

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Sorensen, Members Bostic, Owens, Segobiano, Hoselton, Rackauskas, and O'Connor

Members Absent: Members Butler and Gordon

Other Board Members Present: Members Soeldner and Erickson

Staff Present: Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator; Ms. Jude LaCasse, Assistant to the County Administrator

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

Others Present: Mr. Ryan Leuty, Assistant Director, Information Technologies

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

Chairman Sorensen presented the minutes from the June 14, 2011 meeting and the May 17, 2011 Stand-up Meeting for approval.

Motion by Segobiano/Owens to approve the Minutes of the June 14, 2011 Finance Committee Meeting and the May 17, 2011 Stand-up Meeting.
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen advised that there are no reappointments, appointments or resignations to be considered.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of a Resolution of the McLean County Board acknowledging the Ecology Action Center for 40 years of service in environmental education and outreach – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Segobiano/Rackauskas to Recommend Approval of a Resolution of the McLean County Board Acknowledging the Ecology Action Center for 40 Years of Service in Environmental Education and Outreach – County Administrator's Office.
Motion carried.

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Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of an Antenna Site Lease Agreement between McLean County and the Village of Hudson for Radio Equipment Space – Information Technologies.

Mr. Craig Nelson, Director, Information Technologies explained that the space will be used to locate radio equipment currently atop the Hudson Grain Bin that is used to connect COMLARA County Park to the downtown Bloomington governmental facilities and is in the amount of \$180 annually.

Mr. Nelson advised that the Village has offered the use of the Water Tower at a more favorable rate than is currently in place with our lease with the Hudson Grain Bin. The annual savings of moving the equipment will be \$3,420.00. Mr. Nelson indicated that the lease has been reviewed by legal counsel for Hudson as well as by the County's Civil State's Attorney. The lease was approved by the Hudson Village Council at their regular meeting on July 5, 2011.

Mr. Segobiano commented that he read about development of a small box that would eliminate antennas. Mr. Nelson responded that there is a small box attached to the antenna but it still requires a dish. He indicated that he hasn't heard anything about a box replacing the dish.

Motion by Hoselton/Bostic to Recommend Approval of
an Antenna Site Lease Agreement between McLean
County and the Village of Hudson for Radio
Equipment Space – Information Technologies.
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval to purchase Personal Computers using Joint Purchasing Agreement – Information Technologies.

Motion by Segobiano/Rackauskas to Recommend
Approval to Purchase Personal Computers using
Joint Purchasing Agreement – Information
Technologies.
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of the recommendation received from the County Administrator and the First Civil Assistant State's Attorney regarding Closed Session Minutes. He advised that it would be necessary to go into Executive Session if anyone wanted to discuss the contents of any of these meeting minutes. Chairman Sorensen noted that the members of the Executive Committee received a listing of all of the currently closed meeting minutes, the date of the meetings and the topic of the meetings. He asked if members wished to go into Executive Session to discuss any of these minutes.
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Mr. Segobiano asked if there is a specific time frame in which these minutes are required to be released. Mr. Wasson replied that there is no time frame for the release of the minutes. Chairman Sorensen added that the minutes can stay closed forever; however, the Administrator's Office and the Civil State's Attorney are required to review a list such as this periodically and make a recommendation whether to open minutes or keep them closed.

Ms. Rackauskas asked if there are specific criteria used to determine whether or not to open particular minutes. Mr. Wasson responded that there are criteria used to make that determination. He noted that, in the past, there have been some minutes that have been released.

Motion by Segobiano/Rackauskas to Recommend Approval of the Recommendation received from the County Administrator and First Civil State's Attorney regarding the Closed Session Minutes.
Motion carried.

Ms. Diane Bostic, Chairman, Property Committee, advised that the Property Committee brings no items for action to the Executive Committee.

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

Mr. Stan Hoselton, Chairman, Transportation Committee, advised that the Transportation 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. Hoselton.

Mr. Ben Owens, Chairman, Chairman, Finance Committee, presented a request for approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the McLean County Nursing Home and the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) – Nursing Home.

Motion by Owens/Bostic to Recommend Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the McLean County Nursing Home and the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) Nursing Home.
Motion carried.

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Mr. Owens presented a request for approval to combine two part-time positions into one full-time position – Circuit Court.

Ms. O'Connor pointed out that the additional cost of the full-time position will not cost the County any money. Mr. Wasson explained that this is a grant-funded position and the full-time benefits will also be provided through the grant. He added that the employee who will be in this position understands that this position is grant-dependent. Mr. Wasson stated that the position will only be funded through the end of the fiscal year for the grant. If the grant is renewed, as anticipated, an Emergency Appropriation will be passed to extend the position.

Motion by Owens/O'Connor to Recommend Approval
to combine two Part-time Positions into one Full-time
Position – Circuit Court.
Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented a request for approval of the Critical Personnel Hiring Requests – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Owens/Bostic to Recommend Approval of
the Critical Personnel Hiring Requests – County
Administrator's Office.
Motion carried.

Mr. Owens noted that the request for approval to increase the cost of Marriage Licenses and to set the Civil Union Fees, as submitted by the County Clerk's Office, was amended to only setting the Civil Union Fee of \$29.00 to match the current fee for Marriage Licenses. He noted that the Marriage Licenses and Civil Union Licenses are required, by law, to be the same amount. Mr. Owens explained that the Committee did not take any action on increasing the Marriage and Civil Union fees from \$29.00 at this time. He stated that this issue will be addressed next month or as soon as the Maximus Fee Study has been completed and reviewed. Mr. Owens added that the Committee was hesitant to increase the fees to the maximum amount of \$75.00.

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

Ms. Bette Rackauskas, 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 Ms. Rackauskas.

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Mr. Paul Segobiano, Vice Chairman, Land Use and Development Committee, advised that the Land Use and Development Committee brings no action items to the Executive Committee.

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

Chairman Sorensen presented the June 30, 2011 bills as recommended and transmitted by the County Auditor for payment. The Prepaid Total is \$337,755.14 and the Fund Total is the same.

Motion by Owens/Hoselton to Recommend Approval
of the Executive Committee bills as of June 30, 2011
as presented to the Committee by the County
Auditor.
Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the Executive Committee meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse
Recording Secretary