OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

OF

IROQUOIS COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RECESSED SESSION

March 11, A.D., 2008

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IROQUOIS COUNTY BOARD OFFICIAL REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS

The Iroquois County Board met in Recessed Session at the Administrative Center on Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 9:00 A.M.

Chairman Schroeder called the meeting to order and asked County Clerk Mark Henrichs to call the roll.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROOUOIS COUNTY

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, March 11, 2008

Chairman Schroeder

On motion to call roll

Aye: Bills, Busick, Copas, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Ebert, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt, Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schroeder, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

County Board member John Dowling introduced Reverend Van Haas, Pastor of the Sheldon Church of Christ, who gave the opening prayer after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

MINUTES

It was moved by Mrs. Busick and seconded to approve the minutes of the February 2008 Recessed County Board meeting. Motion carried by a voice vote.

PAYROLL

It was moved by Mr. Dowling and seconded to approve the payroll. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

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Recessed Session, March 11, 2008

Chairman Schroeder

On motion to approve payroll

Aye: Bills, Busick, Copas, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Ebert, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt, Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn

COUNTY BOARD SERVICES

| Russell Bills | 165.00 |
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| Betty Busick | 165.00 |

| Alan DeWitt | 126.00 |
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| John R. Dowling | 220.00 |
| Jerry P. Haynes | 296.76 |
| Dennis Johnson | |
| Rodney Copas | 225.60 |
| Donna Crow | 201.36 |
| Kevin Hansen | 329.08 |
| Troy R. Krumwiede | 110.00 |
| Beryl V. Luecke | 255.90 |
| Harriett M. Mowrey | 360.85 |
| John M. Kuntz | 371.52 |
| James H. Meyer | 406.30 |
| Kathy J. Ebert | 140.30 |
| Ronald Schroeder | 505.19 |
| Lowell D. Schmidt | 220.00 |
| Merle Lemenager | 286.64 |
| Dale L. Schultz | 214.50 |
| Donna L. Wasmer | 165.00 |
| John A. Wilkening | 537.04 |
| Edward V. Schuldt | 302.84 |
| Susan J. Wynn | 165.00 |
| James E. Hurt | 300.80 |
| Jean L. Hiles | 190.44 |

HEALTH

Mr. Dowling, Chairman of the Health Committee, gave the report of his committee and moved for adoption. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, March 11, 2008

Chairman Schroeder

On motion to approve Health Committee report

Aye: Bills, Busick, Copas, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Ebert, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt, Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session March 11, A.D., 2008

Mr. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your committee to whom was referred **Health Services** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Administrative Center on March 3, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. Members present were John Dowling, Betty Busick, Rod Copas, Jean Hiles, and Donna Wasmer. Also present were Dr. James Finnell, Animal Control Administrator; Dr. Dennis Hopkins, Executive Director of the Iroquois Mental Health Center; Alberta Burton, Director of Operations at Iroquois Mental Health Center; Diane Thiele, Chief Financial Officer of Iroquois Mental Health Center; and Ron Schroeder, County Board Chairman.

Dr. Finnell distributed copies of the Animal Control Report for the period ending February 27, 2008. There were a total of 13 stray dog calls, 8 bite cases, 5 registration violations, 10 welfare and nuisance calls, and 28 dogs impounded. Fifteen dogs were taken to the Vermilion County Welfare Kennel for adoption. One specimen was sent to the University of Illinois Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory to be tested for rabies.

Dr. Finnell discussed the Brown case and said a pre trial hearing was set for February 21st. He noted Ms. Brown failed to appear; however, the charges for failure to appear were later dismissed. The next court date is scheduled for May 20th; he said Ms. Brown has requested a jury trial. He also said that during sentencing, a request can be made for payment of boarding the animals so the county will be reimbursed.

In other matters, Dr. Finnell said he met with Jim Devine, Dan Garner, and Pam DeWitt to set up procedures for paying fines at the traffic window in the Circuit Clerks office. He said they approved a 3 copy citation ticket to be used in citing owners delinquent in registering their dogs. The ticket has an envelope that can be used to send in the \$60.00 fine. The court date for the owners appearance is on the citation, if the fine is not paid. He said the current system is not working and it was determined that to be effective, it must cost more to not register a dog than it does to register one. He said Jim Devine will aggressively pursue registrations and that one dollar spent in enforcement will save many in the long run. He said responsible pet owners are disgusted and angry about being forced to subsidize the irresponsible ones.

Dr. Finnell said he plans to attend the Regional Planning Commission Board meeting on March 4th to discuss a kennel which is to be built near Stockland. He said he will need to find out how many dogs will be housed there and if the owner needs a license.

Dr. Hopkins from the Iroquois Mental Health Center addressed the committee. He said there has been a large increase in the number of people seen at the facility and they are looking at additional programs. He spoke about sources of funding and said they continue to apply for grants and have received approximately \$122,000 in grant money this past year. He said they are continuing to focus on the 0-5 age group, because it is best to treat persons at an early age and also because children can be easily mis-diagnosed.

He said there are currently several satellite clinics in the county. A therapist goes to these clinics to see people, normally a half day per week. These persons are usually referred by their general practitioners. He said the cost to use the facilities is minimal and is usually \$50 per month.

In response to a question regarding the impact of the recent flooding, he said employees had to get to work by boat and also delivered medications to persons by boat. He said the center had staff at the Methodist Church for several days to counsel persons who were displaced by the flood. He said he thinks the real impact of the flooding will be felt in about 3 months when people have more

energy.

He talked about the rate of suicide in the county and said it is very high. He said there are many contributing factors, such as not enough resources and much isolation. He said a very small number of patients commit suicide, and it is usually the persons who do not seek help who do.

The committee discussed the long term recovery of the county due to the flooding. It was noted the ministerial society had served 321 families at last count. It was also noted the Red Cross has spent a lot of money in the county. The committee expressed their hope that FEMA will eventually come through.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by Jean Hiles and seconded to pay the bills subject to County Board approval. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, a motion was made by Rod Copas and seconded to adjourn at 10:25 A.M. Motion carried.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/John Dowling s/Betty Busick s/Rod Copas s/Jean Hiles s/Donna Wasmer

FEMA

ESDA Director Carl Gerdovich introduced Mary Dawson representing the FEMA Community Relations Team. Ms. Dawson stressed FEMA's mission in Iroquois County is to assist the people who have suffered damages as a result of the floods. She stressed there are just two ways to make an application for assistance; by phone or online at www.fema.gov. Each person will receive a nine-digit registration number, which will become their lifeline to FEMA.

Ms. Dawson said the service center, which is being set up in Watseka, will assist with collecting and forwarding information to FEMA. Inspectors will come to the properties to inspect damages. A determination will be made as to the type and amount of assistance that will be available and how the money is to be used. She said although FEMA assistance is meant to make people safe again in their homes, they cannot make them whole. Some money will be in the form of very low interest disaster loans and some will be grant money to be used for essential things. Ms. Dawson stressed that people must apply in order to receive any type of assistance.

TAX

Mr. Haynes, Chairman of the Tax Committee, gave the report of his committee and moved for adoption. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, March 11, 2008

Chairman Schroeder

On motion to approve Tax Committee report

Aye: Bills, Busick, Copas, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Ebert, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt,

Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session March 11, A.D., 2008

Mr. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your committee to whom was referred **Tax** would be gleave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Administrative Center on March 4, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. Members present were Jerry Haynes, John Kuntz, Kevin Hansen, Betty Busick, Troy Krumwiede, Jim Hurt, and Dale Schultz. Also present were Cecelia Dixon, Director of Data Processing; Yvonne Doggett, Chief Deputy Treasurer; Tom Tuntland, Director of County Information Systems; Mark Henrichs, County Clerk; Bob Yergler, Supervisor of Assessments; Joel Moore, County Engineer; and Ron Schroeder, County Board Chairman.

Cecelia Dixon, Director of Data Processing, reported she is waiting for final Board of Review information in order to begin tax cycle work. She said currently she is working on checking pending union contracts for language errors, etc.

