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DeKalb County Government
Sycamore, Illinois

**Executive Committee Minutes
December 9, 2015**

The Executive Committee of the DeKalb County Board met Tuesday, December 9, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building's Conference Room East. Chairman Pietrowski called the meeting to order. Those present were Mr. Brown, Mr. Emerson, Mr. Frieders, Mr. Gudmunson, Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Mr. Jones, Mr. Stoddard, and Mrs. Turner. All nine Members were present.

Others present were Gary Hanson, Paul Miller, Nathan Schwartz, Steve Reid, Dianne Leifheit, Frank O'Barski, Ruth Anne Tobias, Chris Porterfield, and Sandra Polanco.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Frieders, seconded by Mrs. Turner and it was moved unanimously to approve the minutes from November 10, 2015 and November 18, 2015.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Mrs. Turner and seconded by Mrs. Haji-Sheikh to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments made.

CHAIR'S COMMENTS

Chairman Pietrowski reminded everyone that the County Board Holiday party was tomorrow evening and thanked Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Tobias for hosting the party again this year.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY BOARD AGENDA

Chairman Pietrowski asked to go around the table and hear an update from all of the Committee Chairpersons on what their Committees had done at their last meeting together and/or what they are anticipating in the months to come.

Mr. Emerson, Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Committee shared that the Committee is forwarding three Ordinances to the full County Board that have to do with fee increases associated with Action Applications, Building Permits, and Site Development Permits. Mr. O'Barski also shared that the Committee had discussions regarding steps to become more "business friendly" in the Planning, Zoning and Building Department. The Executive Committee also reviewed the status of a Special Use Permit request by Douglas Massier in order to continue conducting firearms training classes at the property located at 16761 Anderland Road in unincorporated Milan Township. The issue is scheduled to come back before the Executive Committee in February.

Mr. Brown, Chairman of the Economic Development Committee noted that the Committee met on location at the Illinois WorkNet Center in DeKalb. Ms. LaCretia Konan and Ms. Maryann Kolls provided a presentation and tour of the WorkNet Center. Mr. Brown additionally shared an article he found in the paper from Mr. Paul Borek that detailed significant development logged in 2015 throughout DeKalb County. He also shared that the Committee began discussing the exploration of an incubator program and Ms. Mary Supple reported on the IHSA Football Championship Games and the Area Arts Council.

Mr. Gudmunson, Chairman of the County Highway Committee shared that the Committee did not meet this month but he noted that everyone has been fortunate with the nice weather so far this year. He also shared that the deck has been poured for the Coltonville Bridge Project but unfortunately it would not be open until next spring. The Jail Expansion Parking Lot Project was able to be finished and is expected to be open next week.

Mr. Stoddard, Chairman of the Finance Committee shared that the Committee did not meet this month due to a lack of agenda items.

Mr. Frieders, Chairman of the Law & Justice Committee shared the Committee has no action items brought forward to the full County Board but the Committee did have a long discussion regarding the Communication Center's fee structure. Multiple Rural Police and Rural Fire Departments attended the meeting to voice their concerns and gather questions regarding a proposal to now include charging Rural Fire Departments for dispatching services. The Committee has yet to make any decisions on the matter but they hope to in the next coming month.

Mrs. Turner, Chairman of the Forest Preserve Committee, noted that the Committee is forwarding one resolution to the full Board of Commissioners regarding the adoption of a Park District Risk Management Agency Safety Manual. She also shared that Mr. Hannan recently closed on the Ward Property that is adjacent to the previous Evergreen Village property.

Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, Chairperson of the Health & Human Services Committee shared that her Committee did not meet this month due to a lack of agenda items but she did update the Committee regarding some outside mental health news within the community.

It was moved by Mrs. Turner, seconded by Mr. Haji-Sheikh and it was carried unanimously to approve the County Board Agenda and to forward it to the full County Board for approval.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Hanson shared that in the back of everyone's packets is a tentative 2016 Meetings Schedule for the County Board. He encouraged everyone to look that over and reminded that all Committee dates and times are subject to change.

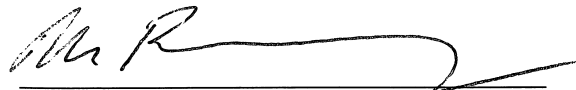
Mr. Hanson noted that the Committee also briefly talked about the Jail Parking Lot being done but he wanted to additionally thank Mr. Schwartz for handling all of the project logistics and coordinated all of the contractors in order to get the project done in a very timely matter.

The first Jail Expansion bid packages are going to be released Friday, December 11, 2015 and those bids will be due January 13th. They expect the bids to be awarded on February 2nd and that will be for building concrete work, precast concrete work, structural steel work, and excavation, site utilities, site clearing and paving work.

Lastly, Mr. Hanson reviewed the County's draft 2016 Legislative Agenda. The Committee is not being asked to take any action on this item until January but Mr. Hanson noted that he wanted to give everyone time to review the items and make sure that there aren't any additions that anyone may want to make. Chairman Pietrowski additionally encouraged any Board Members to check with outside agencies and bring forward any topics that they feel strongly about to add to the Legislative Agenda if they so choose.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mrs. Turner, seconded by Mrs. Haji-Sheikh, and it was carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.


Chairman Mark Pietrowski, Jr.
Tasha Sims, Recording Secretary

DeKalb County Board
2016 Tentative Meeting Dates
 Updated as of December 1, 2015

	Full County Board Meeting	Economic Development	Executive Committee	Finance Committee	Forest Preserve Committee	Health & Human Services	Highway Committee	Law & Justice Committee	Planning & Zoning
	3rd Wed @ 7:30pm	1st Tues @ 7pm	2nd Wed @ 7pm	1st Wed @ 7pm	4th Tues @ 6pm	1st Mon @ 6:30pm	1st Thurs @ 6pm	4th Mon @ 6:30pm	4th Wed @ 7pm
Jan	01/20	01/05	01/13	01/06	01/26	01/04	01/07	01/25	01/27
Feb	02/17	02/02	02/10	02/03	02/23	02/01	02/04	02/22	02/24
Mar	03/16	03/01	03/09	03/02	03/22	03/07	03/03	03/28	03/23
Apr	04/20	04/05	04/13	04/06	04/26	04/04 & 04/11	04/07	04/25	04/27
May	05/18	05/03	05/11	05/04	05/24	05/02	05/05	05/23	05/25
Jun	06/15	06/07	06/08	06/01	Recess	06/06	06/02	Recess	Recess
Jul	Recess	Recess	Recess	Recess	07/26	Recess	Recess	07/25	07/27
Aug	08/17	08/02	08/10	08/03	08/23	08/01	08/04	08/22	08/24
Sep	09/21	09/06	09/14	09/07	09/27	No Mtg.	09/01	09/26	09/28
Oct	10/19	10/04	10/12	10/05	10/25	10/03	10/06	10/24	10/26
Nov	11/16	11/01	11/09	11/02	11/22	11/07	11/03	11/28	No Mtg.
Dec	*12/05 & 12/21	*12/14	12/14	*12/14	*12/14	*12/14	*12/14	*12/14	*12/14

* 12/05 Organizational Meeting

* 12/14 Committee Orientation Night (All Committees meet after the Executive Committee Meeting)