Montgomery County Board
Minutes

For Tuesday, March 9th, 2010 – 8:30 AM

The following are minutes of a regular meeting of the Montgomery County Board held at 8:30 AM on Tuesday, March 9th, 2010 in the County Board Chambers of the Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.
The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman Mike Plunkett at 8:30 AM.
Roll call was taken. 21 members present, 0 members absent.
Members Present: Nelson Aumann, Mary Bathurst, Connie Beck, George Blankenship, Terry Bone, Bonnie Branum, Ronald Deabenderfer, John Downs, Robert Durbin, Ed Helgen, Roy Hertel, Jarod Hitchings, Frank Komor, Sharon Kuchar, Gene Miles, Jim Moore, Dale Ogden, Mike Plunkett, Bill Sielschott, Kent Voils, Richard Wendel.
Members Absent: None
Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was given.
Mileage and Per Diem Approval:
Motion by Aumann, second by Hitchings to approve the mileage and per diem. **All in favor, motion carried.**
Approval of Amended Minutes of Previous County Board Meeting:
Motion by Kuchar, second by Hertel to approve the Amended Minutes of the Previously Adjourned County Board Meeting held on Tuesday, February 9th, 2010 **(with an addition to EMA Committee Report on page 4, #2 after Litchfield Ambulance No Transfer Practice Update—adding the words "Chairman Blankenship reported.") All in favor, motion carried**.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. **911 Coordinator's Report –** submitted
2. **Chief Assessment Officer's Report –** submitted
3. **Circuit Clerk's Report –** Holly Lemons was present for questions and reported that the ATM should be installed in the Courthouse Complex in Hillsboro by Friday.
4. **County Clerk and Recorder's Report –** Sandy Leitheiser was present for questions and reported that the 2010 Census Questionnaires will soon be in the mail and local census takers were hired to do door-to-door canvassing.
5. **County Treasurer's Reports—**Jan. & Feb. **–** Ron Jenkins was present for questions.
6. **G.I.S. Coordinator's Report –** submitted
7. **Health Department Report –** Hugh Satterlee was present for questions.
8. **Probation Office Report –** Banee Ulrici was present for questions and reported that a vacancy will soon be filled since Marcia Tripp has retired. Also, she informed members of the van they now have for community service workers.
9. **Public Defender's Report –** submitted
10. **Sheriff's Report –** Sheriff Vazzi was present for questions.
11. **T.B. Department's Report–** submitted
12. **V.A.C. Report –** Dave Strowmatt was present for questions and reported that volunteer van drivers are getting their physicals, and the VAC will have five drivers by the end of the month.

APPROVAL OF 12 ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:
Motion by Branum, second by Beck to approve the 12 office reports on the Consent Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: Chairman Mike Plunkett stated all action from the Coordinating Committee will be made within the other committee reports. Member Connie Beck reported that U of I Extension offices will have major cuts due to the lack of state funding, and three to five counties could be consolidated as a result. A meeting with Director Dr. Hoff will be tonight, March 9th, at the Illinois fairgrounds in Springfield from 6:00- 7:30 p.m. Hoff will make some decisions by the end of April, 2010. Also, a teleconference meeting will be held on Thursday, March 11th, at the Extension Office from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Beck urged members to attend to support our County Extension Service. Member Hertel stated that the local Extension office has been frugal with their spending, and they have money to last 2 ½ years without state funding. He stated that our office should not be closed or penalized and that it is important that members go to this meeting and lend their support. Denise Kistner from the Montgomery County U of I Extension will be at the April Board Meeting to provide an update.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Terry Bone as follows:

