

**PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
MACON COUNTY BOARD**

**JULY 11, 2013**

**Jay A. Dunn  
Chairman**

**Stephen M. Bean  
Clerk**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Sheriff and Assistant State's Attorney, Mike Baggett present.

The Roll Call showed all members present with the exception of Mr. Drobisch, Mrs. Little, Mr. Oliver, and Mr. Smith.

Mrs. Taylor led the members in prayer.

All led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 13, 2013 MEETING**

### **MOTION**

Mr. Meachum moved, seconded by Mr. Potts to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2013 meeting.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

### **ROLL CALL.**

Ayes: Ashby, Baxter, Bird, Cox, Dawson, Dudley, Dunn, Greenfield, Hogan, Jacobs, Mattingley, Meachum, Minich, Potts, Taylor, Williams, Zimmerman

Nays: (None)

**AYES = 17**

**NAYS = 0**

### **MOTION CARRIED.**

There were no zoning or subdivisions submitted at the meeting.

## **B. CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter from Comcast regarding channel line-up change

A letter from the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding Notification to Maintain Illinois Project ARA-0548(103), Contract 95599

A Notice of Application for Permit to Manage Waste for Rhodes Landfill for a Supplemental Permit Application to address Condition 24 of Attachment A of Permit No. 2012-333-SP

## **REPORTS**

Sheriff's Report – June 2013  
Treasurer Fund & Investment Report – June 2013  
Tax Collector Bank Report – June 2013  
Public Defender Monthly Report – June 2013  
Auditor's Report – June 2013

**MOTION**

Mr. Jacobs moved, seconded Mr. Dudley 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. Potts to approve the claims that have already been paid by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**SHERIFF RECOGNITIONS: CERTIFICATES OF MERIT & CERTIFICATES OF VALOR**

Sheriff Schneider: Sheriff Schneider said he would say we are here for a joyous occasion but anytime we have tragic losses that occur in Macon County there is nothing joyous about that. The sheriff said he does feel he has to recognize individuals, not only from his department but some young citizens who acted bravely in reference to one of these acts. He wanted to read a letter that is directed to each of these citizens and they will each receive individual letters that have been crafted to them personally along with a certificate. He asked Chief Doug Dunn from the Mt. Zion Police Department to join him. One of Chief Dunn's officers was actually involved with assisting on this, and was paramount in reference to the actions taken that day.

Sheriff Schneider read: Macon County Sheriff's Office, along with residents of our county want to thank you for your unselfish actions you and others took on June 13, 2013. On this date a motor vehicle crash occurred in the area of Route 36 and Macon County Highway 57. You were traveling in the area at this time and came upon the crash. Having done so, you, along with others acted as people with true character putting forth your own safety at risk in an attempt to extinguish a fire in the crash vehicle. Pouring water, soda and throwing dirt onto the fire was a valiant effort in action of using

the only resources that you had in your possession at the time to combat this vehicle fire. Your actions that night speaks levels for what you will do to assist another person who is in dire need. I know that even though the driver that was involved in this crash did not survive, that your actions were indeed special and will not go unrecognized by our department and our community. We also recognize that several of you flagged down passing motorists trying to possibly obtain more bottled water or soda to combat this fire. Again, on behalf of the residents of Macon County we want to thank you for your heroism on that night, June 13, 2013 in Macon County Illinois.

Sheriff Schneider said before we ask each one of you to come up and receive this he wanted to give an opportunity for the mother of the victim to come speak briefly. Sheriff Schneider said he did not summons her to come here today. He did not want to bring it back up because he believes that she has really been through a lot. She found it upon herself to come here to say a few words to all of you that were involved in this.

Kathy: I just wanted to say thank you for saving my son. Without your acts of pure courage and kindness my son would have burned to death in that vehicle. I tried to find a positive in the worst tragedy and my positive is that he didn't kill other people crossing Route 36 and you allowed him not to burn so I could view my son at the funeral home. I will be forever grateful to you. Thank you all very, very much.

Sheriff Schneider: Sheriff Schneider said Kathy has lost a lot in her life. He could speak very publically. She has lost another child. That is why we have been working with Kathy. Sheriff Schneider said he met Kathy about two months prior to this working on another effort for awareness here in our community. It was very tragic when he heard about what had transpired that night. The sheriff asked Lieutenant Jonathan Butts to come forward and read the names.