Chief Deputy Treasurer Yvonne Doggett reported if all assessor information is in, mobile home tax bills will be mailed out this week. She said there will be approximately 700 bills, which will be due sixty days from mailing. Yvonne also reported 12 tax deferrals have been applied for this year, which is up slightly. This information will be sent in to the State in mid-March.

Tom Tuntland, Director of County Information Systems, reported on pending legislation which could potentially have a positive affect on assessment line items. He said one bill would eliminate the certified mail requirement for notifications; another would allow the posting of assessments on a website, rather than expensive newspaper publications.

Tom said he is researching tax cycle software companies. Two of the major companies in Illinois are Devnet and Manitron. He said he has not yet compared features or prices.

County Clerk Mark Henrichs distributed and reviewed the county-wide Statement of Votes Cast report from the February Primary election. He briefly discussed a maintenance proposal from the County's election vendor in the amount of \$18,000 for annual maintenance of electronic voting equipment. Mark said the devices are maintained by his Systems Administrator and staff, and he has declined the hardware maintenance agreement again this year.

Mark asked the committee for direction concerning a situation in which the only evening session of election judge school had to be cancelled due to very poor weather. He said although there was a make-up session, 14 judges were unable to attend. Election Judges receive \$100 for their service on election day if they have attended a training class, but only \$80 if they have not attended. They also receive a \$15 stipend for attending the class. Mark said he feels the 14 judges who were not able to attend the make-up session should be paid the additional \$20 in this case, due to the circumstances. He said it would not be worth losing election judges over this amount of money. The committee agreed. It was moved by Dale Schultz and seconded to approve the

payment of \$20 to each election judge who was scheduled to attend the election judge training class which was cancelled on January 29th. Motion carried unanimously. These judges will not receive the \$15 class attendance stipend.

Supervisor of Assessments Bob Yergler reported the annual Assessor's Meeting was well attended. He said in an attempt to get the tax bills out earlier, he gave township assessors a more aggressive deadline of April 30th to complete their work.

Bob said due to the flood there is a large amount of additional paperwork to be completed this year. He said if they are to make any progress in getting the tax cycle back on an earlier schedule, he will need some additional part-time help. It was the consensus of the committee that it is their duty to keep the tax cycle on track. The employee would be temporary, with no benefits, and would be used strictly for the purpose of flood damage paperwork. The committee felt the work can be completed at a cost of less than \$1,000 and should be tracked as part of the flood total costs. Following brief discussion, it was moved by Jim Hurt and seconded to approve a temporary part-time employee for the Assessment Office for the purpose of assisting with flood damage paperwork. Motion carried unanimously.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by Betty Busick and seconded to pay the bills subject to County Board approval. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by John Kuntz and seconded to adjourn at 10:14 A.M. Motion carried.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/Jerry Haynes s/John Kuntz s/Kevin Hansen s/Betty Busick s/Troy Krumwiede s/Jim Hurt s/Dale Schultz

MANAGEMENT

Mrs. Mowrey, Chairman of the Management Committee, gave the report of her committee and moved for adoption. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

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Chairman Schroeder

On motion to approve Management Committee report

Aye: Bills, Busick, Copas, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Ebert, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt, Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session March 11, A.D., 2008

Mr. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your committee to whom was referred **Management Services** would be gleave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Administrative Center on March 4, 2008, at 9:00 A.M. Members present were Harriett Mowrey, Beryl Luecke, Merle Lemenager, Dennis Johnson, Jean Hiles, Alan DeWitt, and Ed Schuldt. Also present were Larry Pankey, Maintenance Supervisor; Sheriff Eldon Sprau; and John Wilkening, County Board Vice Chairman.

Sheriff Eldon Sprau told the committee that the garbage disposal in the kitchen of the jail is broken. The parts needed to fix the broken disposal were not able to be found so a new commercial style disposal was ordered and will cost approximately \$3,500. The new disposal should be installed within the next few weeks.

Eldon also spoke of the deteriorating condition of the underground tunnel connecting the Courthouse and jail. He said the roof of the tunnel has been leaking, he also said Bill Dirks of Bill's Concrete has inspected the tunnel and could possibly repair the leaks with rubber. There could also be a need for new concrete which will be determined when the weather permits.

There have been two cameras added to the jail, one in the stairway and one in the hall used by correctional officers while transporting inmates throughout the jail. There will also be one added to a room in the jail that will be used as a cell to house inmates on suicide watch. The room is currently a 7 X 10 store room with an 8-foot ceiling. There will be no plumbing in the room and few additions such as mats will be needed to make the room suitable for an inmate. There can be no cameras added to the cell block because of privacy issues. This room with the camera added will allow for round the clock surveillance needed to keep the inmates on suicide watch from harming themselves. The money funding the project is again coming from the commissary account that is funded by the prisoners. Eldon also thanked Larry and the maintenance team for running the necessary wires needed for the three new cameras which has kept the cost of the project at a minimum. While converting the store room into a cell, Eldon said he had the Secretary of State's office go through old records to determine which could be incinerated or shredded to make room in his other storage areas. The last time the Secretary of State's office did this was in 1977 so there should be plenty of space in these areas to store the records that need to be saved.

Larry Pankey, Maintenance Supervisor, reported on the following:

- The phone service is still being worked on at the Administrative Center and Courthouse with most of the major problems fixed. The Iroquois Sexual Assault Services office located in the basement of the Courthouse has inquired about being added to the new phone system in the Courthouse. It was noted that having everyone on the same system will make it easier to repair any and all phones in the building. The I.S.A.S. office will still pay for their own phone bill but by adding them to the new phone system they will have the same capabilities that the other offices in the building have.
- Valves were changed at the jail.
- Several years ago the roof on the jail was redone with a "cheesecloth like" paper that has over time leaked in several places. The leaks have been

repaired time and again with a seal coat added a few years ago. Bennett & Brosseau Roofing Inc. check the roofs of the Administrative Center and Courthouse every year and fix any places in need of repair. They will be called to check the roof of the jail to try to fix the leaks. With all the leaks the roof has sustained a new roof for the jail may be brought up during budget hearings.

Since this week is Severe Weather Preparedness Week Larry once again brought up the need to put flashlights and first aid kits in every office. He also feels that the evacuation plan, which was provided to each office by Sheriff Eldon Sprau, needs to be brought to the attention of all employees so there is no question of where to go and what to do during an emergency. After some discussion, Committee Chairman Harriett Mowrey said that she would bring the emergency situation concerns to the attention of the Policy & Procedure Committee.

John Wilkening, County Board & 911 Board Vice Chairman, thanked the committee for their consideration in working with 911 to give the center the space they have requested. He said that they are in the process of applying for grant money to fund the necessary equipment upgrades. He also told the committee that Nita Dubble, 911 Coordinator, is working on clearing her storage area above the 911 center to make room for the records that are stored in the room that is being considered for the 911 addition.

The committee reviewed claims. It was moved by Jean Hiles and seconded to pay bills subject to County Board approval. Motion carried.

The committee talked about the request made last month by the Old Courthouse Museum regarding the lawn care at the museum. There is a lawn mower that the County owns that could be donated to the museum to be used for their mowing needs. The mower has little to no trade in value. It could be stored in the shed on the museum grounds during the summer and the County building during the winter. Committee member Jean Hiles will let the Old Courthouse Museum Board know of the proposal and report to the committee at the next meeting.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Dennis Johnson and seconded to adjourn at 9:50 A.M. Motion carried.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/Harriett Mowrey s/Beryl Luecke s/Merle Lemenager s/Dennis Johnson s/Jean Hiles s/Alan DeWitt s/Ed Schuldt

JUDICIAL & PUBLIC SAFETY and RESOLUTION NO. R2008-17

Mr. Kuntz, Chairman of the Judicial and Public Safety Committee, gave the report of his committee and presented Resolution No. R2008-17 for approval. Mr. Kuntz moved for adoption of the report and resolution, which was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, March 11, 2008

Chairman Schroeder

On motion to approve Judicial & Public Safety Committee report and Resolution No. R2008-17

Aye: Bills, Busick, Copas, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt, Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn

Nay: Ebert

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session March 11, A.D., 2008

Mr. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your committee to whom was referred **Judicial & Public Safety** would be gleave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Courthouse on March 5, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. Members present were John Kuntz, John Wilkening, Susan Wynn, Lowell Schmidt, Donna Crow, and Rod Copas.. Also present were Arlene Hines, Circuit Clerk; Rick Einfeldt, Director of Court Services; Barb King, Juvenile Probation Officer; Bill Cheatum, Coroner; Sheriff Eldon Sprau; Judge James Kinzer; Jim Devine, State's Attorney; ESDA Coordinator Carl Gerdovich; Tom Tuntland, Director of County Information Systems; and Ron Schroeder, County Board Chairman.