1. **Lease for County Farm Update:** Bone reported that Jason Anderson presented the current 3 year lease for the County Farm that will expire on August 1st. 2010. Anderson also reported that the CRP program will expire this year. He has farmed the ground for the last 13 years. The committee stated that Anderson has been a good steward of the farm land. Anderson will return to the July meeting for a new lease agreement.
2. **Telephone System Update:** Bone reported that the cut over to the new telephone system took place Feb. 18th, 2010 and Bill Purcell stated that phone system installation is complete. A problem existed with GTSI with the voice logger system at the Jail. Tech Electronics has ordered the new voice logger equipment, which should be installed and completed by next week. GTSI has pulled their equipment and no payment was made to them. Purcell stated that the phone system voice sound is different due to the newer technology, and any new or upgrade phone equipment ordered from this point on will need to be paid for by each office out of their budget. Fiber optics to the Annex building will be tested in the next week, and Purcell stated all equipment and services have been received by Tech Electronics to date. Bone stated that office holders he has contacted have been impressed with Tech Electronics and is pleased with the transition.
3. **Annex Building Project Approval:** Bone stated the following:
   - Lance reported that the completion date on the Annex Building is March 30th, and painting, tuck pointing, and exterior ramp work still needs to be finished.
   - Lance reported there are 3 change orders:
     1. Window panels - **$714.00**
     2. HVAC System – Condensation panels and pumps - **$2,546.00**. These timers were left out of the original document.
     3. Exit lights - **$870.00**

     The committee approved the 3 change orders in the amount of **$4,130.00.** The new total for all the change orders is $18,704.28 which is 4.1% of the original contract amount. **Motion by Bone, Second by Hitchings to Approve the 3 Change Orders in the Amount of $4,130.00. All in favor, motion carried.**
   - The committee discussed purchasing partitions, folding tables, stackable chairs, and reception furniture for the ROE office, as well folding tables and stackable chairs for the conference room. Dave Strowmatt stated that VAC has sufficient furniture for the office and reception areas. The committee approved purchasing partitions, tables, chairs and reception furniture for the ROE office for an amount not to exceed $5,000.
   - Sheriff Vazzi stated that the Annex Building will need a vacuum and cleaning supplies and commercial mat maintenance for the hardwood floors. Major cleaning will be done once a week, with trash and bathroom maintenance done every day.

- The Fire Alarm System is wired in, but Wareham's Security needs to hook up to it. Bone also stated we need to have panic buttons installed in each office of the Annex.

4. **Proposal for Moving to Annex Building Update:** Bone stated the committee discussed the proposal for moving ROE and VAC to the Annex Building, which options received for packing and moving or having ROE and VAC pack up their stuff and then we only pay company to move it. The committee approved to have ROE and VAC do their own packing and have Sims Awesome Moving Co. move everything for $4000. They have been notified and agreed to move everything for $4,000. The move will take place Friday, April 2nd and Saturday, April 3rd, 2010.
5. **Maintenance Issues & Maintenance Report Update:** Bone reported the following:
   - The committee received a quote for installing shelving from the Circuit Clerk in the Annex Building basement. The Committee discussed having the maintenance staff install the shelving.
   - Discussion took place on keys to the Annex Building, and a decision was made to have a master key would open the exterior doors.
   - Meyer reported that the sight glass on the boiler at the Historic Courthouse needed to be replaced. Other issues with the boiler are being addressed. The committee was notified that the boiler was grounded. The inspection was performed by the State Fire Marshall and passed.
6. **Historic Courthouse Renovations Update:** Bone reported that Brent Lance will have information at the April B&G meeting and will also meet with office holders in the Historic Courthouse and with GIS to see what their needs are. There will be a special meeting on Monday, March 22nd, 2010 at 10:00 am to tour the Christian County Courthouse that was recently renovated.

