

**LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 2012 MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD**

OPENING

Chairman Fairfield called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Public Safety Complex basement at 844 W. Lincoln St., Pontiac, Illinois.

Stan Weber led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administrative Resource Specialist Alina Hartley called roll with the following **present:** John “Jack” Vietti, Robert Weller, Stanley Weber, Mike Ingles, William Flott, John Yoder, Bruce Koerner, Joseph Steichen, Carl Borngasser, John McGlasson, Daryl Holt (arrived at 6:07 p.m.), Ronald Deany, Kathy Arbogast, Judy Campbell, Tim Shafer, Eldon Ruff, David Heath, Marty Fannin, Bob Young, Vicki Allen, William Fairfield, Delores “Dee” Woodburn and Mark Runyon **Absent:** John Franey

Also Present: Alina Hartley-Administrative Resource Specialist, Jack Hayes (FQC), John Eallonardo (FQC), David Winters-County Highway Engineer, AFSME Representative Joe Plugger

AGENDA

Chairman Fairfield requested the agenda be amended to remove item VII. Executive Session from the agenda. Fairfield then called for any additional changes to the agenda with none being requested. *Motion by Weller, second by Woodburn to approve the agenda as amended.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL EYES ON VOICE VOTE.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Fairfield called for approval of the minutes from the February 16th, 2012 meeting. *Motion by Young, second by Ingles to approve the February 16th, 2012 meeting minutes as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.**

PRESENTATION - AFSME – DWIGHT CORRECTIONAL CENTER

Joe Plugger of AFSME was present to discuss the proposed closure of the Dwight Correctional Center as well as Tamms and other ATC facilities. Plugger stated that closure of these facilities creates an overburden on the system that is already overcrowded and is a safety concern for the public. Plugger stated that he believes there will be a \$50 million direct impact to Livingston County and surrounding counties. Plugger stated that the hearing will be in April in Dwight. Plugger stated that the first goal is to make sure that funding for Dwight is kept in the state’s budget.

PRESENTATION – PUBLIC HEALTH 2011 ANNUAL REPORT

MaLinda Hillman reviewed the 2011 Public Health Annual Report. Hillman stated that in 2011 there were 46 employees at the health department equating to 38 full time equivalents. Hillman reviewed the beginning and ending balance of the TB levy. Hillman stated that there were no TB cases in the county this year although our neighboring counties do have reported cases and three individuals from Livingston County were put on preventative medications.

Hillman reviewed how the 2011 public health levy was expended between maternal child health, senior services, environmental health, animal control, rent, communicable diseases and miscellaneous others. Hillman reviewed the 2011 Financial Report. Hillman stated that the department is heavily dependent on both state and federal grants which account for approximately 53% of the budget. Hillman reported that personnel accounts for approximately 70% of the annual expenses. Hillman stated that as of November 30th the stated owed the department \$230,000 and is up to \$300,000 now for the first quarter of the year. Hillman reviewed the various programs and how many residents were served. *Motion to approve the Public Health 2011 Annual Report by Steichen, second by Holt.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes:** John “Jack” Vietti, Robert Weller, Stanley Weber, Mike Ingles, William Flott, John Yoder, Bruce Koerner, Joseph Steichen, Carl

Borngasser, John McGlasson, Daryl Holt, Ronald Deany, Kathy Arbogast, Judy Campbell, Tim Shafer, Eldon Ruff, David Heath, Marty Fannin, Bob Young, Vicki Allen, William Fairfield, Delores "Dee" Woodburn and Mark Runyon **Nays:** none **Absent:** John Franey

APPEARANCES

None

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Bills

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Fannin, second by Yoder. **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** John "Jack" Vietti, Robert Weller, Stanley Weber, Mike Ingles, William Flott, John Yoder, Bruce Koerner, Joseph Steichen, Carl Borngasser, John McGlasson, Daryl Holt (arrived at 6:07 p.m.), Ronald Deany, Kathy Arbogast, Judy Campbell, Tim Shafer, Eldon Ruff, David Heath, Marty Fannin, Bob Young, Vicki Allen, William Fairfield, Delores "Dee" Woodburn and Mark Runyon **Nays:** none **Absent:** John Franey