Judge James Kinzer reported Judge Lustfeldt will be in Kankakee County until at least July. Judge Kinzer also reported the Prairie States self-help computer is now available for use.

There will be a "kick-off" on April 1st to inform the public of this system, at which time training will be provided to courthouse staff. The self-help computer system has been designed to help people download forms such as, simple divorce cases, orders of protection, wills, landlord/tenant disputes, power of attorney, etc. This should help alleviate the congestion in the Circuit Clerk's office. It was moved by Susan Wynn and seconded to adopt a resolution to establish a self-help center at the Iroquois County Courthouse. Motion carried.

ESDA Coordinator Carl Gerdovich reported he would like to hold meetings in the basement of the courthouse. He will post a calendar to let others know of scheduled meetings, as other departments also hold meetings there.

Carl said he is hopeful he will be contacted soon concerning the declaration on the flood. If the declaration is approved, FEMA will be interested in setting up a service center in order for paperwork to be processed. The center would be available for flood victims six days week. The center will need to be handicap accessible, provide attainable restrooms, and be operational from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Carl reported on the availability of sandbags during the floods. He suggested the county

have a "hopper" to store dry sand for all county residents needing to sandbag their property in the event of a flood. He also said it would be helpful if one or two townships in the county would have a building to provide sand to residents. These facilities would not be manned, but would need to be replenished once the sand diminishes. Carl said sand "bags" are needed and must be properly stored in order for them to be effective, as they disintegrate after some time.

Rick Einfeldt, Director of Court Services, reported he has received a lease agreement regarding the GPS monitoring system for the ankle bracelet program. There will be separate agreements for the Probation Department and the Sheriff's Department. The cost per unit is \$8 per day plus a 35 cent fee for insurance. Assessment of fees will be the responsibility of the sentencing Judge. Each department will have extra units on hand to use if necessary. It was moved by John Wilkening and seconded to recommend to the full County Board approval of authorization for Rick Einfeldt to sign contracts for the Probation Department and Sheriff's Department for the GPS monitoring system for ankle bracelets for juvenile home detention. Motion carried.

Arlene Hines, Circuit Clerk, distributed her report for February 2008 and answered questions.

Bill Cheatum, Coroner, distributed his report for February 2008. There were no inquests held, six coroner's certificates issued, twenty-three coroner calls transferred back to a doctor, and seven cremation permits issued.

State's Attorney Jim Devine reported the grand jury will be meeting tomorrow. There are 20 cases for review.

Sheriff Eldon Sprau reported Lieutenant Robert Flesher will be retiring on September 5, 2008. He said there will be a reception at that time in his honor. Eldon said he would like to hire two deputies to replace Lt. Flesher. As of December 1, 2007, Lt. Flesher's salary will be \$58,299.97. Each deputy's starting salary would be \$32,083.20; creating a difference of \$5,866.43. Though creating this difference in salary, Sheriff Sprau noted service calls are increasing and the need for additional officers on the road is necessary. Applicants will be testing this month and in April. Sheriff Sprau would like to see at least one new hire in June in order to train with Lt. Flesher, and possibly one in August or September. It was moved by Rod Copas and seconded to recommend to the Finance Committee that Sheriff Sprau be authorized to hire two new deputies to replace Lieutenant Flesher when he retires, without promoting anyone within the Sheriff's Department. Motion carried.

Sheriff Sprau reported the correctional officer which has been out on temporary disability will not be returning. He will be on permanent disability.

Sheriff Sprau reported on the purchase of new tasers and holsters for each county squad car. These tasers were purchased from the book-in fee funds. Additionally Eldon reported he is applying for a grant for AED defibulators for each squad car. He should know in about five months whether the department is eligible for this grant. Three new cameras have been installed at the jail. These cameras were purchased from the commissary accounts. Eldon also reported the security system at the courthouse is not yet completed. He is hopeful it will be by next month. Every person entering the courthouse will be scanned. They will enter through one door and exit through another.

Tom Tuntland, Director of County Information Systems, was available to answer questions pertaining to the new self-help computer system in the courthouse.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by Rod Copas and seconded to pay the bills subject to County Board approval. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Susan Wynn and seconded to adjourn at 11:12 A.M. Motion carried.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/John Kuntz s/Susan Wynn s/Lowell Schmidt s/John Wilkening s/Donna Crow s/Rod Copas

RESOLUTION NO. R2008-17

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A LEGAL SELF-HELP CENTER IN IROQUOIS COUNTY

WHEREAS, the number of people coming to court who do not have an attorney to represent them has continued to grow over the past five years.

WHEREAS, the Illinois Coalition for equal Justice and Illinois Legal Aid Online are working to set up internet-based legal self-help centers around the state.

WHEREAS, the computer center will be located on the first floor of the Iroquois County Courthouse.

| NOW | THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Iroquois County Board, that an Iroquois |
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| County Lega | l Self-Help Computer Center is established and operated on the first floor at the |
| Courthouse. | |

| Passed this | 11 th | _ day of | March | , 2008. |
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| | | | _ | s/Ron Schroeder |
| | | | | Ron Schroeder, Chairman |
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| ATTEST: | s/Mark R. I | Henrichs | | - · · · · · |
| Mark R. | Henrichs, C | ounty Clerk | | |

FINANCE

Mr. Meyer, Chairman of the Finance Committee, gave the report of his committee and moved for adoption. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, March 11, 2008

Chairman Schroeder

On motion to approve Finance Committee report

Aye: Bills, Busick, Copas, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Ebert, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt, Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session March 11, A.D., 2008

Mr. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your committee to whom was referred **Finance** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Administrative Center on March 6, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. Members present were Jim Meyer, Jerry Haynes, Harriett Mowrey, John Dowling, Lowell Schmidt, Susan Wynn, and Russell Bills. Also present Roger Schuldt, Schuldt Insurance; Sheriff Eldon Sprau; Mindy Kuntz Hagan, Treasurer; Cecelia Dixon, Director of Data Processing; Tom Tuntland, Director of County Information Systems; Bob Yergler, Supervisor of Assessments; Mark Henrichs, County Clerk; Ron Schroeder, County Board Chairman; and Wendy Davis from the *Times-Republic*.

Roger Schuldt, Schuldt Insurance, reported the Sheriff's Department added eight tasers and related equipment to the County's policy with a total value of approximately \$7,700.

Roger reported recent audits of the County's workers compensation insurance and general liability insurance would have resulted in a \$4,665 refund from the general liability policy. He said, however, an additional charge of \$4,675 was needed for the workers compensation policy, therefore no refund was issued.

Roger said he was asked about a claim for a recent accident which resulted in damage to the Showbus. Sheriff Sprau explained Maintenance Supervisor Larry Pankey had backed into the Showbus while snowplowing the parking lot. Repair costs were estimated at \$600, but due to the \$500 deductible, they decided to pay the bill from a Maintenance Department line item rather than turning it in.

Treasurer Mindy Kuntz Hagan reported \$33,821.50 has been received from Walker Place Farms for the first half of the cash rent on the County farm ground. Mindy also mentioned CD interest rates continue to fall.

