

**Human Resources and Planning Committee**  
**March 10, 2016**

The Human Resources and Planning Committee met on Thursday, March 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse in the Law Library. Committee members in attendance included Chairman George Dixon, Rich Brown, Alice Henry, Travis Hiel, Trevor Toland, Lee Trotter, Jerry Tyson and County Board Chairman Scott Schwerer. Member Tony Coniglio was absent. Others in attendance included Dr. and Eric Blakeley, Bonnie Scripps, Animal Control Officer Vicky Van Trump and committee secretary Beth Crossett.

Chairman Dixon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Review & Approval of February 11, 2016 Minutes**

Member Brown moved with second by Member Toland that the minutes of February 11, 2016 meeting are approved as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

**Animal Control Report**

Animal Control Officer Vicky Van Trump presented the monthly report. Pet population seven completed applications, seven approved applications and six paid application were received this month. The report included: animal numbers and after hours call out.

Humane Society President, Bonnie Scripps they took 29 barn/feral cats to Quincy for the spay/neuter program. Another trip will be made on March 31<sup>st</sup>. They will have another Foster Cat Showcase on April 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Community Room of the Macomb City Hall. They are still working on options for the projects discussed last month.

**Policies & Procedures/Planning for the Future**

No report.

**Report of McDonough County Groundwater Protection Education Committee**

Alice reported the committee met yesterday. They are working on the idea of developing a rain garden. Drinking water week will offer free testing bottles to send to State testing labs. The state will no longer be doing the test for nitrates. Discussion was held on the decrease in the number of test kits being distributed. With the addition of rural water and hesitancy of having the “government” knowing what’s in their water being the two main reasons for people not taking advantage of the free testing.

Member Toland stated that McDonough County Farm Bureau has received the largest grant in a program from the Illinois Farm Bureau. Farm Bureau will partner with WIU and Key Ag. They hope to have 2 per township to sample the tile water to establish baseline runoff.

**Report on GIS Meeting**

Member Toland reported the next meeting is scheduled for April 8th. They are hosting the Illinois GIS Association at WIU on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Claims**

Member Brown moved with second by Member Toland to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

**Other**

Member Henry moved with second by Member Hiel that the meeting adjourns. Motion carried on a voice vote. With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.