

**Hillsboro City Council Meeting  
October 12, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call was taken and those present were Mayor Downs and Commissioners Duncan, Robbins and Wright. Commissioner Murphy was absent.

The "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Commissioners' reports:

Commissioner Robbins read his reports and they will be included in the minutes.

Commissioner Murphy was absent but Deputy Chief Hopper spoke reference to catalytic convertors that have been stolen off vehicles around town.

Commissioner Duncan had nothing to report said everything was on the agenda.

Commissioner Wright read her report and it will be included in the minutes.

Mayor Downs said the Imagine Hillsboro Fall Festival went well and Atlas 46 & Hardcore Hammers sponsored the monster build. Downs showed some yard sale signs he had taken off poles around town and some of the signs was taped to painted lights and pulled the paint off when he removed them. Downs said the City needs to start fining people when they put signs up and don't take them down and it will be addressed later in the meeting.

Community Planner Jonathan Weyer gave his report and it will be included in the minutes.

City Engineer Jeremy Connor said they will assist with the grant and the public meeting for Seward St. bridge was not well attended and was going to address the planning commission on the bridge. Connor said a grant was submitted for the bridge in early October. Connor said they would have a site visit on Helston Pl. soon and the sidewalk grant should be returned from IDOT soon to proceed with the projects.

There were no public comments.

Dr. David let addressed the Council on the South Central Illinois Regional Workforce Training and Innovation Center and his report will be included in the minutes.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Duncan** and seconded by Commissioner Robbins to accept the 2021 audit report from Patton & Company. Motion carried 4-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Duncan** and seconded by Commissioner Robbins to approve paying bills for the month of October in the amount of \$494,823.69. Motion carried 4-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Wright to adopt Ordinance No. 1717, an ordinance amending Article V sections 27-5-2 & 27-5-15 of the City Code. **Motion was made by Commissioner Wright** and seconded by Commissioner Robbins to amend the motion to include Article V sections 27-5-7 & 27-5-16 of the City Code instead of 27-5-2 & 27-5-15. Amended motion carried 4-0. **Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Wright to adopt the ordinance as amended. Motion carried 4-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Wright to adopt Ordinance No. 1718, an ordinance to amend article VI – sign regulations to include a fine up to \$750 for anyone who violates section VI. Motion carried 4-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Wright** and seconded by Commissioner Robbins to adopt Ordinance No. 1719, an ordinance to amend Article II – rates and regulations 38-2-1(l) of the City Code. The amendments include raising the late penalty to 15%, for a hardship the customer must present it to City Hall before termination of services, raising the disconnection and reconnection fee to \$40 each and if it is not a delinquent account the fee will be \$25 for each disconnection and reconnection. Motion carried 4-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Wright to approve a \$2,000 Façade Improvement Grant reimbursement to Ben & Amanda Cunningham for work done at 130 E. Seward St. in Hillsboro. Motion carried 4-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Duncan** and seconded by Commissioner Wright to approve a \$2,000 Façade Improvement Grant for Teresa Taylor at 211 S. Main St., Tony Dragoo at 439 S. Main St., and Connie Childers at 101 S. Main St. in Hillsboro.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Duncan** and seconded by Commissioner Wright to amend the motion to approve grants for Tony Dragoo and Connie Childers and table the approval for Teresa Taylor until more information could be got. Amended motion carried 4-0. **Motion was made Commissioner Wright** and seconded by Commissioner Duncan to approve the motion as amended. Motion carried 4-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Wright to approve a community bike ride on October 29<sup>th</sup> at 6p and 7p. Motion carried 4-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Wright** and seconded by Commissioner Duncan to approve purchasing 12 - 1" meters and 88 - 5/8"x3/4" meters from Midwest Meters for a cost of \$25,132. Motion carried 4-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Wright** and seconded by Commissioner Robbins to approve amending chapter 38 of the utility code. Proposed changes include 38-2-1(l)(2)(b) – remove section (b) completely, 38-2-1(l)(2)(C)- amend to read that the consumer has the right to be heard and has until the scheduled termination to present evidence in his behalf to City Hall if he does not agree with the bill, 38-2-1(l)(2)(d) remove section D completely, 38-2-1(l)(3-5) remove sections 3,4 & 5, 38-2-6(a) amend to read that all applicants that are no the property owner for which the service is requested, and 38-2-6(b) remove the last two sentences. Motion carried 4-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Duncan to approve purchasing a new front door for City Hall from Carlinville Glass Cutters, LLC for a cost of \$2,252 including parts and installation. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Sullivan told the Council the City would be working on a rebuild downtown and main street grant and asked for everyone to get involved and help support the grant that will be written by the Community Planner with assistance from Hurst & Rosche.