Sheriff Eldon Sprau told the committee Lt. Bob Flesher will retire from the Sheriff's Department in September of this year with 40 years of service to the County. Eldon said he would like to replace Lt. Flesher with two deputies for patrol work. He noted there will not be a promotion within the department to the rank of lieutenant, because there are already enough employees in the higher ranking positions. Patrol officers are badly needed as service calls have increased significantly over the years. The starting wage for deputies is \$32,083; the cost of base salary for the two deputies would be \$64,166. Including insurance and benefits, the annual increase in budget for two additional deputies and one less lieutenant is estimated at \$14,500; however, it was noted

there are variables that could affect this figure in either direction. It is also possible that some savings could be realized as a result of less overtime for other officers working patrol. Also if PTI training is necessary, money can be saved by sending two employees at the same time. Eldon said there are 37 applicants for the positions.

The Judicial Committee has recommended approval of the proposal but referred the matter to Finance for consideration. Following discussion, it was moved by Lowell Schmidt and seconded to recommend approval of the hiring of two deputies for the Sheriff's Department with the understanding there will be no promotion to Lieutenant at this time. The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. It was the consensus of the committee that it should be left to the discretion of the Sheriff as to when to start the new deputies.

Director of Data Processing Cecelia Dixon distributed a list of unused and unnecessary budgetary line items which she would like to delete in order to "clean up" the budget. She has distributed this list to office holders for their consideration, as well as the auditor, who had no problem with the deletion of the unneeded lines. It was the consensus of the committee that Cecelia could delete all the requested lines, but suggested she keep a hard copy of them on file, as they may be useful for researching past practice, etc.

Cecelia said notice must be given to retirees who are on County insurance 30 days prior to any change in the insurance plan. With all unions close to settlement, she has prepared a draft letter which will notify them, as well as current employees, of the changes which will take place in the plan as negotiated. She said she has had inquiries as to whether employees can "opt out" of the plan, The committee discussed whether there is language in place providing for this option or if it would be something that had to be in the union contract. It was suggested Cecelia discuss this with the County's union attorney, as well as the BAS representative. She said she also found some language discrepancies in BAS's plan change analysis and will check on those as well.

Supervisor of Assessments Bob Yergler said tentative Board of Review decisions have been mailed. The week of March 17th has been set for final Board of Review work.

County Clerk Mark Henrichs reported the County Convention was held at the Administrative Center on March 5th. He said according to State law, all counties hold their convention on the same date. A lottery is held for party placement on the November General Election ballot. Mark said the results of the Iroquois County lottery were Republican's will be listed first, Green's second, and Democrat's third on the November ballot.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by Harriett Mowrey and seconded to pay the bills subject to County Board approval. Motion carried by roll call vote.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Russell Bills and seconded to adjourn at 10:05 A.M. Motion carried.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/Jim Meyer s/Jerry Haynes s/Harriett Mowrey s/John Dowling s/Lowell Schmidt s/Susan Wynn s/Russell Bills

TRANSPORTATION & HIGHWAY TWO PETITIONS FOR COUNTY AID

(Pigeon Grove Bridge No. 038-5128 and 038-5129)

and

LOCAL AGENCY AGREEMENT

(Jurisdictional Transfer of County Highway 18 Woodworth-Schwer Road)

Petitions for County Aid and Local Agency Agreement have been recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's Office

Mr. Wilkening, Chairman of the Transportation and Highway Committee, gave the two reports of his committee and presented two Petitions for County Aid, and one Local Agency Agreement for approval. Mr. Wilkening moved for adoption of all which was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, March 11, 2008

Chairman Schroeder

On motion to approve two Transportation & Highway Committee reports, two Petitions for County Aid, and one Local Agency Agreement

Aye: Bills, Busick, Copas, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Ebert, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt, Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session March 11, A.D., 2008

Mr. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your committee to whom was referred **Transportation & Highway** would be gleave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Iroquois County Administrative Center on Thursday, March 6, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. Members present were: John Wilkening, Chairman, Russell Bills, Dennis Johnson, Kathy Ebert, Jim Hurt, Ed Schuldt, Kevin Hansen, and Joel Moore, County Engineer.

The Committee met for the purpose of receiving bids for Road District and Iroquois County maintenance projects. All bids were opened and read. It was moved by Jim Hurt and seconded to postpone award recommendations to the entire County Board until the next regular meeting of the Transportation & Highway Committee scheduled to be held at 9:00 A.M. on Friday, March 7, 2008 at the office of the County Engineer. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, Kathy Ebert moved and it was seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 A.M. Motion carried.

s/John Wilkening s/Dennis Johnson s/Kathy Ebert s/Kevin Hansen s/Jim Hurt s/Ed Schuldt

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session March 11, A.D., 2008

Mr. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your committee to whom was referred **Transportation & Highway** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Iroquois County Highway Building on Friday, March 7, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. Members present were: John Wilkening, Chairman, Russell Bills, Kevin Hansen, Jim Hurt, Ed Schuldt, Dennis Johnson, and Joel Moore, County Engineer. Also attending were Bob Geddes, Lovejoy Twp. and Norman Anderson, Milford Twp. The committee examined the claims and financial reports for the month of February 2008. After reviewing all claims, it was moved by Ed Schuldt and seconded to pay the following claims, subject to County Board approval.

| County Highway | \$105,203.62 |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| County MFT | \$ 79,975.32 |
| Township MFT | \$ 16,854.60 |
| County Matching | \$ 11,042.33 |
| State Constr. & Engr. | \$ 51,496.16 |

Motion carried.

The committee next discussed the bids received at the letting held on March 6, 2008, for Township and County Motor Fuel Tax maintenance projects. It was moved by Kevin Hansen and seconded that the following awards be recommended to the County Board, contingent on IDOT approval.

Awarded Bids:

Section

| 08-01000-00-GM, Sp. #1 | General Materials | \$66,181.65 |
|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| 08-02000-00-GM, Sp. #1 | General Materials | \$46,631.54 |
| 08-03000-00-GM, Gp. #1 | Gray's Material Service | \$92,299.84 |
| 08-04000-00-GM, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$15,763.05 |
| 08-04000-00-GM, Gp. #2 | General Materials | \$11,550.00 |
| 08-04000-00-GM, Gp. #3 | Tri-Tank Terminal | \$6,580.00 |
| 08-05000-00-GM, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$52,820.13 |
| 08-05000-00-GM, Gp. #2 | Morrison-Benoit | \$9,450.00 |

| 08-06000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$58,938.99 |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| 08-06000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #2 | Tri-Tank Terminal | \$9,870.00 |
| 08-07000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | Gray's Material Service | \$89,476.44 |
| 08-08000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$35,851.15 |
| 08-08000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #2 | Tri-Tank Terminal | \$9,870.00 |
| 08-09000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$54,875.92 |
| 08-10000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$90,361.51 |
| 08-11000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | Gray's Material Service | \$44,118.95 |
| 08-11000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #2 | Conrad Trucking | \$26,838.10 |
| 08-12000-00-GM, Gp. #1 | Conrad Trucking | \$110,000.00 |
| 08-13000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$66,069.02 |
| 08-13000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #2 | Tri-Tank Terminal | \$3,290.00 |
| 08-14000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$51,722.32 |
| 08-14000-00-GM, Gp. #2 | Weber Trucking | \$33,600.00 |
| 08-15000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | Ribbe Trucking | \$54,215.06 |
| 08-16000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$59,256.24 |
| 08-17000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$38,018.62 |
| 08-17000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #2 | Conrad Trucking | \$20,000.00 |
| 08-18000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | Ribbe Trucking | \$34,853.72 |
| 08-19000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$72,141.81 |
| 08-20000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | Gray's Material Service | \$17,235.09 |
| 08-21000-00-GM, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$53,457.20 |
| 08-21000-00-GM, Gp. #2 | Conrad Trucking | \$12,650.00 |
| 08-22000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | Emulsicoat | \$39,960.90 |
| 08-23000-00-GM, Gp. #1 | Ribbe Trucking | \$24,367.68 |
| 08-23000-00-GM, Gp. #2 | Ribbe Trucking | \$5,565.15 |
| 08-23000-00-GM, Gp. #3 | Illowa Culvert | \$1,645.80 |
| 08-24000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | Gray's Material Service | \$67,722.90 |
| 08-25000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | General Materials | \$54,718.99 |
| 08-25000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #2 | Tri-Tank Terminals | \$3,290.00 |
| 08-25000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #3 | Morrison-Benoit | \$20,787.50 |
| 08-26000-00-GM, Sp. #1, Gp. #1 | Ribbe Trucking | \$7,542.76 |
| Motion carried. | | |

Dennis Johnson moved and was seconded to approve 2 Petitions for County Aid for Bridge #038-5128 and #038-5129 in Pigeon Grove Township located on 400N west of 1000E (2 miles south and 2 miles west of Cissna Park) and 400N west of 1200E (2 miles south and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile west of Cissna Park). Motion carried.

