

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, September 14, 2010, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Sorensen, Members Owens, Gordon, Segobiano, Hoselton, Rackauskas, and Butler

Members Absent: Members Bostic and Nuckolls

Other Board Members Present: Member Black

Staff Present: Mr. Terry Lindberg, County Administrator; Mr. Bill Wasson, Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Jude LaCasse, Assistant to the County Administrator

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

Others Present: Mr. Ryan Leuty, Assistant Director, Information Technologies

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

Chairman Sorensen presented the minutes from the August 10, 2010 Executive Committee meeting for approval. Hearing no additions or corrections to those minutes, Chairman Sorensen advised that the minutes would stand approved as presented.

Chairman Sorensen presented the reappointments, appointments and resignations.

Motion by Segobiano/Owens to Recommend Approval of the Reappointments, Appointments and Resignations as recommended by the Chairman.
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval of a Resolution of Recognition of Ms. Carol Bucher, Retired McLean County Health Department Nurse.

Motion by Gordon/Rackauskas to Recommend Approval of a Resolution of Recognition of Ms. Carol Bucher, Retired McLean County Health Department Nurse – County Administrator's Office.
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen presented a request for approval to purchase Network Switches – Information Technologies.

Mr. Nelson stated that the County needs to replace all of its network switches with new ones called POE (Power over Ethernet). This will provide power to the phones in case of a power outage. Mr. Nelson indicated that this is a planned upgrade to the Network.

Mr. Nelson noted that Information Technologies will be bringing a Voice over Internet Protocol (VOIP) phone solution to the Committee next month.

Motion by Segobiano/Rackauskas to Recommend Approval to Purchase Network Switches – Information Technologies.
Motion carried.

Ms. Diane Bostic, Chairman, Property Committee, was unable to attend the meeting. Chairman Sorensen advised that the Property Committee brings no items for action to the Executive Committee.

Mr. Stan Hoselton, Chairman, Transportation Committee, presented a request for approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2010 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, McLean County Highway Fund 0120, McLean County Highway Department 0055. He explained that this is a \$30,000 line item change from Bridges, Roads and Culverts to Maintenance of roads.

Motion by Hoselton/Owens to Recommend Approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2010 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, McLean County Highway Fund 0120, McLean County Highway Department 0055.
Motion carried.

Mr. Hoselton presented a request for approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2010 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, McLean County Bridge Fund 0121, McLean County Highway Department 0055. He noted that this is a \$20,000 transfer from construction to maintenance.

Motion by Hoselton/Gordon to Recommend Approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2010 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, McLean County Bridge Fund 0121, McLean County Highway Department 0055.
Motion carried.

Mr. Hoselton suggested that the Committee members study the items that will be presented to the Board at the Board Meeting next week.

Mr. Butler asked for an explanation of the Ordinance imposing weight limitations on trucks and commercial vehicles. Mr. Hoselton replied that the weight limit will go from 42,000 pounds to 72,000 pounds in order to accommodate the farmers who are moving grain. He indicated that Mr. Schmitt, County Engineer, assured him that this would have no adverse affect on the roads as long as the season is dry.

Mr. Butler asked if this is a limited time of weight change. Mr. Hoselton responded that the Ordinance change would be permanent, but the Highway Department will still do spring postings as necessary.

Mr. Segobiano asked who determines when the weather prohibits that amount of weight on the roads. Mr. Hoselton responded that the Highway Department will post the roads, when necessary.

Mr. Lindberg explained that the primary reason for this change is that there is a new State statute that puts all of those roads at 80,000 pounds unless otherwise posted.

Mr. Ben Owens, Chairman, Chairman, Finance Committee, presented a request for approval of a Capital Assistance Grant with the Illinois Department of Transportation for vehicle maintenance equipment to be used by SHOW BUS to provide Rural Public Transportation in McLean, Livingston, Ford, Iroquois and DeWitt Counties – Building and Zoning.

Motion by Owens/Rackauskas to Recommend Approval of a of a Capital Assistance Grant with the Illinois Department of Transportation for Vehicle Maintenance Equipment to be used by SHOW BUS to provide Rural Public Transportation in McLean, Livingston, Ford, Iroquois and DeWitt Counties – Building and Zoning.
Motion carried.

Mr. Owens presented a request for approval of the Critical Personnel Hiring Requests submitted by the County Administrator's Office.