EMA/AMBULANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman George Blankenship as follows:

Ambulance Call Reports:

A summary of monthly operations for **January 2010** are as follows**:**

Total calls: 326 Total amount billed: $173,586.00 Amount collected: $113,533.63

A summary of a part of the monthly operations for **February** as follows**:**

Total calls: 297 Total amount billed: $161,422.00 Amount collected: $100,779.19

AMBULANCE REPORT:

1. **Collections Update:** Blankenship reported that Holmes stated at the committee meeting that collections for the month of February were $101,088.81 which included $96,310.89 under the new system and $4,777.92 under the old.
2. **Small Claims Update:** Blankenship reported that four small claims individuals paid in full, four were not found, and one is in Chapter 7 Bankruptcy. Three others did not report to court, so the county received a judgment against them. Twelve individuals have promised to make monthly payments most of which will be $25.00 or less per month. Two were in prison- one in Texas, one in Lincoln, IL.
3. **Court Date for Small Claims Update:** The next court date for small claims is April 28th, 2010.
4. **Ambulance Transfers/ Litchfield Update:** Blankenship reported that Board Chairman Plunkett read a letter from Litchfield Mayor Jones regarding ALS Transfers. Member Hertel spoke to the Mayor at Litchfield City Hall and Mayor Jones stated they will be budgeting money this coming year to upgrade their BLS ambulance to an ALS ambulance to make if possible to do more transfers. The Litchfield City Council will address doing more ALS transfers at their April council meeting. The committee discussed providing an oversight group for county residents to make sure services are being adequately provided. The committee heard statements from a few Litchfield residents who had problems with ALS transfers. The committee discussed meeting with the Litchfield City Mayor and Officials after their April meeting.

5. **Collection Agency for Out-of-County and Out-of-State Update:** Blankenship reported that Holmes stated that she and Assistant State's Attorney Betsy Wilson will possibly contract with a collection agency for out-of-county and out-of-state delinquent ambulance accounts. Holmes stated there could be 20-30 each month.

EMA:

1. **ARES (HAM Radio) Update:** They are now part of IEMA emergency communications system.
2. **Weather Spotter Class Update:** Fifty-two people attended the Weather Spotter Class on February 18th, and some of the out-of-county attendees were from Bond, Christian, Macoupin and Madison Counties.
3. **MABAS Conference Update:** They will be sending more equipment in 2010 to Montgomery County, with a storage location to be determined.
4. **Regional Meeting Update:** The next regional meeting will be April 1st.
5. **IEMA Class Update:** Montgomery County will host another IEMA Class on April 9th at the Moose Lodge from 8:00am – 4:00pm. The subject will be training volunteers.
6. **State Wide Tornado Exercise Update:** The Exercise was held March 2nd, 2010.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT: **Given by Chairman Ron Deabenderfer as follows:**

1. **Enterprise Zone request from Rt. 16 Grain Co-op Approval:** Deabenderfer reported that Don Franks addressed the committee regarding a proposal to make improvements to the Witt Grain Elevator and a smaller improvement at the Nokomis facility. Improvements would include a grain leg, grain pit and conveyors, and new more efficient grain dryers, and are expected to cost over $1 million dollars and could start in June. The committee approved to expand the Enterprise Zone with a three foot strip to Witt and Nokomis and to include the parcels for the Rt. 16 Grain Project. **Motion by Deabenderfer, Second by Durbin to Expand the Enterprise Zone with a Three Foot Strip to Witt and Nokomis and to Include the Parcels for the Rt. 16 Grain Project Parcels. All in favor, motion carried.**
2. **Revolving Loan Fund Request Approval:** Deabenderfer reported that Amanda Cole discussed a request from Cathy (Barbetti) Mastrolia to use revolving loan funds for a new carry-out restaurant, next to where the Country Squire was located in Taylor Springs, Illinois, to be called Sorella's Restaurant. The committee reviewed a business plan for the new restaurant and learned that the MCEDC Revolving Loan Fund Board had met and approved the loan request. The committee recommends to the County Board the approval to use $52,800 in Revolving Loan Funds for Sorella's Restaurant. There is a participating bank tied to this loan. **Motion by Deabenderfer, Second by Kuchar to Approve the Use of $52,800 in Revolving Loan Funds for Sorella's Restaurant in Taylor Springs. All in favor, motion carried. Roll Call Vote: Ayes 21, Nays 0.**
3. **County Comprehensive Plan Update:** The next Comprehensive Planning Meeting will be March 11th at 6:30 pm at the Extension Office, with the agenda to include Land use amd an update on the county surveys recently sent.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bill Sielschott as follows:

