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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

September 11, 2012

The Executive Committee of the DeKalb County Board met on Tuesday, September 11, 2012 at 6:00p.m. at the Administration Building's Conference Room East. Chairman Larry Anderson called the meeting to order. Members present were Marlene Allen, Ken Andersen, John Gudmunson, Paul Stoddard, Scott Newport, Julia Fauci and Ms. Tobias. Pat Vary was absent. Others present were Ray Bockman, John Acardo, Gary Hanson, Greg Millburg, Jeff Metzger, Sr., Jerry Augsburger, Jeff Engelhardt, Jeff Whelan, John Hulseburg, Riley Oncken and Anita Turner.

It was moved by Ms. Tobias to invite Mr. Riley Oncken to represent the Economic Development Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Newport, and it was carried unanimously to allow Mr. Oncken to represent the Economic Development Committee.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Stoddard, seconded by Ms. Allen, and it was carried unanimously to approve the minutes from August 7, 2012.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

Ms. Vary entered the meeting and replaced Mr. Oncken.

APPOINTMENTS

- 1.) Workforce Investment Act Board: Mr. Paul Borek
Mr. Tom Choice
Ms. LeCretia Konan

All reappointments for a term of 2 years, until October 1, 2014.

Chairman Anderson then brought forward the appointment recommendation of Mr. Kevin Bunge to the Public Building Commission (PBC). Discussion from the committee began on why Mr. Matt Swanson, who has been on the Public Building Commission for a while, was not reappointed to the Commission. Chairman Anderson stated that he was not qualified actually to hold a position on the PBC and that he had not heard anything from Mr. Swanson until 2:00p.m that afternoon when he received a phone call from him asking to be reappointed. So since he has not spoken to anyone and with Matt just calling me this afternoon, I had already heard that someone was interested in this position I am bringing Mr. Bunge's name forward for appointment.

Ms. Vary said that Mr. Swanson, as being the Chairman of the PBC, who has been working on the problems that will be coming up in the near future, should stay on the job.

Chairman Anderson said that he had spoken with people on the PBC and the State's Attorney's Office and they said that they did not see any problems with someone new coming on. He also mentioned that Mr. Bunge is a professional engineer.

Mr. Stoddard said that he agrees with Ms. Vary and said that with Mr. Swanson having a lot of experience on the Commission that he also feels that Mr. Swanson should be reappointed.

Ms. Fauci and Ms. Tobias agreed with Ms. Vary and Mr. Stoddard.

Mr. Ken Andersen stated that he was opposed to Mr. Swanson's appointment last time and he is still opposed to it now. He disagrees with their comments as reappointing Mr. Swanson to the PBC would be a conflict of interest as Mr. Swanson is the Business Agent for the laborers union and that he is not qualified for the position.

Chairman Anderson asked the committee to vote on the Workforce Investment Act Board appointments first and separate the two votes.

It was moved by Mr. Andersen, seconded by Mr. Newport, and it was carried unanimously to forward the Workforce Investment Act Board reappointment recommendations to the full board for approval.

Chairman Anderson then asked the committee to vote on the PBC appointment of Mr. Kevin Bunge by a roll call vote. There were 5 no

votes and 4 yes votes, with Chairman Anderson, Scott Newport, Ken Andersen and John Gudmunson voting yes. Those voting no were Ms. Tobias, Ms. Vary, Ms. Fauci, Mr. Stoddard and Ms. Allen.

Chairman Anderson said that he will be holding the appointment over until next month as the recommended appointment name of Mr. Kevin Bunge did not move forward for the PBC appointment.

Appointments expiring for October 2012:

- 1.) Fairdale Light District – 1 position
- 2.) Metropolitan Planning Organization – 2 positions

ORDINANCE #2012-15: CORRECTING A SCRIVENER’S ERROR

Mr. Ray Bockman, County Administrator, said that there were two ordinances that received the same number in error and this ordinance simply corrects that and assigns a new number to the second one.

Moved by Mr. Newport, seconded by Mr. Stoddard, and it was carried unanimously to forward this ordinance to the full board for approval.

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 September 19, 2012.

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

Mr. Andersen said that a few months back the State’s Attorney was supposed to give a talk to the county board about Ex Parte Communications and he has not done that yet. He is asking if the State’s Attorney could come before the County Board at their October meeting to speak on that subject. Chairman Anderson said that he would contact the State’s Attorney about that request.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mr. Scott Newport, Chairman of the Finance Committee, said that he was not present at the Finance Committee meeting and that he wanted to thank Vice Chairman Steve Reid for covering the meeting for him. He did say that the Finance Committee would be sending 3 resolutions on tax

deeds and the FY2013 budget to place on file. He mentioned that they discussed the High Deductible Plan and the current PPO plan.

Mr. Andersen, Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Committee, said that his committee would be sending an item on revoking the Special Use Permit for Stonehouse Park and an ordinance on amending the County Zoning Ordinance regarding signs. He also reminded the committee to attend the "Zoning 101" Class this Saturday in the Gathertorium. He mentioned that the Public Hearing Officer Mr. Buick has resigned. He said that the committee will begin the process of looking for a replacement.

Mr. Gudmunson, Chairman of the County Highway Committee, said that his committee is sending 2 resolutions to the full board for approval in September. He said that the resolutions that his committee is sending involve some house-cleaning that the federal government is doing. The City of DeKalb had used some money from the federal government on Annie Glidden Road and they had spoken with our County Engineer, Nathan Schwartz, telling him that they did not need any more money because the project was done. Nathan said he could use the left over money, approximately \$21,500, for Glidden Road, which has the same federal number as Annie Glidden. The County could use that money for shoulder widening on Glidden Road and participate with McClure Engineering. That is why we are sending these two resolutions forward to the board this month.

Mr. Nathan Schwartz, DeKalb County Engineer, said that it was a very good description and the number of \$25,000 is a "not to exceed number," so if they get the job done for less than that – the \$3400 out of our local money would be left to us. The first money to be spent is federal money, he said. One of the hiccups is that in order for us to get this money we need to have the federal agreement signed by this Friday which is prior to the County Board Meeting, he explained. President Obama, 3 ½ weeks ago said that you have until this date to get all of your paperwork ready or the money is going to be thrown in a pot and it will be spent somewhere else. Mr. Schwartz that he would be saddened if we lost this money and it was sent somewhere else.

After a brief discussion the committee agreed to have the resolutions read that they would be ratified to make the deadline. The County Board would be ratifying the Chairman's signature rather than authorizing it.

Ms. Allen, Chairman of the Law and Justice Committee, said that they would be bringing an ordinance from the Sheriff this month. They will be meeting this coming Monday, 9/17/12 to discuss this issue.

Mr. Stoddard, Chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee, said that they heard from Ms. Donna Moulton who gave a status report on the Community Services Department and Mental Health Board. He said that the mental health agency funding is way down again this year.

Mr. Pat Vary, Chairman of the Economic Development Committee, said that they did not meet last month so she had no report.

Ms. Julia Fauci, Chairman of the Forest Preserve Committee, said that her committee will be holding a discussion on their budget next week.

Ms. Tobias, Vice-Chairman of the County Board, said that the courthouse project should be completed, hopefully, by September 21, 2012, which is the drop dead date. She said that the Open House should be held for the courthouse either October 12th or 19th. She also said that there will be a presentation at the County Board Meeting this month regarding the Ad Hoc Jail Planning Project by Dennis Kimme of Kimme & Associates and Tom Leonard from Gilbane Building Company.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Larry A. Anderson

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