Ogle County Executive & State's Attorney Committee Meeting
Tentative Minutes
Tuesday, November 10, 2009

1. Call to Order – by Chairman Rice at 4:03. Members present Rice, Saunders, Kenney, Hopkins, Horner. Members absent: Huntley, Bauer, Nye, Stahl. Others present were not recorded.

2. Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve October 14, 2009 meeting minutes by Hopkins. 2nd by Kenney . Motion carried.

3. Public Comment – none

4. Sheriff & Coroner / Buildings & Grounds Committee Report-. Nothing to carry forward to the Board. McKinley noted she presented an initial cost analysis of possible network upgrades, and the committee motioned to put the network services requirements out to bid for further analysis.

5. Road & Bridge Committee Report – Rice reported they will need approval of a sign award given. He also reported a Highway building improvement project being done by non-union workers was held up recently because union picketers arrived to protest.

6. Personnel Salary & County Clerk Committee Report – Nothing to carry forward to the Board. Kenney noted that all filings went smoothly in the County Clerk's office with nothing contested.

7. Executive Committee –
   - 2010 Holiday Schedule was distributed and reviewed. Rice reported we have 12 holidays this year. Discussion followed. Motion by Hopkins to approve the 12 holidays as presented in the 2010 Circuit Court schedule. 2nd by Horner. Motion carried with one nay vote from Saunders.
   - Assist 2009 – McKinley explained the 2009 Assist Homebuyers program that an investment firm from Aurora sponsors on behalf of counties and municipalities to help local families purchase homes through bonds sold at a premium on behalf of the participating entity. McKinley confirmed with Coffman that Ogle County had participated in the past, but our program expired in 2008 and they are asking us to set a new ordinance for participation as so many surrounding counties and municipalities have done. Motion by Kenney to do recommend participation in the 2009 Assist Homebuyers Program. 2nd by Hopkins. Motion carried.
   - Approval of ROE bills – Motion by Hopkins to approve the bills in the amount of $4,749.88. 2nd by Horner. Motion carried.

8. Zoning Committee Report – Committee Chairman Hopkins reported they will be asking for an Ag1 district to rent out for weddings and meetings. The family has refurbished this to the 1915 era. It is on Lowell Park road. Hopkins also reported that we are moving forward on appointing the Zoning Hearing Officer position to keep violations out of the courts. Rice noted we will post the vacancy for this position in December. Hopkins reported the committee denied the request for one trailer permit, and will allow the courts to decide next steps.

9. HEW & Solid Waste Committee Report – Nothing to carry forward to the Board. Kenney reported that there have been land fill odor issues and concerns, which Rypkema has referred to the EPA.

10. Finance & Insurance Committee Report – Committee Chairman Hopkins reported the county budget is on file as required for public lay over. Coffman notes we'll need a bond abatement ordinance on the agenda this month for lay over and vote in December. McKinley notes we'll

have the county budget public hearing in the middle of the 11/17 board meeting, and she will work with the County Clerk's office to ensure this is posted correctly.

11. Judiciary Committee Report – Nothing to carry forward to the Board. Kenney reported that the Juvenile Justice accomplishments and positive press were highlighted at the committee meeting, and that the Chicago Tribune, Illinois Bar Association publications, and others are highlighting the Ogle County model, which is gaining national credibility and spotlight attention.

12. Long Range Committee Report –
    a. Bills –Horner moved to approve the LRP bills in the amount of $735,959.73 . 2nd by Hopkins. Motion carried.
    b. Project update – McKinley reported progress on creating the 3rd floor conference room, updated the group regarding the mock up being ready early December for committee review and approval, the furniture bids going out this week to secure 2009 pricing, and the change orders that were reviewed and approved by LRP. The largest change order reviewed was for approximately $17,000 and required structural reinforcement of the attic floor to support the 6000 pound air handler set to be placed in the attic.

13. Appointment to Kishwaukee Drainage District –Rice reported that Roger Hickey has been approved by the Kishwaukee Drainage District to extend his term, which the board needs to approve. Move by Hopkins to recommend Hicky to the Kishwaukee Drainage District for another term. Kenney 2nd. Motion carried.

14. States Attorney Report -
    a. Approval of Bills-Motion by Saunders to approve the bills in the amount of $2,133.10. 2nd by Hopkins. Motion carried.
    a. Resolution for Illinois Appellate Prosecutor Funding – Aaron Wiles was present to confirm that this annual resolution is due for approval again. Motion by Kenney to approve the Illinois Appellate Prosecutor Funding Resolution. 2nd by Hopkins. Motion carried. It was clarified that the Board of Governors voted on this and are keeping the fee they charge this year the same as it was last year.

15. New Business – none

16. Old Business –
    a. Responsible Bidder Ordinance – McKinley will set up meeting with Roe, Williams, Rice, to review the States Attorney's findings and bring a recommendation to the board.
    b. Hearing Officer – Rice reported that he and McKinley met with Dekalb to see how they use the hearing officer for violations, then met with Lyle Hopkins and Mike Riebel to review the model and discuss how it should be implemented in Ogle County. Rice reports we plan to send a notice of appointment in December with interviews and recommendations for 1-2 people following. The purpose of this position is to hear cases to keep them out of the court system. This candidate will need a law degree and know zoning. The fees charged for the hearing will cover the costs. .
    c. Holiday Schedule for 2010 – Barnes asked how we will handle the situation of giving union employees 13 holidays and non-union employees 12. McKinley clarified we are not assuming they will get 13, we are asking the unions to concede that additional day. She noted that they can file a grievance if they want, but that the Probation Department already conceded that extra holiday and she hopes the other unions will too.

17. Adjournment - by Chairman Rice at 5:40.

Respectfully Submitted,

Meggon McKinley, Ogle County Administrator

W. Ed Rice, Chairman

Sheriff's Department Training Room
103 Jefferson St in Oregon, Illinois
Public Entrance – gated entrance off Jefferson Street – use East door of building