1. **GIS Report Update:** Mary Purcell stated that the Kilton farm parcels' divisions are now complete.
2. **Direct Energy Rates Update:** Sielschott reported that Bob Hermsmeyer addressed the committee regarding the contract for electric rates that will expire in June, and he will get a rate for the April, 2010 Board Meeting to take action then. The contract term will probably be for 18 months this

time, and Sielschott reported this program has been successful in providing savings to the county on energy costs.

3. **Real Estate Taxes Approval:** Sielschott reported that Durston stated the Real Estate Tax bills should be ready to mail out in May, with the first installment would be due in June, the second installment in September. Durston also said they are still working on the Walmart complaint, and Eugene Stuard of Forrestal Group, Inc. presented a proposal for consulting services to re-assess the Walmart property for $8,750 with a possible credit of $3,000 if no appraisal is required. This proposal will include attending meetings, hearings, working with SOA, etc. The committee approved and recommends the Consulting Services of the Forrestal Group to work on the Walmart assessment for $8,750.00. Stuard also presented a proposal to assess the new coal mine property. This process would take place over a two year period and we will be invoiced on a quarterly basis. This agreement will include a procedure set up so information regarding coal production will be received each year in order to assess the property, and is set up on an hourly basis with an amount not to exceed $11,250 for a two year period. The committee approved and recommends the Consulting Services of the Forrestal Group, Inc. to appraise the Coal Mine Property over a two year period for an amount not to exceed $11,250.00. The consulting fees for both agreements would come from the Capital Improvement Fund, and both proposals will be sent to Assistant State's Attorney Betsy Wilson for review and approval. Sielschott stated that taxing bodies are concerned about accurate assessments so there is a need to hire someone with experience to handle these services. **Motion by Sielschott, Second by Aumann to Approve the Consulting Services of the Forrestal Group to work on the Walmart Assessment for an Amount Not to Exceed $8,750. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 10, pages 15-17).**
Motion by Sielschott, Second by Beck to Approve the Consulting Services of the Forrestal Group to Appraise the Coal Mine Property over a Two Year Period for an Amount Not to Exceed $11,250. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 10, pages 18-20).
4. **Circuit Clerk Annual Audit Update:** Circuit Clerk Lemons and the Finance Committee reviewed the annual audit report that was prepared by Patton & Company.
5. **Compensation of Elected Officials Update:** Treasurer Jenkins shared information regarding a salary survey for elected officials for 19 various counties. The committee will review the spreadsheet for one month, and set the County Official salaries at the April Meeting.
6. **Employee Health Insurance Renewal Update:** The Employee Health Insurance Renewal will be reviewed at the March Personnel Committee Meeting.
7. **Electronic Storage of Treasurer/Collector Files - Automation Fund Update:** Treasurer Jenkins reported he would like to digitize over 2,000 collector books that are stored in the basement, including the collector books from 1855 to 1962 He and Supervisor of Assessments Ray Durston are also considering getting the equipment to scan documents in-house. Jenkins will bring more information to next month's meeting. Sielschott stated that we have a basement full of important documents, which is not a good place to store them. Electronic storage needs to be done before records are destroyed by mildew, etc.
8. **Treasurer access to County Clerk ACS System Tract Index – Automation Fund Update:** Committee approved Treasurer Jenkins' office to have access to the County Clerks' ACS System Tract Index Software for that office's convenience for a cost of $750 and the yearly maintenance fee of $175, which will come from the Automation Fund.
9. **ROE Quarterly Report Approval:** The committee reviewed and approved the ROE Quarterly Report. **Motion by Sielschott, Second by Downs to Approve the ROE Quarterly Report. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 10, pages 21-25).**

HWE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bob Durbin as follows:

1. **Elections Update:** County Clerk Leitheiser informed members she testified at the Illinois Senate in Springfield last week at the invitation of Senator Demuzio to support SB 355, a bill she is

sponsoring to move the Primary Election date from February back to March for General Primary Elections. The bill passed the Senate unanimously 54-0 that evening. Leitheiser reported there is a similar bill in the Illinois House, and if it passes and the Governor signs the joint bill into law, Primary Elections held in even years would be moved back to the 3rd Tuesday in March, the date these elections have been held since 1970. Leitheiser also informed members the Democratic and Republican parties held their County Conventions Wed., March 3rd, which she attended to give newly elected Precinct Committeemen their Deputy Registrar oaths and to distribute their Election Judge packets. Democrat Steve White and Republican Roy Hertel were both re-elected as Party Chairmen for their respective parties. Leitheiser reported that the Election Judges will be submitted for approval by the County Board at the July County Board Meeting (not the traditional May County Board meeting), which is later due to a change in Illinois law.

2. **Recycling Program and Events Update:** Durbin reported on the following:
   - Dawn Lutz reported that they are still waiting on an update on the grant from DCEO.
   - Lutz met with hotels in Litchfield to start recycling. Electronic Recycling may be scheduled for April 22nd and 23rd.
   - The Village of Donnellson has picked a site for their Drop off site, which will be located on the North side of the old school building on the corner of Carson and Jefferson St. where the parking area used to be. Cement will be poured when weather permits.
   - Forklift training will be held on Tuesday, March 30th at the Highway Dept. meeting room.
   - Discussion took place on equipment repairs, and three pallet jacks were down and one repaired. Also, the scale is not working properly.
   - Material prices are starting to increase for Recycling due to the lack of loggers' accessibility to the mills due to the harsh winter weather.
3. **EPA Report Approval:** Durbin reported that Bill Gonet providing the following information to the committee:
   - He applied for the Solid Waste Enforcement grant.
   - Training for HazMat training is next week for Eagle Zinc Inspections.
   - CIPS landfill is ready to be inspected.
   - Discussion took place on disposal of animal carcasses.

   The committee approved entering an agreement with the Landfill to dispose of animal carcasses for an emergency basis pending review from States Attorney's Office. Not many animals are euthanized. This is only for an emergency basis. We must have an agreement with the landfill in place. **Motion by Durbin, Second by Miles to Approve Entering an Agreement with the Landfill to Dispose of Animal Carcasses for an Emergency Basis in case of incinerator unavailability pending review from State's Attorney's Office. All in favor, motion carried.**
4. **Animal Control Facility and Program Update:** Animal Control Officer Nancy Richardson reported that there is an average of 30 animals at the facility each day. There were 49 animals that came into the facility and 57 that were either claimed, adopted or went to rescue. There were 4 that had to be euthanized due to illness, injury or who were feral cats. Nancy also reported that there was over 50 volunteer hours for the month of February and $345.00 in donations. Badges and a scale were ordered. Discussion took place on the need to purchase a pressure washer.
5. **UCCI Legislative Meeting Update:** Durbin, Helgen, and Plunkett attended the UCCI Legislative Meeting on February 23rd, where Plunkett reported that UCCI honored Montgomery County for 25 years of participation and gave the county a plaque at the reception. The county also received a check for $2,500 to use toward safety training. Helgen stated the reception was well attended by County Members and Legislators. Durbin presented the plaque to Chairman Plunkett at the County Board Meeting.

