

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

**October 9, 2008**

10:00 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 10:50 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present were Members:** Brandolino, McMillan, Woods, Babich, Gould, Riley, Dralle, Gerl, Goodson, Bilotta, Maher, Svava and Moustis.

**Absent were Members:** Singer.

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

**Also Present:** Friefeld.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

Mrs. Woods led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Brandolino, second by Mr. Gould, to approve the minutes from the September 11, 2008 meeting. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Intermodal Impact – Update from Curt Paddock**

Mr. Paddock stated this matter has been assigned to the Land Use Committee and Mr. Svava has requested the item be on for discussion for the October 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. We are taking a 3 prong approach – first is looking at current zoning revisions; second is to make sure our efforts are coordinated with other studies such as CED, CMAP and TRAC as well as general municipal collaboration; the third element is to review the Land Resource Management Plan.

Mr. Maher arrived at this juncture.

Mr. Moustis indicated the Intermodal is the rail portion of the development. Are you looking at it in its entirety or breaking out large scale development OF 500 acres or more?

Mr. Paddock answered we will take the more holistic approach.

Mr. Moustis stated this probably one of the more important initiatives we have to take; this will affect Will County and how it develops.

Mr. Brandolino commented it is great to see you are involving municipalities in the discussions.

Ms. Goodson arrived at this juncture.

**State's Attorney's Response Re: County's Ability to Regulate Environmental Diesel Emissions**

Mr. Bilotta arrived at this juncture.

Mrs. Tatroe indicated they had reviewed this and there is not a good way to do it. Most of the diesel emissions are regulated by the IEPA or the US EPA; not much is given to the counties. There is a provision in the counties code that allows us to require industries to install equipment to reduce air pollution, but this is semi trucks that are moving so we do not know how we could enforce that. We could require Intermodals to have a flow pattern for their traffic that would reduce the emissions, but most of the Intermodals are in municipalities so we have no jurisdiction.

Mr. Maher arrived at this juncture.

Mr. Moustis questioned if the county has the ability to impose fines for rail traffic that is blocking the right of way.

Mrs. Tatroe replied she will check into that.

**Other Old Business**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**University of St. Francis – Dr. Vinciguerra**

Dr. Vinciguerra addressed the committee regarding the partnership with the University of St. Francis, the Rialto Arts and the City of Joliet and the new programs that will be available.

**Sunny Hill Replacement Hires**

A motion was made by Mr. Gould, second by Mrs. Woods, to place the replacement hires for Sunny Hill on the County Board Agenda. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

**Appointments**

A motion was made by Mr. Brandolino, second by Mr. Babich, to place the Appointments by the County Executive on the County Board Agenda. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

**Proclamations**

Mr. McMillan indicated there are two proclamations this month; one celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the referendum establishing Sunny Hill Nursing Home and another recognizing the black contractors of Will County.

A motion was made by Mr. Gerl, second by Mr. Svara, to place the proclamations on the County Board Agenda. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

**Request to Renew Nextel Bid**

A motion was made by Mr. Brandolino, second by Mrs. Dralle, to place a resolution on the County Board Agenda renewing the bid for cellular service with Spring Nextel. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

**Request to Renew Office Cleaning Bid**

A motion was made by Mrs. Riley, second by Ms. Goodson, to place a resolution on the County Board Agenda renewing the cleaning contract for various Will County office buildings with Alpha Building Maintenance Service. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

**Request to Renew Refuse & Recycle Bid**

A motion was made by Mr. Gerl, second by Mrs. Woods, to place a resolution on the County Board Agenda renewing the contracts for refuse & recycling services with Joliet Disposal and Allied Waste Services. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

**Request to Renew Lease for Will County Radio Lab**

A motion was made by Mr. Singer, second by Mr. Bilotta, to place a resolution on the County Board Agenda renewing the lease for the Will County Radio Lab. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

**Request for Placement on the October County Board Agenda for Presentation of**

**Quarterly Report**

A motion was made by Mrs. Dralle, second by Mrs. Riley, to place the Auditor's Quarterly Report on the County Board Agenda. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

**Request to Present at November County Board Pace Suburban Bus 2009-10**

**Budget**

A motion was made by Mr. Bilotta, second by Mr. McMillan, to place the annual presentation by Pace Suburban Bus on the November County Board Agenda. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

**Request to Present at November 6, 2008 Executive Committee METRA's 2009**

**Budget**

A motion was made by Mr. McMillan, second by Mr. Svara, to place Metra on the November 6, 2008 Executive Committee agenda to present their 2009 budget. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

**Dedication of War Memorial of Employees of Joliet Arsenal**

Mr. Niehls addressed the committee regarding the memorial that will be built in Wilmington using a flag pole that came from the Joliet Arsenal. Memory stones are available for purchase; he wanted to encompass everyone who worked at the Arsenal as well as those who fought.