Lieutenant Butts: Lieutenant Butts asked Austin Conour, Nicholas Scherer, Jerome Lee, Michael Dust, and Monica Bailey to please step forward. The Sheriff presented them with a letter and certificate.

Sheriff Schneider: Sheriff Schneider said to the families present with them, thank you for teaching these young men what it is to be a responsible citizen. God bless you all and thank you very much. Sheriff Schneider read: On June 13, 2013 at 10:58 p.m. Deputy Timothy Houk, Mt. Zion Police Officer James Stevens and several other Macon County deputies were dispatched to the area of Route 36, County Highway 57 in reference to a motor vehicle crash involving injuries. Upon arrival Deputy Houk and Officer Stevens located a crashed vehicle on the north side of Route 36. The vehicle showed heavy smoke coming from the engine compartment and passenger compartment of the vehicle. Several citizens were also present attempting to extinguish the fire using bottled water and soda. Deputy Houk and Officer Stevens saw the possibility that the occupant or occupants could be further harmed by the fire. They were able to pull the driver from the burning vehicle to an area where the driver was safe from the fire. After doing this, Deputy Houk and Officer Stevens returned to the burning vehicle to check for possible other occupants of that vehicle. Battling the flames and smoke, Deputy Houk and Officer

Stevens were able to thoroughly check the vehicle for possible occupants and none were found. As a result of this motor vehicle crash the driver did succumb to his injuries. However, if it were not for the courage of Deputy Houk and Officer Stevens, the driver would have still been inside the vehicle when it was engulfed in flames. Sheriff Schneider asked both officers to step forward. Sheriff Schneider said they will be receiving an Act of Valor Certificate along with the ribbon they will wear on their uniform in reference to their actions for day. He asked everyone to recognize these individuals. He said this is the first time he has come before them in reference to these types of acts that have happened, usually it is recognition for people who are retiring and so forth, so you know this is the exception, not the norm. Thank God it is not because we are dealing with life and death situations. The next recognition he had is slightly different and is in reference to good, old fashion police work at its best. He wanted to read a little synopsis on what he is talking about. Sheriff Schneider read: In June of this year Decatur Police Department investigated a hit and run traffic fatality where a toddler was tragically killed. After striking the toddler, the driver fled the scene in a suspect vehicle. The Decatur Police Department actively worked this case and was able to provide to the public a possible suspect vehicle, make, and color. During the course of the Decatur Police investigation, Macon County Sheriff Deputies, T.W. Houk, Dale Pope, and Matthew Hunt obtained information that they vigorously followed up on that could possibly identify the driver involved in this hit and run tragedy. After numerous hours of interviews, follow-up reports and other sources of information pertaining to this incident, Deputies, Houk, Pope and Hunt documented their findings, met with Decatur Police Department assigned to this case and provided them with the information and names that could possibly solve this case. As a result of, Deputy Houk, Deputy Pope and Deputy Hunt's determined mindset, hard work, and dedication to helping solve this case, a suspect was identified, located and subsequently arrested on numerous felony complaints relating to this hit and run crash which involved the death of a young child. As we continue to pray for the family of this young victim, the Macon County Sheriff's Office hopes the action taken by these three deputies can add comfort to their pain at this most difficult time. Thank you, Deputy Houk, Deputy Pope, and Deputy Hunt for your professionalism, character, and willingness to go above and beyond to assist the residents of our county. Sheriff Schneider said when he was made aware of this investigation, and of course he was made aware of it initially through DPD reports and media reports, he found out about what our officers had been doing on Father's Day. He and Deputy Pope had a discussion after it was brought to his attention by command regarding exactly what our officers had done. He thinks Deputy Pope summarized this better than anything. He couldn't imagine what that family would go through every time they would see a vehicle that matched the suspect vehicle, wondering if in fact that was the vehicle involved in the incident. With their work they have done, and the Decatur Police Department's work during their investigation that they followed through with.... Sheriff Schneider had to give Decatur Police Department full credit in reference to making an arrest and a very strong case. But, this was hard, old fashioned police work starting with a lead and following it all the way through, having it end, developing another part of a lead from that lead and ending where we are today. That is a person who was arrested and accountable for these actions. He asked those officers to step forward that were involved in this, and asked that they be recognized. Sheriff Schneider said to the families of these

officers, there are a lot of things that are expected of police officers. A lot of times officers may get an attitude of entitlement. He could only tell you that the officers sitting amongst you here that are your family member and peers, and are the people who are serving us, are not those officers. They are officers that actually exemplify what police work is all about and that is that they care about the other person and not themselves. God bless you all and thank you all for being a part of our department.

