

## **Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting**

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Sorensen; Members McIntyre, Owens, Segobiano, O'Connor, Gordon, Soeldner (representing Transportation Committee), Caisley

Members Absent: Members Hoselton and Cavallini

Other Board Members Present: None

Staff Present: Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator; Ms. Hannah Eisner, Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Jude LaCasse, Assistant to the County Administrator, Mr. Pablo Eves, First Assistant State's Attorney, Civil Division

Department Heads/  
Elected Officials Present: Mr. Craig Nelson, Director, Information Technologies

Others Present: Mr. Scott Koepfel, Assistant Director, Information Technologies

Chairman Sorensen called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Chairman Sorensen presented the minutes from the February 11, 2014 Executive Committee Meeting for approval. Hearing no additions or corrections to those minutes, Chairman Sorensen advised that the minutes would stand approved as presented.

Chairman Sorensen noted that there are no reappointments, appointments or resignations.

Chairman Sorensen presented four requests for approval of Resolutions of Congratulations to the following schools – County Administrator's Office:

- Tri-Valley High School Varsity Boys Football Team;
- University High School Varsity Swim Team;
- Parkside Junior High School 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Team;
- Parkside Junior High School Cross Country Team.

Motion by McIntyre/Segobiano to Recommend Approval of a Resolution of Congratulations to the Tri-Valley High School Varsity Boys Football Team – County Administrator’s Office; to Recommend Approval of a Resolution of Congratulations to the University High School Varsity Swim Team – County Administrator’s Office; to Recommend Approval of a Resolution of Congratulations to the Parkside Junior High School 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Team – County Administrator’s Office; to Recommend Approval of a Resolution of Congratulations to the Parkside Junior High School Cross Country Team – County Administrator’s Office.

Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of a Property Tax Software Contract Amendment adding Marshall & Swift Valuation Package.

Motion by Owens/Caisley to Recommend Approval of a Property Tax Software Contract amendment Adding Marshall & Swift Valuation Package – County Administrator’s Office.

Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of a Contract with Devnet for Hosted Property Tax Information Solution (Devnet wEdge) – Information Technologies.

Motion by Owens/O’Connor to Recommend Approval of a Contract with Devnet for Hosted Property Tax Information Solution (Devnet wEdge) – Information Technologies.

Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval to Purchase Morphotrust Identification Equipment – Information Technologies.

Motion by Caisley/Segobiano to Recommend Approval to Purchase Morphotrust Identification Equipment – Information Technologies.

Motion carried.

Mr. Bill Caisley, Chairman, Justice Committee, advised that the Justice Committee brings no items for action to the Executive Committee.

Chairman Sorensen asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, he thanked Mr. Caisley.

Mr. Ben Owens, Chairman, Finance Committee, presented a request for approval of Critical Personnel Hiring Requests – County Administrator’s Office.

Mr. Owens advised that the Finance Committee approved a request from Treasurer Becky McNeil for an Agreement with Commerce Bank for Lockbox Services. He explained that this is a service provided by Commerce Bank to handle all tax bills received by mail, which will save the Treasurer’s office a lot of time. Mr. Owens noted that these payments will go to Kansas City, Kansas for processing.

Motion by Owens/Segobiano to Recommend Approval of  
Critical Personnel Hiring Requests – County  
Administrator’s Office.  
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen asked if there were any additional questions or comments. Hearing none, he thanked Mr. Owens.

Mr. George Gordon, Chairman, Land Use and Development Committee, presented a request for approval of a Resolution of the McLean County Board Approving the Recommendation of the Solid Waste Technical and Policy Committee.

Motion by Gordon/Owens to Recommend Approval of a  
Resolution of the McLean County Board Approving the  
Recommendation of the Solid Waste Technical and  
Policy Committee.  
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, he thanked Mr. Gordon.

Mr. Jim Soeldner, Ranking Member, Transportation Committee presented a request for approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between McLean County and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for Route 66 Bike Trail.

Mr. Caisley asked about the Agreement calling for the County to indemnify the state for any causes of action that may arise as a result of the trail. Ms. Eisner responded that she reviewed the Agreement in her previous position as Assistant State’s Attorney, noting that this is the same language as previously approved and there is a sentence in Section 5 that somewhat protects the County from that indemnification language, namely “...except for willful neglect or failure to restore in accordance with Section 9.M. of this agreement.”

Mr. Soeldner stated that this is the same agreement that was signed in 2010 for the southern part of the trail.

Mr. McIntyre advised that some of the landscaping along parts of the trail have been funded by Friends of the Trail Board working in conjunction with Mr. Eric Schmitt, County Highway, and IDOT.

Motion by Soeldner/McIntyre to Recommend Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between McLean County and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for Route 66 Bike Trail.

Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, he thanked Mr. Soeldner.

Mr. Paul Segobiano, Chairman, Property Committee, presented a request for approval to apply for and accept an Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Illinois Public Museums Capital Grant Program 2014 – Facilities Management.

Motion by Segobiano/Caisley to Recommend Approval to Apply for and Accept an Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Illinois Public Museums Capital Grant Program 2014 – Facilities Management.

Motion carried.

Chairman Segobiano presented a request for approval to apply for and accept an Illinois Department of Public Health Heartsaver AED (Automated External Defibrillator) Grant 2014 Program – Parks and Recreation Department.

Motion by Segobiano/Owens to Recommend Approval to Apply for and Accept an Illinois Department of Public Health Heartsave AED (Automated External Defibrillator) Grant 2014 Program – Parks and Recreation Department.

Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, he thanked Mr. Segobiano.

Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator, advised that the Jail Screening Committee reviewed eight proposals that were received for the Needs Assessment in Pre-Architectural Work last Monday. He indicated that interviews and presentations have been scheduled next week with the four vendors who made the short list.

Mr. Segobiano complimented Mr. Wasson and Ms. Eisner on all of their efforts to move this very aggressive program forward.

Mr. Soeldner asked for a brief summary of the Voice One trip to Washington, D.C. Chairman Sorensen reported that Mr. Wasson, Judge Robb and he went on the Economic Development Council One Voice trip last week. He pointed out that a community-wide coalition of government officials, business leaders, organized labor, and, depending upon topics, people who are experts in those fields gather together every year and carry messages to Washington to both agency staff and elected officials. Chairman Sorensen stated that this year the two topics were as follows:

1. Mental health and need for additional mental health services in McLean County, and
2. Economic development initiatives using existing resources at the Airport and to redevelop some of that land for economic purposes.

Chairman Sorensen noted that six general topics on mental health were taken to the Federal Government spanning everything from the need for enhanced crisis care, and crisis beds to money for the Jail should that be necessary. He indicated that a lot of the topics are not well-defined yet. Chairman Sorensen stated that grant opportunities will be explored. He stated that the trip was about meeting with the agency staff and to hear them tell the group what kind of key words and phrases are important to use on these topics when applying for grants.

Chairman Sorensen advised that there may also be grant dollars in Springfield that are being controlled by the Governor's Office, specifically for community health clinics. He indicated he has written a letter of support of an application for dollars to be used in McLean County.

Chairman Sorensen suggested that Mr. McIntyre and Ms. O'Connor provide an update on their Advisory Groups.

Ms. O'Connor, Chair of the Best Practices Advisory Group, stated that the Group has met twice. She noted that the first meeting was spent organizing and choosing topics for discussion. Ms. O'Connor stated that today Ms. Eisner provided a presentation "What's up with the Numbers" that reviewed the various boards. She added that Ms. Laura Beavers, Health Department, gave an excellent presentation as well. Ms. O'Connor indicated that there are a lot of experts on the Group and they are working on establishing a report on the best practices on "behavioral health."

Mr. McIntyre, Chairman, Needs Assessment Advisory Group, stated that this has been a unique experience for the community to have a governmental body reach out to people who are involved in mental health services and practices. He indicated that this Group went into three discussion groups and provided a matrix that the State Mental Health Association had for discussion topics. Mr. McIntyre stated that the group came back together and they compiled the information. He noted that Ms. Schafer, Ms. Eisner and he met to develop a group matrix for discussion topics for their every other week meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March

14<sup>th</sup>. Mr. McIntyre pointed out that the one theme that emerged was crisis care. He indicated that this Friday representatives from both hospitals, law enforcement and EMT people will speak briefly. The group will break into two groups and collaborate on this information. Mr. McIntyre stated that the data received from the organizations that work in these areas will be compiled into consensus statements about each topic. He advised that after the topic of crisis care, the next topic will be on medications.

Mr. McIntyre indicated that once the two Advisory Groups have completed their meetings, the information gathered will be shared with the County Board.

Ms. O'Connor invited Board members to attend the meetings. She noted that her group is meeting every Tuesday morning at 9:00 a.m. except on Board meeting day.

Chairman Sorensen advised that the folks in Washington, D.C. and the people he has talked to in Springfield are impressed with the focus that our community is putting on behavioral health issues. He added that the number of people who have volunteered to be active participants of these Advisory Groups is very impressive.

Chairman Sorensen presented the February 28, 2014 bills as recommended and transmitted by the County Auditor for payment. The Fund Total is \$122,094.10 and the Prepaid Total is the same.

Motion by Gordon/Segobiano to recommend Approval of the Executive Committee bills for February 28, 2014 as presented to the Committee by the County Auditor.  
Motion carried.

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There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Sorensen adjourned the meeting at 4:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse  
Recording Secretary