54,739.27. The motion carried.*

**Building and Grounds report:**

Zach Hicks flipped through pages of projects of “completed” and “to do” explaining for every one job done so many more get added to the list. He noted that some major projects this year will be a main water line replacement, multiple plumbing issues and air conditioning projects at the jail, flash valves in all restrooms at the courthouse, basement windows, add additional electric service in ROE, and that is just a few.

Committee Chairman Hager asked for discussion on the use of the courthouse for specific events such as the Taylorville Arts Council GALA. He noted that he had attended this year and that the event was well done. In May, the Board approved a fee of \$350 (4 hours) for Board approved organizations with no alcohol allowed. It was requested by Dick Breckenridge to reconsider the requirements for the Arts Council. He noted how special and unique the Courthouse is and that this is the “people’s building”. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to direct the Board Chairman to work with the States Attorney and bring back to the committee the recommendations. The motion carried.*

Bill Kennedy reported that due to the recent temperatures, the freezing water has created damage in the clock tower and surrounding areas. He requested that Fred Davis be contacted to assess the problems. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Carol Foli to hire Fred Davis to evaluate the problem and obtain a quote to repair the damage. The motion carried.*

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Chairman Laura Wilkinson gave the report for the January 13, 2014 meeting.

By motion the Committee went into executive session for purposes of 5ILCS 120/2 (c)(1)(2) and/or (11. Motion carried with all ayes. By motion the Committee came out of executive session for the above stated reason, calling all for a roll call resulted in all ayes. Action to report was that the union and employee agree to withdraw the Grievance and any similar or related grievance, with prejudice. The employee will return to work on January 21<sup>st</sup> from a leave of absence.

**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE**

Chairman Fred Curtin gave the reports for the January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meeting.

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Carol Foli to approve the claims submitted for December. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (14) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, , Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (2) Jack Pearce, Jr., Dave Reed ; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.*

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**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE (cont.)**

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Circuit Clerk Julie Mayer presented to the Committee a proposal to move the filing system and desks as explained in the Building and Grounds Committee minutes. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Carol Foli to approve the expenditure of up to \$7,500 for the proposed project in the Circuit Clerk’s Office with the funds to be transferred from contingency into the appropriate line item. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (14) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, , Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Vogetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (2) Jack Pearce, Jr., Dave Reed ; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.*

**Other Business:**

- A question had been asked of Cliff Frye as to the status of the bridge rebuild at Lake Taylorville. Frye noted to the Committee that the project is progressing but that it is a labor intensive project. Frye estimated to the full board that it would be completed by July or August if all goes as planned.
- A question concerning the Ahlstrom Filtration noise complaint was put to the Committee. Dick Breckenridge noted that Ahlstrom is bringing in engineers to address how to fix the problem. It is anticipated this solution will be rather expensive and they want to make certain the solution will in fact fix the problem prior to making the application.
- Chairman Schmitz noted that the decreased revenues in sales tax that had been discussed at prior meetings were in fact due to the loss of two businesses due to annexation into an incorporated municipality.

**NEW / UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None was addressed this month.

**Approval of Mileage and Per Diem Report**

*A motion was made by Greg Hager. and seconded by Lloyd Washburn to approve and dispense with the reading of the mileage and per diem report. The motion carried.*

	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Meetings this month</u></b>
Dick Breckenridge	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Paul Schmitz	\$813.73		
Marilyn Vogetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	3

**APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS**

None this month.

Chairman Schmitz drew the attention of the Board to page 38 of the Fiscal Year End report they were given for FY2013 noting that the County finished to the good rather than the previously anticipated deficit of \$296,000.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by **Greg Hager** to adjourn the meeting until February 18, 2014 at 6:30 pm. The motion carried.*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD  
AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY  
ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE,  
ILLINOIS, ON FEBRUARY 18, 2014.

ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Reverend Carlos Campos of Calvary Baptist Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present except Carol Foli and Dick Breckenridge signifying a quorum.

PROCLAMATIONS/ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

These will be handled within Committee reports for this month.

ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

*It was moved by Mike McClure and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to accept and place on file the minutes for the December 17, 2013 Board Meeting and the minutes from the January 21, 2014 County Board Meeting . The motion carried.*

Proposed Zoning Ordinance O2014 ZN 001

A request for a special use for private club for indoor handgun and long gun range and outdoor Archery and fishing in pond was made to the Christian County Zoning Board of Appeals by owner Joshua Assad for a property located in Johnson Township. The Zoning Board denied the request due to the request not being consistent with a special use for an Ag-1 property. States Attorney Havera was asked to comment to the Board regarding the prior Zoning Board of Appeals meetings and their recommendation for denial of the request. Havera noted that he believes the request is consistent and should be sent back to the Zoning Board of Appeals for further consideration. *A motion was made by Mike McClure and seconded by Jack Pearce, Jr. to refer the request back to the Christian County Zoning Board of Appeals for their further consideration.* The motion passed. Assad thanked the Board for the opportunity to plead his case.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The January 2014 Public Defender's Report is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 2- The February 2014 Prevailing Wage report is posted and on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 3- The Treasurer's reports ending 01/31/2014 are on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 4- The January 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report was not yet filed.
- 5- The January 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax Allotment and Transactions were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.
- 6- A letter from Ameren dated January 16, 2014 regarding tree trimming in the Owaneco area was received. Maps and common addresses were sent as well. In addition Ameren publishes locally and mails affected customers notices.
- 7- A February 11, 2014 notice was received from the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding the approval of the resolution authorizing the transfer of \$ 51,600.00 of Surface Transportation Program funds for the partial reimbursement of the Christian County Engineer's salary. A warrant for this transfer will be issued to the Treasurer by the State Comptroller in the near future and should be deposited in the County's Motor Fuel Tax account and has been assigned the section designation of 14-CS021-00-AC.

APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ

Chairman Schmitz called a motion by Lloyd Washburn and seconded by Joe Marley to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.

ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED

A motion was made by **Greg Hager** and seconded by **Tim Carlson** to accept and file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/ENVIRONMENTAL/WELFARE/ZONING COMMITTEE**

No meeting this month.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Chairman Laura Wilkinson gave the report for the February 10, 2014 meeting.

Chief Probation Officer Laura Cooper gave an explanation of the delay in the hire of a new probation officer as approved in the FY2014 budget. The current reimbursement of a probation officer salary is 100% for the “grant in aid” program which requires the approval of the Administrative Office of Illinois Courts. After application for the additional position, the only amount approved was the reinstatement of salary subsidy equaling \$1000/month. This would leave an annual increase of \$16,228 not reimbursed by the State. The issue will be discussed during the Finance Committee.

Approximately three years ago the research and development to provide a Christian County Public Transportation program began. During the initial approval by the County Board, there was to be no funding required by the County. In brief summary, after approval of the Senior Citizens of Christian County to oversee the program, and after many meetings, the rules and funding continue to have different requirements. Each time one avenue opens up it could have negative effects on another funding program. They continue to work to meet the funding obligations and to get the program started.

The list of seven establishments—Burton’s Tap, Blue Bell, Pana Country Club, Thunderbird, A Great Victory, Lucky Lady, South Fork Entertainment; one winery—Arpeggio (with a reduced rate until opening); and two fair grounds—Christian County and Tri-County were presented to the Committee to approve renewal. The County lost one establishment—Southside Shuffle due to a Taylorville annexation over the past year. A motion was made by Tim Carlson and seconded by Carol Foli to renew the licenses as presented. The motion carried.

Additionally, a motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Lloyd Washburn to amend the current liquor ordinance to include language that the required BASSETT training certifications (of all employees who would serve alcohol) be submitted with the annual application. The motion carried. The States Attorney will prepare the amendment.

As reported in May of last year, a police report was filed on the slaughter of sheep by wild dogs. The report was timely and investigated correctly reporting costs for burial-\$500, vet fees-\$302 and the fair market value on that day of the replacement of the sheep-\$1964. By statute, the County shall set an ordinance to address the issue and disperse any funds on the first Monday of March for claims made during the previous time frame. A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Carol Foli to direct the States Attorney to prepare an ordinance for the reimbursement to the owner of slain livestock by wild animals by providing the fair market value of the type of animal slain and damages incurred. The County Board will reserve the right to evaluate on a case by case situation and may recoup any payout if an insurance claim is filed and paid. This motion was referred to the Finance Committee. A roll call called for polled the following: Joe Marley-yes, Tim Carlson-no, Lloyd Washburn-no, Laura Wilkinson-yes, Carol Foli-yes. The motion carried 3-2.



**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE (cont.)**

A Drug Free resolution which passed in July of 1994 (and has been distributed to employees since then) was presented with an amendment adding the words in item #2 *under the influence*. A motion was made by Carol Foli and seconded by Lloyd Washburn to amend the Drug Free Workplace resolution with the addition of *under the influence in #2*, to be effective February 19, 2014 and to be distributed to employees on an annual basis and included in the handbook of policies. The motion carried.

A newly drafted personnel handbook was sent out earlier in the week for the Committee and department heads to review. Department heads were also invited to the meeting. The draft was primarily wording and language which was approved in September of 2009 with some updating of previously approved policies or new policies and language. There was discussion on some policies and various wording which will be corrected. A motion was made by Tim Carlson and seconded by Carol Foli to submit the handbook with policies to our labor attorney for review before any distribution. The motion carried.

During research of the handbook, the department head benefit package was rewritten to read more easily and the draft included a change in the vacation language to add five days after 18 years of employment which had been left out of the first draft. A motion was made by Carol Foli and seconded by Joe Marley to approve the re-write of Non-elected Department Head Benefit Time Policy. The motion carried.

**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE**

Chairman Fred Curtin gave the reports for the January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meeting.

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Chief Probation Officer Laura Cooper discussed the probation position with the Committee requesting the approval of an annual \$12,000 salary subsidy in lieu of the full salary reimbursement from "grants in aid". Sheridan Pulley noted that the actual reimbursement was only at \$10,000 a year. After discussion, the Committee asked Ms. Cooper to further discuss with the Chief Judge for any additional reimbursement from the Probation Funds for the shortfall. The additional position was included in the budget, but the reimbursement as revenue was also included for the full amount. The Committee will continue discussion next month.

Sheridan Pulley highlighted several areas pointing out both the high and low points from last FY 2013. He commended the County for being frugal and urged them to continue as the revenue is not as strong as in the past.

Two claims were presented that were not filed to be processed from FY 2013 both of which were approved. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to pay \$275 to Spurling Title for Anderson Cemetery title work and \$3000 to Bill Kennedy for the 2013 maintenance of the clock from contingency.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (14) Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (2) Dick Breckenridge, Carol Foli; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Chairman Schmitz gave an update on a recent meeting with IDOT concerning the Public Transportation. He has reviewed the budget with Jerry Mahr at the Senior Citizen Center for submittal. Funding arrangements and the program startup is at a standstill until the budget is approved.

As referred from the Executive Committee, a motion was made by Dick Breckenridge and seconded by Chad Michel to pay the claim of the slaughtered sheep from contingency, and to set up a specific line item in animal control with a cap of \$3000 (including the cap in the ordinance). The motion carried.

The handbook will be sent to the attorney for review and the draft will be emailed to County Board members as well.

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#### NEW / UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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**FEBRUARY 18, 2014 (Page 897)**

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Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Paul Schmitz	\$813.73		
Marilyn Voggetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	3

APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS

None this month.

Chairman Schmitz drew the attention of the Board to page 38 of the Fiscal Year End report they were given for FY2013 noting that the County finished to the good rather than the previously anticipated deficit of \$296,000.

ADJOURNMENT

*With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by **Greg Hager** to adjourn the meeting until February 18, 2014 at 6:30 pm. The motion carried.*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD  
AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY  
ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE,  
ILLINOIS, ON MARCH 19, 2014.

ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Reverend Steve Robinson of First Baptist Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present except Mike McClure and Jack Pearce, Jr. signifying a quorum.

Proposed Zoning Ordinance O2014 ZN 002

A request for a reclassification from Industrial-2 to Commercial-2 was received by the Zoning Board of Appeals from Tom Forrest. The property is located in Taylorville Township and is approximately 2.25 acres. This request is being made so that in future a business or residence could be established there. The request was approved unanimously by the Zoning Board of Appeals with three of their members absent. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Joe Marley to adopt Ordinance O2014 ZN 002 allowing for the reclassification from Ind-2 to Comm-2 for parcel #17-13-33-303-001-00 located in Taylorville Township and to dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (14) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Chad Michel, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (2) Mike McClure and Jack Pearce, Jr.; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

*It was moved by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Dave Reed to accept and place on file the minutes for the minutes from the February 18, 2014 County Board Meeting .* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (14) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Chad Michel, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (2) Mike McClure and Jack Pearce, Jr.; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

PROCLAMATIONS/ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

These will be handled within Committee reports for this month.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The March and April 2014 Prevailing Wage reports are posted and on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 2- The Treasurer's reports ending 02/28/2014 are on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 3- The February 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report was not yet filed.
- 4- The February 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax Allotment and Transactions were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.

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APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ

Chairman Schmitz called a motion by *Dave Reed* and seconded by *Tim Carlson* to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.

ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED

A motion was made by **Dick Breckenridge** and seconded by **Marilyn Voggetzer** to accept and file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/ENVIRONMENTAL/WELFARE/ZONING COMMITTEE

Chairman Hager gave the report for the March 11, 2014 meeting.

Six bids were opened for the hauling of the bins of recycled materials in Christian County through the Solid Waste Management Office. Bid specs require to pull a full container within 24 hours of notice, and the materials must be delivered for processing as well as all other requirements. Bids are listed as they were opened.

AAction Disposal	Springfield, IL	\$265.00/pull
Midstate Salvage Corp.	Taylorville, IL	\$300.00/pull
Flowers Sanitation	Virden, IL	\$285.00/pull
Joe Coleman Salvage	Pana, IL	\$294.00/pull
Advanced Disposal	Decatur, IL	\$220.00/pull
With 2 <sup>nd</sup> option of double pull		\$200.00/pull
Waste Management	Taylorville, IL	\$223.35/pull

After discussion by the Committee of the varying rates, both in and out of the County, a motion was made by *Greg Hager* and *Dave Reed* seconded the motion to accept the low bid from *Advanced Disposal* at \$220/pull including the provisional lower bid if workable and noted the extended two year agreement at the bid price. The motion carried.

A request was presented for the Taylorville Arts Council to use the Courthouse grounds for a Children's Art Fair on June 14 from 10-2:00. Additionally, the request was for the use of the restrooms inside. The Committee suggested the use of porta-potties. A motion was made by *Greg Hager* and seconded by *Marilyn Voggetzer* to grant the use of the grounds for the Children's Art Fair on June 14 and if they use Courthouse restrooms the fee will be \$65/hour. The motion carried.

Patty Hornbuckle, Director of the Taylorville Chamber of Commerce and Earl Walters, City of Taylorville Alderman representing the 175<sup>th</sup> Committee explained the many events to take place and had several requests as to how the County could participate . They noted that the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration is to recognize of the 1839 founding of the County and the City of Taylorville and will be held in conjunction with the Chillifest during the weekend of October 4 and 5.

One request was to open the Courthouse to have guided tours to the bell tower and the clock tower by *Bill Kennedy* from noon to 4:00 pm on Sunday only; on Saturday, have the first floor open in the afternoon for the cupcake contest and judging, to participate in the Saturday parade and to use the Courthouse grounds for the Chillifest event. Other events for the weekend will extend to the Historical Society with civil war reenactments, soap making, quilting etc. and a Sunday Flea Market at the Fairgrounds. In addition to all the recognized Chillifest events [and chili], at 10:30 am on Saturday morning, a parade to celebrate 175 years will take place. Prizes will be given in categories of past, present and future for cars, tractors, floats, and bicycles; there will also be bands and special guests in the parade. Beginning about June, a commemorative license plate will be going on sale for \$25. A raffle will take place for the numbers 1, 175 and 200 of the license plate. There are many more activities for the joint celebration of the Annual Chillifest and the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Christian County and the City of Taylorville.

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/ENVIRONMENTAL/WELFARE/ZONING COMMITTEE** (cont.)

*A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Ben Curtin to approve the requested uses of the Courthouse and grounds for the celebration and Chillifest. The security staffing will be an in-kind contribution to the event as the community honors the County. The motion carried.*

As the Committee approved by motion, an offer of \$3500.00 towards the event preparation was forwarded to the Finance Committee for approval.