Hertel asked about the timeline for dates to redistrict the County Board Districts and look at Precinct Consolidation. Leitheiser will supply the timeline to the County Board at the next board meeting.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman John Downs as follows:

1. **911/Sheriff Dept. Consolidation Update:** John Downs stated that the consolidation of 911 and the Sheriff's Dept. is on schedule, and the lawyer will have the rough draft of the agreement completed by March 1st, 2010. Dispatchers are already training on 911 procedures, and the consolidation should be completed in May, 2010.
2. **Amendments 1, 2, 3, & 4 Incorporated into Health Insurance Specific Plan Documents Approval:** Downs reported that Ron Jenkins stated that in 2006 all plan documents were up to date. Since 2006 there have been four plan document changes that need to be included in the plan document. There is a fee of $1,950 to change the new plan documents. The committee recommends the Proposal from Consociates in the Amount of $1,950 to Change the Insurance Plan Documents. **Motion by Downs, Second by Bathurst to Approve the Proposal from Consociates in the Amount of $1,950 to Change the Insurance Plan Documents. All in favor, motion carried.**
3. **Personnel – Circuit Clerk Update:** Downs reported that the committee discussed a request from the Circuit Clerk's Union to allow an employee in the Circuit Clerk's Office to take vacation time after 10 months of service. The Union Contract states that vacation leave can be taken after 1 year; however, the Union has agreed to allow the employee to take accumulated vacation leave on a one-time basis. The committee discussed and allowed the Union request to let the employee take the time off either unpaid or take vacation pay in October and then wait another year for the next vacation.
4. **Plat Act Officer transition update:** Downs reported that Highway Engineer Ruben Boehler stated that he has been filling the roll of Plat Act Officer, and the current practice has been that GIS Coordinator Mary Purcell reviews the Plat Act requests and Boehler gets involved when decisions need to be made because he has the authority as the Plat Act Officer. He would like the Plat Act Officer authority to go to GIS Coordinator Mary Purcell. His suggestion is to have the GIS Coordinator have final decision on Plat Act issues, and Boehler stated on average it takes about 8 hours a month to do the Plat Act duties. Under Boehler's direction, Purcell knows what to look for pertaining to Plat Act compliance, and she can research the law to make a decision, she also expressed an interest in Plat Act training. The committee will review the proposals for changes at the March Personnel Meeting.

ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE REPORT: Given by Chairman Bonnie Branum as follows:

1. **County Aid Resolution 2010-03, 50/50 w/Fayette Co Approval**: Branum reported this resolution is in regards to the County line bridge between Fayette Co. and Montgomery Co. We have agreed to pay for 50% of the cost to repair the bridge deck. The county's share would be $2,747.54. The committee approved the Resolution to share repair costs with Fayette Co. for a cost of $2,747.54. **Motion by Branum, Second by Miles to Approve the Resolution to Share Repair Costs with Fayette Co. for a bridge for a Cost of $2,747.54. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 10, pages 26-27).**
2. **PE Agreement w/McDonough Whitlow, Sec. 10-00135-00-BR, Total replacement of bridge 068-3037 on Rocky Hollow Trail over Brush Creek Approval:** Branum reported that Engineer Boehler stated that he would like McDonough Whitlow to design a total bridge replacement for structure 068-3037. Last year the Highway Department replaced some of the timber piling under the bridge to remove the weight limits required by IDOT. This is a short term fix and the county should prepare to replace the bridge when funding is available. The committee approved the PE Agreement with McDonough Whitlow to replace the bridge on Rocky Hollow Trail over Brush

Creek. **Motion by Branum, Second by Aumann to Approve the PE Agreement with McDonough Whitlow to Replace the Bridge on Rocky Hollow Trail over Brush Creek. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 10, pages 28-43).**

