

**PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
MACON COUNTY BOARD**

MAY 13, 2010

**Jay A. Dunn
Chairman**

**Stephen M. Bean
Clerk**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. with the Sheriff and State's Attorney present.

The Roll Call showed all members present with the exception of Mr. Ashby.

Mrs. Taylor led the members in Prayer.

All led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 08, 2010 MEETING

MOTION

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve the minutes of the April 08, 2010 meeting.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

ROLL CALL.

Ayes: Baxter, Cox, Drobisch, Dudley, Dunn, Greenfield, Hogan, Jacobs Little, McLaughlin, Meachum, Oliver, Potts, Smith, Taylor, Westerman, Wicklund, Wilkins, Williams, Yoder

Nays: (None)

AYES = 20

NAYS = 0

MOTION CARRIED.

There were no zonings or subdivisions presented at the meeting.

B. CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from Corn Belt Energy regarding proposed vegetation management that will be done in Macon County.

A thank you from Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White regarding the passage of a resolution to make April National Donate to Life Month in Macon County.

Two letters from Comcast regarding changes to their channel line-up.

Notice of Application for Permit to Manage Waste for Rhodes Landfill regarding an update of post closure cost estimates.

Notice of Application for Permit to Manage Waste for Veolia ES Valley View Landfill Unit 2 addressing condition IX.3 of the permit.

Notice of Application for Permit to Manage Waste for the City of Decatur Corley Landfill regarding Modified Groundwater Monitoring Program.

Two letters from the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding Notification to Maintain project HS-0115/060/000 Section 06-00208-02-SP and project BRS-0115(055) Section 05-00197-00-BR.

A letter from Illinois Department of Transportation regarding low bid being submitted by Schmidt Construction, Inc. for project ARA-5169(44), Section03-00184-00-BR.

Four letters from Illinois Department of Transportation regarding their receipt and acceptance of financial statements for expenditures for construction as shown in the attached final reports.

A copy of the Audit Reports from the Illinois Department of Transportation covering the receipt and disbursement of Motor Fuel Tax funds by Macon County from January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009.

Three letters and maps of areas in Decatur where Ameren will be trimming trees in the near future.

REPORTS

Sheriff's Report – April 2010

Coroner's Report – March & April 2010

County Treasurer & Tax Collector Fund & Investment Report – March & April 2010

Auditor Report – April 2010

MOTION

Mr. Baxter moved, seconded by Mrs. Cox to approve the Correspondence and Reports and that they be placed on file by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

1. CLAIMS

MOTION

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Yoder to approve the claims by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

C. APPOINTMENTS

2. Resolution G-3441-5-10 – Re-appointment to the Macon County Board of Review

Jean Riddle, 253 W. North St., Warrensburg, IL 62573
Term Expires: May 31, 2012

MOTION

Mr. Dunn moved, seconded by Mr. Oliver to approve Resolution G-3441-5-10.

QUESTION:

Mr. Jacobs: Mr. Jacobs asked Mr. Dunn if he had other requests for the Board of Review at this time.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said yes that he did.

Mr. Jacobs: Mr. Jacobs asked if Mr. Dunn discussed it with anybody in the Republican Party.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said he did not.

Mr. Jacobs: Mr. Jacobs asked why he did not.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said he never thought about it.

Mr. Jacobs: Mr. Jacobs said it is a Republican appointment.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said yes it is. He thinks he did send a letter to the applicant and cc'd Mr. Jacobs so Mr. Jacobs was aware of it.

Mr. Jacobs: Mr. Jacobs asked if Mr. Dunn had said he was aware of it.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said yes when he sent him a letter (the applicant) telling him he would be reappointing Jean Riddle he cc'd Mr. Jacobs and one other member.

Mr. Jacobs: Mr. Jacobs asked where we stand with litigation with Mr. Buechenschuetz.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said he would have to ask the State's Attorney that question because he is not sure.

