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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
February 8, 2011

The Executive Committee of the DeKalb County Board met on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 at 7:00p.m. at the Administration Building's Conference Room East. Chairman Larry Anderson called the meeting to order. Members present were Marlene Allen, Ken Andersen, Julia Fauci, John Gudmunson, Scott Newport, Paul Stoddard, Pat Vary, and Ruth Anne Tobias. Others present were Ray Bockman, Gary Hanson, John Emerson, John Hulseberg, Riley Oncken, Anita Turner and Jeff Whelan.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Ms. Fauci, seconded by Ms. Tobias, and it was carried unanimously to approve the amended minutes from January 2011.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Ms. Vary, seconded by Mr. Stoddard, and it was carried unanimously to approve the agenda.

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Anderson said that the current County Treasurer, Ms. Christine Johnson, will be tendering her resignation at 12:01a.m. on February 14, 2011. Ms. Theresa Martin, Chief Deputy Treasurer will assume the responsibility then as the Acting Treasurer until Chairman Anderson appoints a new Treasurer. He hopes to be able to do that at the full county board meeting on Wednesday, February 16, 2011.

1.) **Cooperative Extension Board:**

Mr. John Emerson
Mr. Jeff Metzger, Sr.
Mr. Jerry Augsburger
All **reappointments** for a term of 4 years, until 01/31/2015.

Mr. Russell Deverell,
appointment for a term of 4 years, until 01/31/2015.

- 2.) **General Assistance Appeals Board:** Mr. Eric Johnson, to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Pat LaVigne, until 6/30/2012.

Appointments expiring for March 2011:

- 1.) Rehab & Nursing Center Operating Board – 2 positions (a private citizen and a county board member)
- 2.) Supportive Living Facility Board – 2 positions (a private citizen and a county board member)
- 3.) Community Services Administrative Board – 2 positions (one from the Latino community needed and 1 from the county board)
- 4.) All Fire Protection Districts
- 5.) DeKalb Sanitary District – 1 position
- 6.) Paw Paw Cemetery – 1 position

Moved by Mr. Newport, seconded by Mr. Andersen, and it was carried to forward these appointment recommendations to the full board for approval. Ms. Vary voted no.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY BOARD AGENDA

Mr. Ray Bockman, County Administrator, informed the committee that a Courthouse Addition Update will be presented during the Communications and Referrals portion of the meeting. He then reviewed the County Board Agenda for the Board Meeting to be held on February 16, 2011.

Moved by Mr. Andersen, seconded by Ms. Vary, and it was carried unanimously to approve the County Board Agenda.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Ms. Allen, Chairman of the Law and Justice Committee, said that her committee heard from the State's Attorney last month about how his department is doing since he has taken over the duties.

Mr. Gudmunson, Chairman of the County Highway Committee, said that their meeting will be held this Thursday @ 6:00p.m. and that the items appearing on the county board agenda tonight from his committee will be discussed then. He also mentioned that the 2 candidates for the County Engineer's position will also be there to introduce themselves to the committee.

Mr. Newport, Chairman of the Finance Committee, said that the Finance Committee meeting for last week was cancelled due to the heavy

snow storm and that their February meeting will now be held next week @ 7:00p.m. on February 16th, just before the county board meeting.

Mr. Stoddard, Chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee, said that they had a brief report from Mr. Dennis Miller, DeKalb County's ESDA Director on emergency procedures for the County.

Ms. Fauci, Chairman of the Forest Preserve Committee, said that their committee was cancelled last month. There will be a seed stomp held on February 19, 2011 and be sure to look for the announcement in the packet.

Ms. Vary, Chairman of the Economic Development Committee, said that she and Riley Oncken had a breakfast meeting with Mr. Paul Borek, Executive Director of DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation and Mr. Dave Juday of Ideal Industries to seek the County's help with preparing the County for a pro-business atmosphere.

Mr. Andersen, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Committee, said that his committee will be reviewing the comprehensive plan and the comments that they received from the open houses that they held.

Mr. Andersen also mentioned that the Regional Plan Commission discussed agenda items and some of the items were about reviewing the annexation process and looking for someone to write grant applications among others.

Ms. Tobias, Vice-Chairman of the County Board, said that she will be presenting a resolution from NACO naming April as County Government Month. The subject this year is Honoring our Veterans. She is also working with Maureen Josh on producing a new brochure for the courthouse. She will be attending a meeting for the Northwest Water Planning Group too.

Chairman Anderson approached Mr. Ken Andersen about the newsletter idea that he and Michael Haines were working on last year – did they make any headway on it? He said that they spoke about getting a college student as an unpaid intern from Kishwaukee College with good writing skills to help produce the newsletter. They also met with the editor of the Daily Chronicle and he will look at his notes again about that discussion.

Ms. Tobias suggested that maybe we should have the County Board Intern work on a social media type page like *Facebook* and turn something out that way.

Some committee members also suggested that in inclement weather there should be notice of road conditions and road closings on the website, too. Contact information for State highways conditions and closings should be shown on our website by posting their phone number.

Chairman Anderson said that this should be done through the Sheriff's Department he believes.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Ms. Tobias, seconded by Ms. Fauci, and it was carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Larry A. Anderson

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