**Other New Business**

Mr. Moustis stated the committee meetings scheduled for Election Day, November 4<sup>th</sup> will be cancelled. All meetings scheduled for Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup> will be moved to Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> due to the Veterans Holiday.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Policy & Rules**

Mr. Brandolino indicated we had a recommendation from the Auditor's office regarding how long to extend our billing at the end of the budget year; currently it is 90 days. There is a resolution establishing a 60 day year end reserve period to close our books quicker.

**Land Use – R. Svara**

Mr. Brandolino left at this juncture.

Mr. Svara stated there was a discussion regarding Case 5764 which is a SUP for a trucking company. It was decided that the SUP goes with the land. Resolution 08-348 was tabled last month regarding the refund for zoning application fees.

**Finance – J. Gerl**

Ms. Johannsen indicated the county is obligated to have a public hearing regarding the proposal for general obligation bonds.

**Public Works & Transportation – J. Bilotta**

Mr. Bilotta stated he will give a 15 minute presentation regarding the Build Will program.

A motion was made by Mr. Bilotta, second by Mr. Svara, to place resolutions 08-394 through 08-402 on the County Board Agenda, to be heard on Tuesday, November 14, 2008. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

**Criminal Justice, Law & Judicial – A. Dralle**

Mr. Gerl left at this juncture.

Mrs. Dralle indicated she has one resolution that will be heard on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made by Mrs. Dralle, second by Ms. Goodson, to place resolution 08-413 on the County Board Agenda, to be heard on Tuesday, November 14, 2008. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

**Health, Aging & Education – D. Gould**

Mr. Gould stated there is a resolution amending the Food Service and Retail Food Store Sanitation Ordinance, which is done every three years.

Mrs. Woods asked for an update on the prescription drug program through NACo.

Mr. Gould answered the County Executive was authorized to sign it so staff will have to contact NACo in order to get the necessary information. That was going to be administered by the Health Department.

**Legislative – L. Goodson**

A motion was made by Ms. Goodson, second by Mrs. Dralle, to place resolution 08-419 on the County Board Agenda, to be heard on Tuesday, November 14, 2008. All in favor.

MOTION CARRIES.

**Insurance & Personnel – S. Riley**

Mrs. Riley indicated she has 3 resolutions this month. One is to update the Equal Employment Opportunity Plan. Another is the renewal for Blue Cross Blue Shield.

**Capital Improvements – C. Maher**

Mr. Maher stated he will provide an update on the ADF. We received 22 RFQ's for the comprehensive strategic facilities needs analysis.

**Policy & Rules – R. Brandolino**

Mr. Moustis moved this to the beginning of Committee Reports.

**Budget Review – R. Svara**

Mr. Moustis stated there was discussion at the Finance Committee about what number would be published for the black box. We are recommending that we not go to the maximum levy. We are not going to exceed 105% of the tax; there is no need for us to publish. This will be discussed at the Finance meeting next week for them to clarify that we will be under the 105%.

Mr. Svara asked when the official change will occur.

Mr. Moustis answered in March as always. We will not have the ability as a county to exceed 105%.

Mr. Rafac indicated Mr. Reading had provided a copy of the truth in taxation statute. What the issue centers around is PBC and debt service, which is separated in the black box calculation. The statute only talks about the 105% being applied to the aggregate levy, which it defines as excluding debt service and PBC. The only thing that is required to be published is if the aggregate levy is in excess 105%. We would change our budget to reflect 105% in the aggregate levy.

Mr. Svava commented currently the budget is \$112 million.

Mr. Moustis indicated we are only going to levy for \$105 million.

Mr. Rafac stated those adjustments would be reflected and made in the budget that is passed in November.

Mr. Svava asked if staff will identify where the reductions are coming from.

Mr. Rafac answered he took the expected scenario numbers that were previously discussed and reduced federal aid matching and county bridge \$22,169.28; and adjusted other numbers up by approximately 2.2% so there is some room in other figures.

**Executive – J. Moustis**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN**

**APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 16, 2008 COUNTY BOARD AGENDA**

A motion was made by Mrs. Riley, second by Mrs. Woods, to approve the October 16, 2008 County Board Agenda, as amended. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Other Business**

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Maher, second by Mrs. Riley, to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 p.m. All in favor. MOTION CARRIES.