Mr. Jacobs: Mr. Jacobs asked if the board knows that the departure of Mr. Buechsenschuetz was at the request of Bob Sampson and his term was because of his age and there is a lawsuit that is in negotiations now. He asked if the board is aware of that.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said he is not sure if they are.

Mr. Jacobs: Mr. Jacobs asked if they should be aware of it.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said sure. He asked Mr. Jacobs if he wanted to discuss it in closed session since it is in litigation.

Mr. Jacobs: Mr. Jacobs said he does not need closed session.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said normally we take care of litigation in closed session. He doesn't think we should be discussing it in open session.

ROLL CALL.

Ayes: Baxter, Dudley, Dunn, McGlaughlin, Meachum, Potts, Smith, Taylor, Wicklund, Wilkins, Williams

Nays: Cox, Greenfield, Hogan, Little, Westerman, Yoder

Present: Drobisch, Jacobs

Abstention: Oliver

AYES = 11

NAYS = 6

PRESENT = 2

ABSTENTION = 1

MOTION CARRIED.

EXPLANATION OF VOTE

Mr. Jacobs: Mr. Jacobs said he is voting present because he is a part of the litigation. He had a report on the litigation and his name is in there several times.

3. Resolution G-3442-5-10 – Re-appointment to the Macon County Health Board

Margaret Leonard, 510 S. Illinois, Niantic, IL 62551
Dr. John DiMondo, 115 S. Glencoe Ave., Decatur, IL 62522
Dr. Richard Erik Lee, 138 Delmar Ave., Decatur, IL 62522
Terms Expire: May 31, 2013

MOTION

Mr. Dunn moved, seconded by Mr. McGlaughlin to approve Resolution G-3442-5-10.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

ROLL CALL.

Ayes: Baxter, Cox, Drobisch, Dudley, Dunn, Greenfield, Hogan, Jacobs, Little, McGlaughlin, Meachum, Oliver, Potts, Smith, Taylor, Westerman, Wicklund, Wilkins, Williams, Yoder

Nays: (None)

AYES = 20

NAYS = 0

MOTION CARRIED.

4. Resolution G-3443-5-10 – Re-appointment to the Macon County Merit Commission

Jeff Justice, 132 S. Water, Decatur, IL 62523

Term Expires: May 31, 2016

MOTION

Mr. Dunn moved, seconded by Mr. Williams to approve Resolution G-3443-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

5. Resolution G-3444-5-10 – Appointment to the Central Illinois Economic Development Authority

Jay A. Dunn, 3330 Forest Parkway, Decatur, IL 62521

Term Expires: November 30, 2012

MOTION

Mr. Dunn moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve Resolution G-3444-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

COMMENT:

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said he plans on only serving on that until we get it set up if it passes later on setting up the authority then he will be appointing somebody from Macon County. He asked them to let him know if anyone had any suggestions.

6. Resolution G-3445-5-10 – Appointment to the Macon County Zoning Board of Appeals

John Phillips, 80 Allen Bend Dr., Decatur, IL 62521
Term Expires: May 31, 2015

MOTION

Mr. Dunn moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve Resolution G-3445-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

There was nothing submitted on the Consent Calendar.

The Justice Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

EEHW COMMITTEE

7. Mr. Dudley presented Ordinance O-84-5-10 which is amending the Macon County Ordinance regulating the siting and construction of Wind Energy Conversion Systems.

MOTION

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mr. Williams to approve Ordinance O-84-5-10.