**Motion to Adjourn was made at 8:19 pm by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Wright. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cory M. Davidson, City Clerk

# **Parks & Public Properties Dept. Work Summary**

## **Council Meeting Report-October 12, 2021**

- Mowing in parks, lakes, and public properties, emptying trash cans, servicing the dog park, spraying weeds, weed eating, etc.
- Trim work on fascia and retaining wall work at the shop
- Met with lake adjacent landowner for interest in land purchase
- Filled holes from water leak at pool and hauled off debris
- Began winterizing pool filtering equipment
- Delivered and picked up picnic tables from Plaza for Harvest Market
- Pruned trees, added rock to driveway, added riprap to creek bank, etc. at dog park
- Replaced irrigation head at War Memorial
- Assisted at Complex hauling off old equipment
- Received backstop for Central Park ball field
- Worked on repairing trenches from CTI installation to the Parks office
- Repair and service work on mowers
- We were notified that we awarded a grant to purchase trees from Trees Forever as part of their "Recover, Replant, Restore!" program

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**Subject:** here it is

**From:** streets@hillsboroillinois.net

**Date:** Mon, Oct 11, 2021 7:18 am

**To:** "Cory" <cityhall@hillsboroillinois.net>

1. Repaired curb stop on Patterson Dr.
2. Repaired curb stop on Leva St.
3. Repaired curb stop and replaced lead line on Jefferson St.
4. Repaired curb stop on Virginia St.
5. Ran street sweeper
6. Picked up brush
7. Repaired fuel tank on 2001 dump truck
8. Scraped excess rock off shoulder on Glen Shoals Dr.
9. Blacktopped
10. Ran dura-patcher
11. Cleaned out sewer manhole on Broad St.

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## **Community and Economic Planner Report 10/12/2021**

-The Mental Health Summit is being planned for November 8<sup>th</sup>. It will include area leaders, at least for this first go around. We're hoping to expand it at future events. Again, this is in our Strategic Plan for the city and will start the conversation of how we can work together to meet the needs of those struggling with mental health issues.

-We met last Tuesday to discuss the Downtown grant. Again, this is going to be a gigantic project that will take up a lot of time between now and Christmas. Since we will be discussing it later in the meeting, I won't take up too much time in this report on the discussion.

-Last week, on Thursday evening by Zoom, I gave a presentation to the American Planners Association-Illinois called, "Revolution of the Small: How small towns can survive and thrive in a global economy." There were 50 other planners in attendance and it was very well received. Got a number of request to visit Hillsboro and learn more about what we are doing.

-The Center on Rural Innovation study is proceeding and we're working hard to meet their information requirements. It's a very extensive process as they are really going under the hood of our digital economy and where we stand right now.

-The Growth Management Plan is on track for a December rough draft to be presented to the Planning Commission and the Council. The committee is submitting their reports to me so that I can start writing it up.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathan Weyer  
Community and Economic Planner.



# Litchfield C.U.S.D. #12

# Student Career Pathway

## K & 1st

Galaxy – Why  
People Work

K - IDream - Dream  
Big!

