

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

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, December 8, 2009, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Sorensen, Members Owens, Segobiano, Renner, Nuckolls, Bostic, Gordon, Hoselton, and Butler

Members Absent: None

Other Members Present: None

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

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

Others Present: Mr. Robert Lenz, Chairman, Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission

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

Chairman Sorensen presented the minutes from the November 10, 2009 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 presented the Reappointments, Appointments and Resignations.

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

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of an Ordinance establishing a holiday schedule for County employees for the Fiscal Year 2010 – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Owens/Renner to Recommend Approval of an Ordinance Establishing a Holiday Schedule for County Employees for the Fiscal Year 2010 – County Administrator's Office  
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of an Ordinance establishing County Board meeting Dates for Calendar Year 2010 – County Administrator's Office.

Mr. Gordon asked for confirmation that the July Board meeting is scheduled for the third Tuesday of the month, as it is often moved to the fourth Tuesday to accommodate the NACo Meeting. Mr. Lindberg advised that, after checking with NACo attendees, it was determined that the Board Meeting should remain on the third Tuesday of the month. Mr. Gordon asked if the NACo meeting date has been established. Mr. Lindberg replied that he does not know the date yet.

Motion by Gordon/Owens to Recommend Approval of an Ordinance Establishing County Board Meeting Dates for Calendar Year 2010 – County Administrator's Office.  
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of a Resolution authorizing extension of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission of McLean County, Illinois – County Administrator's Office.

Chairman Sorensen introduced Mr. Bob Lenz, Chairman of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission of McLean County ("Commission").

Motion by Renner/Bostic to Recommend Approval of a Resolution Authorizing Extension of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission of McLean County, Illinois – County Administrator's Office

Mr. Lenz distributed a report on the Summary of Activities of the Commission. He referred to item #6 on the report, namely the status of the three-person (Abraham Lincoln, David Davis and Jesse Fell) bronze, life-size statue paid for by donor money. Mr. Lenz advised that the Commission is raising almost a quarter of a million dollars for the statue. He asked the Committee to encourage their friends to make donations for the statue.

Mr. Lenz indicated that, originally, it was speculated that the Commission would have completed its objectives by December 31, 2009. He advised that the statutory matter has not been completed. Mr. Lenz asked the Committee to authorize the Commission to continue for another year to complete the statutory project. He noted that the Commission does not intend to ask the County, the City of Bloomington or the Town of Normal for any more money. Mr. Lenz added that there is a possibility that a small amount of the funds that were originally contributed may be returned to the government entities. He indicated that the Commission has made good use of the funds provided by the government entities and from grant funds from other sources.

Mr. Lenz extended his appreciation to the County Board for its support and asked that the Committee recommend approval to extend the Commission for another year. He stated that if the project can be completed before the end of the year, he will return to the Committee to provide a complete report, including a full financial report. Mr. Lenz also expressed his appreciation of the work done by Mr. Wasson who acted as the County staff representative for the Commission.

Chairman Sorensen called for a vote on the Motion.

Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of a Resolution of congratulations to the Lexington High School Varsity Football Team – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Hoselton/Segobiano to Recommend  
Approval of a Resolution of Congratulations to the  
Lexington High School Varsity Football Team –  
County Administrator's Office.

Motion carried.

Mr. Craig Nelson, Director, Information Technologies, presented a request for approval of the Watts Copier Maintenance Agreement – Information Technologies. Mr. Nelson explained that, during the FY'2010 budget development cycle, Information Technologies identified copiers as one area in which the County might reduce expenses. Due to lower paper load on many machines due to digital transmission of images rather than paper printing, most machines weathered the five year replacement cycle better than in years past. Mr. Nelson stated that the decision was made to not replace the machines at the end of the lease payments, but to leave them in place and continue maintenance, which is paid on a per print price.

Motion by Owens/Segobiano to Recommend Approval of the Watts Copier Maintenance Agreement – Information Technologies.  
Motion carried.

Mr. Nelson presented a request for approval of a New World Systems Standard Maintenance Agreement (SSMA) for Information Technologies.