Mr. Segobiano asked what the status of staffing is in the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Wasson responded that the Sheriff's Department is currently down three positions. He noted that the Sheriff's Department requested to fill two of the three Patrol Officer positions and one will remain vacant.

Motion by Owens/Segobiano to Recommend Approval of the Critical Personnel Hiring Requests – County Administrator's Office.
Motion carried.

Ms. Bette Rackauskas, Chairman, Justice Committee, presented a request for approval to renew multi-Disciplinary Domestic Violence Grant #607371 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – Sheriff's Department.

Motion by Rackauskas/Gordon to Recommend Approval to Renew Multi-Disciplinary Domestic Violence Grant #607371 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – Sheriff's Department.
Motion carried.

Ms. Rackauskas presented a request for approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2010 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, IDPA IV-D Project Fund 0156, State's Attorney's Office 0020.

Motion by Rackauskas/Owens to Recommend Approval of an Emergency Appropriation Ordinance Amending the McLean County Fiscal Year 2010 Combined Annual Appropriation and Budget Ordinance, IDPA IV-D Project Fund 0156, State's Attorneys' Office 0020.
Motion carried.

Ms. Rackauskas presented a request for approval to renew a multi-Disciplinary Domestic Violence Grant #609070 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – State’s Attorney’s Office.

Motion by Rackauskas/Segobiano to Recommend Approval to Renew a Multi-Disciplinary Domestic Violence Grant #609070 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – State’s Attorney’s Office.
Motion carried.

Ms. Rackauskas presented a request for approval to renew a multi-Disciplinary Domestic Violence Grant #608074 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – Court Services.

Motion by Rackauskas/Owens to Recommend Approval to Renew a Multi-Disciplinary Domestic Violence Grant #608074 from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority – Court Services.
Motion carried.

Chairman Sorensen asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, he thanked Ms. Rackauskas.

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

Chairman Sorensen asked if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, he thanked Mr. Gordon.

Mr. Terry Lindberg, County Administrator, reminded the Committee that he will present the Annual Recommended Budget at the Board Meeting next Tuesday.

Mr. Lindberg advised that the Public Building Commission met yesterday and approved the recent sale of \$7.125 million of the remaining bonds outstanding on the Government Building and the parking garage across the street. He noted that the original anticipated savings was approximately \$266,000. Mr. Lindberg stated that the negotiated sale resulted in a net value savings of about \$866,000, or 11% of the total value. He indicated that most of the savings will come at the end of the issue. Mr. Lindberg noted that rather than the bonds being paid through November 2020, they will be paid out in November 2019.

Ms. Rackauskas commented that Ms. Elizabeth Barnhart, Project Coordinator, Domestic Violence, Multi-Disciplinary Team Program, did an outstanding job of writing the grant request for the Multi-Disciplinary Violence Grants.

Chairman Sorensen advised that it may be necessary to schedule one additional Committee meeting in October for Budget Review.

Chairman Sorensen announced that the Liquor Control Commission will have a stand-up meeting prior to the County Board meeting next week to consider a new liquor license class in McLean County for single day events outside of municipalities. He added that the Liquor Control Commission will also have a regular scheduled meeting following the Board Meeting to deal with the Lake Road Inn issue.

Chairman Sorensen noted that Mr. Hoselton spoke to him before this meeting regarding philanthropic efforts of Board members.

Mr. Hoselton suggested that a payroll deduction fund of \$20 per month be set up for County Board members to donate to a specific cause. He noted that, when he was Mayor of Chenoa, their Board contributed in this type of manner. Mr. Hoselton indicated that this would result in a positive impression of the County Board to the citizens of McLean County.

Ms. Rackauskas asked how the charity will be determined. Mr. Hoselton responded that there could be an alphabetical list to which the Board could choose a different charity each year.

Mr. Segobiano commended Mr. Hoselton on the thought, but he stated that this would put every Board member in an uncomfortable position. He noted that all the Board members have their own particular charities to which they donate and it should be a personal and private endeavor.

After further discussion, it was determined that the Board members would continue to make their own individual donations to the charities of their choice.

Chairman Sorensen presented the August 31, 2010 bills as recommended and transmitted by the County Auditor for payment. The Fund Total is \$255,539.01 and the Prepaid Total is the same.

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Motion by Segobiano/Owens to recommend approval of the Executive Committee bills for August 31, 2010 as presented to the Committee by the County Auditor.
Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the Executive Committee meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith A. LaCasse
Recording Secretary