ELECTION, RULES & LEGISLATION

Resolution: Supporting the Continued Operation of the Dwight Correctional Center – Chair Weber reported that the Committee has reviewed and recommended approval of a resolution supporting the continued operation of the Dwight Correctional Center. *Motion by Weber, second by Flott to approve the Resolution supporting the continued operation of the Dwight Correctional Center.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** **Ayes:** John "Jack" Vietti, Robert Weller, Stanley Weber, Mike Ingles, William Flott, John Yoder, Bruce Koerner, Joseph Steichen, Carl Borngasser, John McGlasson, Daryl Holt, Ronald Deany, Kathy Arbogast, Judy Campbell, Tim Shafer, Eldon Ruff, David Heath, Marty Fannin, Bob Young, Vicki Allen, William Fairfield, Delores "Dee" Woodburn and Mark Runyon **Nays:** none **Absent:** John Franey

Larry Vaupel stated that there is a link on the GLCEDC website giving information on how to submit letters to the COGFA committee. April 4th has been set as a tentative date when the hearing will be held.

LAW & JUSTICE CENTER / BUILDING COMMITTEE

Chair Flott introduced Jack Hayes of Frederick Quinn Corp. Hayes reported that the AG's office conducted a follow up visit on March 8th. Hayes stated that the purpose of the visit was to continue discussions and review site conditions. Hayes stated that he felt the visit was productive for both sides. Hayes further stated that at the conclusion of the visit the representatives from the AG office indicated that they will review their findings and get back to us.

Hayes noted that there are flyers on each board members desk for the excess property auction scheduled for March 31 at 9:00 a.m.. Hayes reported that Edelman is in the process of advertising the auction.

John Eallonardo reported that progress on the courthouse renovation has continued with electrical, mechanical and plumbing rough-in. Eallonardo reported that they are working their way from the basement to the first floor, and have started to do some work on the second floor and attic. Eallonardo stated that the masonry contractor will finish sometime next week doing all the reinforcing of the structure to allow for the mechanical systems to be installed. Eallonardo reported that they have come to a resolution on what portion of the tin wall and ceiling materials could be feasibly saved. Eallonardo stated that after reviewing the conditions it became very clear that it would be cost prohibitive to save the tin material that is on the walls of the room due to the condition of the plaster walls behind the tin. Eallonardo stated that all the tin on the ceiling will be retained. Eallonardo stated that they hope to provide board members with a tour sometime in April or May.

Eallonardo reviewed project close out information for the Law & Justice Center. Eallonardo reported that the maintenance staff will be provided with physical hard copies of the as built drawings and maintenance manuals for the building, but they will also be provided with an electronic version of those same documents that can be used in maintaining the building. Eallonardo reviewed the electronic version with the board that included all

manuals, as built drawings, warranties, project status photos, as well as training videos. Eallonardo reported that from a construction point of view the project is now closed. Eallonardo reported that the project did come in under budget.

SHERIFF, JAIL & LICENSE

Sheriff's Annual Report: The Board reviewed the Sheriff's Annual Report. Sheriff Meredith noted that there were 17,141 calls and 1,860 bookings. *Motion by Holt, second by Fannin to accept the Sheriff's Annual Report.*

MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes: John "Jack" Vietti, Robert Weller, Stanley Weber, Mike Ingles, William Flott, John Yoder, Bruce Koerner, Joseph Steichen, Carl Borngasser, John McGlasson, Daryl Holt, Ronald Deany, Kathy Arbogast, Judy Campbell, Tim Shafer, Eldon Ruff, David Heath, Marty Fannin, Bob Young, Vicki Allen, William Fairfield, Delores "Dee" Woodburn and Mark Runyon **Nays:** none
Absent: John Franey

Chair Vietti reported that the average monthly jail population was 61 with 10 being the average number of days spent. Vietti further reported that the Odell town contract was discussed and the purchase of the snow plow truck was approved. Sheriff Meredith reported that Lisa Martin has resigned as 911 Dispatch Supervisor.