Melissa Jones of the Christian County National Day of Prayer Taskforce requested the use of the north portico of the Courthouse for their annual Bible Reading Marathon beginning on April 26 at 9:00 a.m.. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Carol Foli to approve the request. The motion carried.*

Returning to the general rules for the use of the courthouse, discussion continued. Without a specific request from the Taylorville Arts Council for their annual fundraiser, *a motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Dick Breckenridge to approve the Taylorville Arts Council special event by grandfathering in their requests including the use of alcohol. The motion carried. The rate would be \$65/hour to cover security, extra janitorial attention and utility use.*

[To summarize the policy for use inside the Courthouse; the fee is \$65/hour, no alcohol, and any request will be approved by the full County Board. Special event requests for inside the courthouse are not encouraged and only established organizations will be considered.]

Highway business:

Cliff Frye presented the following highway business:

Joint Agreements with IDOT for Federal Participation in the following bridge replacement projects were presented:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Costs</u>		
	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
• County Highway #1 (11-00089-00-BR)	728,000		182,000

*A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to authorize Chairman Schmitz to execute the Joint Agreements with IDOT. The motion carried. Cliff clarified to the Board that this is done in this manner as it is not on the Township Bridge system so no funds were available.*

• Prairieton Bridge #21 (12-12113-00-BR)	288,000	57,600	14,400
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*A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Ben Curtin to authorize Chairman Schmitz to execute the Joint Agreements with IDOT. The motion carried*

An Agreement for Construction Engineering services with Cummins Engineering for the County Highway #1 Bridge (011-3024), Section 11-00089-00-BR. This is a cost plus contract that will be paid with 80% federal funds and 20% local funds. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Joe Marley to authorize Chairman Schmitz to execute the Agreement for construction engineering services with Cummins Engineering on a cost plus basis. The motion carried.*

A quote from Goodman Fence, Inc. was submitted to install an electric gate opener on the south gate at the Highway Department in the amount of \$5,392.00. This opener will allow deputies easier access afterhours to the fuel system when frozen locks and other gate maintenance issues have been a problem in the past. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Dave Reed to accept the quote from Goodman Fence to install an electric gate opener in the amount of \$5,392.00. The motion carried*

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/ENVIRONMENTAL/WELFARE/ZONING COMMITTEE** (cont.)

Highway business (cont.):

A discussion was held in regards to the Township Road that carries the semi-truck traffic to Ahlstrom Filtration. Two IDOT programs are being looked at that might help make the decision to improve this road. One is an Economic Development program and the other is a Truck Access Route Program.

A request from the Highway Department employees for partial reimbursement of purchased Bluetooth devices that are used during the work day. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Ben Curtin to reimburse the full time employees who use their devices for work purposes for 50% of the cost of the device up to a maximum of \$35.00.* The motion carried.

Buildings/Grounds report:

Zach Hicks reported the winter has been hard on the concrete around the buildings and also on the interior walls and ceilings of the courthouse. He and the highway staff have completed the ceiling/floor support in the basement for the filing system move in the Circuit Clerk's Office which is scheduled for next week. Other projects that he has been working on or needs attention include repairing tears in the north portico bird netting, cleaning out boiler lines, installing a ventilation system at animal control, entrance door mats, and a solution for the constant replacement of the weather beaten flag.

Chairman Schmitz spoke to Billy Williams at CTI about the time frame for the phone system. The cold winter has hampered the boring efforts to get the optic lines to the downtown area.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Chairman Laura Wilkinson gave the report for the March 13, 2014 meeting.

Coroner Amy Winans reviewed with the Committee the process of transportation when required to have an autopsy. Years ago, the County went to Springfield, but due to issues with that pathologist, Christian County and many other counties have since gone to Bloomington. The State's Attorney and Sheriff believe utilizing this pathologist is in the best interest of the county. Prior to the purchase of the coroner's vehicle, funeral homes did the transport to the morgue and the county paid that fee as their duty. The funeral home of which the body was to be returned did the pickup and passed along the return charge as one of the normal funeral expenses.

The question as to the County's responsibility relative to pick up, since Bloomington is farther than Springfield, was explained. Since the problems in Sangamon County, both the Coroner and States Attorney feel the pathologist is one of the best in Illinois which is critical in any investigation. This decision to transport to Bloomington is the best decision for both the County and the family in determining cause of death. [It should be noted that other counties have different routines mostly due to the fact they have more staff, have morgue facilities to return the body back to the County or live closer to their autopsy location.] The Coroner provided a good deal of research on this matter.

During discussion, the Coroner, States Attorney and Committee were in agreement that no claims should be paid by the County for pick-up after the autopsy. No action was taken as this has been the past practice and general policy by the coroner.

After last month's Board meeting, Chairman Schmitz received an opinion on the Animal Control Act from the United Counties Council of Illinois legal firm. The opinion was the same as we had interpreted through our ordinance with the exception that our budgeted amount for a claim is based on first come first serve of the total amount set aside. The motion from the Finance Committee read "...to set up a specific line item in animal control with a cap of \$3000 (including the cap in the ordinance)." That language will be included in the ordinance which was passed during the February Board meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE (cont.)**

Some personnel policies and ordinances were discussed. One was addressed. As similarly written in the employee handbook, an ordinance was presented which helped to define the employment of relatives. In summary, family members of supervisors or department heads may not work in the same department but they may work in other areas of the County if qualified for the position. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Lloyd Washburn to adopt ordinance O2014 CB 003 and to dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (14) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Chad Michel, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (2) Mike McClure and Jack Pearce, Jr.; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Chairman Schmitz reported that he spoke to Billy Williams of CTI as to the progress of the phone system installation. Due to the extreme cold this winter the March 31<sup>st</sup> date will need to be extended. Chairman Schmitz along with the States Attorney will extend the contract.

The Committee reviewed several legislative bills from the *Counties at the Capitol* published by the Illinois Association of County Board Members. No action taken.

Jan Bland asked if during the Employee Health and Welfare event this year if scheduling a blood drive would be acceptable. There were no opposing comments.

### **AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE**

Chairman Fred Curtin gave the reports for the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 meeting.

The Committee resumed discussion with Chief Probation Officer Laura Cooper as to the funding for the additional probation position. At the last meeting, Cooper reviewed that only an annual \$12,000 salary subsidy in lieu of the full salary reimbursement would be available and as requested, the Chief Judge will approve probationary funds to make up the \$16,228.20. The additional position and benefits were included in the budget but the full reimbursement was also included as revenue. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Dick Breckenridge to approve the hire of a new probation officer position using the \$12,000 reimbursement from the State and approximately \$16,000 in shortfall funds.* The motion carried.

Bruce Engeling explained to the Committee that the current fingerprinting machine system will no longer have available software support or repairs as of December. Since the system will need to be replaced at least by December, Engeling requested that they make the new purchase as soon as possible. The concealed carry applications require fingerprinting and pictures for the licenses, if the County could provide that service, fees from that service could help pay for the replacement. Two quotes were obtained to replace the system both costing \$20,000.00 however, only one would interface with the current computer program. Using another company would require more money to write a new program. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Dave Reed to assist with the purchase of the new fingerprinting system in the amount of \$10,000 from contingency and the balance will be paid from the money already allocated for equipment.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (14) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Chad Michel, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (2) Mike McClure and Jack Pearce, Jr.; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

By motion the Committee went into and out of executive session for the purpose of discussing a pending IMRF ruling on retirement matter(s) pursuant to the Open Meetings Act under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1& 11.



**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE (cont.)**

A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Greg Hager to approve the claims submitted for March with the temporary hold on vendor #8200 for the amount of \$1032.00. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: **VOTING AYE: (14)** Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Chad Michel, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; **VOTING NAY: (0)**; **ABSENT: (2)** Mike McClure and Jack Pearce, Jr.; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

As forwarded from the Building/Grounds Committee, a motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to approve \$3,500.00 to the 175<sup>th</sup> Celebration Committee from contingency. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: **VOTING AYE: (14)** Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Chad Michel, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; **VOTING NAY: (0)**; **ABSENT: (2)** Mike McClure and Jack Pearce, Jr.; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

The motion carried.

Jan Bland reported we had received notice from VSP, the County's vision provider that the rates will remain the same. No new health insurance rates are available yet.

County Clerk Linda Curtin reported that the County has been allocated \$17,900.00 in grant money from the State Board of Elections. She will submit all invoices related to voter registration to be reimbursed from the grant money.

Treasurer Dick Adams reported how the final amount due was reduced for his treasurer and collector bond. He was invoiced \$1897.00 for his portion from 2/10/2014 through 11/30/2014. After receiving credit from Mike Drea's bond for the same time period, the balance due is \$269.00 of which he will pay from the training line item. No action required by the Board.

Coroner Amy Winans spoke to the Committee explaining the transport protocol used here, why to use the pathologist in Bloomington and past practice on pickups as described in minutes from Executive Committee.

**NEW / UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The Central Illinois Economic Development Corporation requested the reappointment of Jim Hahn to their Board of Directors for a 6-year term from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of 2014.

A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to re-appoint Jim Hahn for a 6-year term. The motion carried.

**Approval of Mileage and Per Diem Report**

A motion was made by Dave Reed. and seconded by Chad Michel to approve and dispense with the reading of the mileage and per diem report. The motion carried.

	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Meetings this month</u></b>
Dick Breckenridge	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	0

Approval of Mileage and Per Diem Report (cont.)

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Meetings this month</u>
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	0
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Paul Schmitz	\$813.73		
Marilyn Voggetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2

**APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS**

Covered in New / Old Business.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Tim Carlson to adjourn the meeting until April 15, 2014 at 6:30 pm. The motion carried.*

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD  
AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY  
ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE,  
ILLINOIS, ON APRIL 15, 2014.

ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Reverend Carlos Campos of Calvary Baptist Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present signifying a quorum.

ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

*It was moved by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Mike McClure to accept and place on file the minutes for the March 19, 2014 Board Meeting and the minutes from the February 18, 2014 County Board Meeting. The motion carried.*

PROCLAMATIONS/ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

These will be handled within Committee reports for this month.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The March 2014 Public Defender's Report is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 2- The May Prevailing Wage report is not yet available.
- 3- The Treasurer's reports ending 03/31/2014 are on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 4- The March 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report was not yet filed.
- 5- The March 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax Allotment and Transactions were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.

APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ

Chairman Schmitz called a motion by Joe Marley and seconded by Dave Reed to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.

ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED

*A motion was made by Tim Carlson and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to accept and file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/ENVIRONMENTAL/WELFARE/ZONING COMMITTEE**

Chairman Hager gave the report for the April 10, 2014 meeting.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS:

Cliff Frye explained the situation concerning the recent interpretation of the statutes by IDOT for the letting of materials (i.e. rock and oil bidding). The new interpretation would require a performance bond for any group over \$50,000. This will add .04-.05 cents per gallon to our bid prices. The County Engineers Association is working with IDOT to try and get this interpretation clarified. Therefore, no bids were advertised for oil.

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS/ENVIRONMENTAL/WELFARE/ZONING COMMITTEE** (cont.)

**HIGHWAY BUSINESS:**

Lawn Mower quotes were read as follows:

Sloan Implement	John Deere Z920M	\$ 7,400.00
Tri-Co	Exmark LZS801	\$ 8,799.00
Tri-Co	Exmark LZX801	\$ 9,519.00
Tri-Co	Kubota ZG332	\$10,950.00

*A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Chad Michel to approve the low bid of \$7,400.00 for a new John Deere mower from Sloan Implement. The motion carried.*

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Circuit Clerk Julie Mayer wanted to personally thank the committee for approving the physical changes in her two offices. She also wanted to thank Bill Kennedy, Cliff Frye and staff, Zach Hicks and staff and her staff for all of their hard work to accomplish the move. She is very pleased with the results. After the County Board meeting on Tuesday, she would like to invite everyone to stop by her office to see the improvements that were made. Circuit Clerk Mayer invited all present to come review the changes to her offices noting that light refreshments will be served.

A request was made by Chairman Schmitz to allow the group of students participating in the Job Shadowing program in June, with the guidance of the Master Gardeners, to create a flower garden near the Abe statue. In the center would house a time capsule from the 175 years celebration to take place in October. In Committee both the flower garden project and the time capsule were approved by motion—however this will be discussed further in the joint Audit & Finance and Executive and Personnel Committees meeting.

A list of upcoming events sponsored by Taylorville Main Street was submitted for approval of the use of the Courthouse grounds. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Carol Foli to approve the schedule. The motion carried.*

Committee Chairman Greg Hager noted that he had spoken with Joe Stepping about a different container at the sites. Then recalling, with the new recycling hauler, the containers would have alterations made for all recycling to be co-mingled in the same container and it could be necessary to use one of Advanced Disposal containers while the work is being done. It should also be noted that the county does not collect cardboard, however, there is a cardboard recycling container at the Taylorville Webster Street site from Midstate Salvage.

Also reported was that Zach is working on the air conditioning system for the third floor of the Courthouse. Currently, the system works for the whole floor without individual office controls of the units. This is a problem when a larger room has more people than the norm. The systems, whether air conditioning or the boiler type heating, cannot be altered to change immediately. It could take several hours before the change is felt. Chairman Hager asked for more patience from all involved when adjustments are made to the controls.

**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE** and  
**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

Audit & Finance Chairman Fred Curtin gave the report for the April 10, 2014 joint committees meeting.

Fred Curtin acted as chairman for this joint meeting opening with a motion to go into executive session for the purpose to discuss a pending IMRF ruling on retirement matter(s) pursuant to the Open Meetings Act under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1,4 and/or 11.

By motion the Committee came out of executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1, 4 and/or 11.

**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE** and  
**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE** (cont.)

In open session, a motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Mike McClure for the States Attorney to write a letter from Board Chairman Schmitz and IMRF Authorized Agent Linda Curtin stating that the Christian County Board concurs with the IMRF's interpretation that any member of Christian County under the Elected County Official (ECO's) pension is based on the law of a supplemental pension with less than four years of a new position of service. The motion carried with all ayes.

After making suggested alterations to a proposed agreement, a motion was made Fred Curtin and seconded by Dick Breckenridge to approve an independent contractor agreement between Colleen Hadley and the Christian County Treasurer to provide assistance and training in the preparation and completion of the real estate tax cycle and any other aspects necessary to train office personnel through November 30, 2014. The motion carried with all ayes except for Jack Pearce who voted against.

Jeremy Travelstead, the County's insurance broker, presented percentages on the claim history over the past year which had increased from the prior reporting period and was higher than the local benchmark of services. He also reviewed new updates for out-of-pocket guidelines and expense limitations. Upon renewal, deductibles and co-pays will be included in the out-of-pocket expense limitation. Also noted was the savings to the County in premiums through the health reimbursement arrangement (HRA). There was discussion as to considering higher deductibles and out-of-pocket expenses to counter possible premium increases. Rates should be available by mid-May. He has sent out quotes for all carriers that serve this area and at various deductibles and OOP. Most importantly Jeremy wants to encourage the employees to take advantage of no cost physicals as preventive medicine.

Due to the change in the corporate structure of Joseph E. Meyer and Associates, Inc., who acts on behalf of the County Board as Tax Agent of delinquent property, the change of name requires by resolution to amend the delinquent tax program agreement. A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to adopt R2014 CB 007 Amending the Delinquent Tax Program Agreement and to dispense with the reading of the resolution thereof. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Vogetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

A resolution urging the General Assembly to review the 911 Statutory Provisions for funding options for 911 systems was presented and upon passage will be directed to the appropriate legislators. A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Jack Pearce, Jr. to adopt the R2014 CB 008 and to dispense with the reading thereof. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Vogetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Financial Advisor Brad Arent with First National Bank of Taylorville would like the opportunity to offer a 457 financial plan to the employees. Currently, Valic and Nationwide programs are available, but in person service is rare. A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Tim Carlson to approve services with the First National Bank of Taylorville financial advisor representative for payroll deductions. The motion carried with all ayes except for Greg Hager who voted against. The other two companies will still be available.

**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE and  
EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR/LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE (cont.)**

Last year the U of I Extension offered a Job Shadowing program with the County. A group of about eight students from county junior high through high schools visited the Courthouse and various offices learning about county government. They had supper together and then attended an Executive/Personnel Committee meeting. This year Chris Casey would like to propose the same experience to students. In addition, they would participate in an on-site project—the planting of flowers and mulching around the Abe statue as well as the rest of the learning experience. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Greg Hager to approve the event with the students the first week of June (4<sup>th</sup>).* The motion carried. Mike McClure has offered to donate the time capsule for the celebration.

As all members have received the claims report, *a motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Carol Foli to approve the claims submitted for April.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: **VOTING AYE: (16)** Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; **VOTING NAY: (0)**; **ABSENT: (0)**; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

To begin discussions of setting the salaries for the elected officials who will be elected in November and take office in December—County Clerk, Treasurer, Supervisor of Assessments and the Sheriff—those in attendance were asked if they had any proposals. Mike Gianasi suggested that the salaries will be equal and no further comments were proposed at that time. By motion the Committee went into executive session to discuss a vacancy at the Highway Department and salaries of elected officials pursuant to the Open Meetings Act under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1. By motion the Committee came out of executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1.