COMMENTS:

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said he is going to give the public a chance to speak before the vote. He would like to make a comment before they speak. These wind farms are expected to provide additional income to our farmers, additional tax revenue for all our taxing bodies, good paying construction jobs, and long term jobs. We have been working on this for approximately two years of public meetings and dialog. There is going to be further opportunities for public comment during the Special Use Permit process when the size and location of actual projects are known. The *Herald & Review* has published during this time about 7 articles on the process including 3 which appeared on the front

page or the front page of the local news. Citizens have had and will continue to have opportunities to provide input and suggestions. He believes openness is the hallmark of this county board and the committees that make up the board. Again, we started this in late 2007. The Regional Planning Commission met for approximately 4 months. They started with somewhere around 16 different drafts of ordinances from counties throughout the state. They discussed each section of these at the public meetings. Later amendments were proposed and sent back to the RPC Committee which met again an additional 5 times. All of the Regional Planning Commission recommendations have been forwarded to the county's EEHW Committee before going to the full board. EEHW had 8 public meetings with the ordinance and amendments. A special sub-committee, the SOR Committee also had two occasions to meet about this ordinance. This ordinance was also discussed on the floor 5 times. With that in mind he was going to get a general idea of who would like to speak under public comments. We've got 20 minutes. He would like to see who would like to speak against it and who would like to speak for it. We've got 20 minutes and each person can have 5 minutes. He will save some for both sides. We will start with the ones who want to speak against it and whoever you want to designate to speak, or if 2 or 3 of you want to come up. State your name, address and come up to the podium and let us know what is on your mind.

David Rasche: Mr. Rasche lives at 3885 Rock Springs Road in Decatur. He is not in the area of the wind farm. He appreciates the time tonight. It is a very dynamic world and sometimes we don't all come to the knowledge of things at the same time. He does apologize for being late in this but at the same time he felt compelled to come. Some of the biggest problems occur because of the spinning blades with wind turbines. Those apparently slow moving blades can actually move at the rate of up to 200 mph at the tip. As a side note there is enough negative pressure behind the turning blades to cause the lungs of bats inadvertently flying behind them to literally burst. There can often be a noise associated with the turning blades. The noise can range from a swishing sound to a grinding and knocking sound. This noise is very different from city noise. When a car, train or airplane generates noise it comes quietly and gradually increasing in amplitude until it finally fades away gradually. The noise generated by a wind turbine pulses as the blades spin. The Acoustics Institute published a 35 page report in February 2010 that shows an interesting graph entitled Annoyance Associated with Exposure to Different Environmental Noises. The percentage of people annoyed by the noise of wind turbine sweeps up very quickly to almost vertical or 100% by about 42 decibels. In contrast at that same level the percentage of people annoyed by railways, road traffic, and aircraft is literally zero percent. These gradually increase from that point until it reaches 70 decibels by the end of the graph at which time the aircraft is only at 40% and road traffic and railways are even less. The pulsing noise has been blamed for a set of symptoms called Wind Turbine Syndrome that include sleep problems, headaches, dizziness, nausea, anxiety, depression, concentration problems, tinnitus, and hypertension. Another common problem is shadow flicker. This is a pulsating shadow that occurs as the turbine blades rotate. He has seen cases of the shadow effect outside as people try to work on their property and are amazed at the pronounced pattern of light and dark flickers this creates. Imagine the difference in light as clouds pass in front of the sun and then away from the sun. Now imagine that happening again, and again, and

again every couple of seconds. Now step inside your house and imagine the same flickering effect that can literally lighten and darken a whole house every couple of seconds as if someone were flipping a light switch on and off at regular intervals for hours on end. He has seen a multitude of references to decreasing property values due to the increasing proximity of wind turbines to homes. Pro wind sources claim that there is no effect on property values, but this claim seems illogical to him. He would not prefer to have property located close to a turbine. The estimates of decreased property values he has seen from multiple, credible sources is anywhere from 20 to 30 percent with as high as 50%, and even a few documented cases of completely unsellable property. When it comes down to it the wind companies are all about money. He is sure they promise lots of income for the county and downplay any negative effects it may bring. The fact is that right now wind companies in Illinois are producing energy that is more expensive than other forms of energy and even more expensive than wind energy produced in some other states. Kevin Borgia is a heavily pro wind advocate and the Executive Director of the Wind Illinois Energy Association. On April 28th he reported on the fact that Illinois Senate Bill 3686 died in committee. This bill would have given preferential treatment to Illinois Wind Energy and 20 year contracts that the Illinois Power agency is authorized to negotiate beginning in 2012. Now that this bill failed, according to Mr. Borgia there is a very good possibility that no Illinois wind developers will win any of the contracts because the cost of wind power here is more expensive than in other states. His recommendation to the board is personal research into the current issues regarding the wind farm development. It is impossible for him to fully convey to them the extent of his concerns in five minutes. Review the current wind ordinance and insure that it provides sufficient legal protections for the county and the individual citizens regarding the issues you hear tonight.