1 - ICreate - Be  
creative and  
entrepreneurial

## 3rd

Galaxy – Where  
People Work

ICreate - Always be  
creative and  
entrepreneurial

## 5th

Galaxy – On Job  
Experiences

ICreate - Swim  
With The Sharks

## 8th

Navigator – Skills  
Confidence  
Assessment, Top 3  
pathways with post  
HS plans

IDream – Don't Stop  
Believing

Career Day

12 Week Career  
Pathways Course

## Junior

Navigator – Pick Top  
Colleges,  
Admissions tests or  
Create Resumes

ICreate - Selling U!

Career Essential  
Skills Course

## 2nd

Galaxy – Tools  
Careers Use

IDream - Get Their  
Heads in the  
Clouds

## 4th

Galaxy – Education  
Needed for Careers

IDream -  
Glow Dreams Glow

## 6th & 7th

Navigator – Career  
Interest  
Assessments and  
related occupations

6 - IDream - Be the  
Dream Catcher

7 - ICreate - Make  
an Impact

## Fr. & Soph.

Navigator – Short  
list of occupations  
and post HS plan

Fr. - ICreate  
Branding U!

Soph - IDream – Be  
Smart!

## Senior

Navigator – Apply for  
FAFSA and Colleges,  
or Find Job Openings

IDream / ICreate -  
Showcase It!

Senior Career  
Pathway Seminar



social



Curiosity

TEAM  
WORK



ENTREPRENEUR



## **SCI Training & Innovation Center**

### **Mission, Vision, Objectives:**

**Original Name:** "South Central Illinois (SCI) Regional Workforce Training & Innovation Center"

**New Name:** "SCI Training & Innovation Center"

**Mission Statement:** Continuously Improving South Central Illinois Workforce Development.

**Vision Statement:** To be the regional workforce training and innovation hub for agriculture, manufacturing, trades, technical and entrepreneurial initiatives.

### **Objectives:**

**Heartland Values** – To integrate heartland values with workforce career training that reinforces the power of work and serves to transform our rural economic development.

**Career Pathways Hub** – To provide a career pathways hub to develop multiple workforce and technical training opportunities for trades, agriculture and entrepreneurial initiatives.

**Technical Innovation** – To advance critical thinking and access to technical research that result in collaborative innovation and regional job solutions.

**Workforce Activation** – To continually improve and design training curricula that build coalitions with regional industry and community college partners to meet and exceed current workforce needs.

**Accountability** – To maintain curriculum, operational and budget planning that is inclusive and transparent with administrative stakeholders and the general public.

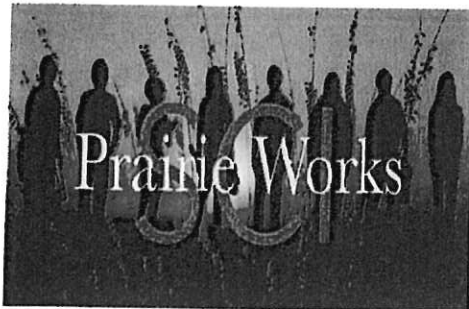
### **Regionalism Sub-Region Name & Mission:**

**Name:** SCI Prairie Works

**Mission:** Align career pathways to workforce training & innovation with regional business labor demand to optimize rural economic growth, tourism, & overall quality of life.



# *A Case for Illinois Rural Regionalism*



**White House Task Force for Agriculture and Rural Prosperity Recommendations (2017):**

1. E-Connectivity (for Downstate Illinois)
2. Improving Rural Quality of Life
3. Supporting a Rural Workforce
4. Harnessing Technological Innovation
5. Developing our Rural Economy

**Rural Regionalism - Allows rural communities to pool their resources and take advantage of new economic opportunities without replacing or threatening existing government units.**

**A Case for Downstate Illinois Rural Regionalism:**

- ❖ Consortium of forward thinking members focused upon a Rural Economic Renaissance.
- ❖ Platform for sharing and exchange of ideas and successes.
- ❖ Coordination of effort for efficient utilization of resources.
- ❖ Development of 3 Regional Innovation Hubs that will foster transformative change.
- ❖ Leverage existing resources while actively pursuing difference making new resources.

