

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, May 9, 2006, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Sweeney, Members Sorensen, Gordon, Berglund and Hoselton

Members Absent: Members Segobiano, Renner, Bostic and Bass

Staff Present: Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator, Mr. Terry Lindberg, Assistant County Administrator, Ms. Judith LaCasse, Recording Secretary

Other Members Present: Member Nuckolls

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

Others Present: None

Chairman Sweeney called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

Chairman Sweeney presented the minutes from the April 11, 2006 Executive Committee Meeting for approval.

Motion by Berglund/Gordon to approve and place on file the minutes of the April 11, 2006 meeting. Motion carried

Chairman Sweeney announced that there are two Reappointments, two Appointments and no Resignations.

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

Chairman Sweeney presented a request for approval of an Ordinance for the Proposed Amendments and Modifications to the Bloomington/Normal/McLean County Enterprise Zone: Amendment of Enterprise Zone Boundaries.

Motion by Berglund/Hoselton to Recommend Approval of an Ordinance for the Proposed Amendments and Modifications to the Bloomington/Normal McLean County Enterprise Zone: Amendment of Enterprise Zone Boundaries.
Motion carried.

Chairman Sweeney presented a request for approval of an Ordinance of the McLean County Board setting the salaries of the Members of the McLean County Board.

Motion by Gordon/Berglund to Recommend Approval of an Ordinance of the McLean County Board Setting the Salaries of the Members of the McLean County Board.

Mr. Gordon advised that, prior to the Executive Committee Meeting, Mr. Zeunik clarified for him that the status of the salaries was previously set by an Ordinance approved in May, 2004, before the current terms went into effect.

Motion carried.

Chairman Sweeney presented a request for approval to purchase a Storage Area Network Device under GSA Contract as submitted by Mr. Craig Nelson, Director, Information Services. Mr. Nelson reported that the equipment has already been processed through the bidding criteria required by law. He explained that the Storage Area Network Device will allow the County to significantly centralize its data storage, improve data performance, reduce future expenditures in computer servers and is a significant milestone in the further implementation of the County's business continuity/disaster recovery plan.

Motion by Berglund/Nuckolls to Recommend Approval to Purchase a Storage Area Network Device under GSA Contract for Information Services.
Motion carried.

Chairman Sweeney presented a request for approval of a Centranet Service Agreement Renewal with Verizon for Information Services. Mr. Nelson stated that this contract represents a renewal of services already in place for the telephone system used by the County. He indicated that an investigation into alternative phone systems has been undertaken in the past year. Recommendations are in the process of being prepared for review by this Committee and the County Board.

Motion by Nuckolls/Gordon to Recommend Approval of a Centranet Service Agreement Renewal with Verizon.
Motion carried.

Mr. Bob Nuckolls, Vice Chairman, Justice Committee stated that the Justice Committee brings two items for action to the Executive Committee. The first is a request for approval to accept a grant from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority/Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition to allow Court Services personnel to participate in a Performance-based Standards Project – Court Services.

Motion by Nuckolls/Hoselton to Recommend Approval to Accept a Grant from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority/Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition for Court Services.
Motion carried.

Mr. Nuckolls presented a request for approval of a First Renewal and Amendment of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and the McLean County State's Attorney, Intergovernmental Agreement #2006-55-013Kj2, for the IV-D Child Support Enforcement Program – State's Attorneys Office.

Motion by Nuckolls/Berglund to Recommend Approval of a First Renewal and Amendment of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Department of Healthcare and Family Services and the McLean County State's Attorney, Intergovernmental Agreement #2006-55-013Kj2, for the IV-D Child Support Enforcement Program – State's Attorneys Office.
Motion carried.

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

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. He noted that there are two items that will be presented to the Board.

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Chairman Sweeney asked if there were any questions. Hearing none, he thanked Mr. Gordon.

Chairman Sweeney reported, on behalf of Ms. Diane Bostic, Chairman, Property Committee, that the Property Committee brings no items for action to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Stan Hoselton, Vice-Chairman, Transportation Committee, stated that the Transportation Committee brings one item for action, namely a request for approval of an Emergency Revenue and Appropriation Ordinance amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2006, Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, County Highway Fund 0120, Department 0055, Program 0056 for the Wind Farm. Mr. Hoselton explained that this Ordinance accounts for the receipt and expenditure of \$991,464.95 received from High Trail Wind Farm LLC and Old Trail Wind Farm LLC for expenses associated with the road and bridge improvements for the Wind Farm.

