

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MONROE COUNTY, ILLINOIS JULY 3, 2017

The meeting of the County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois was called to order at 8:00 a.m. Chairman Robert Elmore, Commissioner Delbert Wittenauer, and Commissioner Vicki Koerber were present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Others present included County Clerk Dennis Knobloch, along with Press Corps representatives – Joe Leicht of the Monroe County Independent and Alan Dooley of the Republic Times.

There being a quorum present, meeting was called to order by Chairman Elmore.

There were no public comments.

The following Accounts Payable having been approved for payment, Commissioner Wittenauer moved that the same be allowed and that vouchers be issued against their respective funds of the County Treasurer for payment. Motion seconded by Commissioner Koerber, and so declared all voting Aye, none Nay, and none Absent. Motion carried.

GENERAL FUND

1 st National Bank of Waterloo	3,089.80
Americom Imaging Systems, Inc.	431.67
Americom	1,732.67
Bob Barker Company Inc.	135.73
Channing Bete Company, Inc.	59.90
Charm-Tex, Inc.	503.40
City of Columbia Ambulance Service	248.72
City of Waterloo	12,400.42
Communications Revolving Fund	482.55
Conrad Press Ltd	335.50
CPR Plus	861.95
Diewald Appraisal Group	325.00
Dobbs Tire & Auto Centers	350.41
Egyptian Workspace Partners	52.50
Goodin Associates Ltd	7,394.00
Harrisonville Telephone	3,443.91
Illinois South Tourism	4,000.00
John Deere Financial	125.47
John Deere Financial	6.99
Kelton Davis	23,154.32
Kevin Koenigstein	1,400.97
Laboratory Corp of America	103.00
Leaf	227.30
Leon Uniform Company, Inc.	665.33
Logo's 'N Stitches Inc.	40.00
McCarthy, Leonard & Kaemmerer, L.C.	3,637.50
Motorola	216.00
Nabers Shop	94.06

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Paul Tipton	35.73
Prairie Farms Dairy, Inc.	170.00
Quernheim Funeral Home	775.00
Quill Corporation	352.88
Ray O'Herron Co Inc.	809.69
Rejis Commission	1,616.00
Sonnenberg Landscaping	573.50
Summit Signs & Graphics, LLC	1,666.00
Vision Websoft	390.80
Walmart Community	123.34
Waterloo Animal Hospital	870.45
Watson's Office City	777.89
Wightman Pharmacy	256.11

HEALTH TAX FUND

1 st National Bank of Waterloo	4,815.15
Andrea Kohring	187.25
Coast to Coast Equipment	162.00
Colleen Goessling	139.12
Harrisonville Telephone Company	545.43
John Wagner	200.09
K&D Printing	391.75
Kim Castello	16.05
Motorola	34.00
Penny Dietz	29.96
Perspective Enterprises Inc.	355.00
Sanofi Pasteur Inc.	1,074.52
Smith Medical Partners	53.39
Victoria Kehrler	32.64

AMBULANCE SERVICE FUND

1 st National Bank of Waterloo	73.84
Carla Heise	145.00
Harrisonville Telephone Company	136.29
Hero's in Style	120.00
Memorial Hospital	125.28
Moore Medical Corp.	2,016.00
Motorola Solutions	396.00
Patient Refunds	624.61
Phillips 66 Company	399.79
Walmart Community/RFCSLLC	29.88
Wells Fargo Vendor Fin Serv	115.99
WEX	1,730.16

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HIGHWAY FUND

Aramark Uniform Services	2,045.68
Chartrand Equipment Co.	20.00
Don Edler	110.00
Equipment Services Co. Inc.	220.91
Fred Weber, Inc.	913.80
Harrisonville Telephone Co.	40.76
Huels Oil Company	3,298.40
Iron Crafters Inc.	76.00
John Deere Financial	296.29
Quill	50.82
R.M. Webster & Associates Inc.	97.80
Warning Lites of Southern Illinois	42.60

COUNTY MOTOR FUEL

Columbia Quarry Company	1,947.45
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ROAD MOTOR FUEL

Columbia Quarry Company	1,530.46
JTC Petroleum Co.	34,626.18

G.I.S.

Americom	131.67
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RECORDERS DOCUMENT STORAGE

Fidlar Technologies	500.00
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Aaron Metzger came to the meeting to discuss Highway Department business. He said that Christ Bros. Asphalt has billed for their mobilization fee for the Rogers Street resurfacing project, so that work could begin at any time. Commissioner Koerber asked if there could be signage put up at least one week before the work begins on that project, so the public is aware of possible traffic delays and detours. Mr. Metzger said the contractor is not required to do that as part of their agreement, and he may not have much notice of the start of the work, but if he knows when the work will begin, he will try to have some signage put in place prior to the start of the contracted work.