Jeanette Dodds: Mrs. Dodds lives at 3146 West Street Road in Decatur. She thanked them for allowing the citizens to address the board. She realizes their input is frustrating to some who have been working on this for a while, but asked that they realize there are frustrations on the other side of the fence too caused by imposing wind turbines on the community for the next 25 years particularly with the close setbacks. Just from her limited knowledge, she has talked first hand to a couple of families who have lived in their homes for over 60 years, another that has lived there for over 40 years, and another for over 20 that are contemplating moving as a result of this issue. She is sure there are others too. We would like the board to recognize that these aren't just money making machines there are real impacts to those that are going to have to live with them. It isn't just farm ground; it is where people in the country live. It is where they play with their kids in the yard, where they ride horses, cook out by a camp fire, walk the timber, walk, jog, ride along the roads. She would also like them not to mistake this as a "not in my backyard attitude". It is from people who are concerned about the county's ordinance. A good ordinance can reduce the impact to those living around turbines, but this one seems to favor the wind companies in some significant areas such as the setbacks. The setbacks are weak which is particularly unfortunate because that seems to be the backbone of an ordinance. A board member shared that other ordinances were reviewed to develop Macon County's but that doesn't mean the model ordinances had a basis for their setbacks. Some of these models were developed before most of the health effect studies

she read were published and haven't been adjusted to account for the health complaints from around the world and for what is now called Wind Turbine Syndrome. According to a document regarding turbine siting in Wisconsin, the town of Union found the State's model ordinance was put together by representatives of the wind industry and that no scientific or medical data was used at all. It goes on to say that there isn't any independent scientific or medical support for putting 400' turbines within 1000', but that there is considerable independent research to the contrary. Similarly she believes that the other setbacks from roadways and property are inadequate because of catastrophic failures and also because of ice throws. Ms. Dodds thinks because you don't hear about it often people aren't aware that catastrophic failures of these machines happen. A wind farm website in Scotland refers to a turbine failure where a piece of the blade landed 4265 feet away. There is some impressive footage on the internet of a turbine blowing apart sending pieces flying a half mile. A UK article says a turbine sent a blade flying more than 300 feet before it hit the ground. A farmer whose land is near the structure told Danish television that he drives his tractor and his wife rides horses out there, just think if they had been out there when it happened. A few of you are probably aware of a blade failure albeit a contained failure that happened just this week in Dekalb Illinois. These are just a few of the many examples available. Wind turbine accidents are not well publicized but it doesn't mean they don't happen. So the board needs to take seriously the potential consequences that might result from inadequate setbacks. Additionally, ice throws, even the manual says ice could be thrown several hundred meters, which is well beyond the setbacks for property and roadways. She would hate to think about driving down the road and having a big ice chunk fly through her windshield. Another item that was on the agenda tonight was the proposed amendment to lengthen the special use permit to require them to be in operation to 12 months from 6 months. It seems to be a reasonable request but it seems like the wrong time to make this change. She thought you would want to learn in your processes and get your system refined. This is a completely new thing to Macon County and something that is huge and going to impact us for years. She would hate to see a bunch of permits approved in the pipeline and then you learn lessons and feel you shouldn't have approved that. It seems like, get a few under your belt and then extend the timeframe. It shouldn't be that much of a problem she didn't think because they already have an out in the ordinance for that which allows the deadline to be extended. She asks that they vote no on that count, and further requests that they not implement an ordinance when the basis for the protective criteria is questionable. There isn't time to discuss here the details of the concerns regarding setbacks due to health effect, ice throws and catastrophic failure, shadow flickers as well as the need for stricter requirements for broadcast signal protection, blasting controls, well and aquifer protection and compensation for property value loss. She requests that they issue a moratorium on accepting applications until these concerns are addressed, and the ordinance requirements are modified to be justifiably sufficient to protect the health and safety of the public. She thanked them for their time.