In open session, *Fred Curtin made a motion and Chad Michel seconded the motion to approve the hiring of a civil engineer to replace the tech's position at the Highway.* The salary will be negotiated by Chairman Schmitz and Cliff Frye. The motion carried.

Chairman Schmitz reported from a meeting with county board chairmen and the ROE's from the reorganization of counties for one regional director. The counties are Christian, Bond, Fayette, Montgomery and Effingham. The consolidation will take place in July 2015. Consideration will need to be taken during this year's budget process for any funding changes beginning in July of 2015.

**NEW / UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None at this time.

**Approval of Mileage and Per Diem Report**

*A motion was made by Dave Reed, and seconded by Chad Michel to approve and dispense with the reading of the mileage and per diem report.* The motion carried.

	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Meetings this month</u></b>
Dick Breckenridge	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	6
Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	2

Approval of Mileage and Per Diem Report (cont.)

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Meetings this month</u>
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Paul Schmitz	\$813.73		
Marilyn Voggetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	4

**APPOINTMENTS/RE-APPOINTMENTS**

A request for the reappointment of Doug Kohl to the Taylorville Fire Protection District as a Trustee was received. *A motion was made by Marilyn Voggetzer and seconded by Dick Breckenridge to adopt Resolution R2014 CB 009 reappointing Doug Kohl to the Taylorville Fire Protection Board as requested and to dispense with the reading thereof.* The motion carried.

*A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Dave Reed to reappoint Alex Menchetti as a Trustee to the Owaneco Fire Protection District Board for a three year term.* The motion carried.

*A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Chad Michel to appoint Dave Herpstreith to the 911 Board for a term through July 2016.* The motion carried. It was noted that this appointment was to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Angel Palmer.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Jack Pearce, Jr. and seconded by Greg Hager to adjourn the meeting until May 20, 2014 at 6:30 pm.* The motion carried.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON MAY 20, 2014.

ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Jason Hoffman of the Crossroads Apostolic Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present, signifying a quorum.

### ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

*It was moved by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Mike McClure to accept and place on file the minutes for the April 15, 2014 Board Meeting. The motion carried.*

### COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The April 2014 Public Defender's report is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 2- The Prevailing Wage reports for May and June 2014 are posted outside the Board room and have been placed on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 3- The Treasurer's reports ending 04/30/2014 are on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 4- The April 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report was placed on file in the Clerk's Office the following day.
- 5- The April 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax allotment and transactions dated May 1, 2014 were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.
- 6- A notice of application for permit to manage waste dated May 14, 2014 was received from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency regarding the closure and post closure cost estimate adjustment for 2014 for Five Oaks Recycling and Disposal Facility.
- 7- An invitation dated May 16, 2014 was received from Enbridge Incorporated. Enbridge is constructing the Southern Access Extension Project crude oil pipeline from Pontiac to an existing hub near Patoka (Flanagan Terminal). The invitation was extended to the four preconstruction open houses they will be hosting. There is one in Pana at the Hospital on June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5-7:30 p.m. The public is invited. A preview to the open houses is also open to the Board beginning at 4:00 p.m. This letter is on file in the Clerk's office.
- 8- A letter dated May 16, 2014 was received from SIMEC , an energy solutions company, advising the Board that Ameren will be announcing they anticipate lowering its electric supply rate by 7% during the months of June through September. Nothing official from Illinois Power Agency as yet-however SIMEC has confirmed with IPA that their most recent procurement of electricity supply will result in the decrease Ameren announced.

### APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ

*Chairman Schmitz called a motion by Laura Wilkinson and was seconded by Tim Carlson to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED

*A motion was made by Dick Breckenridge and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to accept & file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.*



**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

Chairman Hager gave the report for the May 13, 2014 meeting.

**HIGHWAY OIL BIDS ACCEPTED**

Bids were opened and read on Tuesday April 29, 2014 for Bituminous Materials to be used by the County and Townships during FY14.

- For the County, a motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Mike McClure to accept the low bids as read. The motion carried.
- For the Townships, a motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Ben Curtin to accept the low bids as read and refer them to the individual Township Highway Commissioners for approval. The motion carried.

Cliff Frye noted these are the best oils bids the County has had in about eight to nine years.

**SNOW PLOWS PURCHASED**

After this winter, the four remaining snowplows that haven't been updated are in need of replacement. Quotes to replace these plows are as follows:

	<u>12' Reversible (Ea)</u>	<u>Total</u>
Valk	\$4,800.00	\$ 19,200.00
Monroe	\$6,600.00	\$ 26,400.00

A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Tim Carlson to purchase four snowplows from Valk Manufacturing for a total of \$19,200.00. The motion carried.

**CAPITAL BILL**

With the possibility of a new Capitol Bill in the legislature this year, Cliff Frye encouraged the Board Members to stress to their legislatures that local agencies need an equitable share of highway revenues and a sustainable revenue program.

**PROJECT UPDATES:**

- County Highway #1 (011-3024): The bridge located 5 miles South of Taylorville over the South Fork of the Sangamon River is on the June 13<sup>th</sup> letting.
- Prairieon Township (011-3112): The Radford Road Bridge is on the June 13<sup>th</sup> letting.
- Assumption Township (011-3190): 900 North Road Bridge. Right of way acquisition is on-going. We are targeting the August 1<sup>st</sup> letting.
- Locust Township (011-3162): 1700 East Road Bridge will be completed when conditions are dry enough to build the roadway fill.
- Greenwood Township (011-3263): 150 North Road Bridge will be completed when conditions are dry enough to build the roadway fill.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Committee Chairman Greg Hager noted that he had spoken with Joe Stepping about some of the confusion with the recycling containers while the current bins are being converted. One substitute bin says cardboard and cardboard is not a part of our recycling program.

Also reported was that Zach is working on the air conditioning system for the third floor of the Courthouse trying to allow more individual office control over the temperatures rather than the current system.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE and FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Chairman Curtin gave the report for the May 12, 2014 meeting..

**COALITION AGAINST DANGERS OF BIGGER TRUCKS**

County Board Chairman Schmitz was contacted by the Coalition Against Dangers of Bigger Trucks asking for letters of support. A handout was distributed showing the length of the single, double and triple loaded semis. During committee, there was some discussion of road capacities and commerce issues, a motion was made by Chad Michel and seconded by Mike McClure to take no action. The motion carried. No action taken at the Board.

### HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWALS

Jeremy Travelsted of American Central Insurance presented to the Committee quotes and options of plans for the upcoming year for health insurance. The goal of the County is to continue to offer quality coverage but from an affordable plan for the employer and employee. The joint committee agreed to the Option 2 which is a similar plan of co-pays, a 90/10 plan and continues to offer a health reimbursement arrangement (HRA). Jeremy met with employee representatives this week to explain the plan and the Finance Committee will make the recommendation to the Board during their next meeting.

### ELECTED OFFICIALS SALARY FOR UPCOMING TERM

Several proposals and individual opinions were discussed concerning the elected officials salaries for the upcoming term. The Board is required to set the salary and compensation package 180 days prior to the official taking office. It was discussed to create starting salaries for new office holders. The committees recognize the upcoming increases in obligations and dwindling revenues (sales taxes and revenues due to annexation) but still want to be fair to the elected officials. They compared the salaries by position of other counties with either the similar population or general fund budget. The current salaries are good salaries—not the highest nor the lowest in the survey.

The current annual salary for the County Clerk, Supervisor of Assessments and Circuit Clerk is \$62,797; the Treasurer is \$63,603 and the Sheriff is \$72,621. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to freeze and set the salaries as follows:*

- *County Clerk, Treasurer, Supervisor of Assessments for a four year term with an annual salary of \$62,797.*
- *The Sheriff for a 4 year term with an annual salary of \$72,621.*
- *Circuit Clerk for 2 years annual \$62,797. (The circuit clerk position is not on the ballot for this November, however, the last time the salary was set was four years in coordination with the other elected office holders.)*
- *All positions include life and health insurance packages as percentage paid like other non-bargaining employees. Elected office holders are eligible to participate in IMRF/SLEP.*

Comments from Board members included Jack Pearce: Problem—newly elected office holders getting the same salary—not fair. Chad Michel: Agree—wants to see elected office holder start salary. Joe Marley: Not fair to cut, that equals no wage increase. Freezing for four years then means playing catch up later. Marilyn Voggetzer: Agree starting salaries, but with no catch up. Chad Michel: Salaries are too high. Mike McClure: So many already have the experience. Joe Marley: Elected officials should get paid higher. Ben Curtin: Experience verses no experience, how do you designate the difference? This is cutting the salary after the person has already run for the office. Dick Breckenridge: The environment is different today. Office holders make difficult decisions. Salaries should move up with the times.

*The motion was re-read and a roll call vote polled the following: Carol Foli-yes, Greg Hager-yes, Joe Marley-no, Mike McClure-yes, Chad Michel-yes, Jack Pearce-no, Dave Reed-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggezter-no, Lloyd Washburn-no, Laura Wilkinson-no, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Tim Carlson-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, and Charles DeClerck-no. The motion carried 10-6.*

### COOKS RETIRE-FOOD SERVICE TO PROVIDE MEALS

Chief Deputy Bruce Engeling explained to the committees that the two regular cooks have decided to retire this week. With their retirement, no AFSCME employee would be displaced by proceeding with utilizing a food service at the jail. Effective next week Consolidated Management Services will begin providing food service to the inmates. A one year agreement was signed at a rate of \$2.12/person/meal based on 45-49 inmates. There is also a three-year agreement option at the same rate.

### PERSONNEL

The committee also discussed additional language to be added to the Employment of Relatives Ordinance after discussions with AFSCME.

PERSONNEL (cont.)

The Employee Wellness Day will be held June 3 with insurance representatives, a walk for health and the blood mobile. Employees, County Board members and the community are welcomed to give blood. Appointments are necessary for employees.

AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE

Chairman Curtin gave the report for the May 19, 2014 meeting.

CLAIMS

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Laura Wilkinson to approve the claims as presented for May. A roll call vote polled the following: Carol Foli-yes, Greg Hager-yes, Joe Marley-yes, Mick McClure-yes, Chad Michel-yes, Jack Pearce-yes, Dave Reed-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggetzer-yes, Lloyd Washburn-yes, Laura Wilkinson-yes, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Tim Carlson-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, and Charles DeClerck-yes. The motion carried 16-0.*

HEALTH INSURANCE RENEWAL APPROVED

The premiums for the upcoming health insurance plan year were reviewed. As previously discussed during the Finance and Personnel joint meeting, the Committee selected the Option 2 plan with the same Health Reimbursement Agreement. After last week’s joint meeting, the Committee was informed that both unions’ officers were notified of the proposed changes and the reduction in premiums for the County and the employees. The plan maintains the same co-pays, the same 90/10 plan, and an HRA plan reimbursing the higher deductible and out-of-pocket. The premium is reduced due to a higher deductible and out-of-pocket which is reimbursed to the directly to the employee. The MetLife dental premium increased \$2.05/month/member. Finance Chairman Curtin asked Mary Rhodes, AFSCME local president if the membership was advised of the rates and if they were accepting of the change. She noted the union had met and agreed to the changes.

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to approve the Blue Cross Blue Shield plan as described for the 2014-2015 plan year effective July 1. A roll call vote polled the following: Carol Foli-yes, Greg Hager-yes, Joe Marley-yes, Mick McClure-yes, Chad Michel-yes, Jack Pearce-yes, Dave Reed-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggetzer-yes, Lloyd Washburn-yes, Laura Wilkinson-yes, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Tim Carlson-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, and Charles DeClerck-yes. The motion carried 16-0.*

The following are the figures from the current year to the new plan year for the member only rate per month.

<b>6% EE pays</b>	<b>BCBS</b>	<b>VSP</b>	<b>METLIFE</b>	<b>County pays</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<i>The 6% is deducted in full from BCBS premium</i>					
Current					
\$43.20	\$648.39	\$9.77	\$18.62	\$676.78	\$719.98
<b>New</b>					
<b>\$40.04</b>	<b>\$596.82</b>	<b>\$9.77</b>	<b>\$20.67</b>	<b>\$627.26</b>	<b>\$667.30</b>

FLEXIBLE SPENDING PLAN

In May of 2011, the County offered a “flexible spending program” under the IRS Section 125 plan which gives the employee an opportunity to set aside money each pay before taxes for the use towards eligible medical, health insurance or child care expenses. This saves both the employer and employee taxes on FICA and IMRF.

In 2011, the IRS rule stated that if an employee didn’t use their designated money after a 75-day grace period the money was lost to them and credited back to the employer. The employer could not reimburse the employee.

A new IRS ruling gives the employer a choice of two options:

1. To retain the 75-day grace period plan as previously described.
- OR

FLEXIBLE SPENDING PLAN (cont.)

2. For the employer to implement the \$500 rule as of the end of the coverage period (ours is June 30). This means that any monies left in their account under \$500 on June 30 may be rolled into the next year's account for them to use. [They would not lose any of that money.] However, if the amount is over \$500, on June 30 the employee would automatically lose any amount over the \$500, but could retain the under \$500 portion.

Secondly, the total amount allowed for deduction per person has increased to \$2500 per person [from our current \$2000] and the eligibility to participate is now defined as no longer than 90 days after employment and to coordinate with the health insurance eligibility.

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to select option 2 to amend the flexible spending policy allowing any monies under \$500 to be carried into the next plan year and for the participation provisions to read as follows:*

*\*--A newly hired employee is eligible to participate in flexible spending at the time of their health insurance eligibility date*

*\*--1 to 3 years of service up to \$1000*

*\*--4 to 10 years of service up to \$1500*

*\*--over 10 years of service up to \$2500*

The motion carried.

**UNFINISHED OR NEW BUSINESS:**

Supervisor of Assessments Mike Gianasi explained that a state statute requires a committee to be established to advise senior citizens about equalized farmland valuations. In 2015-2016 there will be a change of farmland assessments which will be less than 10%. These values are based on soil values.

Chairman Schmitz asked the Board to approve the appointment of the following people to the County Farmland Review Committee effective immediately with no term and no monetary payment for serving: Dick Breckenridge, Lloyd Washburn, Ben Curtin and along with Joy Boyd, Board of Review and Mike Gianasi Supervisor of Assessments. *A motion was made by Marilyn Voggetzer and seconded by Dave Reed make the appointments as listed.* The motion carried.

**MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT:**

*A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Greg Hager to approve the mileage and per diem report for the month of May.* The motion carried.

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Meetings this month</u>
Dick Breckenridge	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Paul Schmitz	\$813.73		
Marilyn Voggetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2

**APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS:**

- Reappoint Frank Blanchfield to the Taylorville Sanitary District for a three year term (2017). *A motion was made the same by Jack Pearce and seconded by Ben Curtin. The motion carried.*
- *A motion was made by Mike McClure and seconded by Carol Foli to appoint Sue Ann Paso as trustee to Midland Fire Protection District for the balance of the term to May 2015. The motion carried.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

*With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Greg Hager to adjourn until Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried.*

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON JUNE 17, 2014.

ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Reverend Gerald McPhillips of Grace Baptist Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present except Dick Breckenridge, signifying a quorum.

### **ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

*It was moved by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Tim Carlson to accept and place on file the minutes for the May 20, 2014 Board Meeting. The motion carried.*

### **PETITIONS/ RESOLUTIONS/ ORDINANCES**

At the May 24<sup>th</sup> Zoning Board of Appeals meeting a petition for a special use in an AG-1 district was reviewed and recommended for approval. The owners, Carl & Shirley Michel want the special use for a private landing strip. The property is located in South Fork Township. The owners did address the Board stating that it is ¾'s of a mile to the nearest road so they do not foresee any hazards or noise abatement issues. The couple will still need FAA approval even if the special use is granted but this is the next step. *A motion was made by Chad Michel and seconded by Mike McClure to approve Ordinance O2014 ZN 004 and to dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (15) Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (1) Dick Breckenridge; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The Public Defender's report for May 2014 was not available.
- 2- The Prevailing Wage report for July was not yet available.
- 3- The Treasurer's reports ending 05/31/2014 are on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 4- The May 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 5- The May 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax allotment and transactions dated June 2, 2014 were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.
- 6- A notice from Ameren regarding vegetation management on right of ways affecting electrical lines was received noting this may include aerial and manual trimming, mowing and herbicides. The notice included a list of the properties involved and these are both on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 7- NewWave sent the first quarter franchise fees in the amount of \$ 1,863.94. The check was deposited with the Treasurer.

### **APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ**

*Chairman Schmitz called a motion by Greg Hager and was seconded by Tim Carlson to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.*

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED**

*A motion was made by Dave Reed and seconded by Laura Wilkinson to accept & file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.*

#### **HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

No meeting this month.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE and FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Chairwoman Wilkinson gave the report for the June 4, 2014 meeting.

