

Minutes of the Justice Committee

The Justice Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, January 3 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400 of the Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman George Gordon, Members George Wendt, Carlo Robustelli, Randall Martin, Scott Murphy, Dave Selzer and Susan Schafer

Members Absent:

Other County Board
Members Present

Staff Present: Mr. William Wasson, County Administrator; Ms. Hannah Eisner, Assistant County Administrator; Mr. Don Knapp, First Civil Assistant State's Attorney; Mr. Eric Schmitt, Administrative Services Director, and Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary;

Department Heads/

Elected Officials Present: Cassy Taylor, Director, Court Services; Mr. Jim Tusek, Public Defender Office; Ms. Judy Brucker, Director, Children's Advocacy Center, Jon Sandage, Sheriff

Others Present: Greg Allen, Chief Deputy Sheriff;

Chairman Gordon called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and declared a quorum.

Chairman Gordon stated that unless there were an objection he would declare the minutes of the December 6, 2016 meeting approved. There were no objections.

Chairman Gordon confirmed with Mr. Wasson there were no appearances by members of the public.

Chairman Gordon presented for action Ms. Cassy Taylor, Director, Court Services for action a request to approve a contract between McLean County Board of Health and the McLean County Board through its department, McLean County Court Services. Ms. Taylor stated that this is the second part of an agreement regarding problem-solving courts.

Motion by Wendt/Schafer to recommend approval of a contract between McLean County Board of Health and the McLean County Board through its department, McLean County Court Services.

Motion Carried.

Ms. Cassy Taylor, Director of Court Services presented her monthly reports. Chairman Gordon asked if Ms. Taylor had anything to add to her reports. She indicated she did not. Chairman Gordon asked the Committee if they had any questions for Ms. Taylor; hearing none, he thanked Ms. Taylor.

Chairman Gordon stated Mr. Chambers was not present and asked the Committee if they had any questions for Staff regarding the reports from the State's Attorney. Hearing none, he moved on to the Coroner and her report.

Ms. Davis, Coroner presented her monthly report. Ms. Davis reported they had the final statistics on suicides for 2016 and the number had increased to 25. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions; hearing none, he thanked Ms. Davis.

Mr. Gordon presented for action on behalf of Ms. Brucker, Director, Children's Advocacy Center a request to approve an Amendment to Agreement between the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority and County of McLean on behalf of McLean County Children's Advocacy Center/CASA. Mr. Wasson explained amendment is to a grant the Board has already approved. He stated that the Governor is requiring more accountability and Staff is working with Departments to make sure that information is gathered on a regular basis so readily available to provide for any future grants.

Motion by Murphy/Martin to recommend approval of an Amendment to Agreement between the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority and County of McLean on behalf of McLean County Children's Advocacy Center/CASA.
Motion Carried.

Chairman Gordon presented for action on behalf of Ms. Brucker a request to approve a Lease Agreement between McLean County and the Hope Pregnancy Center of Livingston County for satellite CAC space at 202 N. Main Street, Pontiac, IL.

Motion by Selzer/Martin to recommend approval of a Lease Agreement between McLean County and the Hope Pregnancy Center of Livingston County for satellite CAC space at 202 N. Main Street, Pontiac, IL.
Motion Carried.

Ms. Brucker, her monthly reports. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions for Ms. Brucker; hearing none, he thanked her.

Mr. Don Everhart, McLean County Circuit Clerk presented his monthly reports and stated there was nothing out of the ordinary about the report. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions for Mr. Everhart; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Everhart.

Mr. Jim Tusek of the Public Defender's office presented the monthly report and stated there was nothing out of the ordinary. Mr. Selzer stated he had the opportunity to talk to someone who received services from the Public Defender's office and the person felt they had received excellent service and asked Mr. Tusek to pass that along to the rest of the office. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions or comments; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Tusek.

Mr. Jon Sandage, Sheriff presented for action a request to approve the 2017 contract between County of McLean and Heartland Community College for GED classes in the McLean County Detention Facility. Mr. Murphy asked how many use this service. Mr. Allen indicated that they have about 5-6 a day on average who use the service and they get them ready for and provide the GED test.

Motion by Robustelli/Schafer to recommend approval the 2017 contract between County of McLean and Heartland Community College for GED classes in the McLean County Detention Facility

Motion Carried.

Mr. Martin abstained from the vote

Mr. Sandage presented for action an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2017 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for the Sheriff's Department.

Motion by Martin/Wendt to recommend approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2017 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for the Sheriff's Department

Motion Carried.