Ed Schuldt moved and was seconded to approve the Local Agency Agreement for Jurisdictional Transfer for CH 18 (Woodworth-Schwer Road). Motion carried.

Joel discussed several ongoing issues facing the County Highway Department.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, Jim Hurt moved and it was seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:26 A.M. Motion carried.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/John Wilkening

s/Russell Bills s/Kevin Hansen s/Dennis Johnson s/Jim Hurt s/Ed Schuldt

PLANNING & ZONING

Mr. Lemenager, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Committee, gave the report of his committee and moved for adoption. The motion was seconded and carried by a roll call vote.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, March 11, 2008

Chairman Schroeder

On motion to approve Planning & Zoning Committee report

Aye: Bills, Busick, Copas, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Ebert, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt, Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session March 11, A.D., 2008

Mr. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your committee to whom was referred **Planning and Zoning** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Administrative Center on March 7, 2008, at 9:00 A.M. Members present were Merle Lemenager, Donna Wasmer, Jim Meyer, Beryl Luecke, Dale Schultz, and Donna Crow. Also present were Gloria Schleef, Zoning Administrator; Debbie Wright, Chief Deputy Zoning Administrator; Jim Devine, State's Attorney; Doug Corbett, Ford-Iroquois Public Health Administrator; Terry Eimen, Ford-Iroquois Public Health Inspector; and Wendy Davis from the *Times-Republic*.

Doug Corbett and Terry Eimen, both from the Ford-Iroquois Public Health Department, spoke to the committee regarding the need for an environmental health survey. They stated there were many concerns that could affect the health and safety of the residents of Iroquois County. They are proposing a required inspection from the Health Department when an applicant applies for a building permit. The property would then be inspected for the following: Improperly abandoned wells, open or dilapidated cisterns, properly sealed cisterns, improper sewage discharge, and water quality standards. Mr. Eimen stated they are trying to protect citizens and their water supply.

The survey is expected to cost approximately \$150.00. Mr. Eimen said water samples will be taken, as well as an inspection completed on the property. The turnaround time for water samples

and inspection results will be one week. He said the Health Department gives the applicant results and environmental advice. It will not be mandatory that the applicant has to follow the advice or make any repairs after the results are given. The Health Department believes many residents would make the changes that were proposed.

The committee discussed the proposed environmental health survey. It was suggested to allow the inspections on a trial basis for six months. Discussion was also held regarding implementing the inspections at the beginning of the zoning process, which would occur before Regional Planning. Some members questioned why this wasn't enforced by the state or any other level of government.

Following extensive discussion, a motion was made by Donna Crow and seconded to table the subject until the committee could further consult with one another and deliberate. Motion carried by a voice vote. Luecke and Schultz voted Nay.

State's Attorney Jim Devine distributed proposed ordinance changes to the committee for review. These changes are from previous meetings and have all been approved by the Planning and Zoning Committee and the full County Board. Jim suggested the ordinances should eventually be posted on the Iroquois County website; he also proposed having them codified. The consensus of the committee was to table the matter until next month in order to view all of the completed ordinances.

Zoning Administrator Gloria Schleef reported on the following:

- A Flood Plain Seminar in Tinley Park is scheduled for March 12th and 13th. Gloria will be attending this seminar and will also obtain required credit hours.
- Carl Gerdovich, Joel Moore, and Gloria will be on the Mitigation Committee representing the County. Ted Horner, Marvin DeLahr, and John Anderson will serve for the City of Watseka. All villages in the County will also be asked to have at least one representative at the meetings. Gloria will also arrange for a mailing to be sent to Township Supervisors, Village and City Officials, and Highway Commissioners.
- A meeting has been scheduled with Mitigation Consultant Molly O'Toole for Tuesday, March 11th at 1:00 P.M. An additional meeting will be scheduled with two separate consultants to determine which firm would work the best for the County. The Villages of Milford, Woodland, and Cissna Park will all have representatives at these meetings, in addition to the City of Watseka and Iroquois County.
- The attendance for Regional Planning was greater this month. Gloria stated ten out of fourteen members were present. The four that could not attend all contacted the Zoning Office.
- Regional Planning members will be attending village and township meetings in order to obtain input for the land use map updates. Each member will be assisting with the village or township in their area. Gloria will compile a list of questions to send with each member.

With the time remaining, the committee revisited the Public Health Department's request to perform inspections when an applicant applies for a building permit. The consensus of the committee was to deny this request; they felt it was not their responsibility to enforce this extra step or the added fees. Zoning Administrator Gloria Schleef will contact Mr. Eimen with the committee's decision before the full County Board meets.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by Donna Crow and seconded to pay the

bills subject to County Board approval. Motion carried.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by Beryl Luecke and seconded to adjourn at 11:40 A.M. Motion carried.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

s/Merle Lemenager s/Donna Wasmer s/Jim Meyer s/Beryl Luecke s/Dale Schultz s/Donna Crow

POLICY & PROCEDURE RESOLUTION NO. R2008-18 RESOLUTION NO. R2008-19 RESOLUTION NO. R2008-20 and RESOLUTION NO. R2008-21

Mr. Schroeder, Chairman of the County Board, read the Policy and Procedure Committee report and presented Resolutions No. R2008-18 through R2008-21 for adoption. It was moved by Mr. Wilkening and seconded to approve the Policy and Procedure Committee report and the four resolutions. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

Roll call and votes in Iroquois County

Recessed Session, March 11, 2008

Chairman Schroeder

On motion to approve Policy & Procedure Committee report and Resolutions No. R2008-18, R2008-19, R2008-20, and R2008-21

Aye: Bills, Busick, Copas, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Ebert, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt, Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn

STATE OF ILLINOIS IROQUOIS COUNTY

County Board, Recessed Session March 11, A.D., 2008

Mr. Chairman and members of the County Board:

Your committee to whom was referred **Policy and Procedure** would beg leave to submit the following report on the matters before them:

Your committee met at the Administrative Center on March 10, 2008 at 9:00 A.M. Members present were Ron Schroeder, John Wilkening, Jerry Haynes, John Dowling, John Kuntz, Jim Meyer, Harriett Mowrey, and Merle Lemenager. Also present were Mindy Kuntz Hagan, Treasurer; Thad

Eshleman from the Soil and Water Conservation District, Gloria Schleef, Zoning Administrator; Carl Gerdovich, ESDA Director; Sam Ripple, volunteer ESDA assistant; Joel Moore, County Engineer; Barb Witte, Administrative Assistant to the County Board; Sheriff Eldon Sprau; Cecelia Dixon, Director of Data Processing; Jim Devine, State's Attorney; Bob Yergler, Supervisor of Assessments; Mark Henrichs, County Clerk; and Wendy Davis from the *Times-Republic*.

Thad Eshleman, Resource Conservationist for the Iroquois County Soil and Water Conservation District, discussed state funding for the 98 Conservation Districts in Illinois. Thad said districts are not receiving the State funds which have been appropriated for the fiscal year 08 budget and cannot maintain an office or retain staff without the funds. He said many districts have cut back hours and some may have to close completely if funding is not made available. A proposed resolution outlines the valuable services provided by the districts and requests that the Governor authorize the full and immediate release of the \$7.5 million appropriation which was included in the budget. He asked that the Board consider the approval of the resolution which can then be forwarded to the appropriate authority. It was moved by John Dowling and seconded to recommend approval of the resolution supporting the release of funds for Soil and Water Conservation Districts. Motion carried.