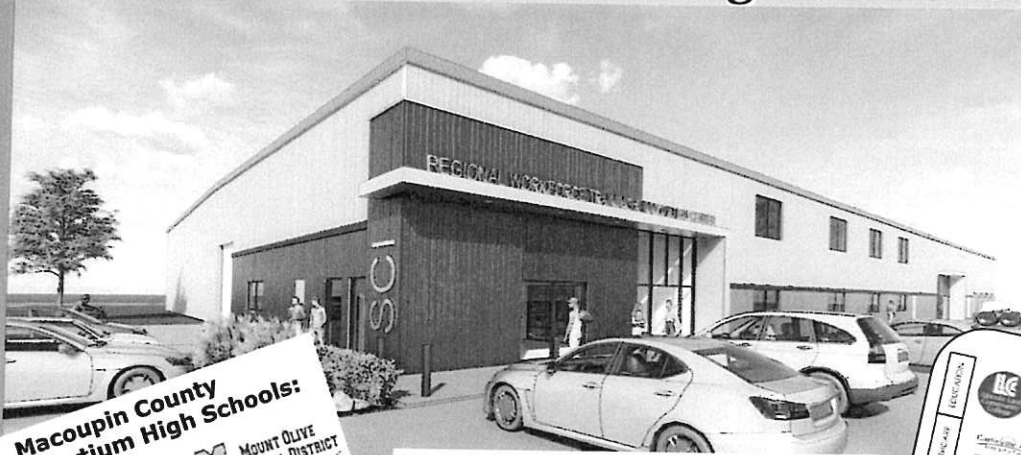
**The Role of Regional Innovation Hubs anchored by Rural Regional Innovation Centers:**

- ❑ Creation of 3 Regional Innovation Hubs in Litchfield, Alton, & Quincy Illinois.
- ❑ Centers would serve as platforms for advancing projects within the 3 innovation zones.
- ❑ Each Innovation Hub within the Alliance will serve as unique centers of expertise.
- ❑ Each Hub will cooperatively communicate with one another in advancing shared goals.
- ❑ Hub leadership teams will guide activation projects, measure impact, & report progress.

**Key Activation Opportunities:**

- Partner with SIU Med School to develop a blueprint for transforming IL rural health.
- Advance rural E-Connectivity through accelerated rural Broadband deployment.
- Further rural Manufacturing Initiatives while promoting "Made in America" branding.
- Create Business Advisory Councils to K-12/Community College Curriculum Dev.
- Revitalize rural County Seats, Town Centers, & Town Squares.
- Advance Precision, Digital, & Regenerative AG & Regional Food Security.
- Market Downstate IL Nature-Based Tourism & preferred Rural Relocation Destinations.
- Actively recruit talented professionals who prefer the advantages of quality rural living.

# South Central Illinois (SCI) Regional Workforce Training and Innovation Center



- Career Pathways:**
- Agriculture
  - Automotive/Diesel
  - Entrepreneurship
  - Construction
  - Medical
  - Information Technology
  - Logistics
  - Manufacturing
  - Welding

**Macoupin County CTE Consortium High Schools:**

Summit CUSD #6  
 WE ARE Carlinville  
 MOUNT OLIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 SOUTHWESTERN CUSD No. 9  
 BUNKER HILL 8

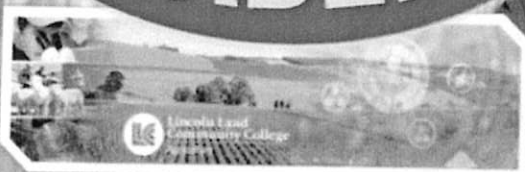
**Montgomery County Partners:**

LITCHFIELD CUSD #12  
 Hillsboro Community School District No. 3  
 NOKOMIS CUSD #22  
 Panhandle School District #2  
 FGM ARCHITECTS

**Partnerships**

Logistics: LEC, HVI, Allscripts, All, CORTEVA, KARMAR, GABRIEL, SHERIFF, ALPINE, MIDWEST, AMERICA, GLAMBOO, DOMETIC, A-RAM Stainless Fabricators, Midwest Target Co., Litchfield Sports, Inc.