Mr. Sandage presented his monthly reports. Mr. Sandage indicated a lower number this month in the jail, but that is not unusual for this time of year. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions regarding the Sheriff's monthly reports; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Sandage.

Mr. Wasson presented his monthly report on staffing. Mr. Wasson went over the several positions filled under the purview of the Justice Committee. Mr. Wasson indicated first time in over a year that Metcom is fully staffed which will help with overtime. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions or comments on this report; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Wasson.

Chairman Gordon asked if there was anything under other business. Mr. Wendt asked about McLean County meeting the requirement to file report with the State on minimizing local government. Mr. Wasson confirmed that Staff had filed a report required to list all appointments made by the Board. There was discussion among Staff and Committee members as to which report Mr. Wendt was asking about. There was also discussion that the newspaper article seems to have gotten two laws requiring information confused. Mr. Robustelli asked Mr. Knapp to confirm which law applied to McLean County Board. Mr. Knapp confirmed that the requirement to provide a list of all appointments made by the Board and if those boards or commissions, etc. were able to levy taxes.

Chairman Gordon presented the Justice Committee bills for review and approval as transmitted by the County Auditor. He stated that the letter from the Auditor indicated there were some departments over budget and went over those departments and overages. Mr.

Gordon stated that the Prepaid and Fund Total of \$289,105.61 as of January 2, 2017 is being presented by the Auditor for approval. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions. Mr. Selzer questioned the procedure and asked why documentation was not submitted with the letter to correct the overages. He stated this seems to be a new procedure from what he had seen in the past. Mr. Wasson stated that this is not a new procedure by the Auditor in the last year or two to submit overages on a monthly basis. In the past clean-up was done once a year in February or March and transfers or budget amendments were submitted at that time to correct any overages. Mr. Gordon asked when the Committee would see transfers or amendments on these clean up items. Mr. Wasson stated that the books will be closed at the end of January and clean ups will come in February or March. Mr. Robustelli indicated that the Finance Committee had seen these letters and had asked that the Auditor work with Department Heads and Administrator to clean up overages and only present in her letter those that were irreconcilable. Mr. Robustelli noted that he hoped the Auditor would work with departments to get them corrected and hoped the Finance Committee would work with Auditor on this process. Mr. Gordon asked about the current procedure to make Departments aware of overages and getting corrected. Mr. Wasson explained they currently receive reports once a month but they are working with IT to develop a report that will be more clear and concise so Department Heads can easily see where their overages are and submit requests. Mr. Wasson stated they are working to improve reports and procedures as Administration does not always receive Bills with enough time to prepare transfers or budget amendments. He stated that once they have the information, Administration works with departments to make sure overages are addressed either that month or the next. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any further questions; hearing none, he stated amount of bills again and asked for vote.

Motion by Robustelli/Schafer to approve the Justice Committee Bills as transmitted by the County Auditor.

Motion carried.

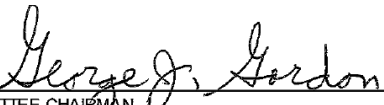
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AS OF 1/2/2017

EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

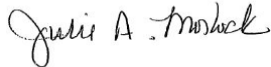
Justice Committee

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0001	GENERAL FUND		\$185,277.39	\$185,277.39
0129	CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CNTR		\$10,918.00	\$10,918.00
0138	CIRCUIT CLK/OPER & ADMIN		\$2,268.17	\$2,268.17
0141	COURT SECURITY		\$7,522.78	\$7,522.78
0142	COURT DOCUMENT STORAGE		\$1,522.07	\$1,522.07
0143	CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTION		\$1,068.45	\$1,068.45
0146	ADULT PROBATION SERVICES		\$7,654.53	\$7,654.53
0152	ASSET FORFEITURE-SAO		\$792.52	\$792.52
0155	ASSET FORFEITURE-SHERIFF		\$100.00	\$100.00
0156	IDPA IV-D PROJECT		\$19,242.67	\$19,242.67
0170	NEUTRAL SITE CUSTODY EXCH		\$4,167.00	\$4,167.00
0171	CHILDREN'S WAITING ROOM		\$1,750.00	\$1,750.00
0450	ETSB SURCHARGE FUND/E-911		\$7,150.31	\$7,150.31
0452	METRO COMMUNICATIONS CTR		\$36,713.41	\$36,713.41
0506	LAW LIBRARY		\$2,958.31	\$2,958.31
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COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Chairman Gordon asked if there was any other business or communication for the Justice Committee; hearing none, he adjourned the meeting at 5:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie Morlock
Recording Secretary