

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, June 9, 2009, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

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

Members Absent: Members Renner, Bostic, and Butler

Other Members Present: Ms. Rackauskas

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

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

Others Present: None

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

Chairman Sorensen welcomed Mr. Bill Wasson in his new role as Assistant County Administrator.

Chairman Sorensen presented the minutes from the May 12, 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. He noted that there were no new Appointments or Resignations.

Motion by Owens/Gordon to Recommend Approval of the Reappointments as recommended by the Chairman.
Motion carried.

Mr. Craig Nelson, Director, Information Technologies, presented a request for approval of a Contract Amendment with Verizon to continue Centranet Phone Service – Information Technologies. Mr. Nelson explained that this is a one-year service amendment with Verizon. This amendment represents an extension of services already in place for the telephone system used by the County.

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Mr. Nelson advised that there is no change to any of the rates or fees currently in place.

Motion by Hoselton/Owens to recommend approval of a Contract Amendment with Verizon to continue Centranet Phone Service – Information Technologies.
Motion carried.

Mr. Nelson noted that the Information Technologies Department is preparing to conduct cabling work at the Law and Justice Center, floors 3-4-5.

Mr. Hoselton asked if Mr. Nelson will hire a new Assistant Director of Information Technologies from within the County. Mr. Nelson replied that candidates include in-house candidates as well as external candidates.

Chairman Sorensen pointed out that two employees retired from Information Technologies last month.

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

Ms. Diane Bostic, Chairman, Property Committee, was unable to attend the meeting. Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of a Second Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Public Building Commission (“PBC”) and the County of McLean, Facilities Management.

Mr. Hoselton asked if this is the final payment on the ten-year loan from the PBC. Mr. Wasson replied that there were six remaining payments of just under \$50,000.00 per year to be made to the PBC on the initial agreement. After completion of this contract, the County will not be required to complete the payments.

Motion by Gordon/Hoselton to recommend approval of a Second Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Public Building Commission and the County of McLean, Facilities Management.
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen asked if there were any questions on the items that will be presented to the Board. There were none.

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Mr. Stan Hoselton, Chairman, Transportation Committee, reported that the Transportation Committee brings no items for action to the Executive Committee.

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

Mr. Ben Owens, Chairman, Finance Committee, reported that the Finance Committee brings no items for action to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Owens advised that the outside auditor presented a report to the Finance Committee. He indicated that the Audit material will be included in the County Board Packet. Mr. Owens stated that the only concern to note is that, from last year to this year, the number of days in reserve in the General Fund decreased from 128 days to 75 days. He added that the desirable amount of days to have in reserve is 90 days, or 10% of the budget. Mr. Owens indicated that the County Administration is monitoring this decrease and taking steps to increase the days in reserve.

Chairman Sorensen asked if this addresses the Fund Balances, the number of dollars available in the various fund balances and the ability of those fund balances to sustain their intended purpose for a period of time should no revenues come in. Mr. Owens replied that this is correct.

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

Ms. Bette Rackauskas, Vice Chairman, Justice Committee, presented a request for approval of a Resolution authorizing the McLean County Emergency Management Agency ("EMA") to participate in the State of Illinois Federal Surplus Program – EMA.

Motion by Rackauskas/Segobiano to Recommend Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the McLean County Emergency Management Agency ("EMA") to Participate in the State of Illinois Federal Surplus Program - EMA.

Mr. Hoselton asked if this surplus property program is available for participation by rural communities. Chairman Sorensen stated that any governmental entity can participate if they pass the correct ordinance. Mr. Wasson indicated that this Agreement is solely for the Emergency Management services of McLean County. Other governmental entities could submit their own applications.

Chairman Sorensen called for a vote on the motion.

Motion carried.

Ms. Rackauskas presented a request for approval of a State of Illinois Intergovernmental Agreement between the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and McLean County regarding Medical and Behavioral Health Services – Court Services. Ms. Rackauskas stated that this Agreement will ensure that Court Services will be able to continue to receive reimbursement from Medicaid for a percentage of the medical and behavioral health services that youth receive while in placement. She advised that the County will be reimbursed approximately \$12,000.00.

Motion by Rackauskas/Owens to Recommend Approval of a State of Illinois Intergovernmental Agreement between the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and McLean County regarding Medical and Behavioral Health Services – Court Services.

Motion carried.

Ms. Rackauskas referred to the Resolution that will be presented to the Board for approval to support the recommendation to form a Criminal Justice Coordinating Council. She advised that Judge Robb and other members of the Council have devoted many hours towards this project.

Ms. Rackauskas pointed out the following highlights of the Justice Committee meeting:

- Mr. Yoder reported that the Asset Forfeiture Fund is, for the first time since he was elected, in the black.
- Out-of-county inmate housing has decreased significantly.

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, reported that the Land Use and Development Committee brings no items for action to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Hoselton expressed concern that he was unaware of the Department of Building and Zoning, and McLean County Highway Department storm sewer discharge permit request that is to be presented to the Board. Mr. Gordon responded that this is an existing program that is renewed every five years.

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

Chairman Sorensen presented the May 31, 2009 bills as recommended and transmitted by the County Auditor for payment. The Fund Total is \$365,205.29 and the Prepaid Total is the same.

Motion by Segobiano/Rackauskas to recommend approval of the Executive Committee bills for May 31, 2009 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 4:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse
Recording Secretary