David Batchelder: Mr. Batchelder lives at 8584 W. Illiniwick Road in Warrensburg. He thanked the chairman and the board for the opportunity to speak his piece. There has been a lot of rock across from his house. He said there will be 2 windmills built right across from his house and he has lived there for 64 years, his whole life. There is a lot of

rock in that field because he farmed it for 40 years. He understands they will blast. When they hit rock what will that do to our water wells, house foundations, windows and plaster? He also understands the Harristown village wants to drill big wells west of his house which he fears might affect his water supply. In section 8 of your ordinance on the wind farms you talk about preconstruction studies on birds, bats and wildlife, but no mention of human health hazards and the effect on those living near the wind generators. Why? In researching wind farms I find that there is a magnetic field around them that affects cell phones, TV reception, and internet. Are we going to be guaranteed reception after the generators are operating, and what does this magnetic field do to human beings? He thanked the chairman.

Brad King: Young Climate Renewables, 353 N. Clark in Chicago, Illinois. He thanked the board for allowing them to speak and for the extensive amount of work they have put in the ordinance. He also appreciated the opportunity to hear some of the questions and concerns. One of the things as an industry leader and as a developer, owner/operator, we are committed to being a long term partner in the community, and as such think it is important to identify if people have questions or concerns and to answer those as well. Some of the points that were brought up were normal concerns. In regard to noise, Illinois has one of the most stringent noise requirements in all the country and we have to adhere to that. Similarly, you mentioned looking at other ordinances, the specific setbacks relative to noise which also in turn impacts the potential for shadow flicker is consistent with making sure that there is no adverse impact from a wind farm in the area on residences. Wind Turbine Syndrome, just to mention that again and not to get into a he said she said, but that was a non-diagnosed claim, and only looking at folks who had claimed an adverse impact from a wind energy facility. Property value, on the internet, as with anything you will see there is information that talks to both sides of the issue, and that is exactly what you find here. We have a substantial amount of information that he can provide to the folks that have talked that addresses some of those concerns. As a long time partner in the community they are committed to working with folks as they have questions or concerns relative to the development of a wind energy farm. He thanked the board.

Mr. Dudley: Mr. Dudley asked him to address the speed at which the turbine blades are going to spin on these windmills.

Mr. King: Mr. King said generally speaking you are looking at 14 to 18 revolutions per minute. One of the claims, if you look at it in regard to health impact, the frequency in which they turn is not high enough. There are some claims you will see on the internet that they do turn fast enough to cause seizures. The frequency is low enough that it does not in fact do that. But, that is one of the claims that you will commonly hear. He was not sure if that was the direction of his question.

Mr. Dudley: Mr. Dudley said he was actually looking for miles per hour.

Mr. King: Mr. King said whatever the conversion is there. The comment on tip speed is accurate but that is at the tip.

Mr. Dudley: Mr. Dudley said they are not running at 200 mph, right.

Mr. King: Mr. King said no. The tip is moving that fast, but the revolutions per minute is 14 to 18 revolutions per minute.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said if any of the speakers want to give us copies of their information he will make sure it gets to the appropriate committees to look at.

Mrs. Little: Mrs. Little said in Section 5.2 which is where the setbacks are discussed. She is confused. Her understanding was that the 5.2.2.3 would basically replace 5.2.2.2. It seems redundant. She thought if there was participating property owners that the setback wouldn't necessarily apply, and that we wanted to be sure that the setback was there to address non-participating properties.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said he thinks that is the way it is.