County Clerk Linda Curtin presented to the Committee the list of elections judges submitted by precinct committeemen. This list will be good for two years. After Board approval, the County Clerk will take it to the circuit court for approval. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Carol Foli to approve the list of the proposed election judges as presented.* The motion carried. The list is on file in the Clerk's Office.

The Committee discussed a letter from Taylorville Mayor Greg Brotherton referencing the Enterprise Zone incentives. It basically asked if the Ordinance could be amended allowing the City of Taylorville to offer incentives to new businesses in the Enterprise Zone such as the County is allowed. This opened up a conversation and questions about the property tax abatements, boundary lines and how the "Zone" works. Mike Gianasi answered many of the Committees questions. The members wanted to have more information and took no action.

The annual prevailing wage ordinance was presented. *A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Lloyd Washburn to adopt Ordinance 2014 CB 005—Prevailing Wage Ordinance and to dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (11) Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (4) Greg Hager, Lloyd Washburn, Tim Carlson and Jack Pearce, Jr; ABSENT: (1) Dick Breckenridge; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Paul Schmitz and Fred Curtin have been in discussions with AFSCME concerning the Ordinance: "Employment of Relatives". Both parties made changes to the original ordinance. On May 28, 2014, notification was given that the union has withdrawn their previous proposal to establish an acceptable nepotism policy. The ordinance, as adopted, applies to the applicable employees.

It was noted that the Job Shadowing project with U of I Extension was postponed until the fall or winter. It was also noted that this week the Wellness and Health Insurance Open Enrollment event was held on Tuesday which included the Central Illinois Community Blood Mobile. Approximately 60 county employees participated in the free program.

Chairman Schmitz reported on a recent meeting sponsored by Enbridge Pipeline.

- They have over 6,500 miles of pipe lines in the United States.
- They have 12 crude oil storage terminals in the U.S. with 180 tanks. The tanks range in size from 40' to 60' high with a diameter of 150' to 270' holding 57,000 to 575,000 barrels per tank. All of the tanks have a floating top. Most of the crude comes from oil sand in Canada as well as from fracking in Canada, North Dakota and South Dakota.

Chairman Schmitz noted that he, Greg Hager and Pana Mayor Steve Sipes had attended an Open House that Enbridge hosted at the Pana Community Hospital on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Schmitz commended the informative nature of the open house. Construction should begin by early fall if not sooner. Jack Pearce inquired if it would be possible to have a representative from the company come back and address the full County Board and the Chairman agreed that would be a good idea.

**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE**

Chairman Curtin gave the report for the June 16, 2014 meeting.

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Greg Hager to approve the claims for the month of June.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (15) Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (1) Dick Breckenridge; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Treasurer Dick Adams presented to the Committee Resolution R2014 TR 010 for adoption to authorize the Board Chairman to assign mobile home tax sale certificate of purchase to Bobby D. Smith for \$695.00 at the mobile home 26 Hannon Mobile Home Park—17-13-21-HA-026. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Lloyd Washburn to accept the low bid from Bobby D. Smith as described adopting R2014TR010 and to dispense with the reading thereof.*

A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (15) Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Vogetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (1) Dick Breckenridge; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Sheriff's deputy Jeff Brown requested permission to continue work on an application for the 2014 COPS grant. The grant has been applied many times before. If awarded, the grant would cover 70% of salaries and benefits for the County to hire a deputy for three years. It also requires maintaining the same number of deputies for one more year covering 100% of the costs. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to approve the submission of the application for the COPS grant to the Department of Justice. The motion carried. [If awarded, the County would need to vote to accept the grant.]*

Included in the annual budget, a line item for \$300 is set aside to assist cemeteries in the County. For many years, as well as last year, the amount was awarded to the caretakers of Twin Pines in Pana and Langley in Langleyville. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Jack Pearce to split and distribute the allocated funds to both cemeteries at \$150.00 each. The motion carried. Chairman Schmitz noted that Pana Township will be working with Twin Pines per the Illinois statutes for the township to acquire the cemetery.*

Other information from Chairman Schmitz:

- The Committee was informed that Chairman Schmitz has received several electricity quotes as the contract expires in January 2015 for the County's buildings. He will request quotes for the next meeting for discussion and/or approval.
- Last week legislation was signed by the Governor transferring Poker Run permits to the counties. Further details and options will be researched and presented at next month's Executive Committee meeting.

**MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT:**

*A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Laura Wilkinson to approve the mileage and per diem report for the month of May. The motion carried.*

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Meetings this month</u>
Dick Breckenridge	\$200.00	\$50.00	0
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Paul Schmitz	\$813.73		
Marilyn Vogetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2

**UNFINISHED OR NEW BUSINESS:**

Chairman Schmitz announced that the Master Gardeners have completed the planting project on the Northwest corner of the Courthouse grounds. Schmitz further stated that the dedication of the Farmer's Memorial will be held on July the 12<sup>th</sup>. He noted all the bricks have been ordered.

**APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS:**

None this month.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Joe Marley to adjourn until Tuesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried.*



PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON JULY 15, 2014.

ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Reverend Steve Robinson of the First Baptist Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present, signifying a quorum.

**PETITIONS/ RESOLUTIONS/ ORDINANCES**

A large group was present for the meeting in support and opposition to a request for approval of a Special Use for a property located in Johnson Township and owned by Josh Assad. Mr. Assad had sought the approval of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a special use permit for the purpose of a private club for indoor handgun and long gun range and outdoor archery and fishing pond. The Zoning Board had voted 4 to 3 against granting the special use. Chairman Schmitz summarized for the Board and all those in attendance what actions had been taken and stipulated the time allowed for and the process by which both groups could address all those in attendance and make their case for or against the granting of the Special Use. Retired Deputy Mick Moliske spoke on behalf of the proponents. Moliske stressed the distance to the nearest neighbors, the structural measures that would be taken for containment concerns and how this would be a private club. Moliske contends there is a need for such a facility citing long waiting lists for access to nearby ranges. He went on to explain the jobs and revenue that could be created by granting the special use and explained that the club would offer tree stand safety courses as well as other safety courses for its members. Architectural blue prints as well as an engineered site plan were made available for greater illustration of how the finished project would appear and function. Attorney Gates then spoke on behalf of the opponents to the proposed special use. While Gates was willing to concede there is a demand for such a site the parties he represents contend the proposed site is not ideal for the proposed use. The property is currently zoned Agricultural 1 and roughly 50 neighbors signed a petition in opposition to approval of the zoning change. The opponents believe there will be excessive traffic coming and going to the club causing wear and tear on roads not suited for that level of traffic. They do not see the addition of a gun range to their rural area as a plus when marketing their homes for resale. Noting that while the Board can override the Zoning Board's decision it was noted that their role is to protect public health and safety of the residents, factor in the affect on neighboring properties, the affect on traffic and the use of public funds. Based on the criteria the proponents contend that approval of the special use would go against all of these factors. The floor was then opened for questions from Board members. During the question and answer session several things were clarified including that the special use is only being sought for a portion of the existing property, that the remainder of the property is not currently being farmed and would not be subject to the special use regulations, it was indicated sufficient parking is already available, operating hours would be 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (or dark- seasonal) and closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas, law enforcement officers would be automatic members at no charge and a panel would review other applicants for membership, just under 30 acres of the 80 acre tract would be used and the existing steel building would be modified—all shooting on the 30 acres would be indoors, that the club had already approached the Road District Commissioner regarding the possibility of them assisting with an upgrade to the current road conditions, that future building specs and the project would be under Zoning Officer Brett Rahar's oversight and then several questions regarding the County's liability for accidents and whether food or alcohol could or would be served were deferred to States Attorney Havera who addressed the general concerns. *A motion was made by Paul Schmitz and seconded by Chad Michel to approve Ordinance O2014 ZN 001 granting the special use and to dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (4) Tim Carlson, Fred Curtin, Greg Hager and Paul Schmitz; VOTING NAY: (12) Dick Breckenridge, Ben Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having failed to receive a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion failed.

## **ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

*It was moved by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Tim Carlson to accept and place on file the minutes for the June 17, 2014 Board Meeting. The motion carried.*

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The Public Defender's report for June 2014 is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 2- The Prevailing Wage report for July is posted and on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 3- The Treasurer's reports ending 06/30/2014 are on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 4- The June 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 5- The June 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax allotment and transactions dated July 1, 2014 were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.
- 6- A notice dated July 7, 2014 was received from the Illinois Department of Transportation advising that the Department had executed the Joint agreement between the County and the Prairieton Road District for Section 12-12113-00-BR, Project: BROS-0021(181), Job: C-96-215-13 on June 30, 2014. A copy was enclosed and is on file in the Clerk's Office. This is for a bridge located roughly 4 miles north of Assumption on 1600 North Road and is over Big George Branch.
- 7- A notice dated July 7, 2014 was received from the Illinois Department of Transportation advising that the Department had approved the Construction Engineering Agreement for the Joint agreement between the County and the Prairieton Road District for Section 12-12113-00-BR, Project: BROS-0021(181), Job: C-96-215-13 on April 29, 2014 authorizing the County to proceed with the engineering work. A copy was enclosed and is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 8- A notice dated July 7, 2014 was received from the Illinois Department of Transportation advising that the Department had executed the Joint agreement for the County for Section 11-00089-00-BR, Project: BHS-0645 (151), Job: C-96-217-13 on June 30, 2014. A copy was enclosed and is on file in the Clerk's Office. This is on 1250 East Road (County Highway 1) over the South Fork/Sangamon river.
- 9- A notice dated July 7, 2014 was received from the Illinois Department of Transportation advising that the Department had approved the Construction Engineering Agreement for the County for 11-00089-00-BR, Project: BHS-0645 (151), Job: C-96-217-13 on April 10, 2014. The County may authorize the consultant (Cummins Engineering Corporation) to proceed with the engineering work. A copy was enclosed and is on file in the Clerk's Office. This is located roughly 5.5 miles south of Taylorville on 1250 East Road (County Highway 1) beginning at about the center of section 27.
- 10- A notice dated June 26, 2014 was received from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency regarding a permit application they had received from Five Oaks Recycling and Disposal Facility for an evaluation of remedial activities as required by permit condition IX.27. This notice is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 11- A notice from Ameren regarding tree trimming in the Bulpitt, Kincaid and Tovey areas was received. Enclosed were maps and the common addresses of the affected areas. All of which is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 12- NewWave sent the first quarter franchise fees in the amount of \$ 1,863.94. The check was deposited with the Treasurer.

## **APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ**

*Chairman Schmitz called a motion by Dave Reed and was seconded by Mike McClure to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.*

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED**

*A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to accept & file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.*

## **HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

No meeting this month.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE and FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Chairwoman Wilkinson gave the report for the July 7, 2014 meeting.

Last month the Committee began to discuss the request from Taylorville Mayor Greg Brotherton referencing the Enterprise Zone incentives and if the Ordinance could be amended to allow the City of Taylorville an option to offer different incentives to new businesses in the Enterprise Zone. The City contends that this provision was once in place and it is unknown why it was removed. County Clerk Chief Deputy Laurie Mense offered some history and particulars of the two versions of the Taylorville/Christian County Enterprise Zone as it has been executed thus far. The current Enterprise Zone waives the building permit fee, the sales tax abatement for materials purchased to use for the proposed renovations or new construction and an abatement of property taxes stemming from any value increase attributable to that renovation or construction. The current zone offers a sliding scale on the % of value abated for both commercial and industrial properties. The commercial abatements are for five years with 20% decline in abated value annually—100/80/60/40/20 while the industrial are for ten years with an annual decline of 10%--100/90/80/70... and so forth. Originally (from 1992 to 2011) all property tax abatements were for 10 years at 100% of the value attributed to the project being abated. The current zone is through tax year 2021 so any industrial abatement issued for 2014 property taxes will only get abated for the life of the zone not the full 10 years.

Following the City's initial request last month questions have arisen as to whether the language can be amended without State approval, the impact the language change may have regarding the other districts currently abating under the Zone and what the costs to the County could be.

Discussion ensued as to the merits, if any, of the Zone versus the costs to the districts and it was noted that actual reporting is not tracked through the County as to jobs created or saved to keep businesses or to increases in sales tax revenue that might be attributed to the proposed projects or to a number of intangible benefits attributed to the incentives being offered. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Joe Marley to table the issue pending more answers and for the attorneys to review a possible ordinance revision.* The motion carried.

The Committee reviewed two proposed ordinances: one establishing a system for the licensing of organizations to operate raffles and poker runs in the County and another to establish the same just for poker runs. Until recently, poker runs were regulated through the Charitable Games Act under the control of the Department of Revenue. The new law [PA98-0644] places poker runs under the jurisdiction of county governments.

County governments may charge a fee for the license up to \$25. The bill also eliminates the need for each participating establishment to be licensed as long as those locations are listed in the application. It essentially puts poker runs in the same category as raffles.

It was noted that previously, the fees to license were extremely high, yet now the County can only charge up to \$25. Also, comments were made that most raffles and poker runs were for a charity or helping to raise money for an ill or unfortunate family circumstance and requiring a higher fee defeated the purpose of collecting money for that purpose.

The County has not had any requirements previously for raffles. Groups would be referred to the appropriate city or village for regulations. In Committee a motion was approved to recommend the ordinance for poker runs and raffles pending the answers to three questions:

Does the County have the right to waive the regulation to require licensing for poker runs and/or raffles? What means of enforcement does the County have for those who don't comply? If the County adopts just a poker run ordinance, does that eliminate the need to license raffles or prohibit raffles?

Wilkinson advised the Board that according to Attorney Matt Trapp the Board does not have to approve either ordinance. The Sheriff would be responsible for enforcement if the ordinance is approved. The ordinance would cover both Poke Runs and Raffles. *A motion was by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Mike McClure to adopt the Poker Run and Raffle Ordinance O2014 CB 006 and to dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (15) Dick Breckenridge, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (1) Tim Carlson; ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE and FINANCE COMMITTEE (cont.)**

The Committee then went into executive session as called for the purpose of hearing an AFSCME Grievance at the Second Step pursuant to the Open Meetings Act under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1 and/or 2. By motion the Committee then came out of executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1 and/or 2. A motion was made in Committee to deny the grievance with all ayes. The motion will be reported at the full Board meeting to enable time to prepare the decision in writing and to notify AFSCME of the decision. [Grievance denied]

**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE**

Chairman Curtin gave the report for the July 14, 2014 meeting.

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Greg Hager to approve the claims for the month of July. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.*

Board Chairman Schmitz reported that he has received energy quotes based on 36, 24 and 12 month contracts. The lowest quotes received are as follows based on contract months:

- .0583—36 months
- .0565—24 months
- .0551—12 months

The current two-year rate is .0463 and ends the last billing in December of 2014. The Committee took no action at this time, but will be watching the rates.

Elizabeth Corrado is a field organizer for Elevate Energy a not-for-profit group established to educate the public on smarter energy usage. Some of the services they offer to residents and businesses is assistance with a “think and do” grant, how to take advantage of peak energy periods, how to buy energy and efficiency upgrades. Their services are for Ameren customers. Elizabeth Corrado can be contacted at Elevate Energy—217-391-4272.

Jeff Weber of IPMG [Insurance Program Managers Group] is the risk management company working with Illinois County Risk Management Trust which consists of 49 counties and multiple cities, villages and townships equaling to about 260 members statewide. ICRMT was founded in 1983 and partners with the United Counties Council of Illinois [UCCI] of which the County is already a member. The first 12 months of the policy would be estimated on current figures. A property and employee audit is then done for values. The County then has options to select deductibles for the various areas of coverage. A proposal of liability coverage and services offered were explained as well as supplemental services offered. Special services and trainings are available for the needs of county government. Information is available in the Chairman’s Office. This program would replace the Illinois Counties Insurance Trust [ICIT-(now with a membership of only five counties)] who currently carries liability and workman comp coverage for the County. There are financial circumstances and monies which will still be owed to ICIT for a period of time if switching companies. At the next month’s Finance meeting, ICIT representatives will speak to their financial standing and what financial obligations the County would continue to endure.

Budget hearings for FY 2015 will be on Wednesday, August 27 and Thursday, August 28 beginning at 6:00 pm. Direction to the department heads is basically status quo to normal expenses.

**MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT:**

*A motion was made by Dave Reed and seconded by Jack Pearce, Jr. to approve the mileage and per diem report for the month of June. The motion carried.*

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Meetings this month</u>
Dick Breckenridge	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	1

**MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT (cont.) :**

Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Paul Schmitz	\$813.73		
Marilyn Voggetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2

**UNFINISHED OR NEW BUSINESS:**

The newly reformed Farmland Assessments Review Committee met for the first time since being reformed. Chairman Mike Gianasi advised they will meet annually and that at this year's meeting a motion was made and carried to accept the 2015 Farmland Assessments as set by the State.

**APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS:**

None this month.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Greg Hager to adjourn until Tuesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried.*

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD**

AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON AUGUST 19, 2014.

*ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK*

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Reverend Ken Manning of the Taylorville Christian Church gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present, signifying a quorum.

**PETITIONS/ RESOLUTIONS/ ORDINANCES**

Clayton Bloom & Joe Bloom of GRUM Strategic were introduced and gave their presentation seeking support for their medical marijuana cultivation application. The proposed facility site is roughly eight miles north of Morrisonville and five to six miles south to southeast of Taylorville, where the Bloom family has farmed for over one hundred years. Bloom noted that based on the January 21, 2013 Act regarding medical marijuana, there will be 21 sites for cultivation permitted amongst the 22 State Police Districts—noting that one of those districts is all highway and will not be permitting a cultivation site. The governing departments developed the rules and the application format and process. Bloom introduced others in attendance affiliated with the proposed cultivation plant including Scott Hawkins and their attorney Aaron Calvert. They then presented an architectural building drawing of the proposed 10,000 square foot building. Stressing it will look like a shed but internally will be broken into separate work areas. There will be 24 hours/ 7 days a week security on the gated facility including video surveillance. Their product would be distributed all over the State and anticipates transports happening two to three times a week by vehicle. They are hoping to create fifteen jobs paying between \$35,000 and \$40,000—all would be local hires. They are going to build the structure either way using a builder out of Hillsboro who has been instructed to use as much local supplies as possible. If they get approved for the facility they anticipate expanding to 30,000 square feet and if warranted the site would allow up to 50,000 square feet. They are working with experts in the field (Colorado Cultivators and experienced security personnel). Basically it will be “local folks” running the operation who are invested in the community and the success of the endeavor. Bloom summarized the application review process and closed noting they will be investing between six and eight million dollars—a big gamble on their part. In response to questions from Board members he noted the structure would be galvanized steel with cellulose insulation with perimeter fencing. He closed stating a portion of the revenue will be dedicated to specific community benefit programs and at this time he does not anticipate sales tax from product sales for the County. He thanked the Board for their time and consideration of support of their application. Throughout the discussion it was again emphasized how tightly regulated and monitored these facilities will be and how secure. Noting once more that local law enforcement will have access to video surveillance round the clock and that they are the required distances from any populated adjoining property.

**ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

*It was moved by Dave Reed and seconded by Laura Wilkinson to accept and place on file the minutes for the July 15, 2014 Board Meeting. The motion carried.*

**ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

*It was moved by Dave Reed and seconded by Laura Wilkinson to accept and place on file the minutes for the July 15, 2014 Board Meeting. The motion carried*

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The Public Defender’s report for July 2014 is on file in the Clerk’s Office.
- 2- The revised Prevailing Wage report for August and the September report are posted and on file in the Clerk’s Office.
- 3- The Treasurer’s reports ending 07/31/2014 are on file in the Clerk’s Office.
- 4- The July 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report is on file in the Clerk’s Office.

**COMMUNICATIONS (cont.)**

- 5- The July 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax allotment and transactions dated August 5, 2014 were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.
- 6- A notice dated July 29, 2014 was received from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency regarding a permit application they had received from Five Oaks Recycling and Disposal Facility for ACQS values for new Class I parameters as required by permit condition IX 30. This notice is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 7- A Public Notice of Proposed Issuance of a Clean Air Act Permit Program Permit for Pawnee Transloading Company, Inc. of Pawnee was received August 6, 2014 from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 8- A notice from Ameren regarding tree trimming in the Edinburg area was received. Enclosed were maps and the common addresses of the affected area. All of which is on file in the Clerk's Office.

**APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ**

*Chairman Schmitz called a motion by Tim Carlson and was seconded by Mike McClure to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED**

*A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Laura Wilkinson to accept & file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.*

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

Chairman Greg Hager gave the report for the August 12, 2014 committee meeting.

Patty Hornbuckle from the Chamber of Commerce and representing the 175 celebration committee talked to the members about the commemorative license plate being sold for the event. They can be displayed on vehicles from now through October 5<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$25 and only 200 were printed. Handouts of the weekend events were distributed and discussed: beard contest, apron contest, "happy birthday" song and cake served beginning at 1:00 pm on Sunday with a short recognition program for current and former Taylorville City mayors and County Board members. There will be a parade which will be held on Saturday October 4 at 11:00 am as well as many events at the Historical Society grounds and all in conjunction with the annual Chillifest activities. It was noted to the Board that you must ride on wagon or in car—cannot walk for this event. The Kincaid 4H group will furnish the rack and construct the float for contributions/costs which for the Board would average to about \$37 each.

Discussion continued about the float for the County Board. Several ideas were tossed around and Chairman Hager will look to recruit a group to decorate the float. Several members offered to contribute to the purchase of materials and to pay someone to decorate it. All members will be asked for donations. The employees and/or office holders are also encouraged to create floats for the celebration. The highway department will help County employees obtain racks and vehicles in order to participate.

Recently, a car and driver crashed through the decorative brick wall outside the county jail facility. Initially, it was determined the driver had no insurance. With a high deductible from the County's side, the Committee viewed the damaged wall. Since, insurance was validated and the wall will be rebuilt as before.

Maintenance Supervisor Zach Hicks reported to the Committee that he and staff had been doing a lot of work on air conditioning units in most all buildings this summer getting them back in good working order. The Health department building had many repairs, painting and gutter work done. The basement steel door had a makeover eliminating the rain water problem. Animal Control got ventilation upgrades while the jail continues to have constant work orders written. The Solid Waste Office wall still needs some research to be done. They will be working on the grounds in preparation for the celebration.

**HIGHWAY BUSINESS:**

*A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Dave Reed to purchase new roadway design software from Softree at a price of \$3,725 with money in the budget. The motion carried.*

## **HIGHWAY BUSINESS (cont.):**

Cliff Frye and Mike Gianasi discussed a platted roadway (Zinn St) in Bolivia that has never been laid out. The platted area has a couple of buildings on it and the same owner now owns the lots on both sides. Since there are buildings on the platted roadway and it is being used by the property owner it would be logical to remove the roadway from the plat. Cliff or Mike were to contact the owner of the adjacent property to make sure they are in agreement with this action but were not able to get this done. This matter is tabled until next month.

IDOT has requested an addendum to the previously executed jurisdictional agreement on County Highway 23. The addendum stipulates that a box culvert (011-7052) is part of the jurisdictional transfer. Cliff Frye believed this was part of the original transfer since it is under our highway and was built at our request. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Lloyd Washburn to authorize Chairman Schmitz to execute the addendum to the jurisdictional agreement with IDOT on County Highway 23.* The motion carried. (Cliff will prepare this.)

*A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Ben Curtin to approve the sale of an approximately 50' x 75' parcel of land to an adjoining property owner behind the Highway Department yard.* This parcel is part of the old Butler Binion RR property acquired by the County. The motion carried.

*A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Dick Breckenridge to enter into an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with the City of Taylorville pending review of States Attorney Havera.* This is a hold harmless agreement for the use of borrowed equipment. The motion carried.

### Project Updates:

- The County Highway #1 Bridge South of Micenheimer's building will be starting right after Labor Day. This structure will be completed one half at a time in order to maintain one lane of traffic throughout construction—if no weather issues could be as early as in November or after winter. Cliff noted this is just the deck they are reusing existing beams.
- The Radford Road Bridge in Prairieton Township is scheduled to start in mid-September.
- ROW acquisition is ongoing for the Assumption Township bridge, East of Kemmerer Village.

Zach and Cliff will look at the various trees on the courthouse lawn and see what can be trimmed by the Highway Department. The tree near the Lincoln Statue is too large for the Highway Department to remove. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to get quotes to cut and/or trim the various courthouse trees that the Highway Department cannot reach.* The motion carried.

## **EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE and FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Chairwoman Wilkinson gave the report for the August 6, 2014 meeting.

Mark Strawn of the Bowmark Consulting Group and Founder of the Abide Palliatives LLC spoke to the Committee concerning a potential site near Kincaid to construct a cultivation facility for medical marijuana. This would be a pilot program requiring a specific grower's license of which only 22 will be awarded in Illinois based on State Police Districts. The site meets the setbacks and all other provisions under the Compassionate Use of Medical Marijuana Pilot Program Act.

Mr. Strawn noted that the cultivation process and responsibility of production requires extensive security measures both inside and outside the facility. This type of facility is for cultivation—the growing, packaging and delivering to the state designated dispensaries. The product can be tracked from seed to dispensary delivery. Experienced people with law enforcement backgrounds will be involved in the site security and transportation procedures. There are to be extensive background checks on all employees hired.

In reference to zoning provisions of the Act, the local governments must affirm that the location is appropriately zoned. As mentioned this is a pilot program that will sunset 12/31/2017 if



**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE and FINANCE COMMITTEE (cont.)**

legislation does not renew. They will need to be submitting their application to the State before 10/1/2014, therefore, necessitating the approval of the County Board that the area is appropriate by the September meeting. More information will be obtained and discussed with the States Attorney, the Sheriff and Zoning Officer.

Taylorville Mayor Greg Brotherton and City Attorney Rocci Romano attended the meeting requesting to amend the intergovernmental agreement between the City and the County relative to the tax incentives in the Enterprise Zone. City Attorney Romano presented the Committee with the suggested amendment to the ordinance language. This amendment would not have any tax reductions to the County or the taxing bodies, only the City as they choose to rebate portion of their taxes after the distribution of taxes. The Enterprise Zone is specific in the requirements and a company needs to apply for tax rebates prior to the tax extension. If the City were to allow “after the fact” incentives to help local businesses in building renovation expansions or rebuilding, like the current structural situation on the square. The City is not prohibited from doing this type of incentives but wanted the County to be informed of their intentions. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Joe Marley to forward the proposed amendment to the States Attorney for review, and if found appropriate, to adopt the amendment and to dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (12) Dick Breckenridge, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Joseph Marley, Greg Hager, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (2) Chad Michel and Jack Pearce, Jr.; PRESENT: (2) Mike McClure and Dave Reed; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Additionally, the Mayor encouraged the participation of the County employees and elected officials as the County and City share in a dual celebration of 175 years established of both. He commented on the ‘beard’ contest of which he himself has been promoting since the announcement of the celebration and parade involvement.

The Committee discussed the poker run/raffle ordinance and the application form. However, Assistant States Attorney Brian Bach explained an opinion from the States Attorney to opt out of the Poker Runs. His points: we can opt out; is the cost of time to the program worth the \$25 license fee; or the additional paperwork that must be retained and possible FOIA requests. Concerning raffles, the raffle license from the County is only jurisdictional for unincorporated areas. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Joe Marley to withdraw the poker run and raffle ordinance passed by the full Board on July 15, 2014.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Joseph Marley, Greg Hager, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Chairwoman Wilkinson requested that the Board members receive a list of new hires and resignations or retirements of County employees. Additionally, Wilkinson suggested that the new employee should be taken around to all the County offices and buildings by the Chairman to expand their knowledge about the services provided by the County. The Committee members agreed and the process will be put into place. (New hires 2011 to now)

**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE**

Chairman Curtin gave the report for the August 18, 2014 meeting.

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Jack Pearce, Jr. to approve the claims for the month of August.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Mike Behan of AHM Financial Group, who handles finances of the trust and the liability insurance carrier for the County, was asked to speak to the Committee concerning the status of the trust. In review, he stated the cost of claims and re-insurance are all doing fine. The

**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE (cont.)**

investment bonds have not recovered enough to keep up due to low interest rates. Workman compensation is probably the largest cost to any employer and insurer. ICIT's group claims are not high in comparison and good claim decisions have been made by the ICIT Board. In 2017 a reissue on the bonds will have to be made. This decision actually will take place prior to that time.

Sheridan Pulley assisted the Committee as to the financial responsibilities of staying in ICIT and/or getting coverage elsewhere which are complex when considering the \$130,000 bond levy versus carrying that amount from the general fund. The County must decide six months prior to the renewal date of 9/1/2015.

Board Chairman Schmitz reported that he has received this month's energy quotes from the current carrier Tradition Energy based on 24 and 36 month contracts. Three quotes dated 8/18/2014 were reviewed with the lowest quote from was received from Liberty Power and is as follows based on contract months:

- **.0557**—36 months
- **.0542**—24 months

The current two-year rate is .0405 (.0463 was incorrectly reported last month) and ends with the last billing in December of 2014. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to accept the low bid from Liberty Power for a 36 month contract ( rates are subject to change) based on 8/20/2014 quote.* The motion carried.

Treasurer Dick Adams presented to the Committee two batches of sales of delinquent properties which are as follows:

	Resolution numbers	R2014 TR
South Fork	15-12-08-410-001-01	011
Blueville	03-07-14-402-001-00	012
Taylorville	17-13-26-301-004-00	013
Taylorville	17-13-21-21-HA-059	014
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Taylorville	17-13-22-418-016-00	015
Taylorville	17-13-19-307-006-00	016
South Fork	15-12-10-106-015-00	017
Pana	11-25-16-432-003-00	018
Pana	11-25-16-306-003-00	019
Pana	11-25-15-200-003-00	020
Buckhart	03-07-14-500-001-00	021

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Mike McClure to approve the first four resolutions as listed and to dispense with the readings.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Tim Carlson to approve the second set of resolutions (seven) as listed and to dispense with the readings.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

Chairman Schmitz noted that there was no Senior Citizens budget report or transportation program update available at this time. Schmitz noted that he would like to call a meeting of the Christian County Transportation Advisory group to evaluate the transportation program and its future. Greg Hager, the County CEFS representative, noted that the Effingham CEFS office operates several county transportation programs.

**AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE (cont.)**

Recently, the County has hired an attorney with a specialty in IMRF law of which a claim in the amount of \$9,534.35 was submitted as well as a \$2,350 labor attorney fee totaling an overage in the labor attorney line item. In addition, with the upcoming AFSCME negotiations, *a motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to transfer \$20,000 from contingency into the labor attorney line item.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

States Attorney Mike Havera commented on the success of the credit collections for court fines and fees. With the success, about 12 other counties are also working on a similar program. He also referred to the resolution on the Board agenda to enacting a fee to support specialty court services in Christian County.

**MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT:**

*A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Greg Hager to approve the mileage and per diem report for the month of July.* The motion carried.

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Meetings this month</u>
Dick Breckenridge	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Paul Schmitz	\$813.73		
Marilyn Voggetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	4

**UNFINISHED OR NEW BUSINESS:**

A resolution is needed to enact fees to support the County’s Specialty Courts. Specialty Courts include those for Mental Health, Drug Court and Veteran’s Court. Since these courts have been created the County must adopt a mandatory fee of \$10.00 to be assessed pursuant to statute. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Greg Hager to adopt Resolution R 2014 ST 022 establishing the mandatory \$10.00 fee to be placed in the general fund for Specialty Courts funding and to dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.

**APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS:**

None this month.

Chairman Schmitz noted for all present that Carol Alexander is headed to Russia for the dedication of a Lincoln statue and presentation of a copy of “The Big Squeal” with an accompanying letter.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Joe Marley to adjourn until Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.* The motion carried.

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD**

AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2014.

*ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK*

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Reverend Ryan Whitley of the Calvary Baptist Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present, signifying a quorum.

Proposed Medical Marijuana Cultivation Sites

Three of the parties seeking to be awarded the permit to operate a medical marijuana cultivation site within Christian County were in attendance and addressed the Board and all others in attendance.

Clayton and Joe Bloom were the first to address the Board. As in their previous presentation at Committee they noted how highly regulated this industry will be, how competitive the application process is and the reasons why they believe they are the best candidates for building this facility. Their family has been farming in this county since 1881. They have strong community ties and are committed to strengthening our County. They are proposing a 40,000 square foot facility to begin that could expand as needed. It remains unclear how many patients will be eligible for participation so the success of some cultivation sites is not guaranteed. They noted this is a pilot program and depending on how well it is implemented it may or may not be continued. Regardless of those uncertainties they are willing to make the investment and take their chances—no matter what they will continue to live and work in this County. They ask for the Board’s support of their application, thanked them for the opportunity to speak and asked that anyone with concerns or questions to please contact them for answers.

Mark Strawn of Abide Palliatives was next to address the Board. Strawn also had addressed the Committee previously. The proposed location for their site is across from the power plant in South Fork Township. This is a 9.2 acre site that will have a 30,000 square foot facility which will be equipped with strict security. Security is the “keynote” of their operation. Their security team has met with the Sheriff and who views their plan as operable. They anticipate creating 10-18 good paying jobs with room for advancement and expansion. Their company endorses the concept if a responsible cultivation site of medical marijuana that operates as a “good neighbor”, is integrated into the community and encourages economic development. Their company is based out of Springfield and 98% of their investors are from Illinois. They are applying in both Christian and Macoupin County but intend to only open one site. The proposed site in Christian already has the needed zoning and power.