# AGRICULTURE SCI ACADEMY



 **SLOAN  
IMPLEMENT**



DONALD DANFORTH  
PLANT SCIENCE CENTER  
DISCOVERY | COMMUNITY | IMPACT



**CORTEVA**  
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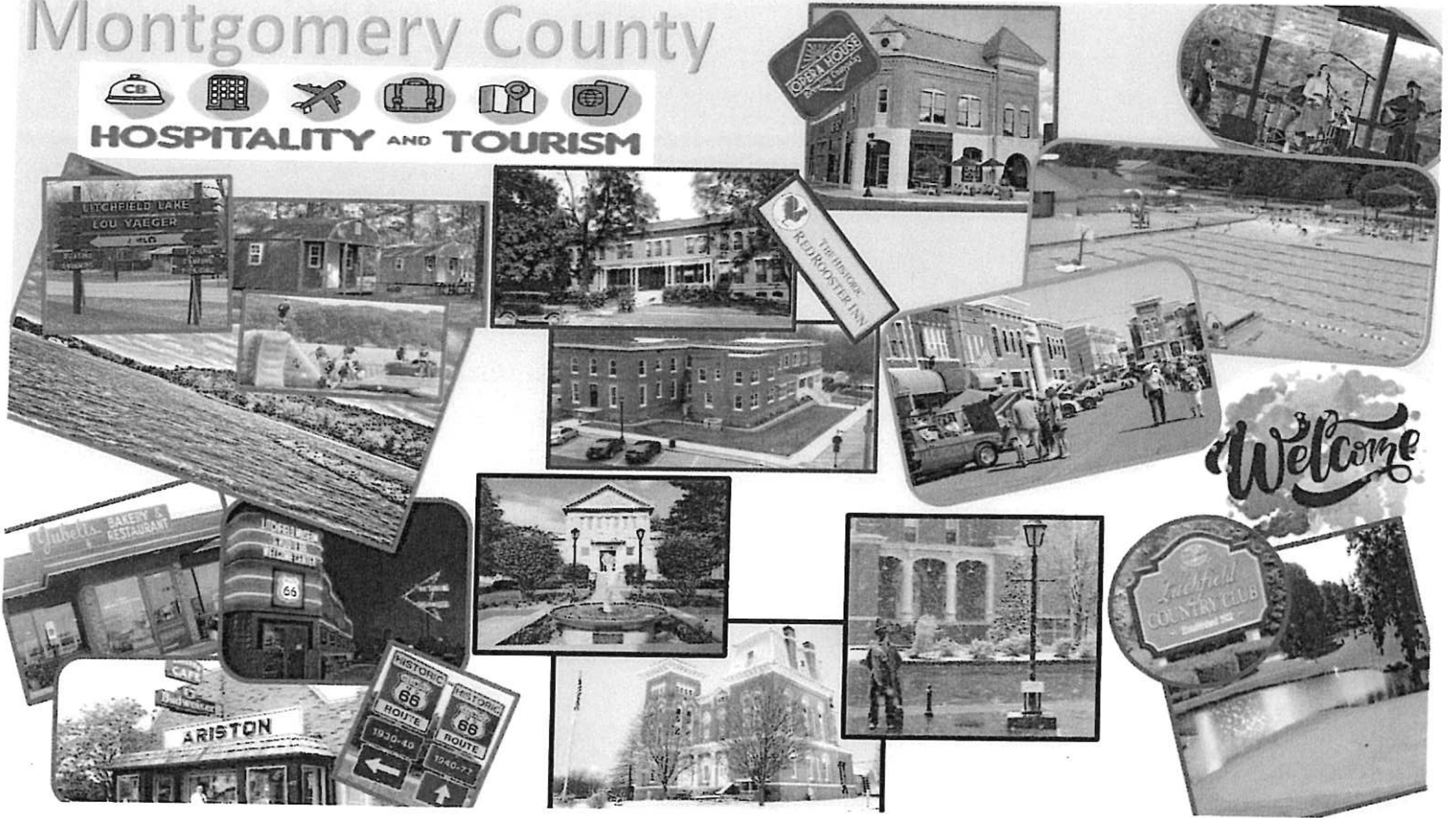
## Providing Agriculture Pathways in South Central Illinois

High school students will learn about new, innovative agricultural research and career opportunities in the field of agriculture through the SCI: Ag Academy. Students who complete the program will be able to advance to LLCC to finish their associates' degree within one year after high school, enroll in a four-year degree Ag program with transferable college credits, or enter the workforce with employable skills and Ag certifications.

Advanced agriculture opportunities include:

- Agricultural Science Research Projects
- Agriculture Computer applications
- AAS Ag transfer programs
- AAS Agbusiness
- AAS Precision Ag
- Drones in Agriculture
- Agriculture Certificate of Completion
  - Fertilizers
  - Integrated Pest Management
  - Application Equipment

# Montgomery County

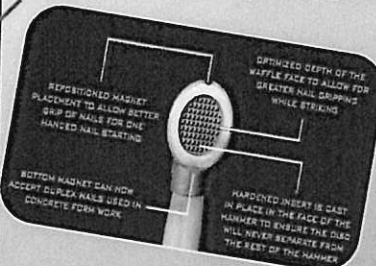


Lean Manufacturing is a methodology that focuses on minimizing waste within manufacturing systems while simultaneously maximizing productivity

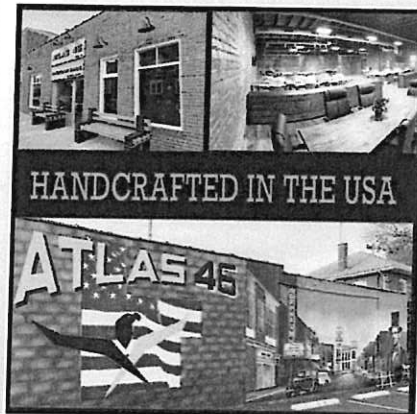
# Hillsboro Lean Manufacturing



## Hardcore Hammer



- Hammers, Hatchets, Axes, Tire Thumpers



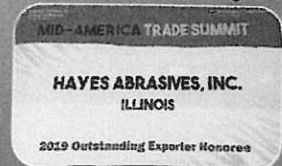
## Atlas 46

- Handcrafting premium tool carriage, storage, and workwear in the USA



## Hayes Abrasives

- Rubber Bonded Thin Slitting Wheels

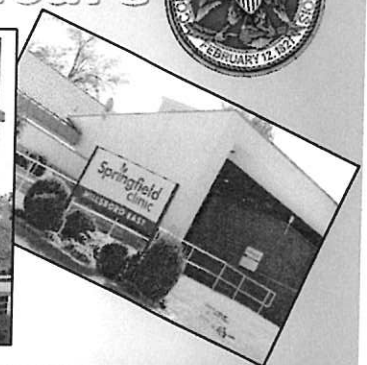


**Specialists Available:**

- Anesthesiology
- Cardiology
- Dermatology
- Emergency Room Medicine
- Endocrinology
- ENT
- General Surgery
- Hematology
- Hospital Medicine
- Nephrology
- Oncology/Cancer Care
- Optometry
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopedics
- Podiatry
- Pulmonology
- Radiation Therapy



# Montgomery County Healthcare



**Primary Physician to Population Ratio**

Montgomery

1,600:1 with 18 Physicians

Macoupin

4,130:1 with 11 Physicians

\*90<sup>th</sup> Percentile in the Country

\*\* Data from 2017