

WILL COUNTY BOARD
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES

April 5, 2011

302 North Chicago Street
County Board Committee Room
Joliet IL 60432

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Maher called the meeting to order at 10:37 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present were Members: Dralle, Brooks, B. Smith, Winfrey and Maher.

Absent were Members: L. Smith and Traynere.

Also Present: County Board Chief of Staff Bruce Friefeld, County Board Deputy Chief of Staff Melissa Johannsen, Finance Director Paul Rafac, County Executive Chief of Staff Nick Palmer, Health Department Executive Director John Cicero, Court Administrator Kurt Sangmeister, Deputy Chief Nate Romeo, Undersheriff Marty Nowak, County Executive Communications Director Anastasia Tuskey and Maintenance Director Mike Miglorini.

Present from State's Attorney's Office: ASA M. Tatroe.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Smith led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mrs. Dralle, second by Mr. Brooks, to approve the minutes of
March 1, 2011. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

OLD BUSINESS

Continued Discussion RE: Remainder of Lamps for County Board Room

Mr. Maher stated four LED light fixtures have been installed in the board room. Each new fixture represents a savings of 200 watts of energy.

Mr. Rafac noted there were 17 other fixtures in the County Board Room that hadn't been switched to LED lights.

Mr. Miglorini stated the light panels are designed for ceilings with a maximum height of 15 feet, and the ceiling in the County Board Room is about 21 feet. Six additional lights should be added. In a conference room such as the County Board Room, there should be at least 60 to 62 foot candles, in part because video cameras are used to tape the board meetings.

Mr. Maher asked if anyone knew how much the existing lights cost to operate.

Mr. Miglorini stated it was just under 10 cents a watt.

Mr. Maher estimated the savings at \$500.

Mr. Miglorini stated there were other advantages to consider. Changing the metal halide lights in a 21-foot ceiling can be a maintenance issue.

Mr. Maher stated the retail price of the light panels is \$328.57. The county paid \$292.50 for the panels that already have been installed. The company agreed to sell the county the remainder of the light fixtures for \$262.86 each.

Mr. Rafac noted the expense had not been included in this year's budget. There are three payment options: transferring money from the electrical line, despite the fact that it was reduced this year; paying for the lights from the Maintenance Department's budget, although it also was reduced this year; or using contingency funds. In the future, the county should use the bid process for these types of projects.

Mr. Maher commented the company was also willing to put the county on a payment plan for the lights.

Mr. Friefeld stated it made sense to start adding LED fixtures in the County Board Room because it will establish the actual cost savings in a contained space. The county needs a "green" plan for the future of the County Office Building and the courthouse.

Mr. Miglorini stated the lights could be purchased using funds from the Maintenance Department's budget.

Continued Discussion Re: Master Plan Project Prioritization

Mr. Maher stated there had been some discussion about having a meeting with leadership and perhaps also the members of the Capital Committee to begin considering the material from Wight & Company and prioritizing the projects. There also could be discussions about budgets for the projects.

Mrs. Dralle commented that the Capital Committee should choose the route that seemed easiest to implement.

Ms. Winfrey asked if the prioritization sheets completed during the March meeting had been compiled.

Mr. Maher replied Jason Dwyer was working on the compiling the information.

Ms. Winfrey suggested the members of the Capital Committee should consider the compilation and see if it makes sense. A smaller group could then take it from there.

Mr. Maher stated perhaps there could be a leadership meeting prior to the next Capital Committee meeting.

Mr. Smith stated he definitely had some priorities in mind for future projects but first wanted to hear leadership's opinion.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mrs. Dralle, second by Mr. Brooks, to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.