

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Justice Committee

The Justice Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, February 17, 2009 at 8:45 a.m. in Room 400 of the Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Vice Chairman Rackauskas; Members Wendt, McIntyre, Hoselton and Rankin

Members Absent: Chairman Renner

Staff Present: Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator and Ms. Judith A. LaCasse, Recording Secretary

Department Heads/
Elected Officials
Present: Ms. Amy Davis, Public Defender

Others Present: None

Vice Chairman Rackauskas called the meeting to order at 8:46 a.m.

Vice Chairman Rackauskas presented a request for approval of an amended contract between David N. Rumley, Special Public Defender, and the Public Defender's Office.

Ms. Amy Davis, Public Defender, explained that Mr. Rumley currently has a contract with the Public Defenders Office to handle a maximum of seven (7) felony cases per month with the stipulation that no murder cases be assigned. Since that time, Mr. Rumley has been offered a contract to handle one murder case. In order to offer Mr. Rumley the second contract, it was necessary to amend his original contract to delete the section "...except that no murder cases shall be assigned." Ms. Davis stated that she did not realize this contract was not ready for review and recommendation at the Justice Committee Meeting.

Ms. Davis advised that this amended contract will allow Mr. Rumley to accept the contract for one murder case.

Motion by McIntyre/Hoselton to Recommend Approval of an Amended Contract between David N. Rumley, Special Public Defender and the Public Defender's Office.
Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Rackauskas asked if there was any other business or communication for the Justice Committee. Hearing none, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Judith A. LaCasse
Recording Secretary