**C. APPOINTMENTS**

2. Resolution G-3900-7-13 – Appointment to Macon County Zoning Board of Appeals

Andy Freeland, 515 Elm St., Mt. Zion, IL 62549  
Term Expires: May 31, 2016

**MOTION**

Mr. Dunn moved, seconded by Mr. Greenfield to approve Resolution G-3900-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

3. Resolution G-3901-7-13 – Appointment to Macon County Mental Health Board

Jim Alpi, 1833 Burning Tree Dr., Decatur, IL 62521  
Term Expires: June 30, 2016

**MOTION**

Mr. Dunn moved, seconded by Mrs. Cox to approve Resolution G-3901-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**D. CONSENT CALENDAR**

4. Resolution G-3902-7-13 – Executing Deeds to convey property on which taxes were delinquent

**MOTION**

Mr. Meachum moved, seconded by Mr. Mattingley to approve the Consent Calendar by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

5. Mr. Mattingley presented Resolution G-3903-7-13 which is approving an increase in appropriations in the FY 2013 Sheriff's budget for a German Shepherd dog.

**MOTION**

Mr. Mattingley moved, seconded by Mr. Minich to approve Resolution G-3903-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**EEHW COMMITTEE**

6. Mr. Dudley presented Resolution G-3904-7-13 which is approving increase in appropriations for Phase II building improvements at the Macon County Health Department.

**MOTION**

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mr. Greenfield to approve Resolution G-3904-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

7. Mr. Dudley presented Resolution G-3905-7-13 which is approving an increase in appropriations in the FY 13 Health Fund budget for administrative clerical support.

**MOTION**

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mr. Potts to approve Resolution G-3905-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

8. Mr. Dudley presented Resolution G-3906-7-13 which is approving increase in appropriations in the FY13 Health Fund budget for Mother and Infant Home Visiting Program Evaluation (MIHOPE) Project.

**MOTION**

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mr. Jacobs to approve Resolution G-3906-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

9. Mr. Dudley presented Ordinance O-105-7-13 which is approving amendments to the Nuisance Ordinance.

**MOTION**

Mr. Dudley moved, seconded by Mrs. Cox to approve Ordinance O-105-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

**COMMENT:**

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams said representing a rural district in Macon County he realizes we have a problem with abandoned vehicles of the sort out in the subdivided areas of the unincorporated area. However, he does not believe we have a problem out in the more rural areas that are more agriculture in nature. At the Siting, Rules and Ordinance Committee meeting and the EEHW Committee meeting, staff concurred that the bulk of infractions are in subdivisions that are within the rural area. We don't have many complaints out in the more rural area, the farm area. He would like to see this resolution go back to committee and he would like to see an exemption put in for people who live out in the rural area where the predominate use of the land is agriculture. He wanted to make that motion.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn asked if he was making an amendment.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams said he would actually like to see it go back to committee. He would give a little bit of history on this; a few years ago we had an individual who wanted a leash law.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said if he was not going to make an amendment to the motion then we need to follow up on this motion. If it fails then we could send it back to committee.

**MOTION TO AMEND**

Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to amend Ordinance O-105-7-13 by adding that the areas that are zoned predominately agricultural and are not residentially subdivided out in the rural unincorporated area, be exempt from this motion.

**QUESTION:**

Mr. Ashby: Mr. Ashby said if we don't have much of a problem in the rural area why not pass this motion.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams said if we don't have a problem, why create a problem. Why do we even have that area included in this motion?

Mr. Ashby: Mr. Ashby said he could show him several places in the county in the rural areas that this new ordinance should be carried out.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams asked if those are subdivided areas. He said we are complaint driven. Staff in both SRO and EEHW said that has not been the predominate problem. The predominate problem has been in the rural area where it is subdivided.

Mrs. Dawson: Mrs. Dawson asked if he could define that for her.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams said our jurisdiction is out in the unincorporated area, the areas that are not a part of a city, village or municipality. So, out in the unincorporated area, the rural area, we have areas that are subdivided like you would see in a city that are not sparsely populated like agricultural areas. A case in example would be Boody and also in the Mt. Zion area around the Surf Club. There are several other residential areas that are out in the county where the predominate use of the ground is where it has been subdivided into small plots for residential living. That is where we have the bulk of our problems with abandoned cars, not out in the "farm areas" where the predominate use of the land, where it is more sparsely populated, is agricultural.

