

WILL COUNTY BOARD
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

August 6, 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 9:40 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent were Members: Goodson and Maher.

Also Present: Friefeld.

Present from State's Attorney's Office: Melanie Manning.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Mr. Stewart 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 July 2, 2009 meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dralle, second by Mr. Adamic, to approve the executive session minutes from the July 2, 2009 meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

A motion was made by Mr. Weigel, second by Mr. Gould, to approve the minutes from the July 9, 2009 meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

A motion was made by Mr. Singer, second by Ms. Seiler, to approve the minutes from the July 9, 2009 Committee of the Whole meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Paddock stated Mr. Moustis had sent a letter to the County Executive about the Sandstrom property on Elmwood Lane regarding the erosion that was occurring in the creek bed. Mr. Sandstrom believed the cause of this was the increased volume of discharge into the creek up stream from his location. We looked into the matter and did not find any direct evidence or

any violation of the Stormwater Management Ordinance. We have referred the matter to representatives with the City of Joliet and they are looking into it. We did talk with the attorney and offered availability of our staff to provide advice on various mitigation efforts he can take to stop erosion on his property. We believe some of the land that is being eroded is actually Forest Preserve District land.

Mr. Moustis suggested the Forest Preserve District take a look at it.

Mr. Singer requested Mr. Paddock update Ms. DeMauro at the Forest Preserve District on this issue.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Moustis stated regarding video poker, he is opposed to legalized neighborhood gambling and this has no business in our communities. This board decides whether we approve video poker in unincorporated Will County. He encouraged everyone to give some thought to this; every municipality that permits a liquor license has the ability to say yes or no. Video poker is one of the most addictive forms of gambling. This is a subject for a committee of the whole. He suggested a meeting after the Forest Preserve meeting next Thursday for general information. Certainly, the board is willing to hear any other views. He would like to know the problems for administration.

Mr. Wilhelmi arrived at this juncture.

Mr. Ryan indicated at the state level this is a monumental undertaking for the state gaming commission.

Mr. Moustis commented if they push it to the local level for enforcement it would be a significant burden. We will send a memo to the entire board for a brief committee of the whole meeting next week.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REQUESTS

1. Request for Resolution Authorizing County Executive to Execute Documents Relating to Delinquent Tax Program – Attached - Finance Committee
2. Request for Transfer of Funds in Public Defender's Budget – Frank Astrella – Attached - Finance Committee
3. Request for Adoption of Newly Created Public Swimming Facility & Bathing Beach Ordinance - John Cicero - Attached – Public Health & Safety Committee
4. Request for Amendment to Water Well Permit & Water Supply Ordinance – John Cicero - Attached – Public Health & Safety Committee(s)
5. Request for Execution of Bankruptcy Court Lease – Nick Palmer – Attached - Executive Committee
6. Request to Present at November County Board PACE Suburban Bus 2010/2011 Budget – April Koos – Attached Executive Committee

7. Request for Resolution Authorizing Intergovernmental Agreement with Homer Glen for Household Hazardous Waste Event – Dean Olson - Attached - Executive Committee
8. Request for Resolution to Negotiate and Execute an Agreement with Consulting Firm to Prepare an Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant Program – Dean Olson – Attached - Executive Committee

Mr. Paddock stated this is a new grant opportunity, EECBG; our allocation, based on population is just under \$3 million. We initially applied and sent an application in by the end of June. The first step is to request funds to prepare an energy efficiency strategy, which would show how Will County would utilize the funds. We are allowed up to \$250,000 for that purpose. We sent out an RFQ to obtain a consultant to assist the county to prepare that energy strategy. The RFQ was sent out to a large number of consultants; an evaluation criteria was established and reviewed by a committee of staff to prepare a recommendation; that was forwarded to the County Executive's office where that recommendation was endorsed and then sent on to the CDBG advisory committee. They have reviewed the recommendation, which was endorsed by a majority of the committee. The criteria and ranking was done on the initial 15 that were received and then narrowed to four, who were invited for interviews and presentation with the staff committee. A summary of the strengths and weaknesses is provided on the four finalists. Based upon those presentations, a vote was taken and a consensus was reached on CDM as the consultant to recommend to the County Executive and subsequently to the CDBG advisory committee and now for this committee and the full board. We received notification that on July 27 funding was approved; under the rules of the program, with that approval a 120-day clock started for us to complete and submit our energy strategy. There is a sense of urgency that by August the County Executive be authorized to negotiate and enter into the contract with the consultant to complete the strategy and have it approved by the CDBG advisory board and the County Board prior to the end of the 120 days. Then the DOE reviews it and then releases the balance of funds.

Mr. Moustis commented this process is no different from what has been used in the past. The CDBG is a stand-alone department; we would receive reports from Mr. Pullman. What brings an additional awareness is that CDBG now falls under the Land Use Department. It is a good idea to come here; there should be additional awareness from the beginning for those board members that may want to observe or participate.

Mrs. Dralle indicated the concern was that it needed immediate funds; thank you for the clarification. She looks forward to your continued presentation.

Mr. Bilotta agreed; it is great moving forward and bringing funds to the county. Please advise those people on the advisory committee with what is being done. He request notification of the process.

9. Request to Award Bid for Digital Printer – Rita Weiss/Lynn Behringer – Attached - Executive Committee
10. Request to Extend Current Telephone T& M Maintenance Rate with Avaya Business Partner – Rita Weiss - Attached – Executive Committee
11. Request for Resolution to Enter into Contract with Avaya Business Partner – Rita Weiss – Attached Executive Committee
12. Request for Class B Biosolids in Residential Areas Assignment – Bruce Friefeld – Attached – Executive Committee

13. Request for Will County Recovery Zone Facility Bond Allocation – Bruce Friefeld/Paul Rafac - Executive Committee

ADDITIONAL COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REQUESTS

1. Request for Placement for Regional Water Supply Planning Group Issues Howard Hamilton - (Schedule, Governance, Implications) – Attached - Land Use Committee
2. Placement of Items on the Public Works & Transportation Committee Agenda(s) - Attached
3. Placement of Items on the Land Use Committee Agenda(s) – Attached
4. Request for Resolution Confirming Award of Contract - Let on August 5, 2009 – CH 74 (Laraway Road) from 1843 ft. west of Wolf Road centerline to 982 ft. east of Wolf Road centerline, Section 09-00138-31-GM, County Board District #1 Executive Committee
5. Request for Improvements by County Under the IL Highway Code, CH 74 (Laraway Road) from 1843 ft. west of Wolf Road centerline to 952 ft. east of Wolf Road centerline, Section 09-00138-31-GM, County Board District #1, Using the County's Allotment of MFT Funds - Executive Committee
6. Request for Letter to Gov. Quinn Re: Probation State Budget – Ann Dralle - Executive Committee – REMOVED per Mrs. Dralle
7. Request for Auditor to Present 2008 CAFR at August County Board Meeting - Executive Committee
8. Request to Discuss Illiana Expressway Feasibility Study – Jamy Lyne – Attached Executive Committee
9. Request to Lease Morgue Space to Silver Cross Hospital – Pat O’Neil – Attached - Executive Committee
10. Request for Auditor to Present Quarterly Report at September County Board – Duffy Blackburn – Attached - Finance Committee

A motion was made by Mr. Stewart, second by Mr. Bilotta, to accept the committee assignments as amended. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

Other New Business

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Weigel seconded by Mrs. Dralle, to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 a.m. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.