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Putnam County Illinois Board Meeting Minutes

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PUTNAM COUNTY REGULAR BOARD MEETING

SEPTEMBER 17, 2012, 4:00 P.M.

(Recessed from September 10, 2012)

The regular meeting of the Putnam County Board recessed from Monday, September 10, 2012 was reconvened at 4:00 P.M. on Monday, September 17, 2012, in the boardroom at the Putnam County Courthouse in Hennepin, Illinois by Putnam County Board Chairman, Duane A. Calbow.

Roll Call was taken by the Clerk of the County Board with Duane Calbow, Gil Tonozzi, Sheila Haage, Chauntelle Biagi-Bruer, and John O'Neill answering.

It was then moved by board member Sheila Haage to approve the minutes from the August 13, 2012 Regular Board Meeting. Board member Chauntelle Biagi-Bruer seconded the motion and the motion was carried on a board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent.

Putnam County EMA Coordinator Jim Goldasich was present for the meeting to discuss proposed changes to the future site of the new EMA facility.

At 4:05 P.M., board member Sheila Haage moved that the board retire into Executive Session to discuss potential county real estate issues. Board member Chauntelle Biagi-Bruer seconded the motion and the motion was carried on a board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent. The board then retired into Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 4:30 A.M., board member Sheila Haage moved that the board return to Regular Session. Board member Chauntelle Biagi-Bruer seconded the motion and the motion was carried on a board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent. The board then returned to Regular Session.

Board member Chauntelle Biagi-Bruer moved to authorize Putnam County Board Chairman Duane Calbow to enter an agreement for acquisition of real estate by the county at a cost up to but not to exceed \$85,000 and an expense cost up to but not to exceed \$5,000. Board member Sheila Haage seconded the motion and the motion was carried on a board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent.

Under "Old Business" for Committee Reports; board / committee member Chauntelle Biagi-Bruer informed the remainder of the board that on August 13, 2012, the Prairie Rivers Resource Conservation and Development received confirmation from the Illinois Secretary of State that the Articles of Dissolution for the R.C. & D. were accepted and approved. Due to the discontinuation of federal funding, the R.C. & D. was forced to dissolve.

Under "New Business" for Life And A.D. & D. Insurance For County Employees; as directed by the board, the Insurance Committee had further discussion with Mr. Tony Vestal. Mr. Vestal represents Liberty National Life Insurance Company. The committee recommends that the "The Liberty National Worksite Advantage Plan" insurance program be offered to county employees on a voluntary basis. The program would offer additional life and accidental death insurance and the premium payments for interested employees would be through payroll deductions. After brief discussion, board member Gil Tonozzi moved that the board approve the recommendation from the Insurance Committee to offer the additional insurance to county employees. Board member John O'Neill seconded the motion and the motion was carried on a board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent.

Also under "New Business" for Putnam County Conservation District, Trustee Appointment, a sub-committee identified by the board reviewed the two (2) applications and resumes submitted for the appointment and conducted interviews with each of the prospective candidates. After brief discussion, board member Sheila Haage moved that the board approve the sub-committee's recommendation for the appointment of Ms. Janet Moriarty to the Board of Trustees for the P.C.C.D. Board member Chauntelle Biagi-Bruer seconded the motion and the motion was carried on a board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent. (The Clerk of the County Board was directed to send a letter to Ms. Moriarty, Ms. Keller, and the PCCD informing them of the board's decision.)

Also under "New Business" for Imminent Litigation Concerning Tax Receipts / Consideration Of Outside Council; there was no update from the State's Attorney relative to the litigation.

Also under "New Business" for Industrial Promotion; Board Chairman Duane Calbow informed the remainder of the board that various meetings have been ongoing with the Illinois Valley Area Chamber of Commerce to promote industrial growth in the county.

Also under "New Business" for Budget Meetings For Fiscal Year 12/1/2012 – 11/30/2012; the board discussed the scheduling of an initial Special Meeting of the board's Finance Committee to begin preliminary work on the budget for Fiscal Year 12/1/12 – 11/30/2013. The board agreed to schedule the first meeting on Monday, September 24, 2012, at 3:30 P.M. All office holders and department heads will be asked to submit an initial draft of their budget prior to the meeting.

Also under "New Business" for Putnam County Website; the board discussed updates and postings to the county's website. The board will consider posting the annual budget to the website shortly after it is finalized and approved on November 30th.

Also under "New Business" for Approve Bills; the county board reviewed the bills for the month of August. Board member Sheila Haage then moved that the board approve the payment of the bills for the month of August. Board member Gil Tonozzi seconded the motion and the motion was carried on a board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent.

Also under "New Business" for Correspondence & Reports; the board reviewed the monthly reports from the County Clerk's Office and the Regional Office of Education. The board also reviewed the legislative reports from the Illinois Association of County Board Members and Commissioners. Board Chairman Duane Calbow also discussed with the remainder of the board a correspondence received from Mr. Mike Gonet, with V.H. Gonet - Opper Insurance Agency. Mr. Gonet was asked to quote to the board the annual premium cost for earthquake insurance. The insurance would fall under the county's Property Damage, Casualty and Liability Insurance Policy. The annual cost would be an additional \$564.00. After brief discussion, board member John O'Neill moved that the board approve the additional cost of \$564.00 for earthquake insurance and for it to be added to the current annual premium for the county's Property Damage, Casualty and Liability Insurance. Board member Chauntelle Biagi-

Bruer seconded the motion and the motion was carried on a board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent. The Clerk of the County Board was directed to contact Mr. Gonet and inform him of the board's approval.

Also under "New Business" for Public Comment Period; Mr. Andy Jackson, Putnam County EMS Coordinator, was present at the meeting to give a brief update. Mr. Jackson informed the board that a \$14,000 grant has been received from St. Francis for the purchase of modems for the EMS's cardiac monitors. A donation of \$500 has been received from the Rotary for the purchase of arm and hand simulators for IV training purposes.

At 5:00 P.M., board member Sheila Haage moved to adjourn the meeting. Board member Chauntelle Biagi-Bruer seconded the motion and the motion was carried on a board vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays, and 0 absent. The meeting was adjourned. The next Regular Meeting of the Putnam County Board is scheduled for Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk of the Putnam County Board

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