**ROLL CALL.**

Ayes: Baxter, Williams

Nays: Ashby, Bird, Cox, Dawson, Dudley, Dunn, Greenfield, Hogan, Jacobs, Mattingley, Meachum, Minich, Potts, Taylor, Zimmerman

**AYES = 2**

**NAYS = 15**

**MOTION FAILED. (AMENDMENT TO O-105-7-13)**

**MOTION CARRIED. (ORDINANCE O-105-7-13) (BAXTER SHOWED HIS VOTE AS YES & WILLIAMS SHOWED HIS VOTE AS NO)**

**OPERATIONS AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

10. Mrs. Cox presented Resolution G-3907-7-13 which is approving a contract for Employee Assistance Plan Services with Chestnut Global Partners.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Mattingley to approve Resolution G-3907-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED. (WILLIAMS SHOWED HIS VOTE AS YES)**

11. Mrs. Cox presented Resolution G-3908-7-13 which is approving renewal of contract with Call One Inc. for professional services for long distance and local phone service.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Potts to approve Resolution G-3908-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

12. Mrs. Cox presented Resolution G-3909-7-13 which is approving a budget amendment for Workforce Investment Solutions FY13 budget for Trade Adjustment Assistance Grant.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Potts to approve Resolution G-3909-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

13. Mrs. Cox presented Resolution G-3910-7-13 which is approving a budget amendment for Workforce Investment Solutions FY13 budget for Rapid Response On-the-Job Training Grant.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve Resolution G-3910-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

14. Mrs. Cox presented Resolution G-3911-7-13 which is approving a budget amendment for Workforce Investment Solutions FY 13 budget for Regional Workforce Innovation Fund Grant.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Potts to approve Resolution G-3911-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

15. Mrs. Cox presented Resolution G-3912-7-13 and read: Whereas, C. Patricia Nanna retired from the Macon County Circuit Clerk's Office at the end of June, 2013 after completing 50 years of outstanding service; and Whereas, Ms. Nanna served as Deputy Clerk of the Child Support and Bookkeeping Division of the Macon County Circuit Clerk's Office during her entire career; and Whereas, Ms. Nanna provided excellent leadership, friendship and service to Macon County by serving in the Circuit Clerk's Office first during time spent as an office occupations student during her senior year in high school and then as a valued full time employee; and Whereas, Ms. Nanna's expertise and wealth of knowledge will be greatly missed by Macon County, The Circuit Clerk's Office and her co-workers; Now Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Macon County Board that it hereby takes great pleasure in recognizing the retirement of C. Patricia Nanna and herewith expresses its sincere gratitude for the invaluable contributions she has made to the Child Support and Bookkeeping Division of the Macon County Circuit Clerk's Office.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Dunn to approve Resolution G-3912-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMENT:**

Mrs. Cox: Mrs. Cox told them that Ms. Nanna has gone through several Circuit Clerks. She started out with John Curry, Paul Hogan, Kathy Hott and then Lois Durbin.

The Legislative Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

16. Mr. Ashby presented Resolution G-3913-7-13 which is authorizing the execution and delivery of an amendment to loan agreement and other documents in connection with an amendment of the Economic Development Revenue Refunding Bonds (Decatur Family YMCA Project) Series 2011 of the County of Macon, Illinois and providing for related matters.

### **MOTION**

Mr. Ashby moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve Resolution G-3913-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

### **MOTION CARRIED.**

### **NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE**

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said we do have mediation coming up for the deputies, although he did hear they might be tending an offer for us before mediation starts. He talked to the business manager of AFSCME 612 and we are going to try and get our meetings started in August. That contract runs out at the end of November.

### **TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

17. Mr. Williams presented Resolution H-1856-7-13 which is appropriating funds for engineering expenses on the Washington Street Bridge Replacement Project over Lake Fork Creek.

Mr. Williams presented Resolution H-1857-7-13 which is appropriating funds for construction expenses on the Ocean Trail Road Bridge Replacement Project.

Mr. Williams presented Resolution H-1858-7-13 which is appropriating funds for construction expenses on 2013 Coordinated Micro-Surfacing Project.

Mr. Williams presented Resolution G-3914-7-13 which is increasing appropriations in the Matching Fund FY 13 budget for Country Club Road.

### **MOTION**

Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mrs. Cox to approve Resolutions H-1856-7-13, H-1857-7-13, H-1858-7-13 and G-3914-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

There were no questions or comments from the board floor.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

18. Mr. Williams presented Resolution H-1859-7-13 which is awarding the purchase of one 2013/2014 Tandem Axle Diesel Dump Truck.

