

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, August 9, 2011, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

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

Members Absent: None

Other Board Members Present: None

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

Department Heads/
Elected Officials Present: None

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 July 12, 2011 meeting for approval. Hearing no additions or corrections to those minutes, Chairman Sorensen advised that the minutes would stand approved as presented.

Chairman Sorensen presented the reappointments, appointments and resignations.

Motion by Segobiano/Gordon to Recommend Approval of the Reappointments, Appointments and Resignations as recommended by the Chairman.
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen stated that Information Technologies provided a General Report for July 2011. He noted that Mr. Ryan Leuty, Assistant Director, Information Technologies was available to answer any questions.

Chairman Sorensen pointed out that Information Technologies opened the new McLean County Website this past month. He reported that he has already received many positive comments from members of the public. He urged Committee members to review the website.

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Mr. Stan Hoselton, Chairman, Transportation Committee, presented a request for approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2011 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, McLean County Highway Fund 0120, McLean County Highway Department 0055. He explained that this is the appropriation to fund mobile radio equipment. Mr. Hoselton stated that the Highway Department has 36 radios and has an opportunity to get 50% of the funding from a grant, or approximately \$13,750, to replace the radios.

Mr. Segobiano asked if these radios are compatible with the radios at Metcom, Bloomington and EMA (Emergency Management Agency). Mr. Hoselton replied that they are not compatible; however, Metcom has the ability to get into those radios if needed. He indicated that the new radios are narrow band radios. Mr. Wasson explained that both Metcom and EMA have the capability to facilitate interoperable communications between the Highway Department and Emergency Services. He added that there are some restrictions on what types of agencies that can actually use the Starcom system. Mr. Wasson stated that these new narrow banded radios will comply with the 2012 FCC requirements and make use of funds available through the Illinois Terrorism Task Force.

Mr. Hoselton indicated that he was told this morning that the Lexington/LeRoy Bridge was scheduled to open today.

Motion by Hoselton/Bostic to Recommend Approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2011 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, McLean County Highway Fund 0120, McLean County Highway Department 0055.
Motion carried.

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

Mr. Ben Owens, Chairman, Chairman, Finance Committee, presented a request for approval of a Downstate Public Transportation Operating Assistance Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year 2012 from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for SHOW BUS – Building and Zoning.

Motion by Owens/Rackauskas to Recommend Approval of a Downstate Public Transportation Operating Assistance Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year 2012 from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) – Building and Zoning.
Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented a request for approval of an application for a Technical Studies Grant from IDOT to study the feasibility of a Rural Mass Transit District for SHOW BUS – Building and Zoning. He explained that there was some discussion and some hesitancy about approving this study. Mr. Owens stated that IDOT is asking that the study be conducted. He stated that he asked Ms. Laura Dick, Director, SHOW BUS, if turning down the funds for the Study would negatively affect future grants for SHOW BUS, and she replied that it would affect future grants. Mr. Owens noted that one Committee member voted “no” on the item.

Chairman Sorensen advised that he toured two Gridley employers last week with Senator Cultra and Representative Brady. He indicated that they specifically discussed the hindrances to growth that they are seeing. Chairman Sorensen noted that the difficulties weren't business or access to highways; rather, the hindrance was people. He stated that one plant wants to add another 200 employees in the next couple of years, but they cannot get people to drive to Gridley because of the gas prices. Chairman Sorensen advised that some type of rural transportation network might be of some value.

Motion by Owens/O'Connor to Recommend Approval of an Application for a Technical Studies Grant from IDOT to study the feasibility of a Rural Mass Transit District for SHOW BUS – Building and Zoning.
Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented a request for approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2011 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, General Fund 0001, County Clerk's Office 0005.

Motion by Owens/Butler to Recommend Approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2011 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, General Fund 0001, County Clerk's Office 0005.
Motion carried.

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Mr. Owens presented a request for approval of a Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2011 Funded Full-Time Equivalent Positions Resolution for the McLean County Clerk's Office.

Motion by Owens/Bostic to Recommend Approval of a Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2011 Fund Full-Time Equivalent Positions Resolution for the Mclean County Clerk's Office.

Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented a request for approval of a Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2011 Funded Full-Time Equivalent Positions Resolution for the McLean County Clerk's Office.

Motion by Owens/Gordon to Recommend Approval of a Resolution Amending the Fiscal Year 2011 Fund Full-Time Equivalent Positions Resolution for the Mclean County Clerk's Office.

Motion carried.

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

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

Motion carried.

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

Ms. Bette Rackauskas, Chairman, Justice Committee, presented a request for approval to renew a Multi-Disciplinary Team-Domestic Violence Continuation Grant #609074 from the Illinois Criminal Justice information Authority – Court Services.

Motion by Rackauskas/Segobiano to Recommend Approval to Renew a Multi-Disciplinary Team-Domestic Violence Continuation Grant #609074 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – Court Services.

Motion carried.

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Ms. Rackauskas presented a request for approval to renew a Multi-Disciplinary Team-Domestic Violence Continuation Grant #609371 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – Sheriff's Department.

Motion by Rackauskas/Hoselton to Recommend Approval to Renew a Multi- Disciplinary Team-Domestic Violence Continuation Grant #609371 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – Sheriff's Department.
Motion carried.

Ms. Rackauskas presented a request for approval to renew a Multi-Disciplinary Team-Domestic Violence Continuation Grant #610070 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – State's Attorney's Office.

Motion by Rackauskas/Segobiano to Recommend Approval to Renew Multi-Disciplinary Team-Domestic Violence Continuation Grant #610070 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – State's Attorney's Office.
Motion carried.

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

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

Motion by Gordon/Segobiano to Recommend Approval of a Resolution of the McLean County Board Approving the Recommendations 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.

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.

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Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator, presented a request for approval of a Resolution of the McLean County Board proclaiming Monday, September 26, 2011 "*Family Day – a Day to Eat Dinner with your Children*"™ in McLean County – County Administrator's Office. He advised that, since 2007, the County Administrator's Office has presented this Resolution on behalf of the National Center for Addiction and Substance Abuse for Columbia University.

Motion by Owens/O'Connor to Recommend Approval of a Resolution of the McLean County Board Proclaiming Monday, September 26, 2011 "*Family Day – a Day to Eat Dinner with your Children*"™ in McLean County – County Administrator's Office.
Motion carried.

Mr. Hoselton asked what the status is on the Gravel Pit litigation. Mr. Wasson responded that he doesn't have any information to share today on pending litigation with the County relative to gravel pits. He noted that the Zoning Board of Appeals has approved and recommended to the County Board an application for a Special Use Permit to allow a borrow pit for fill materials for the Illinois Route 54 re-alignment project in Bellflower.

Mr. Segobiano commented that these types of Special Use permits all fall under the mining permit, such as the gravel pit litigation. Mr. Wasson concurred that borrow pits do fall under the same section, namely Mining and Quarrying.

Chairman Sorensen presented the July 31, 2011 bills as recommended and transmitted by the County Auditor for payment. The Prepaid Total is \$187,011.32 and the Fund Total is the same.

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Motion by Owens/Gordon to Recommend Approval
of the Executive Committee bills as of July 31, 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 4:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse
Recording Secretary