Motion by Hoselton/Gordon to recommend Approval of an Emergency Revenue and Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2006, Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, County Highway Fund 0120, Department 0055, Program 0056 for the Wind Farm.

Mr. Sorensen asked what time frame the invoices are expect to be paid. Mr. Hoselton replied that invoices will be received as each project is completed. Mr. Sorensen suggested that the funds be held in a special dedicated fund to accrue investment revenue in the General Fund. Mr. Zeunik explained that the funds will be placed in a combined investment account. The General Fund will benefit from the interest earned in the combined investment account.

Motion carried.

Mr. Hoselton noted that Weight Limitation Agreements for Bentown-Holder Road will be presented to the Board.

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

Mr. Matt Sorensen, Chairman, Finance Committee, stated that the Finance Committee brings two items for action to the Executive Committee. The first item is a request for approval of the Resolution Establishing the Budget Policy for Fiscal Year 2007 – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Sorensen/Hoselton to recommend Approval of the Resolution Establishing the Budget Policy for Fiscal Year 2007 – County Administrator's Office.
Motion carried.

Mr. Sorensen presented a request for approval of an Ordinance of the McLean County Board establishing the annual salary of the Sheriff, the County Treasurer and the County Clerk – County Administrator's Office.

Motion by Sorensen/Berglund to recommend Approval of an Ordinance of the McLean County Board Establishing the Annual Salary of the Sheriff, the County Treasurer and the County Clerk – County Administrator's Office.
Motion carried.

Mr. Hoselton questioned the 4% increase for the County Elected Officials, noting that it is larger than the Cost of Living Index. Mr. Sorensen replied that the increase is set at the discretion of the County Board. He explained that this is based on a plan from approximately ten years ago to assure that the salaries for all elected officials would be consistent. Mr. Hoselton pointed out that County employees received a 2.5% increase in salary. Mr. Sorensen replied that the 2.5% is an across the board increase and most employees additionally receive merit increases above the 2.5% salary increase.

Mr. Sorensen reported that the Finance Committee has several items that will be presented to the Board.

Chairman Sweeney asked if there were any further questions for Mr. Sorensen. Hearing none, he thanked him.

Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator, presented several informational items. He reported that Mr. Duffy Bass is recovering from hip replacement surgery at the McLean County Nursing Home, where he expects to be for the next four weeks. Mr. Zeunik recommended that members who wish to visit with Mr. Bass should visit him early in the evenings or on weekends.

Mr. Zeunik advised that Bid Specifications and Drawings for the remodel of the third floor of the Government Center are on the street. He noted that the bid opening is scheduled for Wednesday, May 24th at 2:00 p.m. in the basement dining room of the Government Center.

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Mr. Zeunik reported that the Bid Specifications and Drawings for the remodel of the Law and Justice Center are on the street and the bid opening is scheduled for Wednesday, May 31st at 2:00 p.m. in the basement of the Government Center.

Mr. Zeunik stated that he attended an Illinois Department of Transportation ("IDOT") workshop on "Context Sensitive Solutions." He indicated that IDOT made it very clear that the East Side Highway Study will be the model for how to apply "Context Sensitive Solutions" to a local government project. "Context Sensitive Solutions" is an interdisciplinary approach that brings together local government, the consulting firm, property owners and other stakeholders to consider cost effective solutions that meet the transportation needs of the area, exist in harmony with their surroundings and add lasting value to the community. Mr. Zeunik advised that a representative from IDOT will attend all meetings. He stressed that the success of this project is important in terms of additional funding.

Mr. Zeunik pointed out that he provided funding information for the three major sources of State Intergovernmental revenue: Sales Tax, State Income Tax and Personal Property Replacement Tax.

Chairman Sweeney asked if there were any questions or comments. There were none.

Chairman Sweeney presented the April 30, 2006 bills as recommended and transmitted by the County Auditor for payment. The Pending Total is \$30,045.00 and the Prepaid Total is \$369,586.61 for a fund total of \$399,631.61.

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Motion by Berglund/Sorensen to recommend approval of the Executive Committee bills for April 30, 2006 as presented to the Committee by the County Auditor.
Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse
Recording Secretary