



## **Minutes of the Perry County Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting – June 4, 2015**

The Spring Quarter meeting of the Perry County Board of Commissioners was convened at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 4, 2015 in the County Board Room at the Perry County Government Building in the City of Pinckneyville.

### **OPENING**

County Chairman Bobby Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was recited by those in attendance.

County Clerk Josh Gross called the roll. The following members answered the call of the roll: Commissioner Sam Robb, Commissioner James Epplin and Chairman Bobby Kelly. No members were absent. The following department heads were also present: Assistant State's Attorney Marty Beltz, County Clerk Josh Gross, Circuit Clerk Kim Kellerman, Supervisor of Assessments John Batteau, County Engineer Brian Otten, and Planning and Development Director Jeff Ashauer.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Kelly asked for the minutes of the May 21, 2015 regular Board of Commissioners meeting be approved. Chairman Kelly called for corrections. There were none.

Commissioner Epplin moved the minutes of the May 21, 2015 regular Board of Commissioners meeting be approved. Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chairman Kelly called for additions or deletions to the meeting agenda. There were none.

Commissioner Robb moved the agenda for the meeting be approved. Commissioner Epplin seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved.

### **RESOLUTION – APPROVE LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATIONS (2)**

Two liquor license applications were presented for approval. Applications and fees are in order for the following:

- W Equine Escape D.B.A The W (2015-LL-01, Class A)
- Double Eagle Inc. D/B/A Red Hawk County Club (2015-LL-02, Class A)

Commissioner Epplin moved that Resolutions 2015-49, 50, resolutions approving liquor license applications and issuing Class A licenses to the following: W Equine Escape D.B.A The W (2015-LL-01) and Double Eagle Inc. D/B/A Red Hawk County Club (2014-LL-02) be approved. Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Robb, Commissioner Epplin, Chairman Kelly. The motion was approved on a vote of 3-0 and the resolutions adopted.

### **RESOLUTION – ACCEPT ANNUAL AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING NOV. 30, 2014 FROM EMLING & HOFFMAN**

Harold Emling of Emling & Hoffman, P.C. presented the County's annual audit of accounts for the year ending November 30, 2014. Mr. Emling stated that the County's records were well maintained, and County staff is helpful and cooperative in the course of the audit. The audit presents a clean opinion with no internal control issues noted.

As to County's finances, the overall standing of the County has changed little from the previous year. Perry County's total assets were \$9,932,600.00. Total liabilities were \$2,177,804.00. This results in net assets of \$7,814,796. For Fiscal Year 2014, the County's total revenues were \$11,590,984. The total expenditures were \$11,613,222. The total expenditures exceeded total revenues by \$22,238. The audit recapped Circuit Clerks revenues and expenses as a separate component unit as well as the Unit Road

District. It was noted that the County had one outstanding tax anticipation warrant valued at \$400,000 at the close of the fiscal year. It was noted that the County has a substantial liability of accrued sick and personal time that liability amount is over \$1,000,000. Mr. Emling stressed the importance of getting control of the liability. It represents a large concern for Perry County Government moving forward.

Emling & Hoffman will be providing the County a Cost Controls document. All Department Heads will be required to complete and return this document prior to next year's audit.

Commissioner Robb moved that Resolution 2015-51, a resolution accepting the annual audit of accounts for the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 2014 from Emling & Hoffman, P.C., be approved. Commissioner Epplin seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Robb, Commissioner Epplin, and Chairman Kelly. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted

#### **RESOLUTION – RATIFY CHAIRMAN'S APPOINTMENT OF NATALIE BRAND TO PERRY COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS BOARD**

Chairman Kelly confirmed that Natalie Brand is willing to serve on the Perry County Tuberculosis Board. This is a three year term ending June 30, 2017.

Commissioner Epplin moved that Resolution 2015-52, a resolution approving Natalie Brand, to be appointed to Perry County Tuberculosis Board, be approved. Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Robb, Commissioner Epplin and Chairman Kelly. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0 and the resolution adopted.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Brian Otten – Engineer Otten discussed the District 9 wide paving painting contract. This is a contract from IDOT that allows all of District 9, which is Jefferson and Perry County and South through most of Illinois, to receive a group rate on this paving contract, which will save the county some money. They need a local authority to approve this contract and Perry County has been chosen for this.

Brian Otten – Engineer Otten continued with a General Update about County Mowing. The County has recently purchased new 15 foot mowers. In the past we have used 10 foot mowers. This should save time and make the process more efficient which will save money in the long run. The Highway department is also looking for individuals who will allow the county to park their mowing tractors on their private property which will save drive time and allow more work time.

Chuck Presswood- Clerk Gross spoke on behalf of Chuck Presswood. Chuck was concerned that Perry County Trans-Van was closing due to lack of County funding. But, we do not fund Perry County Trans-Van, they are a completely separate company and not affiliated with County Government. They are closing due to delays in State funding and unpredictability for demand and usage.

Josh Gross – Clerk Gross gave an update on the County's Policy and Procedure Handbook. The Handbook is finalized and the board will have a final draft for review at the next board meeting.

#### **COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairman Kelly called for comments from the public or announcements from department heads. There were none.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner Epplin moved the Board recess to executive session,

- To discuss "pending litigation." Per 5 ILCS 123/2(c)(11)

Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Robb, Commissioner Epplin and Chairman Kelly. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0 and the board entered executive session at 6:22 p.m.

Commissioner Robb moved the Board close the executive session meeting and re-enter regular session. Commissioner Epplin seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved and the Board re-entered regular session at 6:40 p.m.

## **PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Board members examined claims presented for payment. Board agreed to pay all bills as presented.

Commissioner Epplin moved that all claims against the General Corporate Fund and all claims against special purpose funds, be approved (see attached), with General Corporate Fund expenses to be prioritized according to policy. Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. Chairman Kelly requested a roll call vote. Upon call of the roll, the following members voted aye: Commissioner Robb, Commissioner Epplin and Chairman Kelly. The motion was approved on a vote of 3-0 and payment warrants granted.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chairman said he would entertain a motion to adjourn and re-convene the Spring Quarter meeting at 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 2015.

Commissioner Epplin moved the Board adjourn and re-convene the Spring Quarter meeting at 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 2015. Commissioner Robb seconded the motion. On voice vote, the motion was approved and the Board stood adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Submitted:

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**JOSH GROSS, County Clerk**  
Clerk of the Board of Commissioners  
County of Perry, State of Illinois  
Approved: June 18, 2015