

**MARSHALL COUNTY OCTOBER BOARD MEETING**  
**October 8, 2015**

The Marshall County Board met in the Marshall County Board Room for the October Board meeting on October 8, 2015 at 8:30am. Chairman Kroeschen called the meeting to order. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call shows: Bakewell, Gauwitz, Johnson, Knuckey, Chairman Kroeschen, Vice Chairman McGlasson, McGrath, McLaughlin, Minnick. Lindstrom, Waldschmidt and Stash were absent.

It was moved by Gauwitz and seconded by McGlasson to Approve the minutes for **09/10/15** as presented. Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent, motion carried.

County Engineer Pat Sloan reported that there were four building permits issued for the month of September. The ZBA will be considering a setback variance request on October 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Sloan also reported that his crew is wrapping up on fall work. The two Whitefield bridges are completed. The Pattonsburg bridge repairs are scheduled to start within the next 6 weeks and needs to be completed before December 31, 2015. He received the annual consolidated county MFT payment of \$109,658. The monthly MFT allotments are still being held due to the budget impasse (both townships and county)

**#15-77** It was moved by Gauwitz and seconded by McLaughlin to **Approve the Resolution Rejecting Bid for Western Road Culvert Extension.** Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays and 3 absent. Motion carried.

**#15-78** It was moved by Bakewell and seconded by Minnick to **Approve Election Judges for 2-year terms** as presented by the Clerk. Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent, Motion carried.

**#15-79** It was moved by Bakewell and seconded by Knuckey to **Approve a Resolution appointing Phillip L. Read to complete the unexpired term of Allan Waldschmidt for the Henry Fire Protection District.** Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 3 absent. Motion carried.

**#15-80** It was moved by Bakewell and seconded by Gauwitz to **Approve Marshall County Trustee Resolutions:** 05-12-451-005, 05-12-451-006, 06-07-179-024, and 06-18-351-003. Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 3 absent. Motion carried.

Sheriff Deputies Strawn, Wilson and Vester addressed the board expressing their concerns that current staffing does not allow them to effectively patrol the county. They feel that an additional deputy is needed not only to help with staffing, but for their safety since deputies respond to calls with no backup. The cost of a new deputy is \$62,837.67 per year (this includes holiday pay, IMRF, insurance and uniform allowance). After discussion Bakewell stated that hiring a 9<sup>th</sup> deputy would require using the sheriff's department's current proposed budget as the county will be operating with a deficit.

**#15-81** It was moved by Bakewell and seconded by Gauwitz to **Re-appoint Dennis Keiswetter to the Saratoga Drainage District**. Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 3 absent. Motion carried.

Chairman Kroeschen read a letter from the Marshall-Putnam Fair Board thanking the County for their past support and asking for a \$100.00 donation in 2016. As past practice the county will provide liquor license fees in lieu of a \$100.00 donation.

Break was held from 9:17 am to 9:25 a.m.

**#15-82** It was moved by McLaughlin and seconded by Johnson to **approve a Resolution Authorizing the Collection of a Fee for the Operation and Administration of the Child Advocacy Center**. Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 3 absent. Motion carried.

The 2016 Budget was discussed and Bakewell stated that the county will be \$200,000.00 in the red for 2016. He also stated that the budget does not reflect a wage increase and that both the sheriff's department and highway department were deferred a vehicle. A truth in taxation hearing will have to be conducted before the November board meeting because of the levy being over the allowed 5% increase from last year.

Mike McIntyre (911 Director) stopped in to say that since the state is sending no money (which is about 60% of their revenue budget). He has withdrawn money from a CD and transferred it to a money market account so 911 is secure at this point. He also stated that if the board members have any questions or concerns to please direct them to him.

**#15-83** It was moved by McLaughlin and seconded by Minnick to **Publicly Post the 2016 Budget and Levy for Comment** as presented. Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried. Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 3 absent. motion carried.

It was moved by Knuckey and seconded by Minnick to **Approve Payment of Bills** as presented except for the bill to Illinois Valley Glass & Mirror in the amount of \$12,728.00. Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent, motion carried.

An additional bill was presented from North Central Illinois Council of Government in the amount of \$1,500.00 for Economic Development. It was moved by Johnson to approve the bill and seconded by Bakewell. Vote shows: all ayes, 0 nays and 3 absent. Motion carried.

Ben Wilson from North Central Illinois Council of Government updated the board on the Enterprise Zone. He stated that Marshall County did not score well on the application to extend the enterprise zone so Marshall County will have to reapply before December 31, 2015. This is a \$4,000 investment for submittal, but will cost each jurisdiction \$800.00. Bakewell stated participation in NCICG will need to be reviewed if the Enterprise Zone application is not approved.

## **Committee Reports**

**Animal Control:** McGrath reported that they had a meeting last Saturday regarding the dog pound.

**Buildings & Grounds:** Johnson reported that the new East door needs to be fixed as the bar is crooked. A new light will be installed soon.

**EMA:** McLaughlin reported that Rich Koch is working on his certification for Code Red. The next meeting will be in January.

**Finance & Budget:**

**County Highway & Recycling:**

**IT:** Gauwitz reported that the Sheriff's department is thinking about leaving Teamster's Union

**Judicial Offices:**

**Lower Level Offices:**

**Public Transportation:** McGrath reported the titles to the vehicles are not in Marshall County. Kroeschen said we need the titles here in Marshall County. There will be a meeting on November 2, 105 at 6:00p.m.

**Sheriff:** Gauwitz stated that a trainee quit but a new person has been hired. The jail is filled up at this point and the staff is dealing with a MERSA case.

**Airport:** McLaughlin reported that the new tractor is in. There is a meeting next week.

**Economic Development:** McGlasson reported that the SET program is coordinating with Marshall, Putnam and Stark Counties.

**Enterprise Zone:**

**ETSB (911):** The Treasurer had to cash a CD and transfer the funds to a money market to pay current bills.

**Health Dept:** Bakewell reported that the last bill received from the Health Dept should not be paid due to lack of personnel

**Marshall Putnam Extension:** Bakewell reported that they asked for a 9% increase but Marshall County is giving them what they received last year.

**Regional Office of Education:**

**Tri Co.:** McGrath reported that the office in Lacon will be open on Mondays from 8 am to 3 pm.

**Upper IL River Valley Development Authority:**

**Zoning & Land Use:** Gauwitz reported that there was a meeting on Monday and definitions were discussed including adding a Bed & Breakfast definition.

**Various Correspondences:** Chairman Kroeschen reported that Unity/Point Health has offered Marshall County Employees the Proctor Preferred Plan which will give employees a 40% discount to their out of pocket for services billed by Proctor Hospital.

## **Public Comments:**

At 10:40 a.m., it was moved by Bakewell and seconded by Gauwitz to **Adjourn.**

Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent, motion carried.

11/12/15 It was moved by Johnson and seconded by Minnick to approve the **minutes** for 10/8/15 as presented. Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.