Harvest Medical LLC was the final presenter of the evening. This was their first time addressing the County. Their proposed site is located in Taylorville Township just north of the Archer Daniels Midland. Joe Zanders gave the presentation on behalf of their group. His father was unable to attend but it was noted that he has been a physician for over 40 years. Joe has been a licensed grower in California for five years and favors the Illinois rule which bans the use of pesticides. He noted they focus on high CBD products which are the “non-high” producing, anti-spasmodic, pain relief varieties of medicinal marijuana. Zanders also noted how highly regulated this industry is and stipulated that they are subject to frequent inspections. Their proposed facility would have a 6-foot high perimeter fence with 3-strands of wire and no top bar, an eyepass system for gate access, 24-hour notice and ID requirements for delivery gate access- which will be video monitored as well. Video monitoring of the one vestibule entry will also be in place. All room entries with the exception of rest rooms will be video monitored with an offsite backup for 90 days. Zanders presented illustrations of the proposed site stressing the security and explaining the uses of the multiple rooms and how access to each is regulated. He reiterated that medical marijuana is for pain relief and provides a better quality of life to many and are safer than opiates. Their process does not allow for black market “slippage” they use nothing but clear bags in and out. They propose a five acre tract allowing for future expansion as

needed. They anticipate 30-40 employees and a harvest of new product every 5-7 days versus 4-5 harvests per year. Their multiple room plan allows for quarantining of a room to eliminate the pests. They have a Community Service Benefit Plan and work hand in hand with homecare providers, research facilities and substance abuse programs. They too wish to be “good neighbors” and are open to direction as to what can be done to help their community. Zanders also stressed that this is only a pilot program at this time. Their company is based out of Springfield and they want to operate in their immediate area if possible. They offer jobs at above minimum wage with the lowest pay being \$12 per hour. Zanders stated he would leave his e-mail address for any questions the Board may have. In conclusion he introduced some of the members of their team: Jason Boesdoefer, Security Consultant and Pat Keen- Chief of Security (noting that Keen is a retired Illinois State Police Colonel).

At the conclusion of the presentations Chairman Schmitz asked Sheriff Kettelkamp to advise the Board as to his feelings regarding the proposed facilities. Sheriff Kettelkamp stated that upon reviewing 2 out of the 3 proposed facilities security plans he has no concerns with the plans he has seen. He is familiar with the security team that Abide Palliatives will be using and personally knows Keen who will be Chief of Security for the Zanders facility. Schmitz then asked County Zoning Officer Brett Rahar to address the Board regarding the zoning for the proposed facilities. Rahar stated that all applications are appropriate and appear to meet the standards and requirements. Chairman Schmitz went on to note that the cost of applying is \$25,000 to file, \$200,000 for the first year license and \$100,000 per year thereafter. Schmitz encouraged the Board to provide endorsements for all of the companies who presented and to endorse the benefits of medical marijuana to many of our citizens currently suffering. He then opened the floor for questions and discussion.

Lloyd Washburn stated that a number of his constituents have expressed their opposition to the proposed facilities and have concerns of this being a gateway to the legalization of recreational marijuana. Other Board members stated the benefits of medicinal marijuana in rehabilitation programs, the jobs that will be created and the increased real estate tax revenue to be derived from the proposed facility. There are bonus points awarded for supporting local rehabilitation programs to reduce recidivism of convictions—helping the individuals to turn their lives around through Drug Court for instance or support for the Development Council. These are not required activities for applicants for permits but they do get bonus points for committing to do this thus creating support for programs already in use within the County. Jack Pearce stated the additional revenue to the County is a good idea and that there will be cultivation sites opened—if it opens here we have some control over it and reap the revenue. It was noted that while the Board’s endorsement is not required it demonstrates an open rapport to the Department of Agriculture who issues the permits and the applicants do get bonus points for this as well.

*A motion was made by Paul Schmitz and seconded by Chad Michel to issue a letter of support for all three companies for filing with their applications for permits to establish and operate a medical marijuana cultivation facility. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (12) Dick Breckenridge, Timothy Carlson, Fred Curtin, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (3) Ben Curtin, Marilyn Voggetzer and Lloyd Washburn; PRESENT: (1) Charles DeClerck; and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.*

#### **ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

*It was moved by Laura Wilkinson and Joe Marley seconded by to accept and place on file the minutes for the August 19, 2014 Board Meeting. The motion carried.*

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The Public Defender’s report for August 2014 is on file in the Clerk’s Office.
- 2- The Prevailing Wage report for November was not yet available for posting in the Clerk’s Office.
- 3- The Treasurer’s reports ending 08/31/2014 are on file in the Clerk’s Office.
- 4- The August 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report is on file in the Clerk’s Office.
- 5- The August 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax allotment and transactions dated September 3, 2014 were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk’s Office.
- 6- A copy a letter dated July 22, 2014 was received from the Illinois Department of Transportation. This letter was to advise County Contractors, Inc. that they were

awarded Contract #93620 in Section 11-00089-00-BR noting the contract was executed and returned with bond. This letter is on file in the Clerk's Office.

- 7- Our second quarter franchise fees were received from NewWave in the amount of \$ 1,867.70, which was deposited with the Treasurer.

**APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ**

*Chairman Schmitz called a motion by Carol Foli and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED**

*It was moved by Dave Reed and seconded by Tim Carlson to accept and file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.*

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

No meeting this month.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE and FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Chairwoman Wilkinson gave the report for the September 9, 2014 meeting.

A letter was received from West Central Development Council requesting an intergovernmental agreement to include in a grant request for funding for USDA-Rural Community Development Incentive Grants. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Joe Marley to approve Resolution 2014 CB 024 authorizing the Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement and the letter to the Senators and Representatives. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (14) Dick Breckenridge, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (2) Jack Pearce, Jr., and Lloyd Washburn; PRESENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.*

A resolution of "Participation and Support" has been requested by the State's Attorney, Coroner, Sheriff and Health Department. The Act under which mobile teams operate must be established and operating pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperation section, of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 in order to receive state funds. *A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Lloyd Washburn to adopt the Resolution R2014 SF 023 as submitted according to the Intergovernmental Law Enforcement Officers In-Service Training Act Public Act 82-674 and to dispense with the reading thereof. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); PRESENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.*

On August 25, 2014 the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Board of Trustees at its regular meeting considered a retirement appeal for Mike Drea, former County Board member and appointed County Treasurer. Their unanimous vote was to uphold the Administrative Staff determination and deny the request to have Mr. Drea's pension recalculated. Chairman Schmitz received a copy of the letter to Mr. Drea dated August 25, 2014 of the summary of the Benefit Review Committee held on July 24, 2014 and the final findings and conclusions. If Mr. Drea wishes to pursue further action, he may file an action for Administrative Review in the Circuit Court of Christian, DuPage or Sangamon County within thirty-five days of the letter's date. A copy of the letter and findings was distributed to members of the County Board and the document will be on file in the County Clerk's office. Members have been advised by counsel to make no comment until the thirty-five days have passed.

The Personnel Handbook was brought to the Committee for approval. All department heads have had an opportunity to review it as well. It was noted that a few changes still needed to be made due to recent Board action [flexible spending policy]. Other basic labor laws were updated by the Lowenbaum legal firm's review. Forms and policy/procedures (no changes made) will also be included in the handbook. A motion to recommend approval of the handbook to the full Board has been tabled as there are changes yet to be incorporated. The handbook applies to all employees and union membership when not in conflict with their respective collective bargaining agreements. The unions will be given opportunity for review.

AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE

Chairman Curtin gave the report for the August 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and September 15, 2014 meetings.

August 27, 2014 Budget Proposal Hearing:

Those presenting were-

Joelynda Conrad- Animal Control	Mike Crews- ESDA
Joe Stepping- Solid Waste	Brett Rahar- Zoning
Nancy Martin- Health/TB	Cliff Frye- Highway
Mike Gianasi- Assessor	Dick Adams- Treasurer
Linda Curtin- County Clerk	

August 28, 2014 Budget Proposal Hearing:

Those presenting were-

Greg Patrick- ROE	County Board
U of I Extension	Judge Paisley- Circuit Court
Greg Grigsby- Public Defender	Laura Cooper- Probation
Julie Mayer- Circuit Clerk	Mike Havera- States Attorney
Amy Winans- Coroner	Micki Ehrhardt- 911
Bruce Engeling/Bruce Kettelkamp- Sheriff	

It was noted that Sheridan Pulley would be at the September 15<sup>th</sup> Audit & Finance meeting.

September 15, 2014 Meeting

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Greg Hager to approve the claims for the month of August. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson and Lloyd Washburn; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (0); and Said motion having received a majority vote in favor, thereof, it is hereby declared that the motion carried.*

Chairman Schmitz reported to the Committee that during next month's Executive/Personnel committee meeting there will be discussion of various issues and updates concerning the ongoing public transportation efforts. Also noted, the Senior Citizens receive \$2500 in the County's annual budget.

Joelynda Conrad Animal Control Warden requested supplemental financial assistance for micro-chipping. It is mandatory for people who adopt dogs. The cost is \$40 per dog. Currently, there is a financial reimbursement program to spay and neuter dogs and cats that comes from the Willey/Givens established special fund. After discussion, *a motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to reimburse via a vet voucher the amount of \$20/adopted dog to be paid from the Willey/Givens Trust.* The motion carried.

Chairman Schmitz reported that the energy rate on August 19, 2014 to approve the rate was .0562 from Traditional Energy. The following day the rate decreased to .05579/kw for a 24 month contract.

Sheridan Pulley reviewed the revenues and proposed expenditures with the Committee.

\*FY 2014 projected deficit budget was \$398,000. Preliminary figures for FY 2015 start the deficit at \$497,000. Salaries for AFSCME and non-bargaining are not included in that figure.

\*FY2014 sales tax revenues were anticipated to have been higher than has actually received to date—one reason due to annexations.

\*Property taxes to the general fund were up.

\*The Sheriff's Office has the highest expenses as to be expected: contractual medical services and other expenses have been offset through the prisoner concession fund. Last year an anonymous donor purchased two squad cars for the County. Three are in the budget for this year. With the retirement of the cooks, a food service is being used for prisoner food. This is a cost saving point of interest.

\*The election expenses will be down with only one election next year.

\*There was extensive discussion and explanation about training in the Treasurer's Office. Key points: All employees in that office, as well as any new office head, do processes, like tax collection only once per year, it's not a daily repetitive process. It is much more than just collecting money. Distribution to all taxing bodies is a very detailed and complex process. The

most senior employees have been there less than two years. It was noted the part time line item has been the same for many years even prior to the retirements of the entire office staff.

A motion was made by Mike McClure and seconded by Chad Michel to go into executive session as called for by Chairman Curtin for the purpose to discuss salary increases for non-bargaining employees and AFSCME negotiations pursuant to the Open Meetings Act under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1 and/or 2. A roll call vote polled all ayes: Dick Breckenridge, Jack Pearce, Fred Curtin, Chad Michel, and Mike McClure. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mike McClure and seconded by Chad Michel to come out of executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1 and/or 2. A roll call vote polled all ayes: Dick Breckenridge, Jack Pearce, Fred Curtin, Chad Michel, and Mike McClure. The motion carried. No action taken.

**MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT:**

*A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Tim Carlson to approve the mileage and per diem report for the month of July. The motion carried.*

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Meetings this month</u>
Dick Breckenridge	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	5
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Paul Schmitz	\$813.73		
Marilyn Voggetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2

**UNFINISHED OR NEW BUSINESS:**

Chairman Schmitz read a letter to the Board and all others in attendance from Sheridan Pulley regarding information about the County Treasurer's Office and duties. Pulley noted the unique circumstances currently impacting the Treasurer's Office as well as his desire to retire as auditor for the County.

Amanda Cole from the University of Illinois extension Office updated Board members with the changes in staffing at the Taylorville office. Lisa Petersen now works with the Food & Nutrition Program, Jodi Heberling is now with the SNAP program and Alicia Gullidge is the new 4H program coordinator.

The Transportation resolution has been tabled until next month.

**APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS:**

None this month.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Joe Marley to adjourn until Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried.*



**October 21, 2014 (Page 935 )**  
**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD**

AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON OCTOBER 21, 2014.

*ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK*

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Rev. Jerry Thorpe of the Faith Community Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed two members absent-Charles DeClerck and Lloyd Washburn, signifying a quorum.

**SUPPORT SENATE BILL 16**

Dr. Gregg Fuerstenau discussed the Illinois School Funding Reform Act of 2014: Improving How Our State Supports Public Schools (SB16) drives the state resources where they are needed to better support all Illinois students to achieve. The goal is to close the gaps in educational opportunities by virtue of where Illinois students live. This would redistribute and re-divide the dollars. The handout information is on file in the County Clerk's Office. A motion was made by Mike McClure and seconded by Greg Hager to adopt R2014 CB 030 in support of the education funding reform. A roll call vote polled the following: Carol Foli-yes, Greg Hager-yes, Joe Marley-yes, Mike McClure-yes, Chad Michel-yes, Jack Pearce-yes, Dave Reed-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggezter-yes, Lloyd Washburn-absent, Laura Wilkinson-yes, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Tim Carlson-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, and Charles DeClerck-absent. The motion carried 14-0-2.

**COUNTY CEO PROGRAM CONTRIBUTION**

Ken Hart, presented the Board with a program called Christian County CEO (Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities) designed by Craig Lindvahl. CEO is a year-long course designed to partnership with business development and processes. As the County's population is dwindling with our high school students not staying in the area, this program of CEO graduates will contribute to the economic development, innovation and sustainability of Christian County. The program comes with a cost of \$60,000/year and the community as to date raised \$35,000. Mr. Hart asked the County Board to donate \$1000/year with a three year commitment. Chairman Schmitz suggested that all the elected officials make a contribution to this program, however, Mike McClure made a motion with a second from Dick Breckenridge for the County to make that commitment from contingency for this worthwhile program for a three year period and would suggest the elected officials match the commitment. A roll call vote for the commitment to the program polled the following: Carol Foli-yes, Greg Hager-yes, Joe Marley-yes, Mike McClure-yes, Chad Michel-yes, Jack Pearce-yes, Dave Reed-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggezter-yes, Lloyd Washburn-absent, Laura Wilkinson-yes, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Tim Carlson-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, and Charles DeClerck-absent. The motion carried 14-0-2. The 2014 payment is for the 2015 program year.

**ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

*It was moved by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Mike McClure to accept and place on file the minutes for the September 16, 2014 Board Meeting. The motion carried.*

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The September Public Defender's report is on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 2- The Prevailing Wage reports for October and November will be posted and has been placed on file in the Clerk's Office.
- 3- The Treasurer's reports ending 09/30/2014 are on file in the Clerk's Office.

- 4- The September 1, 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report was placed on file in the Clerk's Office the following day.
- 5- The October 1, 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax allotment and transactions from October 1, 2014 were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.
- 6- A public notice from IEPA on the proposed renewal of the Clean Air Act Permit Program for Ahlstrom Engine Filtration, LLC in Taylorville.
- 7- A letter IEPA dated October 2, 2014 Notice of Application for Permit to Manage Waste.
- 8- A letter dated October 9, 2014 advising of tree trimming in and around the Kincaid area.

#### APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ

*Chairman Schmitz called a motion by Laura Wilkinson and was seconded by Tim Carlson to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.*



#### ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED

*A motion was made by Dick Breckenridge and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to accept & file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.*



Minutes read by Committee Chairman Greg Hager.

#### TREE AND MOWER QUOTES

Chairman Schmitz had called five to six tree removal services for the removal of one large tree and trimming of several others on the courthouse grounds. Two quotes were received as others opted out due to prevailing wage requirement. The Committee approved the low quote of \$3,150 from Coleman Tree Service at 512 N. Walnut Pana for both the removal and trimming and referred to the Finance Committee.

Cliff Frye had requested quotes for the purchase of disc mowers. He received only one quote, but noted others would like to submit quotes. The issue was tabled until next month.

Cliff Frye discussed with the committee proposed rule changes by the U.S. EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers which redefine the definition of Waters of the U.S. under the Clean Water Act. A resolution is being prepared to urge the EPA and the Corps of Engineers to propose a final rule that would narrow the definition of the Waters of the U.S. in compliance with recent U.S. Supreme Court rulings. If this definition is not narrowed, federal oversight under the clean water act could extend to road side ditches, drainage district ditches and other upland channels that are non-navigable and carry water only on an intermittent basis. This would significantly impact routine maintenance operations and increase costs to all owners of these types of waterways. A Resolution Concerning the Proposed Definition of "Waters of the United States" R2014HY029 was presented to the full Board. *A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Ben Curtin to adopt the resolution. A roll call vote was called upon with 14 ayes, no nays and 2 absent: Yay-Dave Reed, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Laura Wilkinson, Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Joe Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, and Jack Pearce. The motion carried.*

#### PROBATION BUILDING HEATING/COOLING

Zach Hicks has prepared estimated costs to change out two failing heating and air conditioning units at the Probation building. The cost for the units, one on each floor (not the roof), duct work and other incidentals will be \$11,442. A motion was made at Committee to recommend and forward to the Finance Committee.