Mr. Metzger said due to some mechanical issues, he has to purchase a new truck for the Highway Department, and that truck will be for his use. Motion was made by Commissioner Koerber, with a second by Commissioner Wittenauer to authorize the purchase of a 2017 Ford Explorer 4x4 vehicle. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

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RESOLUTION 17-55

2017 FORD EXPLORER (4X4)

WHEREAS, the County is authorized to purchase equipment thru the Illinois Joint Purchase Program; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Explorer, as bid to the State of Illinois, meets the needs of the County, with the following options added:

Ford Explorer (4x4)	\$25,770.00
Sync System	Standard
Front License Bracket	N/C
All Weather Rubber Floor Mats	120.00
<u>Delivery (1 Unite)</u>	<u>275.00</u>
Sub-Total	\$26,165.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Engineer be authorized to enter into a purchase agreement based on the above adjusted price of \$26,165.00 with Wright Automotive.

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois, at Waterloo, this 3rd day of July, 2017.

Motion: Koerber
Aye: Three
Absent: None

Second: Wittenauer
Nay: None

Robert Elmore, Chairman

Dennis M. Knobloch, County Clerk

Delbert Wittenauer, Member

Vicki Koerber, Member

The minutes of the June 19, 2017 regular meeting were approved upon motion by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Koerber. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Koerber to approve a Bandstand/Courtyard permit for Lifechurch for December 16 and December 24, 2017. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

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Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Koerber to approve a Bandstand/Courtyard permit for the Waterloo Lions and Metzger-Crook VFW Post to host the 2017 Waterloo Homecoming on August 26 and 26, 2017. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Koerber, with a second by Commissioner Wittenauer to reappoint Michael Kirk and Janel Holmes to the Monroe County Board of Health. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 17-56

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois, that the following individuals be reappointed to the Monroe County Board of Health, for a two year term with term to commence on July 1, 2017 and term to expire on June 30, 2019 or until a successor is appointed and has qualified.

Michael Kirk, M.D.
5542 Wildwood Drive
Waterloo IL 62298

Janel Holmes
309 Hoener
Waterloo IL 62298

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois at Waterloo this 3rd day of July, 2017.

Motion: Koerber
Aye: Three
Absent: None

Second: Wittenauer
Nay: None

Robert Elmore, Chairman

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Delbert Wittenauer, Member

Vicki Koerber, Member

Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Koerber to reappoint Bruce Brinkman to the Monroe County Flood Prevention District. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 17-57

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois that Bruce Brinkman, 610 State Rt. 156, Valmeyer, Illinois be reappointed to the Monroe County Flood Prevention District for a term of three years with term to commence on July 7, 2017 and term to expire on July 6, 2020 or until a successor is appointed and has qualified.

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Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois at Waterloo this 3rd day of July, 2017.

Motion: Wittenauer
Aye: Three
Absent: None

Second: Koerber
Nay: None

Robert Elmore, Chairman

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Delbert Wittenauer, Member

Vicki Koerber, Member

There was discussion regarding the county website. Chairman Elmore said he was not satisfied with the performance of Vision Websoft, and he has been in contact with other service providers. Chairman Elmore said he has talked with Gary Most of Marketicity, and that company will be providing a proposal to the county for website redevelopment.

Chairman Elmore said he wanted to discuss the County IT situation, regarding the hiring of a new county employee to handle those duties versus contracting with a company to provide the same service. Commissioner Wittenauer said we have received quite a few resumes/applications from individuals interested in the position, and also from several companies who would like to serve the County's IT needs. He said his plan was to call in several IT specialists who have expressed interest in helping the county, and ask them to review the applications to determine the best possible candidates for the position. Once the applications for individuals and companies have been reviewed and ranked, the County Board can look over the resumes and determine who will be called in for interviews. Commissioner Koerber said she was not interested in "growing" government, and if the County's IT needs can be provided by a service company that works under a contract, that would be better than adding an employee who would permanently be a part of the County's payroll.

Commissioner Wittenauer said the County's IT Committee felt it would be better to have an individual in the building who could help with any computer-related issues. He said his other concern was that the IT service companies will come in and low-ball their contract, and once they have the County hooked, they will start increasing their fees. Chairman Elmore said he was concerned, because once a public sector employee is hired, it is very difficult to get rid of them if you don't think there is a need for the position anymore. Chairman Elmore said he would like to open this situation up to Americom, and let them see if they can get any more business in the building, but let them do this without actually signing a contract with the company.

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Commissioner Wittenauer said if the other Commissioners wanted to proceed in this direction, he would step to the side and let them do whatever they wanted. He said the bids the County has received from Americom aren't complete, and he would guarantee that if the County goes this direction, the annual fee for these services will continue to escalate. He said if the County is going to hire an IT company to provide these services, he felt multiple companies should be allowed to provide proposals for their services.