The committee reviewed the claims. It was moved by John Kuntz and seconded to pay the bills subject to County Board approval. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Director of Data Processing Cecelia Dixon said she has received correspondence from IMRF that the County may, by resolution, include taxable expense allowances as IMRF earnings. She said two employees receive clothing allowance as part of their union contract. By approving this it would cost the County approximately \$325 in IMRF benefits for the year. However; it was noted from the IMRF correspondence that also allowable as IMRF earnings would be automobile allowances, travel allowances, and moving expenses. It was the consensus of the committee that it would not be a good idea to approve such a resolution because of the overly wide range of allowable expenses. Chairman Schroeder reported, for information only, the East Central Illinois Community Action Agency will be holding their annual dinner on March 14, 2008 at the Turtle Run Golf Club in Danville, IL. Tickets are \$30. Additionally, April is designated as Sexual Assault Awareness Month and Kankakee County is sponsoring a "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" event on April 4, 2008. Registration forms are available.

Chairman Schroeder said the AFSCME union has agreed on a contract; however, some minor language modifications are still taking place. Cecelia asked, in anticipation of the full approval of the contract in April, will the same vacation schedule apply to non-union employees as well. Non-union employees would be department heads, chief deputies, and assistant state's attorneys. The committee felt vacation benefits should be the same for all employees. It was moved by Jim Meyer and seconded to approve a resolution setting policy that non-union employees will receive the same vacation benefits as FOP and AFSCME union employees, effective February 1, 2008. Motion carried unanimously by a roll call vote. The State's Attorney will prepare a resolution.

Sheriff Eldon Sprau discussed an emergency plan which was put into effect last year, concerning shelter for employees in weather emergencies. Eldon said drills have not yet been implemented, but should be soon. The Administrative Center, unlike the Courthouse which has a basement, specifically needs to practice the plan. He would like to see a day in March or April designated each year for this purpose. An employee in each building should be designated as the "leader" and assist with practicing the emergency plan. It was the consensus of the committee that

this is a good idea and the Sheriff should proceed with the training as he sees fit. Eldon said he will send a memo to all offices when the practice is to take place.

Additionally, Eldon reported March 28th has been tentatively scheduled for the GPS monitoring device training. He said several employees in the Sheriff's Department, as well as the entire Probation Department will be trained by the GPS monitor company.

County Clerk Mark Henrichs reported he has prepared a resolution to congratulate the Cissna Park Wildcats 7th grade basketball team for their recent class 1A state championship. Saturday, March 8th, the St. Anne High School Cardinals basketball team also brought home a class 1A championship. It was moved by John Wilkening and seconded to approve a resolution of congratulations for each of the winning teams and their school. Motion carried.

ESDA Director Carl Gerdovich reported now that Iroquois County has received a Federal Disaster Declaration, FEMA officials will be coming in right away to begin their work. They are researching options for a "service center" site where those affected by the floods can come for assistance. Carl stressed that this is a new process and everyone affected needs to register with FEMA in order to be eligible for any kind of assistance. FEMA teams will be distributing flyers and may be going door to door as well. It was suggested Carl ask the FEMA Public Information Officer to come to the Board meeting if time permits them to.

Carl also briefly discussed the Mitigation Planning Committee efforts, which will hold their first meeting at 1 P.M. on March 11th. They will begin by interviewing consulting firms, one of which will be hired to prepare the mitigation plan. Board members are welcome to attend.

Chairman Schroeder said the Judicial and Public Safety Committee should discuss a salary increase for the position of ESDA Director. He said the current compensation is not adequate to cover the number of meetings and hours of work which Carl has undertaken. Over a period of time, the job has changed and become more complicated and time-consuming.

Each committee chairman highlighted their report and answered questions. Director of Data Processing Cecelia Dixon said she has done some research in regards to the question of whether employees can opt out of the County's insurance plan. She found that an employee may opt out, but may not rejoin, except in the case of a "life event". A life event would be death of a spouse, loss of spouse's job, divorce, etc.

As there was no further business to come before the committee, it was moved by John Wilkening and seconded to adjourn at 10:50 A.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted.

s/Ron Schroeder s/John Wilkening s/Jerry Haynes s/John Dowling s/John Kuntz s/Harriett Mowrey s/Jim Meyer s/Merle Lemenager

RESOLUTION NO. R2008-18

Whereas: Illinois Soil and Water Conservation Districts are local units of government authorized

by Illinois State Statute, and:

Whereas: Each of the 98 Soil and Water Conservation Districts was duly created by local referendum, and;

Whereas: Soil and Water Conservation Districts were not given taxing authority but were intended to be funded by appropriations made by the Illinois General Assembly, and;

Whereas: Soil and Water Conservation Districts provide an invaluable service by coordinating assistance from all available sources, public, private, local, state, and federal in an effort to develop locally driven solutions to natural resource concerns, and;

Whereas: Soil and Water Conservation Districts provide services that benefit all citizens of Illinois and the Illinois economy by implementing conservation practices and measures that keep soil on fields, lawns, and development sites and out of water bodies, and;

Whereas: Soil and Water Conservation Districts conserve and restore wetlands which purify water, provide habitat for fish, birds and wildlife, protect groundwater resources, and;

Whereas: Soil and Water Conservation Districts assist developers and homeowners in managing the land in an environmentally sensitive manner, and;

Whereas: Soil and Water Conservation Districts reach out to schools, communities and individuals to demonstrate and teach the value of natural resources, and;

Whereas: Soil and Water Conservation districts hold and maintain permanent conservation easements for the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, property that has been bequeathed to them and other covenants and titles to lands that are to remain in a protected state in perpetuity, and;

Whereas: Soil and Water Conservation Districts assist counties, municipalities, watershed groups, organizations, State agencies, federal agencies, corporations and individuals with planning, installation and implementation of plans and practices that benefit society and protect fragile and valuable natural resources, and;

Whereas: Soil and Water Conservation Districts cannot retain staff or maintain an office without funds that are appropriated by the Illinois General Assembly and approved by the Governor of the State of Illinois; and

Whereas: As of this date, Illinois's Soil and Water Conservation Districts have received none of the state funds allocated for soil and water conservation for the current fiscal year;

Therefore: Be it resolved that the Iroquois County Board hereby respectfully requests that the Governor authorize the full and immediate release of the \$7.5 million appropriation included in

the FY 08 budget for grants to Soil and Water Conservation Districts for Administrative, Technical, and other personnel, for education and promotional assistance, and for expenses of Soil and Water Conservation District Boards and administrative expenses and approximately \$6 million included in the FY 08 budget from the Conservation 2000 Fund or its successor fund, the Partners in Conservation Fund for the Conservation 2000 Program to implement agricultural resource enhancement programs for Illinois' natural resources, including operational expenses.

Adopted by the Iroquois County Board this <u>11th</u> day of <u>March</u> in the year 2008.