#### 175 CELEBRATION

The Committee members commented about the 175<sup>th</sup> celebration including the appreciation of the clock tower tours and they thanked the South Fork 4-H club for making the County Board float. It was also noted that the Time Capsule will be buried later this year. Pictures are still being accepted.

Report was given by Laura Wilkinson.

#### MAJOR CRIMES TASK FORCE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

States Attorney Mike Havera presented a resolution, Christian County Major Crimes Task Force Intergovernmental Law Enforcement Agreement for the purpose to establish a task force team to respond to and investigate major crimes, including homicide, attempted homicide, suspicious deaths, kidnapping, officer involved shootings and any other major crimes or events. As in the past the Illinois State Police-Zone 4 has always assisted in such matters. Most recently their force has been reduced in manpower and their territory increased. With these changes, other counties have established a local major crimes taskforce as well. The County, the City of Taylorville, the City of Pana, and the Illinois State Police will comprise the task force. All agencies will be responsible for any salary, overtime pay, vehicles and special training expenses of their own members assigned to the task force. The smaller communities in the county will benefit from this service as well. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Dick Breckenridge to approve the creation of the Christian County Major Crimes Task Force and to dispense with the reading of the resolution.* A roll call vote polled the following: Carol Foli-yes, Greg Hager-yes, Joe Marley-yes, Mike McClure-yes, Chad Michel-yes, Jack Pearce-yes, Dave Reed-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggeztter-yes, Lloyd Washburn-absent, Laura Wilkinson-yes, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Tim Carlson-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, and Charles DeClerck-absent. The motion carried 14-0-2.

#### 2015 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The 2015 holiday schedule was presented for approval. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Carol Foli to approve the 2015 holiday schedule and forward to the employees and the court.* The motion carried. Note: FOP members switched Lincoln's Birthday for Christmas Eve during their last negotiations.

#### TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Chairman Schmitz began the discussion on the Christian County Transportation Program. Originally, when the first resolution was passed, it was believed to be as a "no cost" to the County. Over the months of submitting the applications and working out the details, it appears there is a possibility of the County providing some funds which would be reimbursed after the fact. The Senior Citizen Center may be able to cover some of those costs—an employee designated as the PCOM (accounting review), gas, bus maintenance etc. As of right now the interest in a transportation system is high but no contracts have been signed for the transportation service. The application for 2015 program will need to be submitted by the end of next week. The Finance Committee will review the issues and no action was taken.

#### PERSONNEL HANDBOOK

A few changes and updates were made to the Personnel Handbook which was submitted last month. Those changes were read and will be highlighted in the electronic copy to be sent to Board members. Additional policies and procedures can be added to the policy section upon approval. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Dave Reed to approve the handbook for distribution to all employees noting that union contracts preside over any conflicts.* The motion carried.

#### JOB DESCRIPTIONS

A brief discussion was held about developing and/or updating job descriptions. It was noted that in November that will be one of the topics for department head training. *A motion was made by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to encourage all departments to develop and/or create job descriptions with a goal of completion for six months.* The motion carried.

Other updates:

- In house training for department heads is November 14.
- AFSCME has filed for an arbitrators list.
- Two job offers have been made to fill two positions at the Highway Department. To date Jared Hobbs has begun work.
- Part time jailer Rod McMahan has been hired.
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■ September 25, and October 20, 2014

Report given by Fred Curtin

#### CHRISTIAN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY FUND REQUEST

Jody Heberling of the Christian County Historical Society described the financial status of the organization and the critical repairs needed on the buildings. With an overall \$15,000 annual budget and fundraising their main means of funding, she asked if the County could assist financially in the replacement of a new furnace of which two buildings desperately need. There was discussion as to the option of the County or Park District levying for funding as a historical museum. The Committee will revisit the current request for funds at the monthly Finance meeting.

#### FY 2015 BUDGET DISCUSSION

With a near \$500,000 deficit budget in its initial presentation, the Committee has requested a survey/inventory of all fax and copier machines with contract expiration dates. It is their desire to bid those services county wide therefore anticipating a savings to help in next year's budget.

Office by office the expenses were reviewed. The offices of the Treasurer, Sheriff and Probation had line items reduced or eliminated totaling about \$74,000 in the general fund. The Probation Building continues to have problems with the furnace system. That topic will be discussed at the next Finance meeting to be paid from the current budget.

During committee a motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Dick Breckenridge to go into executive session as called for by Chairman Curtin for the purpose to discuss salary increases for non-bargaining employees and AFSCME negotiations pursuant to the Open Meetings Act under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1 and/or 2. A roll call vote polled all ayes: Fred Curtin, Jack Pearce, Dick Breckenridge, and Chad Michel. The motion carried.

They came out of executive session with a motion by Jack Pearce and seconded by Chad Michel pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1 and/or 2. A roll call vote polled all ayes: Fred Curtin, Jack Pearce, Dick Breckenridge, and Chad Michel. The motion carried. Proposals for the non-bargaining employees were discussed and will be submitted in the budget. There were varying increases due to scheduled step increases, adjustments, flat amounts based on average salaries and increases determined by other boards.

#### TREE TRIMMING PAID FROM CONTINGENCY

Also referred were the quotes for tree trimming, *a motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Dave Reed to approve the quote from Joe Coleman Tree Service in the amount of \$3,150.00 and to pay from contingency.* A roll call vote polled the following: Carol Foli-yes, Greg Hager-yes, Joe Marley-yes, Mike McClure-yes, Chad Michel-yes, Jack Pearce-yes, Dave Reed-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggetzer-yes, Lloyd Washburn-absent, Laura Wilkinson-yes, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Tim Carlson-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, and Charles DeClerck-absent. The motion carried 14-0-2.

#### DELIQUENT TAX PROPERTIES SOLD FOR BID

Treasurer Dick Adams presented four properties to accept low bids for delinquent tax deed. Three are located in Pana Township and one in Rosamond Township with each parcel number being read. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Greg Hager to accept the bid of \$660 per property from John M. Allen, John M. Allen, Tonja J. Sheddan and Township of Rosamond and to approve the corresponding resolutions R2014 TR 025, 026, 027, and 027 and dispense with their reading.* A roll call vote polled the following: Carol Foli-yes, Greg Hager-yes, Joe Marley-yes, Mike McClure-yes, Chad Michel-yes, Jack Pearce-yes, Dave Reed-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggetzer-yes, Lloyd Washburn-absent, Laura Wilkinson-yes, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Tim Carlson-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, and Charles DeClerck-absent. The motion carried 14-0-2.

PROPOSED BUDGET ON FILE

The revised budget from last month was presented making the changes-cuts primarily in Sheriff's departments and included the non-bargaining increases. With no further discussion, the proposed budget will be distributed to the Board members and to be discussed if questions at the November Finance meeting and voted during the November Board meeting. The proposed FY2015 budget will be on file in the County Clerk's Office.

A motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Dick Breckenridge to adjourn. The motion carried.



Chairman Schmitz noted that the 35 days had passed to file an appeal with the court system since the IMRF decision concerning Mike Drea.



A motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Dave Reed to approve the mileage and per diem report for the month of October. The motion carried.

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Dick Breckenridge	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Paul Schmitz		\$813.73	
Marilyn Voggetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2



- *Appointment of Jeff Thomas as trustee to Edinburg Fire Protection District for the balance of the term to May 2015 with a motion by Dick Breckenridge and seconded by Ben Curtin. The motion carried.*
- *Reappointment of Larry Thomas as trustee to Edinburg Fire Protection District with a motion by Chad Michel and seconded by Dave Reed. The motion carried.*
- *Reappointment of Robert Sloan as trustee to Edinburg Fire Protection District with a motion by Joe Marley and seconded by Greg Hager. The motion carried.*
- *Reappointment of Robert Swinger as trustee to Edinburg Fire Protection District with a motion by Tim Carlson and seconded by Dick Breckenridge. The motion carried.*



With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Joe Marley and seconded by Jack Pearce to adjourn until Tuesday, November 21, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried.

**November 18, 2014 (Page 940 )**  
**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD**

AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON NOVEMBER 18, 2014.

*ATTEST: LINDA K. CURTIN, COUNTY CLERK*

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Rev. Gerald McPhillips of the Grace Baptist Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed two members absent-Dave Reed and Laura Wilkinson, signifying a quorum. County Board member, Chad Michel, arrived to the meeting after roll call.

In God We Trust

Delbra Pratt presented a framed poster to Chairman Schmitz and the Board reaffirming “In God We Trust” as the national motto (House Resolution 13). Mary Milling designed the poster and its creation was self-funded. About 3,000 posters have been distributed to local churches and businesses. The next step is presenting the posters to the village boards and schools within our county. Bumper stickers were also printed and presented to the Board as well as brochures. Friday, October 17, 2014, 35-40 people met at the courthouse for the “kick-off” of the campaign.

Rick Cornell Grain Belt Express Update

A State Journal Register article which ran 11/17/2014 noted the 750 mile transmission line will go from western Kansas through Missouri, through Lock 22 on the Mississippi River through Pike County and on into Central Illinois to end up in Clark County, Indiana. Converter stations built along the way will provide 3500 megawatts of electricity, enough to power 1.4 million homes annually. The direct current line has 150 foot wide right-of-way with traditional lines being about 400 foot wide right-of-way. The land will retain current use and they will be using “mono-poles” which leave a smaller carbon footprint, about 4-7 structures per linear mile. This is a \$2 billion investment, roughly \$2 million per mile. The company plans to use local vendors for concrete, steel, sand, gravel, trucking, etc. Grain Belt Express is a transparent company and wants to be held accountable. They have contacted the Christian County Economic Development Office and the Chambers of Commerce in Pana and Taylorville. Since there is no transmission tax in Illinois the company will offer up to \$7,000 per linear mile, per year for a minimum of 20 years. The Illinois Commerce Commission will be notified in 2015 and would need to approve the project for 2017 construction and 2019 operation. A public meeting will be held in Pana on December 3, 2014 from 5-8 pm at the Pana Eagles Club on US Highway 51. Landowners within 2 ½ miles of the anticipated line, potentially affected by this, will probably receive a letter within the week. The siting and routing process will avoid homes, historical areas, environmentally sensitive areas, school districts, churches, and air strips. The project began in 2010 with the approval from Kansas. Missouri Public Service approval is pending.

**ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

*It was moved by Joseph Marley and seconded by Mike McClure to accept and place on file the minutes for the October 21, 2014 Board Meeting. The motion carried.*

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were presented and read.

- 1- The October Public Defender’s report is on file in the Clerk’s Office.
- 2- The Prevailing Wage report for December was unavailable.
- 3- The Treasurer’s reports ending 10/31/2014 are on file in the Clerk’s Office.
- 4- The October 1, 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report was placed on file in the Clerk’s Office.

- 5- The November 1, 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax allotment and transactions from November 1, 2014 were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation and are on file in the County Clerk's Office.
- 6- A letter from Newwave Communications dated November 1, 2014 to inform the County that there will be doubling of some services and rate changes effective December 2014.

#### APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ

*Chairman Schmitz called a motion by Tim Carlson and was seconded by Dick Breckenridge to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.*

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED

*A motion was made by Marilyn Voggetzer and seconded by Tim Carlson to accept & file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.*

#### **HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS COMMITTEE-**

No meeting this month.

#### **EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL/LIQUOR COMMITTEE jointly with AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE-November 17, 2014**

Report was given by Fred Curtin.

#### UPDATE ON SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS POSITION

County Clerk Linda Curtin along with Supervisor of Assessments Mike Gianasi updated the Committee on the procedure to replace and appoint the Supervisor of Assessment position. A call to the Department of Revenue has been made to request a list of eligible candidates. Tuesday, November 18 a test is being given in southern Illinois and we can also wait for those names to be added to the list. It should be noted that passing the test is only one of the qualifications for that position. The Department of Revenue said the test shall be administered on December 11, 2014 in the Christian County Board room at 10 am and must be advertised in the local newspaper for seven days.

#### PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION DISCUSSION

In Committee Chairman Schmitz began the continuing discussion as to the fate of the Public Transportation program in Christian County. He said, "We would be required to pass a resolution which states our commitment and obligation to match or supplement funds. At this time, I don't feel good about it if the County has to be funding any portion of it." Carol Foli and Steve Ralph stated that if the PCOM employee's salary was at \$1000 to \$1500 per month, the Senior Center could cover that for a few months. Reimbursements could take up to six months from the State. Chairman Schmitz will make further attempts to discuss finances with Gerry Mahr at the Senior Center. Other comments and questions included: If we don't vote yes, does that mean Christian County may never be eligible for the public transportation program? That opinion was correct. The PCOM person must be an elected/appointed County official or elected/appointed city person, Schmitz wants to see it happen, but not at the cost of the County. A motion was made by Greg Hager and seconded by Chad Michel to get guidance from CEFS to move this along. Shelby County administers two of these out of seven counties. Christian County is the only one not participating. Carol Foli said we did not go this route to keep the money out of County but to hire within the county. The federal grant takes four to six months to process. The State grant will provide more funds-all coming from the MFT funds. CEFS administrators can cover initial costs and hire locally. It would require an Intergovernmental agreement and CEFS already has the paperwork. There are 40 days left to file, but they have had 2 years. Marilyn Voggetzer says the County has no money, the seniors have no money, but CEFS has the up front money.

A roll call vote was taken with 14 ayes, no nays, and 2 absent. Ayes-Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Mike McClure, Joseph Marley, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, and Lloyd Washburn. The motion carried.

IMRF AUTHORIZED AGENT

As Linda Curtin retires her position as County Clerk, and has held the appointment of the IMRF Authorized Agent for Christian County, it is required by resolution (R2014 CB033) to appoint a successor. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to appoint County Clerk Elect Laurie Mense as the IMRF Authorized Agent and to adopt the resolution and dispense with reading.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (14) Joseph Marley, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Lloyd Washburn, Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, and Greg Hager; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT: (2) Laura Wilkinson and Dave Reed. The motion carried 14-0-2.

PURCHASE OF FOLDING MACHINE

Treasurer Dick Adams explained the purchase of a folding machine for the use of the three offices on the second floor. This past tax season while folding the tax statements prior to mailing, the 10 year old machine had continuous break downs. A rental machine was necessary to complete the process. The purchase cost of the document folder FD300 (\$600) and Model 5500 (\$15,000). The purchase is for use in all offices as needed and purchased from Office "0" line item in FY 2014 (\$9,500) and FY 2015 the balance of \$6,000. This purchase was in the budget, and is not a contract. Jack Pearce conveyed his disappointment in the purchase but because it was in the budget there was no need for board approval.

APPELLATE PROSECUTOR

As included in the annual budget, the Resolution (R2014ST032) for the assistance as necessary from the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor was submitted. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Jack Pearce to adopt the resolution and dispense with reading.* A roll call being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (13) Tim Carlson-yes, Joseph Marley-yes, Carol Foli-yes, Lloyd Washburn-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, Jack Pearce-yes, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Chad Michel-yes, Mike McClure-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggetzer-yes, Charles DeClerck-yes; VOTING NAY: (1) Greg Hager-no. ABSENT (2). The motion carried.

NOVEMBER CLAIMS

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Carol Foli to approve the claims submitted for November.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (13) Chad Michel-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggetzer-yes, Lloyd Washburn-yes, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Tim Carlson-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, Charles DeClerck-yes, Carol Foli-yes, Greg Hager-yes, Joseph Marley-yes, Mike McClure-yes; VOTING NAY: (1) Jack Pearce-no. ABSENT (2). The motion carried.

*A motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Mike McClure to authorize Chairman Schmitz to sign and approve the second set of claims for November.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (14) Chad Michel-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggetzer-yes, Lloyd Washburn-yes, Dick Breckenridge-yes, Tim Carlson-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, Charles DeClerck-yes, Carol Foli-yes, Greg Hager-yes, Joseph Marley-yes, Mike McClure-yes, Jack Pearce-yes. ABSENT (2). The motion carried.

CLOSE-OUT AUDIT

Treasurer Elect Betty Asmussen asked the Committee to allow a close-out audit of the Treasurer's Office after she takes office. She has requested several quotes but has not received them as of yet. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Lloyd Washburn to authorize Paul Schmitz and Fred Curtin to review the bids submitted prior to the close-out audit.* The motion carried.