Motion by Segobiano/Owens to Recommend Approval of a New World Systems Standard Maintenance Agreement (SSMA) for Information Technologies.  
Motion carried.

Mr. Nelson reviewed the Information Technologies Status Report for December 15, 2009. He advised the Committee that Information Technologies (“IT”) recently received information from Crime Cog, the County’s vendor for its Integrated Justice System indicating that they have filed for Chapter 11. Mr. Nelson noted that he immediately notified County Administration and Civil Counsel. He stated that a buyer of Crime Cog is imminent, and the sale will probably conclude prior to the end of the month of December. He noted that there are two incomplete work orders that are near completion. Mr. Nelson indicated that the bankruptcy action will result in those contracts being nullified, making it necessary for the County to negotiate with the new owner to complete those contracts. Mr. Nelson advised that Mr. Yoder is aware of the situation, and Mr. Everhart was notified.

Ms. Bostic asked what happens to the County’s E-Justice system if the company disappears. Mr. Nelson replied that nothing will change to the day-to-day business of the system. He added that we are on the cusp of implementing the next version, which has been put on hold. Mr. Nelson indicated that he assumes the new owner will be interested in continuing to do business with the County.

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

Mr. Stan Hoselton, Chairman, Transportation Committee, presented a request for approval of an Agreement between the City of Bloomington, the Town of Normal, McLean County, the Bloomington-Normal Water Reclamation District and the Ecology Action Center for Storm Water Education Program Services. Mr. Hoselton indicated that this is a three-year agreement with annual payments of \$10,000 by the City of Bloomington and Town of Normal, and \$2,000 each from the County and the Bloomington-Normal Water Reclamation District. He stated that the agreement goes from February 1, 2010 to January 31, 2013.

Motion by Hoselton/Gordon to recommend Approval of an Agreement between the City of Bloomington, the Town of Normal, McLean County, the Bloomington-Normal Water Reclamation District and the Ecology Action Center for Storm Water Education Program Services.  
Motion carried.

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 to of an Ordinance of the McLean County Board Amending the 2009 Combined Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for Fund 0102 (Dental Services) – Health Department.

Motion by Owens/Renner to Recommend Approval of an Ordinance of the McLean County Board Amending the 2009 Combined Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for Fund 0102 (Dental Services) – Health Department.  
Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented the next two requests together. The first is a request for approval of an Ordinance of the McLean County Board amending the 2009 Combined Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for Fund 0105 (Vision and Hearing) – Health Department. The second is a request for approval of a Resolution Amending the FY'2009 Full-Time Equivalent Ordinance for Fund 0105 (Vision and Hearing) – Health Department.

Motion by Owens/Gordon to Recommend Approval of an Ordinance of the McLean County Board Amending the 2009 Combined Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for Fund 0105 (Vision and Hearing) – Health Department; and to Recommend Approval of a Resolution Amending the FY'2009 Full-Time Equivalent Ordinance for Fund 0105 (Vision and Hearing) – Health Department.  
Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented a request for approval of a Resolution to approve the Fiscal Year 2010 General Compensation Plan for Non-Union Employees – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Owens/Bostic to Recommend Approval of a Resolution to Approve the Fiscal Year 2010 General Compensation Plan for Non-Union Employees – County Administrator's Office.

Mr. Hoselton stated that he does not believe in merit raises and would rather see the County consider a bonus system. He indicated that the County could afford to give more in a bonus than in a merit raise, as the employee would pick up the cost of the Social Security and IRMF, not the County. Mr. Wasson responded that the County is suspending all merit increases and all across-the-board increases to non-Union employees in Fiscal Year 2010. Mr. Lindberg explained to Mr. Hoselton that the County picks up the cost of Social Security and IMRF whether the employees receive a bonus or a merit raise.

Mr. Segobiano expressed his concerns with the concept of bonus and/or merit raises. He indicted that the tax payers who are "footing the bill" are not getting raises. Mr. Nuckolls agreed with Mr. Segobiano's concerns.

Mr. Owens indicated that the Finance Committee will review the compensation plan next year during the budget review.

Mr. Segobiano stated that the important thing for the County employees to remember is that they have a job.

Chairman Sorensen called for a vote on the motion.

Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented a request for approval of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 10 of the McLean County Code to Suspend Merit Increases for Non-Union Employees – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Owens/Hoselton to Recommend Approval of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 10 of the McLean County Code to Suspend Merit Increases for Non-Union Employees – County Administrator's Office.  
Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented a request for approval of Position Classifications and Pay Ranges for Fiscal Year 2010 – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Owens/Gordon to Recommend Approval of Position Classifications and Pay Ranges for Fiscal Year 2010 – County Administrator’s Office.  
Motion carried.

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

Mr. Tari Renner, Chairman, Justice Committee, presented a request for approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2010 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, General Fund 0001, Court Services Department 0022 (Redeploy Grant) – Court Services Department.

Motion by Renner/Owens to Recommend Approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2010 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, General Fund 0001, Court Services Department 0022 (Redeploy Grant) – Court Services Department.  
Motion carried.

Mr. Renner presented a request for approval of a Contract between the McLean County Board, the McLean County Sheriff and Heartland Community College to provide GED Preparation Courses at the McLean County Detention Facility – Sheriff’s Department.

Motion by Renner/Gordon to approve a Contract between the McLean County Board, the McLean County Sheriff and Heartland Community College to provide GED Preparation Courses at the McLean County Detention Facility – Sheriff’s Department.  
Motion carried.

Mr. Renner advised that there are several yearly contracts that will be presented to the Board.

Mr. Lindberg announced that there will be a Justice Committee stand-up meeting prior to the Board Meeting regarding accepting credit cards through the Circuit Clerk’s Office. This is a routine contract with a third-part provider who is able to include VISA as part of its credit card acceptance. Mr. Lindberg stated that this will be a very positive addition to the County’s finances in terms of paying fines and fees through the Courts.

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

Mr. George Gordon, Chairman, Land Use and Development Committee, presented a request for approval of a Resolution of the McLean County Solid Waste Management Technical Committee to fund \$12,500 for Electronics Recycling and Educational Exhibits.

Motion by Gordon/Bostic to Recommend Approval of a Resolution of the McLean County Solid Waste Management Technical Committee to Fund \$12,500 for Electronics Recycling and Educational Exhibits.  
Motion carried.

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

Ms. Diane Bostic, Chairman, Property Committee, presented a request for approval of Attachment Number 19 to the Amendment to the Lease and Operation and Maintenance Agreement for the Law and Justice Center – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Bostic/Owens to Recommend Approval of Attachment Number 19 to the Amendment to the Lease and Operation and Maintenance Agreement for the Law and Justice Center – County Administrator's Office.  
Motion carried.

Ms. Bostic presented a request for approval of Lease and Contract Extension Agreement Number 7 extending the Lease of the Courthouse Building and the Contract for Operation and Maintenance all Dated December 3, 2002 – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Bostic/Hoselton to Recommend Approval of Lease and Contract Extension Agreement Number 7 Extending the Lease of the Courthouse Building and the Contract for Operation and Maintenance all Dated December 3, 2002 – County Administrator's Office.  
Motion carried.

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

Mr. Butler asked if Mr. Lindberg has been able to determine whether or not it is possible to charge a small fee to the clients who take advantage of the Health Department Dental program. Mr. Lindberg replied that he has not determined whether it is legal to charge the clients. He explained that the service is paid for through Medicaid funds that come through the State. Mr. Lindberg noted that there may be a requirement that the services have to be provided free of charge. He will apprise the Committee when he makes that determination.

Chairman Sorensen presented the November 30, 2009 bills as recommended and transmitted by the County Auditor for payment. The Fund Total is \$291,869.12 and the Prepaid Total is the same. He added that there are also two Appropriation Transfers within the Information Services Department totaling \$45,000. One transfer is for dollars that were put into the wrong budget account and one was budgeted for software but ended up being a hardware appliance.

Motion by Bostic/Owens to recommend approval of the Executive Committee bills for November 30, 2009 as presented to the Committee by the County Auditor, and to recommend approval of two Appropriation Transfers totaling \$45,000 within the Information Services Department.  
Motion carried.

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There being no further business to come before the Committee, the Executive Committee meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse  
Recording Secretary