AG & ZONING

No Report

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE

Committee Chair Deany introduced David Winters-County Highway Engineer, who reviewed items to be approved on the **Consent Agenda** as follows:

- I. **Letting Results:**
 - March 6, 2012 letting
- II. **Agreements:**
 - Stipulated Agreement 1642: Illinois Commerce Commission, Illinois Department of Transportation, Norfolk Southern Railway Company and Livingston County. Installation of Automatic Flashing Light Signals and Gates at County Highway 6 (2000E Road) grade crossing with NSRR, mileposts KS-136.86. Estimated Cost=\$197,264 divided 85% to Grade Crossing Protection Fund, \$167,675; 10% to Livingston, \$19,726; 5% to NSRR, \$9,863.
- III. **Resolution:**
 - Resolution appropriating \$20,000 from County Matching Tax Fund to pay for Livingston County's share of Stipulated Agreement 1642, installation of Automatic Flashing Light Signals and Gates at CH 6 and Norfolk Southern Railroad.
- IV. **Bridge Petitions:**
 - **Amity Road District:** Engineering costs to prepare repair plans for SN 053-3196, Section 12-01000-00-AB. Estimated cost = \$4,500.00.
- V. **Quarterly Report:**
 - 1st Quarter FY12

Motion by Deany, second by Runyon to approve the Highway Consent agenda as presented. **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE. Ayes:** John "Jack" Vietti, Robert Weller, Stanley Weber, Mike Ingles, William Flott, John Yoder, Bruce Koerner, Joseph Steichen, Carl Borngasser, John McGlasson, Daryl Holt, Ronald Deany, Kathy Arbogast, Judy Campbell, Tim Shafer, Eldon Ruff, David Heath, Marty Fannin, Bob Young, Vicki Allen, William Fairfield, Delores "Dee" Woodburn and Mark Runyon **Nays:** none **Absent:** John Franey

Winters reported that Ragan Communications has assisted the Highway department in the conversion to narrowbanding. Winters reported that they were without radio service for about a day and a half, but they are back in operation now and are 100% narrowband compliant.

FINANCE

No Report

PUBLIC PROPERTY

No report

NURSING HOME

Committee Chair Heath reported that the Nursing Home Committee had their first meeting of 2012. Heath reported that Good Samaritan has received a loan commitment for the project. Heath stated that Good Samaritan provided the Committee with a report on the loan funds and had copies of the CON application available at the meeting. Heath further reported that he received word that Good Samaritan filed the CON application with the state on Monday.

PERSONNEL

No report

INSURANCE

No report

INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY

Committee Chair Holt reported that Scott Koeppel showed the new “pipe tool” that is used by the corrections staff to monitor and complete wellness checks at the jail and the Law & Justice Center. Holt further reported that Koeppel was able to post the elections results live on the website and at the Law & Justice Center.

VETERANS

Chair Koerner reported that the number of individuals served is about the same, but expenses and requests for assistance has gone up. Koerner further reported that the new employee is doing well. Koerner stated that there is approximately \$20,000 left in the dental grant for veterans.

ADMINISTRATIVE

No report

PUBLIC HEALTH

Judy Campbell reported the following: **Mental Health** – Carol Flessner is prepared to give a report on the mental health impact of the closing of the Dwight Correctional Center. PLATO is a program for children that has been executed very successfully; this program helps kids improve their grades. Flessner is encountering some road blocks with mental health court. The governor is recommending a 9% cut in the youth commission, but this has happened in the past and has been replenished. The Jacksonville closure is affecting some of our services here in Livingston County; they have been requesting placement for some of those individuals.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The floor was open for public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

COMMUNICATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hartley noted that the draft FY 2012 goals have been distributed for the boards review. Hartley further noted that per diem sheets are on board members desks; board members should contact the board office or the county clerks office with any changes.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. on motion by Young, second by Yoder. **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES ON VOICE VOTE.**

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 6:00 p.m., at the Public Safety Complex building.

William Fairfield, CHAIRMAN

Attest:

Alina M. Hartley
Administrative Resource Specialist
In the Absence of County Clerk Kristy Masching

Approved

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