Mrs. Little: Mrs. Little said currently in the one we have been given tonight to vote on 5.2.2.2 gives a 1.5 times total tower height from all property lines which would include your participating property owners. If her understanding is correct she would make an amendment to delete 5.2.2.2 as written in this ordinance, but she is open to conversation.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn asked Mr. Van Natta if he had any comments on that.

Mr. Van Natta: Mr. Van Natta said to clarify that real easy one is measured from the tip of the blade and the other is measured from the center of the base.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said they both talk about the center of the base.

Mr. Van Natta: Mr. Van Natta said it reads 1.5 times the total tower height from any and all public / private right of way lines measured from the wind tower base.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said that 5.2.2.2 and 5.2.2.3 are what the question is on.

Mr. Van Natta: Mr. Van Natta said 5.2.2.2 is 1.1 times the total height from all other property lines measured from the tip of the blade when positioned parallel with the ground.

Mrs. Little: Mrs. Little said that is not what it says on the copy they have.

Mr. Van Natta: Mr. Van Natta said he was sorry; he was using the copy with the colors in it. It was changed from 1.5. This is 5.2.2.2. It was changed from 1.5 times to 1.1. He said 5.2.2.3 was changed from 1.5 to 1.1 of all non-participating property owners.

Mrs. Little: Mrs. Little said she was not disputing the 1.1 and the 1.5. Her question is that the way she understood this was that 5.2.2.2 addresses all other property lines which

would include participating property lines. Her understanding was that we were not going to put a regulation in for participating property lines.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said he believed that was the intent.

Mrs. Little: Mrs. Little said the 5.2.2.3 accurately addresses non-participating property lines.

MOTION TO AMEND

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to amend Ordinance O-84-5-10 by deleting 5.2.2.2.

QUESTION:

Mr. Meachum: Mr. Meachum had a question of clarification. He understands they would be taking out 5.2.2.2. He asked if 5.2.2.3 would then become 5.2.2.2 in the numbering sequence.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said that is correct.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams said he thinks what happened is that when we met with the Regional Planning Commission we ended up with a separate section in here because the old ordinance only has a 5.2.2.2 and does not have the 5.2.2.3. He thinks basically what we are doing is cleaning this up.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said he is not sure how that happened.

ROLL CALL.

Ayes: Baxter, Cox, Drobisch, Dudley, Dunn, Greenfield, Hogan, Jacobs, Little, McGlaughlin, Meachum, Oliver, Potts, Smith, Taylor, Wicklund, Wilkins, Williams, Yoder

Nays: (None)

Present: Westerman

AYES = 19

NAYS = 0

PRESENT = 1

MOTION CARRIED. (AMENDMENT TO O-84-5-10)

ROLL CALL.

Ayes: Baxter, Cox, Drobisch, Dudley, Dunn, Greenfield, Hogan, Jacobs, Little, McGlaughlin, Meachum, Oliver, Potts, Smith, Taylor, Wicklund, Wilkins, Williams, Yoder

Nays: (None)

Present: Westerman

AYES = 19

NAYS = 0

PRESENT = 1

MOTION CARRIED. (MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED FOR ORDINANCE O-84-5-10)

8. Mr. Dudley presented Ordinance O-85-5-10 which is amending the Performance Standard Ordinance for the Macon County Placement and Erection of Towers, Antennas, and Antenna Facilities.

MOTION

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilkins to approve Ordinance O-85-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED. (WESTERMAN SHOWED HIS VOTE AS YES)

9. Mr. Dudley presented Resolution G-3446-5-10 which is approving an increase in appropriations in the Regional Planning Commission Fund 2010 budget for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant.

MOTION

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mrs. Little to approve Resolution G-3446-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

OPERATIONS, PERSONNEL & LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

10. Mr. Smith presented Resolution G-3447-5-10 which is approving Delta Dental Insurance proposal from Behnke & Company.

MOTION

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilkins to approve Resolution G-3447-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

11. Mr. Smith presented Resolution G-3448-5-10 which is approving a health insurance proposal from Behnke & Company for Blue Cross/Blue Shield.