Chairman Elmore said he just didn't know which way to go. He said some people like Americom, and some don't – some people like REJIS, and done don't. Chairman Elmore said the Sheriff is not satisfied with REJIS, but Kim Keckritz is in love with REJIS. He asked Commissioner Wittenauer if he would like to coordinate the review and interview of some candidates so the County could decide on a direction. Commissioner Wittenauer said he would do that, and he wanted to make sure all of this was completed prior to the budget review in September, in case this has some kind of impact on the overall County budget.

Vernon Ritter, James Lansing and Kevin Koenigstein were present to discuss the Palmier Hill Cemetery. Mr. Ritter explained some of the background history of the Cemetery, and how eventually administration of the Cemetery was turned over to the County after the Columbia American Legion felt they couldn't take care of the property properly. Mr. Ritter said because of his health, he was stepping down from the Cemetery Board. The Commissioners thanked him for his years of service, and presented him with a certificate recognizing that service.

Motion was made by Commissioner Koerber, with a second by Commissioner Wittenauer to appoint James Lansing as a Trustee to the Palmier Hill Cemetery Board. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 17-58

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois that James Lansing, 1103 Palmer Creek Drive, Columbia, Illinois be appointed as Trustee to the Palmier Hill Cemetery Board replacing Vernon Ritter, who has resigned, for a term of three years with term to commence on July 2, 2017 and term to expire on July 1, 2020 or until successor is appointed and has qualified.

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois at Waterloo this 3rd day of July, 2017.

Motion: Koerber
Aye: Three
Absent: None

Second: Wittenauer
Nay: None

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Mr. Lansing said he is a descendant of the Ogle and Lemen families, who were some of the earliest settlers in Monroe County, and because of his family background and interest in history, he was happy to do what he could to help sustain the Palmier Hill Cemetery in Columbia.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Koerber to go into closed session to discuss property acquisition. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 17-59

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois that the Board is going into closed session for the purpose of Discussing Property Acquisition.

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois at Waterloo, this 3rd day of July, 2017

Motion: Wittenauer
Aye: Three
Absent: None

Second: Koerber
Nay: None

Robert Elmore, Chairman

Dennis M. Knobloch, County Clerk

Delbert Wittenauer, Member

Vicki Koerber, Member

Motion was made by Commissioner Koerber, with a second by Commissioner Wittenauer to end closed session and return to open session. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 17-60

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois that the Board is ending its closed session and returning to open session.

Passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Illinois at Waterloo, this 3rd day of July, 2017.

Motion: Koerber
Aye: Three
Absent: None

Second: Wittenauer
Nay: None

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A Certificate of Recognition was presented to William and Russ Nobbe of Annbriar Golf Course for being named the #2 golf course in the State of Illinois. The Nobbes also provided a brief history of the organization and construction of the course.

Chairman Elmore asked how things are going with the Financial Edge software program. Dennis Knobloch said there are still problems with the program, and after Audrey Trembly called the Randolph County Clerk's office last week, she found out Randolph County is having some of the same problems we are. Commissioner Koerber said she would like to organize a meeting with various Department Heads here at the County, and determine if there are things they would like to see in the financial program they are not currently receiving. She would then like to take this information to Blackbaud to see if they can provide the missing information. Ms. Koerber said she is satisfied the County Clerk's office is providing the information that is available, but the Financial Edge program has a lot of flaws and bugs that do not make the information readily available.

Commissioner Koerber said more donations have been received, and there is currently a balance in the Bison fund of about \$2,700.

Commissioner Koerber said the CTS Group has almost completed their work on the County Energy Conservation project, and she would like to treat the company principles to lunch following the County Board meeting on July 17.

Annamarie Marcuson came to the meeting to discuss the vacation buyout program. Following some discussion, the Commissioners said they would like to continue to review this program, and they asked Ms. Marcuson to continue to gather vacation buyout details for all County employees so this can be discussed during budget review sessions in September.

There was some discussion of some electrical problems at Evergreen Point. Commissioner Wittenauer said he would contact Kim Keckritz to discuss the issue.

Commissioner Koerber said she has been doing some research on the County cell phone situation. She said that following her review, there were about 50 phones unaccounted for. She said six of those could be immediately cancelled, and there were eight air cards that were being traced by serial number. Commissioner Koerber said she was also studying the various plans on these phones, as some were old plans that included limited data, etc. She said many of these plans need to be updated to the more economical plans currently available. Commissioner Koerber said on

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the six phone that were cancelled there is already a savings to the County of about \$125 per month.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Wittenauer, with a second by Commissioner Koerber. All voting Aye, none Nay and none Absent. Motion carried.