RESOLUTION NO. R2008-19

RESOLUTION TO SET POLICY FOR IROQUOIS COUNTY EMPLOYEE VACATION TIME

(Resolution will be recorded and placed on file in the County Clerk's Office)

RESOLUTION NO. R2008-20

RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE CISSNA PARK 7^{TH} GRADE BASKETBALL TEAM

WHEREAS, the Cissna Park Wildcats 7th grade basketball team won the State Basketball Class 1A championship on February 7, 2008, and;

WHEREAS, The Cissna Park Wildcats basketball team, coaches, cheerleaders, students, and fans displayed team spirit and good sportsmanship throughout their championship season, and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Iroquois County are proud of the championship season displayed by the Cissna Park Wildcats 7th grade basketball team, coaches, cheerleaders, students, and fans, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Iroquois County Board as follows:

The Iroquois County Board hereby congratulates the Cissna Park Wildcats 7th grade championship basketball team for becoming the Class 1A State Champions on February 7, 2008.

| Passed and approved this <u>11th</u> | day of <u>March</u> , 2008 |
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| | s/Ron Schroeder |
| | Ron Schroeder, Chairman Iroquois County Board |
| ATTEST: | • |
| Mark R. Henrichs | <u></u> |
| Mark Henrichs, County Clerk | |
| Ayes <u>24</u> Nays <u>0</u> | |

RESOLUTION NO. R2008-21

RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE THE ST. ANNE HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM

WHEREAS, the St. Anne Cardinals High School basketball team won the State Basketball Class 1A championship on March 8, 2008, and;

WHEREAS, The St. Anne Cardinals basketball team, coaches, cheerleaders, students, and fans displayed team spirit and good sportsmanship throughout their championship season, and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Iroquois County are proud of the championship season displayed by the St. Anne Cardinals High School basketball team, coaches, cheerleaders, students, and fans, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Iroquois County Board as follows:

The Iroquois County Board hereby congratulates the St. Anne Cardinals High School championship basketball team for becoming the Class 1A State Champions on March 8, 2008.

| Passed and approved this <u>11th</u> day | y of <u>March</u> , 2008 |
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| | s/Ron Schroeder |
| | Ron Schroeder, Chairman Iroquois County Board |
| ATTEST: | |
| Mark R. Henrichs | |
| Mark Henrichs, County Clerk | |
| Ayes 24 Nays 0 | |

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Schroeder presented the following appointments for approval. It was moved by Mrs. Ebert and seconded to approve the appointments. Motion carried by a voice vote.

Anita Holaday of 853 N 2850 East Rd, Milford, IL to Trustee of Stockland Fire Protection District for a term to expire on the 1st Monday in May 2011.

<u>David Hansen</u> of 671 E 2950 North Rd, Clifton, IL to Drainage Commissioner of Milks Grove Special Drainage District No. 1 for a term to expire on the 1st Tuesday of September 2010.

Benhart Reichert of 1715 E Twp Rd 25, Martinton, IL to Drainage Commissioner of Papineau & Martinton Drainage District No. 2 for a term to expire on the 1st Tuesday of September 2010.

Kenneth McGehee of 529 E Front, Gilman, IL to Drainage Commissioner of Onarga

Drainage District No. 5 for a term to expire on the 1at Tuesday of September 2010.

CLAIMS

The following claims were presented for payment. It was moved by Mrs. Hiles and seconded to approve payment of the claims. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

STATE OF ILLINOIS **IROQUOIS COUNTY** Roll call and votes in Iroquois County Recessed Session, March 11, 2008 Chairman Schroeder On motion to approve claims Aye: Bills, Busick, Crow, DeWitt, Dowling, Ebert, Hansen, Haynes, Hiles, Hurt, Johnson, Krumwiede, Kuntz, Lemenager, Luecke, Meyer, Mowrey, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schultz, Wasmer, Wilkening, Wynn Nay: Copas ST CONSTRUCTION & ENGINEER FND - EXPENSE IROQUOIS CO HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT51,496.16 **COUNTY HIGHWAY - GAS & OIL COUNTY HIGHWAY - OFFICE EXP PRINT & PUBLISHING** ACCU-GRAPHICS 66.00 FRANCOTYP-POSTALIA INC 111.28 **COUNTY HIGHWAY - ROAD SUPPLIES CONSTRUCTION CST COUNTY HIGHWAY - REPAIRS & SHOP SUPPLIES**

| AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL | 41.33 |
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| ALTORFER INC | 114.01 |
| AUTO GLASS CENTER INC | 252.43 |
| BIG R STORES | 326.79 |
| C & C TIRE AND AUTO SERVICE | 334.58 |
| FARM PLAN | 180.95 |
| K & H TRUCK PLAZA, INC | 118.40 |
| KAPER'S HARDWARE & BUILDING | 35.42 |
| KENNETH J CAILTEUX | 423.45 |
| LAB SAFETY SUPPLY INC | 48.36 |
| PEOPLES COMPLETE BLDG CENTER | |
| PLUMB MART | 109.72 |
| PRAIRIE ARCHWAY INTERNATIONAL | 162.72 |
| RAHN EQUIPMENT COMPANY | |
| STOCKLAND SERVICE INC | 4,369.20 |
| AGGIE ULITZSCH | 824.44 |
| WATSEKA FORD LINCOLN MERCURY | 1,331.60 |
| WATSEKA NAPPA | 838.17 |
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| COUNTY HIGHWAY - BUILDING MAINTENANCE | |
| LIBERTY FIRE EQUIPMENT | |
| A PLUS HOME IMPROVEMENT | 476.98 |
| ALLIED WASTE SERVICES #726 | 277.08 |
| C & C PLUMBING & HEATING | 219.90 |
| CANADY LABS, INC | 120.10 |
| CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING | 24.25 |
| EASTERN ILLINI ELECTRIC COOP | |
| MINDY KUNTZ HAGAN CO TREASURER | 2,564.12 |
| NICOR GAS | 309.59 |
| ZEE MEDICAL INC | 67.32 |
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| COUNTY HIGHWAY - MISCELLANEOUS | |
| TROXLER ELECTRONIC LABS | 358.00 |
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| COUNTY HIGHWAY - PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT | |
| NEWCOMB TWP RD DISTRICT | . 40,000.00 |
| STEPHENSON CO HIGHWAY DEPT | 2,000.00 |
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| MATCHING TAX - CONST OF BRIDGES & ROADS & ETC | |
| FEHR-GRAHAM & ASSOCIATES LLC | |
| GERALD P RODEEN & LARRY DUST | |
| MINDY KUNTZ HAGAN CO TREASURER | 8,803.67 |
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| COUNTY MOTOR FUEL TAX - PAYROLL MINDY KUNTZ HAGAN CO TREASURER |
| COUNTY MOTOR FUEL TAX - EQUIPMENT RENTAL & MILEAGE IROQUOIS CO HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT |
| COUNTY MOTOR FUEL TAX - CONTRACTORS & SUPPLIES HAMPTON, LENZINI & RENWICK INC |
| TOWNSHIP MOTOR FUEL TAX - CONTRACTORS & SUPPLIESBEAVER TOWNSHIP TREASURER6,413.86CONTECH CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS7,709.38ONARGA TOWNSHIP2,731.36 |
| SHERIFF - MAINTENANCE OF RADIO EQUIPMENT KENNETH J CAILTEUX |
| SHERIFF - LEADS COMMUNICATIONS REVOLVING FUND |
| SHERIFF - DIET OF PRISONERS ARAMARK SERVICES INC |
| SHERIFF - EXPENSE OF OFFICEBAIER PUBLISHING CO52.00CREATIVE OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC296.81 |
| SHERIFF - GAS & OIL BP |
| CASEY'S GENERAL STORES INC |
| SHERIFF - MEDICINE CVS PHARMACY |
| SHERIFF - PRISONER SUPPLIESMEDIACOM85.04SCOTCHMONS STORES5.99 |
| SHERIFF - INVESTIGATION EXPENSE JONATHAN RIECHES |

| SCOTCHMONS STORES |
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| SHERIFF - UNIFORM & WEAPON ALLOWANCE |
| RAY O'HERRON CO., INC |
| SHERIFF - MAINTENANCE OF AUTOS |
| C & C TIRE AND AUTO SERVICE 995.6 |
| MIKE COLEMAN |
| DONNA ARSENEAU |
| HINES AUTOMOTIVE |
| PENCE OIL COMPANY |
| WATSEKA BODY SHOP |
| SHERIFF - TRAINING |
| ILLINOIS SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION |
| SHERIFF - DOCTOR FEES |
| IROQUOIS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL |
| CORONER - EXPENSE OF OFFICE |
| USA MOBILITY WIRELESS INC |
| CORONER - AUTOPSIES & X-RAYS & ETC |
| AIT LABORATORIES |
| STATES ATTORNEY - CRIMINAL PROSECUTION |
| BERKOT SUPER FOODS #305 |
| JENNIFER L SCHUNKE 409.2 |
| WEST GROUP PAYMENT CENTER |
| STATES ATTORNEY - JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMITTEE EXP |
| BERKOT SUPER FOODS #305 |
| AMY JO HUFFORD |
| STATES ATTORNEY - EXPENSE OF OFFICE |
| AQUALITY SOLUTIONS 9.0 |
| CREATIVE OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC |
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| STATES ATTORNEY - DUES |
| ILLINOIS STATE BAR ASSOCIATION 110.0 |