MOTION

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilkins to approve Resolution G-3448-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

QUESTION:

Mrs. Cox: Mrs. Cox asked what the total increase is.

Mr. Smith: Mr. Smith said it would be a little over 14%. Mr. Smith said if you read your minutes there was a lot of discussion on this. There were other proposals that were submitted. All of that is in here and if anybody has any technical questions Mr. Malachowski from Behnke & Company is here and Auditor Stockwell worked on this. It was a very extensive process and included surveying employees and everything.

MOTION CARRIED.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

COMMENT:

Mrs. Little: Mrs. Little said she had two points of information. Animal Control went to their oversight committee as well as to the Finance Committee to discuss having a fulltime veterinarian. Both committees fully supported the decision which does not require board action; she just wanted to keep them abreast of that. Also, in the State's Attorney's office they will be replacing an Assistant State's Attorney.

12. Mrs. Little presented Resolution G-3449-5-10 which is approving increase in appropriations in the Health Fund budget for "Give Me 5 for Stroke".

MOTION

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Wicklund to approve Resolution G-3449-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

13. Mrs. Little presented Resolution G-3450-5-10 which is approving increase in appropriations in the Public Defender's budget and making certain budget revisions.

MOTION

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Hogan to approve Resolution G-3450-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

14. Mrs. Little presented Resolution G-3451-5-10 which is approving a budget amendment for Workforce Investment Solutions FY 10 budget.

MOTION

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Yoder to approve Resolution G-3451-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

15. Mrs. Little presented Resolution G-3452-5-10 which is supporting the establishment of the Central Illinois Economic Development Authority (CIEDA).

MOTION

Mrs. Little moved, seconded by Mr. Dudley to approve Resolution G-3452-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Oliver: Mr. Oliver said they will be meeting this next coming week with the Sheriff's Department.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

16. Mr. Potts presented Resolution H-1706-5-10 approving permission to Verizon to relocate phone lines.

MOTION

Mr. Potts moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilkins to approve Resolution H-1706-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

17. Mr. Potts presented Resolution H-1707-5-10 which is approving permission for Doug Getz to extend a field entrance.

MOTION

Mr. Potts moved, seconded by Mr. Yoder to approve Resolution H-1707-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

18. Mr. Potts presented Resolution H-1708-5-10 which is approving permission for Johnny Pistorius to clean ditch on Lincoln Memorial Parkway CH 27 north of Blue Mound.

MOTION

Mr. Potts moved, seconded by Mrs. Cox to approve Resolution H-1708-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

19. Mr. Potts presented Resolution H-1709-5-10 which is approving permission for Heartland Ag Group to repair drain tile sump on Washington Street (CH 38) east of Maroa.

MOTION

Mr. Potts moved, seconded by Mr. Williams to approve Resolution H-1709-5-10 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

MOTION CARRIED.

The Executive Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

SITING, RULES & ORDINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn asked if they are still working with the Sheriff on the liquor ordinance.

Mr. Meachum: Mr. Meachum said yes.

The Building Sub-Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

There were no citizens remarks presented at the meeting

OFFICEHOLDER'S REMARKS:

Mr. Dudley: Mr. Dudley wanted to publicly commend Dr. Larry Baker for reducing his salary to \$1.00 per pay period in order to make placement for the fulltime veterinarian down at the Macon County Animal Shelter. He does a great job down there, and he really has the best interest of not only the animals, but the county at heart and he wanted to commend him for that. Also, he wanted to mention the bang up job that Robyn McCoy does at Workforce Investment Solutions. It is amazing what she does down there and the hard work she does in securing these grants and getting people jobs. He just thinks she needs to be recognized.

There was no old business presented at the meeting.

There was no new business presented at the meeting.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. McGlaughlin moved, seconded by Mrs. Wilkins to adjourn until June 10, 2010 at 7:15 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.