**MOTION**

Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve Resolution H-1859-7-13.

**QUESTION:**

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield asked if this truck comes with a plow and spreader.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said yes. It is in the specs they have in front of them.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said he thought it did but he wanted to make sure. He brought this up in Finance and was curious why the county didn't buy this through State bid. He is more familiar with this than some people because he worked at IDOT for 20 years. He called IDOT and International, and it is not the same truck by any means, but it is a truck that would be suitable for the Department of Transportation. To buy that truck, which DOT uses every day, with a plow, spreader, and all the warranty he requested comes to about \$131,000. It doesn't have all the bells and whistles on it that Mr. Bird's had. But, his question is that when Mr. Bird was here 3 or 4 months ago talking about how bad the county finances are in highway, why we would spend an extra \$30,000 to \$35,000 for that truck.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said the difference is actually \$10,489 on an apple to apples comparison with a comparable International Truck. They placed a bid.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said they placed a bid on a truck like Mr. Bird specified it. Mr. Greenfield said he is not talking about the truck that Mr. Bird specified. He is talking about a truck that was suitable for the Department of Transportation. Mr. Bird specified a truck with 345 horse power. DOT's trucks go to 310, therefore the IDOT contract wouldn't fall under what you are wanting. If you went with an IDOT contract truck you would save \$35,000 or \$30,000.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said those same contract trucks we have been buying for basically the entire time he has been here and prior to that. Our first snow event that we had this year we had 11 trucks out and within 2 hours 6 of them were down for electrical reasons and one for a major issue with the motor that took 3 months to fix. It has been a recurring issue with us with those International Trucks especially in the last 4 years. One of the

most important things, mainly from a public safety standpoint, that we have to do is when it snows we have to get out there and get the job done.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said, and so does the Department of Transportation.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said they have the same problems we do.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said he called 3 storages today. He called Decatur, Clinton, and Monticello. They all 3 have trucks that are 16, 17, 18 years old that they are still using today to plow snow. Now, if it was such a problem, don't you think the Department of Transportation would have done something about it? DOT has thousands of these on the road not just one, but thousands of them. At a savings of \$35,000, he doesn't know how you justify it.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said you get what you pay for.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said you are exactly right; you can buy a Cadillac or you can buy a truck that works for you.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams said speaking for the Transportation Committee, we justified what we felt was a \$10,500 increase by the fact that we would get it back on the back end, in other words a resale when we trade the truck in. He said we are also getting a stainless steel bed and could potentially fit that to another truck.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said we spent a lot of time and talked to the folks at DOT. He actually talked with some folks in the central office. There are certain things they can say and certain things they can't say.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said he talked to people in the field who use them every day.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said the only choice the people in the field have is what CMS and the central office buys for them. They don't have a choice.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said obviously it is a financial issue. He has worked for IDOT and they are good trucks.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird asked when the last time was that Mr. Greenfield drove one.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said he hasn't driven one for 15 years.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said there is a big difference between 15 years ago and now.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said he disagreed.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said ironically our older trucks we have fewer problems with. One of the issues that has pretty much affected all of the manufacturers is all of the increases with tier 1, tier 2, and tier 3 in regard to the air quality standards. Some manufacturers have been much better at it in coming up with solutions and others have not been as good at it. If you had been able to read the same news article he has about the problems that the engineers at International have had in even getting one of their motors qualified to meet the EPA standards. They have had a very difficult time just with that. The biggest issue we have had and probably the biggest difference in the spec of the price is the armoring of the electrical cables on the truck, because that is the biggest problem we have with them. Quite frankly in talking with the other counties because we spent a lot of time talking with other counties too....