BUDGET ADDITION

An addition to the budget was submitted as per the statute (PA 098-0419 (f) and to be added to the last page of the budget. This shall be a detailed statement showing increases in salary, bonuses, or other compensation by department for those not subject to a collective bargaining agreement. *With no further discussion, a motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to recommend the proposed FY2015 budget with a \$489,450 deficit.* After a voice



poll, a roll call was called: VOTING AYE: (10) Tim Carlson-yes, Joseph Marley-yes, Carol Foli-yes, Chad Michel-yes, Lloyd Washburn-yes, Fred Curtin-yes, Ben Curtin-yes, Charles DeClerck-yes, Paul Schmitz-yes, Marilyn Voggetzer-yes; VOTING NAY: (3) Jack Pearce-no, Dick Breckenridge-no, and Mike McClure-no. ABSTAIN: (1) Greg Hager. ABSENT (0). The motion carried.

**TAX LEVY**

Presented the 2014 Tax Levy (O2014 CB 007). *A motion was made to adopt the 2014 Tax Levy and dispense with reading by Fred Curtin and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer.* All in attendance VOTED AYE: (14) Dick Breckenridge, Tim Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Greg Hager, Mike McClure, Joseph Marley, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, and Lloyd Washburn. ABSENT (2): Dave Reed and Laura Wilkinson. The motion carried.

**UNFINISHED OR NEW BUSINESS:**

Nothing to report.

**MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT:**

*A motion was made by Carol Foli and seconded by Joe Marley to approve the mileage and per diem report for the month of November.* The motion carried.

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Meetings this month</u>
Dick Breckenridge	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Greg Hager	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Joseph Marley	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Dave Reed	\$200.00	\$50.00	0
Paul Schmitz		\$846.16	
Marilyn Voggetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	1
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	1

**APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS:**

Outgoing Board members Dick Breckenridge (8/2010-11/2014), Greg Hager (12/2010-11/2014), and Joseph Marley (12/2002-11/2014) were presented a certificate of thanks for their years of service. Dave Reed (12/2012-11/2014) will have his certificate mailed.

Outgoing Clerk, Linda K Curtin (2002-2014), was presented a certificate of thanks for her years of service and a “Key to the Courthouse”.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Joe Marley to adjourn until the Re-organizational meeting on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.* The motion carried.

**December 16, 2014 (Page 946 )**  
**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD**

AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON DECEMBER 16, 2014.

*ATTEST: LAURIE J. MENSE, COUNTY CLERK*

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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 Paul Schmitz called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Reverend Steven Robinson of the First Baptist Church of Taylorville gave the invocation.

A roll call disclosed all members present, signifying a quorum.

**ACCEPT COUNTY BOARD MINUTES**

*It was moved by Laura Wilkinson and seconded by Tim Carlson to accept and place on file the minutes for the November 18, 2014 Regular Board Meeting and the Organizational Board Meeting held on December 1, 2014. The motion carried.*

**COMMUNICATIONS**

The following communications were presented and read and placed on file in the Clerk's Office.

- 1- The November 2014 Public Defender's report.
- 2- The Prevailing Wage report for December 2014 is posted and has been placed on file.
- 3- The November 2014 Treasurer's reports ending 11/30/2014.
- 4- The November 2014 Local Solid Waste Fees Fund Report.
- 5- The November 2014 County and Road District Reports on Motor Fuel Tax allotment and transactions were received from the Illinois Department of Transportation.
- 6- A notice from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency addressing additional changes that are planned as a significant modification to the Clean Air Act Permit Program permit for the Kincaid Generation Station (located 4 miles west of Kincaid on Route 104) was received November 29, 2014.
- 7- A notice of application for permit to manage waste (LPC-PA 16) was received from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency on December 3, 2014. The Site identified is Five Oaks Recycling and Disposal Facility and the project description is a proposed termination of groundwater corrective action.
- 8- A notification regarding upcoming vegetation management to be performed in the area was received. Along with the notification was a list of the common addresses to be affected in our County.
- 9- The Third Quarter CATV Franchise fee from NewWave Communications (in the amount of \$1,988.92) was received and deposited with the Treasurer.
- 10- Strategic Environmental and Ecological Services, Incorporated sent a public notification regarding the proposed construction of a telecommunications tower along existing Union Pacific Railroad Company owned tracks. The notice provides dimensions as well as latitude and longitude locations of the towers.
- 11- A letter dated December 15, 2014 was received from the Illinois Department of Revenue regarding the test results of the Supervisor of Assessors test given in Christian County on December 11, 2014.

**APPROVE COMMUNICATIONS AS READ**

*Chairman Schmitz called for a motion by Marilyn Voggetzer and was seconded by Mike McClure to accept the communications as read. The motion carried.*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ACCEPT & FILE COMMITTEE REPORTS AS PRINTED**

*A motion was made by Lloyd Washburn and seconded by Carol Foli to accept & file the committee reports as printed. The motion carried.*

## HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS COMMITTEE-December 9, 2014

Minutes read by Committee Chairman Ben Curtin.

### Highway business:

Cliff Frye presented the following highway business to the Committee:

Resolution R2014HY033 appropriating \$750,000.00 from the Motor Fuel Tax fund for maintenance during FY2015 was presented. *A motion was made by Ben Curtin and seconded by Jack Pearce to adopt the County Maintenance Resolution in the amount of \$750,000.00 and dispense with the reading.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (15) Aaron Allen, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Donna Hibbetts, Ashley Linton, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Lloyd Washburn and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (1) Matt Wells; ABSENT (0). The motion carried.

Resolution R2014HY034 appropriating \$60,000.00 from the Motor Fuel Tax fund for payment of social security and IMRF retirement during FY2015 was presented. *A motion was made by Ben Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to adopt the Social Security and IMRF Retirement Resolution in the amount of \$60,000.00 and to dispense with the reading.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Aaron Allen, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Donna Hibbetts, Ashley Linton, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Lloyd Washburn, Matt Wells and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT (0). The motion carried.

Resolution R2014HY035 appropriating \$107,900.00 from the Motor Fuel Tax fund for payment of the salary and expenses of the County Engineer for FY2015 was presented. Per County Board Resolution, the salary is set at the state recommended salary of \$104,900 and the appropriation for expenses remains unchanged at \$3,000. The State increased base salaries by the CPI of 1.5%. *A motion was made by Ben Curtin and seconded by Aaron Allen to adopt the County Engineers Salary and Expenses Resolution in the amount of \$107,900.00 and dispense with the reading.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (15) Aaron Allen, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Donna Hibbetts, Ashley Linton, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Lloyd Washburn and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (1) Matt Wells; ABSENT (0). The motion carried.

Two rotary bar mower quotes were received both with pricing including the trade-in. Quote #1 was from Tri-Co for \$3250 and quote #2 was from Sloan Equipment at \$3200. *A motion was made by Ben Curtin and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer to accept the low bid from Sloan Equipment for \$3200 including the trade-in by Charles DeClerck and seconded by Marilyn Voggetzer.* The motion carried.

During Committee, the department heads were invited to give a review of their departments to the new committee members. These departments would bring any of their Board guided issues to this committee. The following is a summary of their departmental responsibilities.

### County Highway—Cliff Frye:

The Highway Department is responsible for 160 miles of County Highway. We oversee all maintenance, new construction, rehabilitation, roadside mowing, snow plowing, etc. In addition, we assist the Townships who maintain 1100 miles of Township roads within the County. We administer the National Bridge Inspection Program for all structures within the County (approximately 360) that are over 20 foot in length, except those on State highways. For the Townships we do all their Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) accounting, administer their annual MFT program, design or have designed road and bridge improvements (repairs and replacements), perform bridge and culvert repairs and replacements. In addition, we assist the various municipalities within the county with bridge and culvert repairs and replacements, ditch cleaning, etc.

**HIGHWAY/BUILDING/GROUNDS COMMITTEE-December 9, 2014 (cont.)**

County Highway (cont.)

In order to accomplish our required services, we have several sources of funding available to us. From property tax we receive the County Highway fund, County Bridge fund and the Highway Matching fund. The Highway fund is our general fund that can be used for any highway purpose. The Bridge fund can be used for the design and repair, rehabilitation or replacement of structures in accordance with the statutes. The Matching fund can be used for the design and rehabilitation or construction of federally eligible or funded projects. From the State Motor Fuel Tax we receive MFT funds for the maintenance, rehabilitation, or construction of county highways and structures. From MFT we also receive funds designated as the Township Bridge fund to be used to pay 80% of the replacement or rehabilitation of eligible township and municipal structures. From the Federal Motor Fuel Tax we receive funds passed thru IDOT for the construction and rehabilitation of county highways and structures. In addition, a portion of these funds can be used for (eligible) township and municipal structures.

Animal Control—Joelynda Conrad:

She has been warden for 23 years and has one full time assistant and one part time pen cleaner. They cover 900 square miles in the unincorporated areas of the County. Several years ago the County received a sizeable bequest from Mrs. Willey and the new Animal Control Building was built. They now have 22 pens and a cat room of pens. After another bequest from Mr. Givens, the County offers a spay and neuter reimbursement program for people who adopt animals from the facility. The amounts are \$50 for a female dog, \$35 for a male dog, \$25 for a male cat and \$35 for a female cat and also a \$20 reimbursement for micro-chipping the animals. The cities of Pana and Taylorville pay a monthly fee for their dog catchers to drop off dogs and cats where as other villages, they pay per animal fee to drop off the homeless animals. She invited any and all to come and visit their facility.

Zoning—Brett Rahar:

The main purpose of the Zoning Officer is to issue building permits, follow complaints about junk autos and other issues pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance. [The ordinance is available on the County's website.] When reclassifications, variances or special uses are requested, he schedules hearings for the Zoning Board of Appeals. Their decision is then forwarded to the County Board for final approval except for issues concerning variances which Board of Appeals has the power to enact.

Solid Waste—Joe Stepping:

The local solid waste office is "a little EPA" for enforcement and has authority for land pollution (Joe's duties). There is one educator who goes to schools teaching recycling. Additionally, the blue recycling bins throughout the County address the recycling of solid waste. So the office does enforcement of the landfill, educates the public, and helps to facilitate recycling. Joe also does meth lab clean-ups if there is no criminal case associated with the lab. The Solid Waste office is self-supporting by tipping fees from the landfill and supplemented through an EPA grant for an enforcement program.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE and AUDIT/FINANCE COMMITTEE-  
December 15, 2014**

Report was given by Fred Curtin.

David Penrod and Matthew Kreutzer from Zobrio, a financial software company spoke to the Committee and offering an upgrade or new system due to the fact that most likely in about 18 months our current financial system—Fundware-- will no longer offer program enhancements and any support maintenance costs to this 20 year old system will most likely be up 15%. Additionally, there was an inquiry made for in house training due to all of the staff changes in the County Clerk and Treasurer offices. The proposal from Zobrio suggests three areas: training on a new and updated program, a stand-alone server for the program, and designated changes or redesign of the needs from the two offices. Their price quoted extends over a five year period and exceeds the \$30,000 bid requirement. After much discussion, the Committee asked the County Clerk and Treasurer to develop their needs for a new or upgraded system and return to the Committee.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE and AUDIT/FINANCE COMMITTEE-**

**December 15, 2014 (cont.)**

During the Committee meeting, Chairman Paul Schmitz began a conversation on the public transportation program stating that the County still has a chance to get funding for next year's program. Gerry Mahr spoke to the Committee stating the Senior Citizens buses have seats available and that they would not need any start-up money or reimbursements until they were up and running. Reimbursements would be submitted quarterly for state and federal funding. All monies would be paid to the County and the County would in turn reimburse the Center. They are still interested in being responsible for the program. However, the Board needs to adopt a resolution for renewal to authorize application for public transportation and to have a public hearing in 2015. Chairman Schmitz noted that Steven Lamb from IDOT would guide the Senior Center and the County through the process. It is possible that if the application and resolution is submitted quickly that there will be money for the County for the next year. Carol Foli noted that the Senior Center had money and will pay for the PCOM person. Fred Curtin also commented that currently there are 10 buses running in the County and there are seats available. The seniors don't have to pay to ride but the public would have a fair. If the program fails to get reimbursed or there is no money, the County can shut down the program. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Ashley Linton to adopt the resolution to authorize the Christian County Senior Center to submit an application for public transportation funds in Christian County and dispense with the reading.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (15) Aaron Allen, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Donna Hibbetts, Ashley Linton, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Lloyd Washburn and Matt Wells; VOTING NAY: (1) Laura Wilkinson; ABSENT (0). The motion carried.

A resolution was submitted to amend the Enterprise Zone as previously approved by the Board to allow for additional City incentives for residents and/or business enterprises:

This Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement shall not prohibit the City extending additional or different economic incentives, rebates, or reimbursement for residents and/or business enterprises in the Enterprise Zone or throughout the City by separate ordinance or agreement concerning matters to include, but not limited to, City real estate taxes, sale taxes, telecommunication taxes, utility taxes, franchise taxes, water service, sewer service, fire protection service, franchise fees, or building permits or any and all other City economic incentives, rebates, or reimbursements of any kind, nature or extent whatsoever that may be provided from time to time.

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Chad Michel to adopt the resolution to amend the Enterprise Zone Ordinance and dispense with the reading.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Aaron Allen, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Donna Hibbetts, Ashley Linton, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Lloyd Washburn, Matt Wells and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT (0). The motion carried.

*A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Jack Pearce to approve the claims submitted for December.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Aaron Allen, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Donna Hibbetts, Ashley Linton, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Lloyd Washburn, Matt Wells and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT (0). The motion carried.

Treasurer Betty Asmussen presented one property for delinquent tax deed. It is located in Pana Township. *A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Mike McClure to accept the bid of \$660 for the property from Larry G. Neal and to approve by the corresponding resolution R2014 TR 036 and dispense with the reading thereof.* A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Aaron Allen, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Donna Hibbetts, Ashley Linton, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Lloyd Washburn, Matt Wells and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT (0). The motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE/PERSONNEL and AUDIT/FINANCE COMMITTEES-Dec. 15, 2014 (cont.)**

As AFSCME negotiations are ongoing, a motion was made to pay all negotiation billings from the labor attorney from contingency. The current amount payable in December is for \$7,892.28. Fred Curtin made the motion and Lloyd Washburn seconded the motion for the payments from contingency this year. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (15) Aaron Allen, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Donna Hibbetts, Ashley Linton, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Lloyd Washburn and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (1) Matt Wells; ABSENT (0). The motion carried.

A Memorandum of Understanding has been tentatively agreed upon to create a new position of Building and Grounds Maintainer and transfer the current highway employee into the position which will now be under the Courthouse collective bargaining agreement. A motion was made by Fred Curtin and seconded by Laura Wilkinson to approve the position of Building and Grounds Maintainer for the Courthouse CBA including the MOU with AFSCME for the transfer of a highway employee to that position and transfer money from contingency the salary and insurance benefits to the building and grounds department line item. A roll call vote being necessary thereon, the same was taken, producing the following results: VOTING AYE: (16) Aaron Allen, Timothy Carlson, Ben Curtin, Fred Curtin, Charles DeClerck, Carol Foli, Donna Hibbetts, Ashley Linton, Mike McClure, Chad Michel, Jack Pearce, Jr., Paul Schmitz, Marilyn Voggetzer, Lloyd Washburn, Matt Wells and Laura Wilkinson; VOTING NAY: (0); ABSENT (0). The motion carried.

**UNFINISHED OR NEW BUSINESS:**

Chairman Schmitz read the list of new employees hired recently and the promotions from within the County to Chief Deputy.

**MILEAGE AND PER DIEM REPORT:**

A motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Chad Michel to approve the mileage and per diem report for the month of December 2014. The motion carried.

	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Meetings this month</u>
Aaron Allen	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Timothy Carlson	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Ben Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Fred Curtin	\$200.00	\$50.00	7
Charles DeClerck	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Carol A. Foli	\$200.00	\$50.00	5
Donna Hibbetts	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Ashley Linton	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Mike McClure	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Chad Michel	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Jack Pearce, Jr.	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Matt Wells	\$200.00	\$50.00	2
Paul Schmitz	\$813.73		
Marilyn Voggetzer	\$200.00	\$50.00	4
Lloyd Washburn	\$200.00	\$50.00	3
Laura Wilkinson	\$200.00	\$50.00	3

**APPOINTMENTS/REAPPOINTMENTS:**

Per CEFS rules, a formal approval and appointment must be made by the Board to fill the seat. A motion was made by Chad Michel and seconded by Tim Carlson to appoint Mike McClure as the County Board representative for a two year term. The motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no other unfinished business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Jack Pearce and seconded by Ashley Linton to adjourn until Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. The motion carried.