3. **PE Agreement w/Hurst-Rosche, Sec. 10-00136-00-BR, Total replacement of bridge 068-3033 on Irving Road over Unnamed Creek Approval**: Engineer Boehler reported that he would like Hurst-Rosche to design a total bridge replacement for structure 068-3033. The bridge is 60 years old and show signs of deterioration. The county should prepare to replace the bridge when funding is available. The committee approved the PE Agreement with Hurst Rosche to replace the bridge on Irving Road over the Unnamed Creek in Rountree Township. **Motion by Branum, Second by Hertel to Approve the PE Agreement with Hurst Rosche to Replace the Bridge on Irving Road over the Unnamed Creek in Rountree Township. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 10, pages 44-57).**
4. **PE Agreement w/Henderson & Assoc., Sec. 09-00131-00-RS, design of concrete overlay for Red Ball Trail Approval:** Engineer Boehler reported that Henderson & Associates are currently under contract to design the road improvements to the Red Ball Trail. They are asking for additional hours due to the scope of work changing from hot mix asphalt to concrete overlay. Boehler advised the committee that these additional design hours are justified and necessary to complete the project. The committee approved the PE Agreement with Henderson & Assoc. to Revise the Engineering Plans for a Concrete Overlay on Red Ball Trail. This will not delay the project. **Motion by Branum, Second by Bone to Approve the PE Agreement with Henderson & Assoc. to Revise the Engineering Plans for a Concrete Overlay on Red Ball Trail. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 10, pages 58-61).** Boehler assured Chairman Plunkett that no delay of current projects will occur as a result of his resignation.
5. **Probst Bridge Update**: Engineer Boehler reported that the construction contract was awarded to Yamnitz Construction in January, and a preconstruction meeting was held with IDOT on Friday March 5th, 2010. Branum reported that work started on Monday, March 8th, and weather permitting; the bridge could be finished in a month.
6. **Walton Park Bridge Project Update**: The progress schedule from Ted LaBelle, CMT was handed out, and the deadline for final plans to be submitted to IDOT was Tuesday March 2, 2010. Although CMT has made the deadline for IDOT, IDNR's review has not been completed yet. Changes to the plans may be necessary due to IDNR's comments, which may delay the project, depending on how significant those changes become. As of today, the project is on schedule for a June 11, 1010 letting date. Engineer Boehler will review a request from CMT for additional hours on the project and report next month.
7. **Complaints on Roads Changed to 72,000 lb. Weight Limit Update:** Engineer Boehler reported that he has received complaints from farmers that live on the roads that were changed due to the 72,000 lb. weight limit. He is working with them to provide further information.
8. **Executive Session:**
   - ***Enter Into Executive Session*: Motion by Branum, Second by Downs to Enter Into Executive Session for discussion of personnel for Highway Engineer Position. All in favor, motion carried. *Time: 9:30 a.m.***
   - ***Come Out of Executive Session*: Motion by Branum, Second by Bathurst to Come Out of Executive Session. All in favor, motion carried. *Time: 9:35 a.m.***
   - ***Executive Session Motion*: Motion by Branum, Second by Downs to Appoint County Highway Engineer Kevin Smith for $85,000 per year plus Typical Benefits. All in favor, motion carried. (See Resolution Book 10, page 62).**

Hertel thanked Engineer Ruben again for his service to the County.

APPROVAL OF 8 COMMITTEE REPORTS & MINUTES: Motion by Miles, second by Helgen to approve the 8 committee reports. All in favor, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chairman Plunkett read a note from Fayco thanking Montgomery County for the additional financial support. Also, Plunkett offered his condolences to Mary Bathurst in the loss of her mother.

SCHEDULE CHANGES: There will be a Special B&G Meeting on Monday, 3/22/10 at 10:00 a.m. at the Christian County Courthouse.

APPOINTMENTS: NONE

PAY BILLS:

1. **Approval to Pay Any Invoices from Adams & Wilson, PCC and Books and Moore**: **Motion by Sielschott, Second by Aumann to pay any invoices for Adams & Wilson, PCC and Books and Moore. Voice Vote: In favor – 20, Against – 0, Present -1 (Moore). Motion carried.**
2. **Motion by Sielschott, second by Blankenship to pay all other approved bills. All in favor, motion carried**. For itemized listing of bills paid, refer to Accounts Payable Book for FY 2010.

ADJOURN: Until the Full Board Meeting on *Tuesday, April 13th, 2010 at 8:30 a.m.* in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois.

Motion by Branum, second by Beck to adjourn the Full Board Meeting. **All in favor, motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted and recorded by Montgomery County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser.