

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

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chair McIntyre, Vice Chair Soeldner and Members Segobiano, Gordon, Owens, Caisley, Erickson, Schafer and Rankin

Members Absent: None

Other Board Members Present: Members: Robustelli, Metsker and Murphy

Staff Present: Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator; Ms. Hannah Eisner, Assistant County Administrator; Mr. Don Knapp, First Assistant Civil State's Attorney; Ms. Julie A. Morlock, Recording Secretary

Department Heads/  
Elected Officials Present: Craig Nelson, Director Information Services

Others Present: Greg Allen, Chief Deputy Sheriff; Derek Barker, Assistant Director, Information Services

Chairman McIntyre called to order a meeting of the Executive Committee at 4:30 p.m. and declared a quorum.

Chairman McIntyre presented the minutes from the February 9, 2016 regular Executive Committee Meetings for approval.

Motion by Owens/Caisley to approve the minutes from the February 9, 2016 regular Executive Committee Meetings.  
Motion Carried

Chairman McIntyre stated that there was one member of the public who had asked to speak to the Committee and welcomed Mr. Glen Ludwig to come forward. Chairman McIntyre stated that Mr. Ludwig would have 5 minutes to address the Committee on the appointment of committee members. Mr. Ludwig congratulated the Board and staff on the orderly transition made with the recent unexpected changes. He said he noticed stronger team work in the Board. He said tight times coming up and concerned about those times and the need to find more money locally which will be challenging. Mr. Ludwig said he felt there was a need to do more collaboration across all local government bodies. He said that change is usually seen when we have pain and would like to see change before we get to that point. Mr. Ludwig stated he is now focusing on

the County Board and the City of Bloomington as far as observing and attending meetings.

Chairman McIntyre presented for action a request to recommend approval of the Reappointments, Appointments and Resignations.

Motion by Soeldner/Gordon to recommend approval of the Reappointments, Appointments and Resignations.

Motion Carried.

Chairman McIntyre presented for action for Mr. Craig Nelson, Director, Information Technologies a request to approve a Seasonal/Occasional Position for FY'2016.

Motion by Schafer/Rankin to recommend approval of a Seasonal/Occasional position in the Information Technologies Department.

Motion Carried.

Chairman McIntyre directed the Committee's attention to the General Report from Information Technologies Department in the packet and asked if they had any questions or comments for Mr. Nelson; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Nelson.

Chairman McIntyre stated that they had one application for the District #6 vacancy, Ms. Laurie Wollrab. He asked her to come forward and told her that she would have five minutes to address the Committee. Ms. Wollrab thanked the Committee, Board and Staff for their kind and encouraging words. She stated she had served on the Board for six years but chose not to run for re-election after her last term because of changes at work and didn't want that to affect her service on the Board and to those she represented. Ms. Wollrab stated that in the interim she has served on the Board of Health. Several members of the Executive committee including Mr. Segobiano, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Soeldner, Mr. Caisley, Mr. Owens and Mr. Gordon indicated they would be glad to welcome her back to the Board and work with her again. Mr. Soeldner asked if her time away had given her a different perspective on the things accomplished or ideas of things we could work on in the future. Ms. Wollrab stated that there seemed to be a rivalry between the Board and the Health Department. She stated the County had worked really hard on the Mental Health Action Plan and she felt the Health Department needed to be involved and would like to see the Board encourage them to take on a bigger piece of that project. Mr. Owens said he was glad to see her on the Board of Health as she had helped to make the Board of Health stronger. Mr. Caisley asked her to explain the rivalry she sees with the Health Department and Board of Health. She said there seems to be a misunderstanding between the Board of Health, Health Department and the County Board regarding support from the County Board. She said that last minute communications do not help, and if information was shared earlier with the County Board then there would be a better understanding of the direction the Board of Health and Health Department were trying to take. Mr. Caisley said that some members were surprised about data processing initiatives that the Board of Health was

contemplating. Ms. Wollrab said that one of her recommendations at the next Board of Health meeting was for the Health Department to check in with the County Information Services Department and Administration to see if a program that already existed that might serve just as well.

Mr. William Caisley, Chairman of the Justice Committee presented for action a request to approve an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal year 2016 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for Sheriff Department.

Motion by Caisley/Owens to recommend approval an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2016 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for Sheriff Department.

Motion Carried.

Chairman Caisley indicated the Justice Committee would have two other items going to the Board next week for approval. Chairman McIntyre asked if the Committee had any questions for Chairman Caisley; hearing none he moved on to the Finance Committee.

Mr. Benjamin Owens, Chairman of the Finance Committee presented for action items C1a and b a request to approve a three year agreement with the City of Bloomington and the County of McLean for Animal Control Services and a request to approve a three year agreement with the City of Bloomington and the County of McLean for Animal Control Warden Services.

Motion by Owens/Caisley to recommend approval of both a three year agreement with the City of Bloomington and the County of McLean for Animal Control Services and a three year agreement with the City of Bloomington and the County of McLean for Animal Control Warden Services.

Motion Carried.

Chairman Owens indicated the Finance committee would have two other items to present to the Board next week. Chairman McIntyre asked if there were any questions for Mr. Owens or the Finance Committee; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Owens.

Ms. Schafer, Chair of the Health Committee stated that the Health Committee had no action items or items for information for the Committee. Chairman McIntyre asked the Committee if they had any questions regarding the Health Committee; hearing none, he thanked Ms. Schafer.

Mr. George Gordon, Chairman of the Land Use and Development Committee, stated that the Land Use and Development Committee had nothing to present for action today and would have one item to go before the Board next week. Chairman McIntyre asked if anyone had any questions or comments for Chairman Gordon or the Land Use

Committee; hearing none he moved on to Chairman Soeldner of the Transportation Committee.

Mr. Jim Soeldner, Chairman of Transportation Committee indicated that they had nothing to come before the Committee today and would have several items to be considered by the Board next week. Chairman McIntyre asked if there were any questions for Chairman Soeldner of the Transportation Committee; hearing none, he moved on to Chairman Segobiano of the Property Committee.

Mr. Paul Segobiano, Chairman of the Property Committee indicated that they had nothing to come before the Committee today. Chairman McIntyre asked if there were any questions of Mr. Segobiano or the Property Committee; hearing none he moved on to Mr. Wasson and the report of the County Administrator.

Mr. Wasson, County Administrator, presented for action a request to approve an Ordinance amending an Ordinance describing and designating an area located partially within the City of Bloomington, the Town of Normal, and unincorporated McLean County as an Enterprise Zone – Destihl Brewery. Mr. Wasson stated that this would extend the Enterprise Zone area. He stated and we have applied to reestablish the Enterprise Zone as the current agreement will cease shortly. Ms. Schafer asked what would happen if the enterprise zone expires. Mr. Wasson said that if it does not get reinstated they would lose the benefits associated with the Enterprise Zone. Mr. Caisley asked if any property currently in the Enterprise zone could be deleted from the Zone so that we did not run out of space. Mr. Wasson stated that was not necessary because there is significant acreage left in the Enterprise Zone. Mr. Erickson asked if any business had asked to be included in the Zone but was denied. Mr. Wasson stated that he was not aware of any request that had been turned down by the County Board or of any requests that had been made to other entities, but that he would ask. Mr. Gordon asked him to clarify if this request approved then it becomes part of the existing Enterprise Zone and is affected by whether the agreement is reinstated or not. Mr. Wasson confirmed. Mr. Rankin asked if Destihl had expressed any worries that the project would not be completed before the Enterprise Zone Agreement expires. Mr. Wasson stated that their hope is to have necessary tasks completed. Mr. Owens asked that if there was someone denied access to the Enterprise Zone, if the Committee could be provided the reason they were denied. Mr. Caisley stated that he thought we should use as little space as possible in the Enterprise Zone in case there is a future wind farm proposal.

Motion by Owens/Segobiano to recommend approval of an Ordinance amending an Ordinance describing and designating an area located partially within the City of Bloomington, the Town of Normal, and unincorporated McLean County as an Enterprise Zone – Destihl Brewery  
Motion Carried.

Mr. Wasson presented his report on recent employment activities. Chairman McIntyre asked if there were any questions for Mr. Wasson. Hearing none; Chairman McIntyre thanked Mr. Wasson.

Mr. McIntyre stated that under other Business and Communication he wanted to update the Committee on a couple of things. He then went on to tell the Committee that he and Member Soeldner had met that morning with the governmental affairs committee of the McLean County Farm Bureau and spent several hours explaining issues and answering questions regarding the mental health plan, jail expansion and other initiatives. Mr. Soeldner said he told them that the Board appreciates their input on topics. He said they talked about proposed wind farm and east side highway. Chairman McIntyre went on to discuss the One Voice Trip in Washington DC. He said that he, Dennis McGuire, Deputy Director in Court Services and retired Judge Elizabeth Robb presented a grant application to the Bureau of Justice Assistance; US Department of Justice. He stated he was able to pick up a couple of other grant possibilities in meeting with Russell Jenkins, a staffer for the U.S. Department of Justice and that Dennis McGuire also heard of one for probation services. He stated they were able to meet with Congressmen Kinzinger, LaHood, Davis and Congresswoman Bustos as well. He said they met with Senator Kirk and that he was able to spend some one on one time with Senator Durbin. Mr. McIntyre said he felt it was a productive meeting

Mr. Segobiano stated there was an article in the paper regarding the League of Women Voters scrutinizing local government and we just heard from a gentleman about collaboration and he wanted to state for the record that the City of Bloomington, Town of Normal and County do get together and collaborate and that McLean County is as transparent as you can get with most of their meetings open to the public. Mr. McIntyre stated that we do have a number of intergovernmental agreements that speak to the collaborative effort. Mr. Owens stated that the last time they all met together at ISU, Mayor Koos stated that most of the questions asked were from County Board members. Ms. Schafer stated that we also collaborate internally and provided an example of a future meeting between the McLean County Board Health Committee and the Board of Health on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Mr. McIntyre reminded everyone that meeting was open to the public.

Chairman McIntyre presented for approval the bills in the amount of \$230,086.53.

**MCLEAN COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT**

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**EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND**

**Executive Committee**

<b>FUND</b>	<b>FUND TITLE</b>	<b>PENDING TOTAL</b>	<b>PREPAID TOTAL</b>	<b>FUND TOTAL</b>
0001	GENERAL FUND		\$226,622.80	\$226,622.80
0136	VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMM.		\$3,463.73	\$3,463.73
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			\$230,086.53	\$230,086.53

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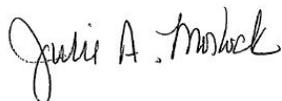
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COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Soeldner/Gordon to recommend approval of the Executive Committee bills as of February 29, 2016 as presented to the Committee by the County Auditor in the amount of \$230,086.53. Motion carried.

Chairman McIntyre asked if there was any further business to come before the Committee; hearing nothing, Chairman McIntyre adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Julie A. Morlock  
Recording Secretary