

MARSHALL COUNTY NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING
November 12, 2015

The Marshall County Board met in the Marshall County Board Room for the November Board meeting on November 12, 2015 at 8:30am. Chairman Kroeschen called the meeting to order. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call shows: Lindstrom, McGrath, Stash, Johnson, McLaughlin, Minnick, Bakewell, Chairman Kroeschen, Gauwitz, Waldschmidt, Knuckey present and Vice Chairman McGlasson absent.

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.

County Engineer Pat Sloan reported on Zoning there were some building permits and they were going to be some enforcement on building and trailers.

County Engineer Pat Sloan reported on Highway Dept. they picked up a new pick up truck on Tuesday cost \$21,000.00. The State is still holding on the MFT money. Deck beams were set on the bridge in Wilburn. Tax school road realignment will start in the summer and the western road extension will start in the spring of next year. Pattonsburg Bridge will be closed next Monday for two weeks.

#15-84 It was moved by Lindstrom and seconded by Stash to **approve the Preliminary Engineering Agreement with Fehr-Graham & Associates LLC** for a Township Bridge in Steuben Township (Monier Bridge) for \$67,937.22.
Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

Chris Dvorak from the Superintendent of Schools reported that June they received their assets. People were to be registered by September 1st and they are still having an issue with the budget with not receiving the funding. Information was passed out to the County Board regarding what has gone on. Chris also commented and said that the Washburn office is closed. Lindstrom asked about how people can get their sub certificate and Chris mentioned that it could be done on line or in their office.

Bakewell gave an update on the Budget and Levy. \$209,000 were the expenses over the income and \$50,000 was built in for salaries.

#15-85 It was moved by Gauwitz and seconded by Lindstrom to approve the **2016 Budget**.
Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

Bakewell commented that Jill Piper had called LaSalle and Logan County about the Levy and found out that we did not have to have a Truth n Taxation because Election cost could be deducted and that would keep us under the 105%.

#15-86 It was moved by Knuckey and seconded by Johnson to approve the **2016 Levy**.
Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

Ben Wilson from North Central Council of Governments reported on the enterprise zone extension. The total cost for the application is \$4000. City of Lacon had voted to contribute the maximum of \$1000 towards the application. Chairman Kroeschen gave an update of how important it is to have the enterprise zone Lindstrom had attended a meeting. The application will cost the County about \$800.

#15-87 It was moved by Bakewell and seconded by Stash to approve the **re-application For the Enterprise Zone** to not exceed the maximum of \$1000. Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

Bob Vedder from CDS Energy talked to the board about their company. They review the billing and process of electric, gas and phone bills. They look at 1-3 months billing to see if there was a billing error and if they can get a refund. There is no up front cost but when a refund is issued they keep half of it and the other half is distributed to the client. Bakewell reported that he would like to see a contract.

#15-88 It was moved by Lindstrom and seconded by Bakewell to approve the **IL Assoc. County Board Members dues for 2016**. Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motion carried.

Bev Edens from Friends of Strays presented to the board that they are a No Kill shelter. They are willing to adopt dogs from the Marshall County Dog Pound for a fee of \$10.00. The minimum fee currently to adopt a dog out of the pound is \$118 and that includes \$35 deposit fee for a neuter or spay, \$25 public safety fee, \$18 one year rabies fee, and a \$40 microchip.

#15-89 It was moved by Bakewell and seconded by Knuckey to approve the **ARK and Friends of Stray** to be able to adopt a dog from the Marshall County Dog Pound for a fee of **\$10** and this includes the one year rabies shot. Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motioned carried.

Break was held 9:44 a.m.-9:55 a.m.

Mike McIntyre (911 Director) gave an update on the consideration of Stark County 911. Chairman Kroeschen and Mike attended a meeting on Tuesday night in Stark County. Mike presented the board with a presentation. Marshall County currently covers 399 miles and Stark County has 286 miles. The Illinois State Police is taking over supervision of 911. Sheriff Rob Russell spoke on behalf of the ETSB Board and he would rather take care of the system we have then to merge with another County. Marshall County started collecting on phone bills in 1997 for 3 years before we started the Board. In order to take over Stark County 911 it would cost approximately \$340,000 with reimbursement from grant fees that are unknown.

Wes Frenell from Salvation Army presented that they have a Housing Program for Homeless Veterans. Their office opened in October in Galesburg. They receive their funding through VA grants. Pamphlets were handed out and people can contact Wes and he will schedule an appointment.

It was moved by Lindstrom and seconded by Gauwitz to Approve Payment of the **Bills** as presented. Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motioned carried.

Committee Reports

Animal Control: Waldschmidt reported they had a meeting with Dr. Alan McCully. She gave him a new sheet to fill out for the bill.

Building & Grounds: Johnson reported that the inside of the door is completed and waiting on the bill to be submitted.

EMA: McLaughlin reported that Rich-EMA Director has completed all his certifications. There will be an EMA Drill on December 2nd at the Lacon Fire house at 6:30pm and Rich and Mike McIntyre are in charge of the meeting. Next EMA meeting is scheduled in January.

Human Resources & IT: Lindstrom reported that they were meeting after the board meeting.

Judicial Offices: Waldschmidt reported that the Treasurer is sending out her last distributions. The Assessor office is sending out Assessment notices. The County Clerks office is very busy.

Public Transportation: McGrath reported they have enough money to get through January with the budget but after that they are not sure what they will do. She also reported that Debbie Daykin will be retiring next year.

County Sheriff & Coroner: Gauwitz reported that they hired a full time dispatcher and let the trainee go. They also hired a part time dispatcher. The jail is full and at times they are triple bunked. They have a car in Princeton getting repairs done and it will cost about \$1700.

Health Dept: Lindstrom reported that they are going to publish their hours in the paper because they are going to be closed one Thursday a month. The Sheriff would like a County Nurse to be able to do evaluations.

Tri-County Opportunities: McGrath reported there will be a meeting at IVCC on Wednesday November 18 and there will be no meeting in December.

Zoning & Land Use: Stash reported they are working on zoning changes.

At 11:15 a.m., it was moved by Bakewell and seconded by Lindstrom to **Adjourn**.
Vote shows all ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, motioned carried.