| CREATIVE OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC | 76.30 |
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| MIDWEST MAILING & | 152.93 |
| ZONING AND PLANNING - DEPARTMENT STAFF PER DIEM | |
| DEBBIE WRIGHT | 55.00 |
| GLORIA SCHLEEF | 55.00 |
| ZONING AND PLANNING - REGIONAL PLANNING PER DIEM | |
| DON DEANY | 55.00 |
| ROGER FRANCIS | 55.00 |
| HARRY MOGGED | 55.00 |
| JAMES GILVIN | 55.00 |
| JOEL MOORE | 55.00 |
| MERLE LEMENAGER | 55.00 |
| MIKE MORAN | 55.00 |
| DONALD WAUTHIER | 55.00 |
| ZONING AND PLANNING - INSPECTIONS | |
| MELVIN ALCORN | 220.00 |
| BATES BROWN | 605.00 |
| ZONING AND PLANNING - FLOOD 2008 | |
| GLORIA SCHLEEF | 93.00 |
| JEFF HARMS | 360.00 |
| SCOTCHMONS STORES | 12.00 |
| ZONING AND PLANNING - ADMINISTRATION TRAVEL & EDUCTN | |
| IAFSM | 175.00 |
| ZONING AND PLANNING - REGIONAL PLANNING TRAVEL | |
| GLORIA SCHLEEF | 12.63 |
| ROGER FRANCIS | 12.63 |
| JAMES GILVIN | 15.15 |
| MERLE LEMENAGER | 16.67 |
| MIKE MORAN | 13.13 |
| DONALD WAUTHIER | 19.19 |
| DEB WRIGHT | . 5.05 |
| ZONING AND PLANNING - PLANNING MAP UPDATE | |
| THE SIDWELL COMPANY | 706.00 |
| ZONING AND PLANNING - EXPENSE OF OFFICE | |
| CREATIVE OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC | |
| QUILL CORPORATION | 221.97 |

| BOARD OF REVIEW - EXPENSE OF OFFICE SCHEIWE'S PRINT SHOP & |
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| COUNTY TREASURER - TRAVEL & CONVENTION EXPENSE IACO |
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| POSTMASTER |
| UNITED PARCEL SERVICE |
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| ASSESSMENT OFFICE - CONTRACT ASSESSORS |
| NANCY A ELLIOTT 903.00 |
| ASSESSMENT OFFICE - EXPENSE OF OFFICE |
| CREATIVE OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC |
| POSTMASTER |
| SCHEIWE'S PRINT SHOP & |
| PEGGY SHOUFLER |
| UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE |
| ASSESSMENT OFFICE - PUBLICATIONS |
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| SPRINGFIELD HILTON |
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| THE SIDWELL COMPANY |
| COURTHOUSE, JAIL, & ADMIN CTR - TELEPHONE |
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| COURTHOUSE, JAIL, & ADMIN CTR - ELECTRICITY AMEREN CIPS |
| COURTHOUSE, JAIL, & ADMIN CTR - WATER CITY OF WATSEKA |
| COURTHOUSE, JAIL, & ADMIN CTR - HEATING NICOR GAS |
| VANGUARD ENERGY SERVICES LLC |
| COURTHOUSE, JAIL, & ADMIN CTR - MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS BELL ELECTRIC 1,279.00 BIG R STORES 197.10 CREATIVE OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC 130.00 KAPER'S HARDWARE & BUILDING 437.97 PEOPLES COMPLETE BLDG CENTER 64.86 PLUMB MART 636.29 PRECISION PIPING 1,046.34 TIM GOODMAN DBA 388.02 WALMART COMMUNITY BRC 424.61 WATSEKA BODY SHOP 655.51 WATSEKA NAPPA 218.41 COURTHOUSE, JAIL, & ADMIN CTR - SERVICE CONTRACTS 550.44 HILTZ PORTABLE SANITATION 145.00 URBAN ELEVATOR SERVICE 291.00 |
| COURTHOUSE, JAIL, & ADMIN CTR - HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES CANADY BUILDING MAINTENANCE |
| COUNTY BOARD - AUDITOR FEES SMITH, KOELLING, DYKSTRA & OHM |
| COUNTY BOARD - SUPPLIES & EXPENSESDONNA WASMER118.12THE TROPHY SHOP34.50 |
| OTHER - CONTINGENTST. ATTY APP PROSECUTOR660.00UNITED STATES TREASURY691.00 |

| ELECTIONS - BALLOTS & SUPPLIES & EQUIPMENTBAIER PUBLISHING CO1,750.25CELEBRATIONS27.00CREATIVE OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC519.01TWIN STATES/KANKAKEE VALLEY1,542.50WATSEKA SIGN COMPANY154.00 |
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| ELECTIONS - VOTER CANVASSING EXPENSESHANE CULTRA69.19GAYLE SCHULDT62.12 |
| DATA PROCESSING - EDUCATION & TRAVEL EXPENSETOM TUNTLAND36.38 |
| DATA PROCESSING - COMPUTER & COPIER PAPER SUPPLYCREATIVE OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC150.00QUILL CORPORATION67.49 |
| DATA PROCESSING - CONTINGENT/TECHNICAL SUPPORT INTEGRITY NETWORKING SOLUTIONS |
| DATA PROCESSING - MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS TIGER DIRECT |
| ANIMAL CONTROL - SALARIES - WARDENS DAN GARNER |
| ANIMAL CONTROL - ANIMAL CARE WILLIAM A GARNER DBA |
| ANIMAL CONTROL - OFFICE SUPPLY/VACCINATION TAGS DR JAMES FINNELL 32.16 |
| CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS - ASSESSMENT - CAPITAL EXPENSE CREATIVE OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC |
| SHERIFF'S PUBLIC SAFETY FUND - EXPENDITURES FOR PUBLIC SAFETY RAY O'HERRON CO., INC |
| TEEN COURT FUND - MILEAGE & TRAVEL NICK BRAULT |

| JOE KOCH 10.00 LAURA DECKER 15.00 LAURA PETERS 15.00 JESSICA STEWART 20.00 |
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| TEEN COURT FUND - EXPENSE OF OFFICECASEY'S GENERAL STORES INC64.95AMY JO HUFFORD57.67MICHAEL SABOL150.00 |
| RETIREMENT - COUNTY SHARE OF FICA FORD-IROQ PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT |
| RETIREMENT - CO SHARE OF RETIREMENT (IMRF) FORD-IROQ PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT |
| HISTORICAL DOCUMENT - TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND IROQUOIS CO HISTORICAL SOCIETY |
| AUTOMATION CIRCUIT CLERK - AUTOMATION CIRCUIT CLERK DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS PLUS IN |
| AUTOMATION COUNTY RECORDER - AUTOMATION EXPENSES TIGER DIRECT |
| SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL - TELEPHONE AT&T |
| SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL - HEATING & ELECTRICITY AMEREN CIPS |
| SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL - GENERAL OPERATIONS BP |
| SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL - MAINTENANCE & REPAIRSK & H TRUCK PLAZA, INC172.91KKK SANITARY DISPOSAL, INC228.40 |
| INHERITANCE TAX - CONTINGENT ALEXI GIANNOULIAS |
| PROBATION SERVICES FEE - DRUG TESTING |

| RIVERSIDE REFERENCE LABORATORY | |
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| COURT SECURITY FEE - COURT SECURITY CONTINGENT GALL'S INC | 43.69 |
| GROUP INSURANCE TRUST FUND - MONTHLY FIXED COSTS - HE. BENEFIT ADMINISTRATIVE SYSTEMS | |

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Hurt and seconded to adjourn at 10:48 A.M. Motion carried by a voice vote. The next County Board meeting will be held in Watseka, Illinois at the Administrative Center on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 at 9:00 A.M.