

**WILL COUNTY BOARD**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**MINUTES**

**November 5, 2009**

9:30 a.m.

Will County Office Building  
County Board Committee Room  
302 North Chicago Street  
Joliet, IL 60432

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Moustis called the meeting to order at 9:41 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present were Members:** Bilotta, Adamic, Kusta, Stewart, Dralle, Goodson, Gould, Seiler, Weigel, Wilhelmi and Moustis.

**Absent were Members:** Maher and Singer.

**Also Present:** Friefeld.

**Present from State's Attorney's Office:** Mary Tatroe.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Ms. Seiler, second by Mr. Kusta, to approve the minutes from the October 1, 2009 meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

A motion was made by Mr. Weigel, second by Mrs. Dralle, to approve the executive session minutes from the October 1, 2009 meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

A motion was made by Mr. Adamic, second by Mr. Wilhelmi, to approve the minutes from the October 8, 2009 meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**IL Commerce Commission Pre-Hearing Conference Re: Illinois American Water**

Mr. Friefeld stated the School District is requesting service from the utility.

Mr. Bilotta indicated in a private industry when they want to expand their area they have to put in a request to serve the new school.

Mr. Friefeld commented that originally we thought it was a rate increase.

Mr. Moustis indicated our communities are involved at looking at solutions including purchasing the utility, which could be very expensive. We do need to be engaged to make sure people are getting a fair shake; our reps are also involved in this. Sometimes to justify these rates when they go in front of the ICC, it would be like Com Ed servicing the whole state and getting an increase for Bolingbrook; for every plant, they would charge a different rate – they operate as individual markets. He is asking county board members to take some interest; it is an overall issue of Will County.

Mr. Bilotta stated the ICC had a public hearing in Homer Glen; there were over 300 people. They made a great case for themselves.

No action was taken on this issue.

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REQUESTS**

1. Request for Transfer of Funds w/n Records Management Budget – Lynn Behringer - Attached - Finance (To Be Heard 11-03-09) Committee
2. Request for Transfer of Funds w/n State's Attorney's Budget – Gene Jevitz/Mary Tatroe – Attached - Finance (To Be Heard 11-03-09) Committee
3. Request for Reclassification of Fixed Assets – Cathy Pleasant/Duffy Blackburn – Attached - Finance (To Be Heard 11-03-09) Committee
4. Request for Resolution Authorizing Debt Service Transfers – Paul Rafac - Attached - Finance (To Be Heard 11-03-09) Committee
5. Request to Provide Update of 2009 JAG and Stimulus Funds – Nick Palmer – Attached - Judicial (To Be Heard 11-03-09) Committee
6. Request to Refund Building Inspection Fees for New Hope Center – Kathleen Konicki/Tim Knapp- Attached Not Assigned (Previously heard @ Legislative on 05-12-09 & Resolved @ Executive on 06-11-09)
7. Request to Renew Contract for Toner Cartridges & Printer Maintenance – Rita Weiss – Attached Executive Committee

8. Request to Award Bid for Digital Copier – Rita Weiss - Attached -         
Executive Committee
9. Request to Award Bid for Cutter – Rita Weiss - Attached - Executive  
       Committee
10. Request to Award Bid for Gasoline – Rita Weiss - Attached - Executive  
       Committee
11. Request to Award Bid for Refuse & Recycle – Rita Weiss - Attached -  
Executive Committee
12. Request to Award Bid for Misc. Paper Products Sunny Hill – Rita Weiss – Attached -  
Public Health & Executive Committee(s)
13. Request to Award Bid for Exam Gloves Sunny Hill – Rita Weiss – Attached - Public  
Health & Executive Committee(s)
14. Request to Award Bid for Disposable Pads, Briefs & Pull-ups Sunny Hill – Rita  
Weiss – Attached - Public Health & Executive Committee(s)
15. Request to Award Bid for Disposable Washcloths Sunny Hill – Rita Weiss –  
Attached – Public Health & Executive Committee(s)
16. Request to Declare Vehicle Surplus and Authorize Donation – Rita Weiss – Attached  
- Executive Committee
17. Request to Discuss Active Employee Premium Equivalents – Bruce Tidwell -  
Attached - Executive Committee
18. Request for Resolution Authorizing County Executive to Execute an Agreement with  
Will County Center for Community Concerns for Operation of the FY09 Illinois  
Disaster Assistance Program Grant – Harold Damron – Attached Public Health  
& Executive Committee(s)
19. Request to Award Workforce Contract to Economic Modeling Specialists, Inc. – Pat  
Fera – Attached - Executive Committee
20. Request to Award Workforce Contract to Our Lady of Angels - Pat Fera - Attached –  
Executive Committee
21. Request to Award Workforce Contract to IBEW – Pat Fera – Attached - Executive  
Committee
22. Request to Approve Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy - Nick  
Palmer/Dean Olson–Attached – Executive Committee
23. Placement of Items on the Public Works & Transportation Committee Agenda (To  
Be Heard 11-03-09) – Attached

A motion was made by Mr. Adamic, second by Mr. Gould, to place the committee assignments, as presented. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

Mr. Moustis stated item #6 is a request to refund building fees. We have heard this issue over the last year; our policy was not to waive building fees.

Mr. Radner indicated we have waived zoning fees in the past; they can be waived for any taxing body.

Mr. Bilotta indicated the budget is tight; he cannot go along with this.

Ms. Konicki commented she would like to focus more on the procedure we follow. They had requested a waiver; the reason it is so late is he was asked to wait until we adopt a policy.

Mr. Moustis indicated the current policy is not to refund.

Mrs. Johannsen stated application fees have been waived but never building fees.

Mr. Singer commented in the 7 years he has been on the board we have not done it. We should stay consistent.

Mr. Moustis indicated he does not recall doing it.

Ms. Konicki stated she would feel better with a policy in place.

Mr. Moustis indicated we will put this on the executive committee for next Thursday. He asked Mr. Radner take a look to see if we have done it before.

Mr. Kusta commented there are two separate issues; the waiver and the refund.

Ms. Konicki stated we need it to be a more formal policy.

Mr. Moustis asked Mr. Friefeld and Mrs. Tatroe to work together on this policy. He asked Mrs. Johannsen to look at what other zoning authorities do, including counties when it comes to waiving of any fees – it might be helpful.

Mr. Bilotta stated we have had an analysis of charging fees to recoup the cost of the application process; we have many man-hours involved.

Mr. Moustis commented we will have something before us on Thursday.

Mr. Friefeld stated we have received a request from Tinley Park regarding a development issue.

Mr. Moustis indicated this is at 191<sup>st</sup> & Harlem Ave where there have been some attempts for development but they were not worked out. Tinley Park would like to purchase this piece of property and would like our support saying we have no objection to this. We will take this up next Thursday.

**Other New Business**

Mr. Ryan stated we have had to revisit the budget on a daily basis. We had to fund the step increases effective December 1; Mr. Rafac and Mrs. Johannsen have been working to adjust salary line items. We have decided to re-open the option of furlough until November 13. We are trying to achieve further voluntary savings through the program. A memo will go out today from Mr. Moustis and Mr. Walsh encouraging department heads to have discussions with employees.

Mr. Moustis commented after it closed people realized this is serious; extending this another week is a good idea.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Moustis reminded committee members of the special executive committee meeting on Tuesday, November 10 at 10:30 a.m. to review the insurance renewals.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Adamic, second by Ms. Seiler, to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 a.m. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.