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield asked if he meant other counties with DOT.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said no, other county highway departments.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said who have 2 or 3 of them, not a fleet of them.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said they have mixed fleets. Some of them have nothing but International and some of them have nothing but Kenworths and Peterbilts. Kane County has 40 some odd trucks and they have 5 different brands. They all basically said the same thing to him which was that they have all been putting together their own specs for a long time because they did not like the specs that IDOT or CMS, because CMS is the one who writes the specs for IDOT, put out there. They said the specs were weak and thin.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said you get a 5 year warranty covering everything.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said on the one we specified out.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said also if it has to be worked on you are less than a mile away from Prairie International. Now, if you have to have your new truck worked on you are going to have to take it to Bloomington.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said on the two bid sheets that came in, the Peterbilt had a 5 year warranty and the International had a 12 month warranty. The International's warranty starts when the chassis is delivered, not when the bed gets put on it. So, in reality for us, that warranty ends up being about a 4 or 5 month warranty.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said he called DOT and Prairie today and if he got a truck just like Decatur storage would get set up and he wants a 5 year across the board warranty, everything, yes it is an option; it is expensive. It is \$8,200 but it is being figured into a \$122,000 truck, because the truck itself is only \$114,000.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said they had an option to put that in their bid and they chose not to.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said that DOT didn't qualify because Mr. Bird asked for 345 horse power instead of 310.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said on the bid specs we put out, so you are comparing the same truck from both International and Peterbilt, when International had a choice of deciding which warranty they wanted to put on that truck they chose the 12 month warranty. That is the one they put down on the bid sheet for us.

Mr. Greenfield: Mr. Greenfield said his argument is this and then he would let it go, we can buy a truck that is suitable for the Department of Transportation for \$30,000 to \$35,000 cheaper than what we are buying this one for. It will do the exact same job. It will plow the exact same snow and it will be fine, and with a full warranty. It is not your money.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said based on our experience it will not be fine.

Mr. Hogan: Mr. Hogan asked if Mr. Bird has bought Peterbilt before.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said no.

Mr. Hogan: Mr. Hogan said that Mr. Greenfield is correct this Peterbilt will look nice in a parade; but as far as doing the work, International will do just as much work.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said we don't have a problem with the people in the shop at International. They do a good job and always have done a good job for us. The issue is that material that we have to start off with is not nearly as good as it could be.

**MOTION CARRIED. (GREENFIELD & HOGAN SHOWED THEIR VOTE AS NO)**

19. Mr. Williams presented Resolution H-1860-7-13 which is requesting the reclassification of portions of CH 34 and CH 35 through Macon County.

**MOTION**

Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Meachum to approve Resolution H-1860-7-13 by prior roll call vote.

**COMMENT:**

Mr. Williams: Mr. Williams asked Mr. Bird to explain to the board what the reclassification does.

Mr. Bird: Mr. Bird said the only thing this does is change the classification in IDOT's records. It doesn't create any additional burden for us. In actuality it makes it easier for us to access federal funds on those particular roads.

**MOTION CARRIED. (GREENFIELD & HOGAN SHOWED THEIR VOTE AS YES)**

The Executive Committee had nothing to submit at the meeting.

**SITING, RULES & ORDINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE**

Mr. Potts: Mr. Potts said we met and discussed that ordinance change and brought it to EEHW. We thoroughly investigated that and found no problem with it so that is why we unanimously recommended it to the board.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn asked if there is anything going on with the codification.

Mr. Potts: Mr. Potts said he recently talked with the attorney and he said he would be available in a couple of months so we can get that done then. He is tied up pretty good.

**BUILDING SUB-COMMITTEE**

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said they will probably be having a meeting sometime soon. Mr. Chiligris supposedly is going to send us an offer on the Franklin Mall.

**CITIZENS' REMARKS:**

Kathy Closen: Ms. Closen said she lives at 6569 W. Rock Springs Road which is agriculture and she is here to speak on O-105-7-13. We have a neighbor whose property abuts ours and she has 8 semis parked on her property. They have been there for 5 years. We have tried to get them removed. We have gone through 3 State's Attorneys and nothing has happened. The tires on the semis have rotted and gone into the ground. They are not licensed. There is no cab attached to them so they can't be moved. They're full of who knows what. We have rodents, raccoons, foxes, and coyotes that are living under them. They need to be moved.

Mr. Dunn: Mr. Dunn said she could file a complaint in our Planning and Zoning Department now.

**OFFICEHOLDERS' REMARKS:**

Mr. Dudley: Mr. Dudley said we have a lot of great people in this county. Our department heads are some of the best department heads and he would put them up against any county in this state. He hated to single people out but working for DCEO he gets to work with Robyn McCoy a lot. He gets to see on basically a daily basis what a great job she does. We have a real crown jewel there in Robyn. She works hard and never lets anything get by without going for it. She goes at it full steam and helps out in any way that she can. He just wanted to say for himself and he was sure he could speak on behalf of the whole board, that Robyn does a wonderful job. He is proud to work with her, and keep up the good work.

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**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Mr. Potts moved, seconded by Mr. Williams to adjourn until Thursday, August 8, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.