

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, April 12, 2005, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Sweeney, Members Sorensen, Gordon, Segobiano, Berglund, Bostic, Hoselton, Bass and Renner

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator, Mr. Terry Lindberg, Assistant County Administrator, Ms. Jude LaCasse, Assistant to the County Administrator

Other Members Present: Members Selzer and Dean

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

Others Present: Mr. Eric Ruud, First Assistant State's Attorney

Chairman Sweeney called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Chairman Sweeney presented the minutes from the March 8, 2005 Executive Committee meeting for approval.

Motion by Bass/Sorensen to approve and place on file the minutes of the March 8, 2005 meeting.
Motion carried

Chairman Sweeney announced that there are 14 reappointments, 1 appointment and 4 resignations.

Motion by Hoselton/Bass to recommend approval of the reappointments, appointment and resignations as recommended by the Chairman.
Motion carried.

Mr. Craig Nelson, Director, Information Services, presented a request for approval of a Centranet Renewal Contract between Verizon and McLean County. He reported that this one-year contract represents a renewal of services already in place for the telephone system used by the County. The current contract expires on May 6, 2005.

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Mr. Nelson indicated that during the next year, Information Services will investigate alternative options to the current telephone system with the intent of bringing a recommendation to this Committee. This timeline will allow the renovation work at the Law and Justice Center to be incorporated in the future plans.

Motion by Sorensen/Berglund to Recommend Approval of a One-year Centranet Contract Renewal between Verizon and McLean County.

Motion carried.

Chairman Sweeney brought forward the Justice Committee action item C.1)b) which is a request for approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Bloomington, Town of Normal, County of McLean and Emergency Telephone System Board – County Administrator. He reported that the Justice Committee deadlocked with a 3-3 split on two different motions concerning this Intergovernmental Agreement. Chairman Sweeney recommended that a motion be made to forward this item to the full Board without a recommendation.

Motion by Sorensen/Segobiano to Recommend sending the Request for Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Bloomington, Town of Normal, County of McLean, and the Emergency Telephone System Board to the McLean County Board with no Recommendation from the Executive Committee.

Motion carried.

Chairman Sweeney stated that due to the sensitive nature of this request, it is important that the entire Board be included in the discussion and vote.

Chairman Sweeney shared his concern with the dialogue that has taken place regarding his support or non-support of this Agreement, or his desire to postpone the decision for a few months to see what happens with the City of Bloomington. He stated, for the record, that he supports the Intergovernmental Agreement, as it provides the County and the Town of Normal with an acceptable settlement with the City of Bloomington.

Mr. Renner stated that the Justice Committee unanimously felt that Bloomington withdrawing from MetCom was a bad idea on the part of Bloomington. He indicated that the Committee was deadlocked on two motions, namely to send it the Executive Committee “without recommendation” or to send it with a “recommendation of approval under duress.”

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Mr. Matt Sorensen, Chairman, Finance Committee presented three items for action. The first two items, to be acted upon together, are requests for approval of an Ordinance of the McLean County Board Amending the 2005 Combined Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for Fund 0103 (WIC) – Health Department and approval of an Ordinance of the McLean County Board Amending the 2005 Combined Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for Fund 0107 (West Nile Virus Prevention Program) – Health Department.

Motion by Sorensen/Berglund to Recommend approval of the Ordinance of the McLean County Board Amending the 2005 Combined Appropriation Budget Ordinance for Fund 0103 (WIC) and the Ordinance of the McLean County Board Amending the 2005 Combined Appropriation and Budget Ordinance for Fund 0107 (West Nile Virus Prevention Program) for the Health Department.

Motion carried.

Mr. Sorensen presented a request for approval of a Resolution transferring \$3,004.34 from the General Fund 0001 to the Revenue Stamp Fund 0151, Fiscal Year 2005 for the County Recorder's Office.

Motion by Sorensen/Renner to Recommend Approval of a Resolution Transferring Monies from the General Fund 0001 to the Revenue Stamp Fund 0151, Fiscal Year 2005 – County Recorder.

Mr. Sorensen explained that this is a discrepancy that was found in the Outside Auditor's report two years ago. It was a perpetual inaccuracy between the general ledger accounts in the Treasurer's Office and the Recorder's accounts. He indicated that the source of this difference has never been identified but has been the same for two years. Mr. Sorensen stated that this is simply a correction to resolve the error.

Motion carried.

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

Mr. Tari Renner, Chairman, Justice Committee presented a request for approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Illinois Department of Public Aid and the McLean County State's Attorney – Title IV-D Child Support Enforcement – State's Attorneys Office.

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Motion by Renner/Berglund to Recommend Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Illinois Department of Public Aid and the McLean County State's Attorney – Title IV-D Child Support Enforcement – State's Attorneys Office.

Mr. Hoselton asked if this is the standard agreement that is presented annually to the Board. Mr. Renner replied that it is the annual agreement.

Motion carried

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

Mr. George Gordon, Chairman, Land Use and Development Committee reported that the Land Use and Development Committee brings no action items to the Executive Committee.

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

Ms. Diane Bostic, Chairman, Property Committee presented a request for approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2005 Combined Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance – Facilities Management Department 0041, Government Center – County Administrator.

Motion by Bostic/Renner to Recommend Approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the Fiscal Year 2005 Combined Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance – Facilities Management Department 0041, Government Center – County Administrator.

Mr. Segobiano asked for an explanation of this request. Ms. Bostic replied that since moving into the Government Center, four capital improvement projects have been identified that need to be addressed that were not included in the original bid specifications and plans for the Government Center. She indicated that the addition of Solar Insulation Draperies in offices on the east and west sides of the building was the most crucial, as those offices are extremely warm. Ms. Bostic stated that she recommended that some of these requests be deferred and included in the Fiscal Year 2006 budget. However, after the Committee voted on each individual project, the Emergency Appropriation Ordinance was approved by the Committee.

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Mr. Segobiano stated his concern regarding the request for an additional private office for the Chief Deputy in the Recorder's Office and asked how many chief deputies have private offices. Ms. Bostic replied that all of the other chief deputies have private offices.

Motion carried

Chairman Sweeney clarified that the current signage on the building identifying it as the Government Center is inadequate. The new signage will be placed on the marble panels on the front and east side of the building. Ms. Bostic indicated that the Property Committee recommended that it say County of McLean instead of McLean County.

Mr. Duffy Bass, Chairman, Transportation Committee reported that the Transportation Committee has no items for action.

Mr. John Zeunik, County Administrator reported that he has nothing to report to the Committee.

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

Chairman Sweeney presented the March 31, 2005 bills as recommended and transmitted by the County Auditor for payment. The fund total for the month is \$400,184.44 with the prepaid total the same and there is a transfer of \$47,724.00.

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Motion by Gordon/Renner to approve the Executive Committee bills for March 31, 2005 and the transfer 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 4:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse
Recording Secretary