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**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
October 9, 2012**

The Executive Committee of the DeKalb County Board met on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 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, John Gudmunson, Paul Stoddard, Scott Newport, Julia Fauci, Pat Vary and Ms. Tobias. Ken Andersen was absent. Others present were Ray Bockman, Gary Hanson, Julia Fullerton, Bob Brown, Derek Tyson, Don Adams, Joan Hanson, Jeff Whelan, Anita Turner, Steve Reid, Jerry Augsburger, Sally DeFauw, Riley Oncken, and Greg Millburg.

It was moved by Mr. Newport to invite Mr. John Hulseberg to represent the Planning & Zoning Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stoddard, and it was carried unanimously to allow Mr. Hulseberg to represent the Planning & Zoning Committee since Mr. Ken Andersen was absent.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Stoddard, seconded by Ms. Tobias, and it was carried unanimously to approve the minutes from September 11, 2012.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

APPOINTMENTS

None

Appointments expiring for November 2012:

- 1.) Fairdale Light District – 1 position
- 2.) Metropolitan Planning Organization – 2 positions
- 3.) Public Building Commission – 1 position
- 4.) Housing Authority of DeKalb County – 1 position
- 5.) DeKalb County Community Mental Health 708 Board : 1 position
- 6.) DeKalb County Board – 24 positions
- 7.) DeKalb County Nursing Home Foundation Board – 1 position

APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY BOARD AGENDA – RAY BOCKMAN

Mr. Ray Bockman, County Administrator, reviewed the County Board Agenda for the Board Meeting to be held on October 17, 2012.

Moved by Ms. Fauci, seconded by Ms. Allen, and it was carried unanimously to approve the county board agenda and to forward it to the full county board for approval.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mr. Scott Newport, Chairman of the Finance Committee, said that the Finance Committee would be sending 2 resolutions on tax deeds and the IMRF resolution on taxable allowances. They also discussed the budget appeals.

Mr. Gudmunson, Chairman of the County Highway Committee, said that his committee is sending 1 resolution from Tom Zucker with Voluntary Action Center for the Downstate Operating Assistance Grant Agreement. He explained that it is a pass through grant that is administered by TransVac with oversight by the County through the Finance Department.

Ms. Allen, Chairman of the Law and Justice Committee, said that they heard from Judge Robin Stuckert regarding the drug court evaluation and her response to the evaluation. The committee and Judge Stuckert agreed that this issue is now finished. Her committee will be discussing the budget appeals next Monday evening.

Mr. Stoddard, Chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee, said that he had no report as his committee did not meet this month since there were no budget appeals filed them to discuss.

Ms. Julia Fauci, Chairman of the Forest Preserve Committee, said that her committee did look at the FY'13 budget. There will be an IMRF increase and they will be purchasing some equipment this next year if the budget is approved. Prairie Oaks Forest Preserve will be opening this Friday, 10/12/12, @ 11:00a.m. , off of Cherry Valley Road. Please get in touch with Terry by this Thursday morning to reserve a lunch, she said.

Ms. Tobias, Vice-Chairman of the County Board, said that 60% of the punch list for the courthouse project has been taken care of. She also mentioned that Judge Stuckert's office and the Public Defender's Office have been moved into their new quarters in the courthouse expansion

space. The open house for the Courthouse is scheduled for November 11, 2012 from 11:00a.m. to 2:00p.m.

Mr. Pat Vary, Chairman of the Economic Development Committee, said that Deb Armstrong gave a presentation to the committee regarding the DeKalb County Convention and Visitor's Bureau. Please read the Economic Development Committee minutes to see how much money her agency has brought into the County. The committee has filed an appeal to increase the funding for her agency from \$10,000 to \$15,000. They also heard from Ms. Jenny Johnson, of the newly formed Arts Council. They heard from the Supervisor of Assessments, Ms. Robin Brunschon, about her budget appeal and the committee agreed to also sponsor this appeal for an additional 9 part-time hours.

Mr. Hulseberg, Vice-Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Committee, said that his committee reviewed the FY'13 budget and heard Dean Johnson's budget appeal. They are asking for an increase in funding from \$20,000 to \$30,000, he said. His committee will be sending a resolution to the full board this month recognizing Mr. Kevin Buick for his years of service as a Hearing Officer for the County.

Chairman Anderson introduced Mr. Don Adams and Ms. Joan Hanson from the Information Management Office (IMO) who gave a brief overview of the new video taping of future county board meetings. Mr. Adams showed a brief presentation of last month's county board meeting where IMO ran a test of videotaping the meeting. The committee consensus was that it looked very good and wanted the department to continue to video tape the meetings starting this month. They wanted the video to go on the County's website and asked for a traffic counter to be included on the page.

Before adjourning Mr. Bockman asked the committee if he should attend their special meeting scheduled for 10/17/12. The consensus of the committee was yes, he should.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: LAND ACQUISITION

It was moved by Ms. Tobias, seconded by Mr. Stoddard, and it was carried unanimously to go into closed session to discuss land acquisition, by a roll call vote. There were 9 yes votes and 0 no votes.

It was moved by Mr. Hulseberg, seconded by Ms. Vary, and it was carried unanimously to return to open session, with no action taken, by a roll call vote. There were 9 yes votes and 0 no votes.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Larry A. Anderson

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