Ogle County Executive & State's Attorney Committee Meeting
Tentative Minutes
Wednesday, October 14, 2009

1. Call to Order – by Chairman Rice at 4:05. Members present Rice, Saunders, Stahl, Kenney, Hopkins, Nye, Huntley, Bauer. Members absent: Horner. Also present: Lynne Kilker, Ron Colson, Jim Barnes, Bob DeArvil, Marcia Heuer, Ben Roe, Meggon McKinley, John Coffman, Sheriff, members of the public.

2. Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve September 9 meeting minutes by Kenney. 2nd by Huntley. Motion carried.

3. Public Comment – Barnes asks Bauer if on Friday, we're inviting all HEW applicants to attend the open meeting. Bauer indicates yes, and McKinley agrees to send out the notice via email.

4. Sheriff & Coroner / Buildings & Grounds Committee Report – nothing significant to report.

5. Road & Bridge Committee Report – Committee Huntley reports there will be a petition and resolution for ice abrasives business award for the Board meeting and a motion to approve a grant easement for com Ed to change their power lines along the south right away instead of the highway department land. He also reported there will be a resolution with a one month lay over to identify roads that will and will not be established as 80,000 pound county highway designations.

6. Personnel Salary & County Clerk Committee Report –nothing significant to report.

7. Executive Committee – Chairman Rice reviewed the 2010 Holiday Schedule approved the by the Circuit Court. Motion by Kenney to approve the 2010 Holiday Schedule. 2nd by Hopkins. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

8. Zoning Committee Report – Committee Chairman Hopkins noted there will be a zoning change resolution for the Board regarding a Rte 72 farm site. He noted the committee will continue the land use task force discussion next month. He also stated there will be a resolution to extend the Board of Review.

9. HEW & Solid Waste Committee Report – Committee Chairman Bauer reports the HEW Committee will meet in a special meeting this Friday 10/19 to take another look at the HEW levy request amounts since we are $132,000 over to keep levies at the same level they are today and avoid a tax increase to the tax payers. Results will be brought to the Finance Committee at their next meeting.

10. Finance & Insurance Committee Report – Committee Chairman Hopkins reported the committee chose a new prescription plan for savings of $45,000 over a 2 year contract with Wisconsin RX. He also reported the budget review and union discussions are still going on, and that if the unions respond after their Friday meeting, we will hold a special Finance Committee meeting Monday 10/19 at 5:30 to review the implications of their response and the impact to the 2010 budget. He reported the committee recommended the lowest bid for a 3 year County audit provider, which will go to the Board. He noted Sikich was extremely qualified, and we have been very pleased with them, but finances dictated the choice.

11. Judiciary Committee Report – Committee Chairman Nye reported there is a Christmas project Marty Typer is promoting to help get HOPE families "adopted" during Christmas. He is asking for participants willing to spend roughly $100 per needy family at Christmas.

12. Long Range Committee Report –
    a. Bills – The committee reviewed the bills approved in Long Range, Finance, and then presented today for Executive. After confirming line item amounts, Huntley moved to approve the LRP bills in the amount of $342,423.43. 2nd by Hopkins. Motion carried.
    b. Project update – Stahl reported we are changing our meeting time to better support the flow of information needed between the owner, architect, and contractor. LRP meetings will still be held on the 1st Tuesday of each month but at 10:30 instead of 9:00. H&R and RJC will attend, then

we'll have our walk through after, likely at noon. RJC will meet with their subs prior to that meeting. Stahl recapped the change orders, which include approving a reduction for a standard stainless steel water cooler, an increase for the generator and lighting changes, increase for exterior basement window and window sill, increase for patching hard wood flooring under drinking fountains. She recapped the cupola lighting options, and noted the elevator issues are on hold until the inspection takes place and we have more information. Stahl reported we rejected the current landscape of $106 and will re-evaluate the needs in the spring. She reported the Board room plastering will be as planned in the as original construction bid allowance. Rice reported on the storm sewer changes noting the state of IL EPA says no storm water can go into the sanitary sewer any more. The city engineer of Oregon is doing spec sheets and recommendations of how to do it so we can put it to bid. Many items have been discovered and discussed to find the best way to make the necessary changes. Much discussion followed including all the options and the pros and cons of each to solve the problem. Rice reported the West, North, and East drains drop into the sanitary sewer plus 4 drains where the people enter into the building. The north drains go to the underground pipe that goes under doorway by the jail to the east and then behind memorials and into a pit, which doesn't connect to anything and the water runs out here. He noted that the roof drain from the jail runs there too, and McBride watches them to keep them clean and clear. The problem is the pipes under the jail and courthouse are tile and there is a leak under the doorway, so water is coming into the jail here. Williams suggested running the water through pipes in the attic but RJC notes the problem there is the eaves spouts and drains around roof have a peak lower than the ceiling so we can't get it down. Because we don't have drop ceilings in all places, we can't put the plumbing there. We are still evaluating these options, and it is likely we will not be able to completely solve this problem until spring because the geothermal fields need to settle and dry up. Rice suggested bidding part of the project on the east side this fall and finish the rest in the spring. Rice reports we also have to look at drain pipes to replace because the current copper is old and paper thin. We will wait for the specifications and put this to bid with the most feasible, cost effective solution. McKinley then noted the more detailed courthouse budget reconciliation report will be in the packet.

13. Appointment –Ogle County Housing Authority
    a. Motion by Huntley to approve James Peter's resignation from the Ogle County Housing Authority. 2nd by Hopkins. Motion carried.
    b. Applicants – Chairman Rice reports Thomas Miller has withdrawn his application. Robert Faulk, a current board member, has applied. Motion by Kenney to appoint Robert Faulk. 2nd by Hopkins. Motion carried with one nay vote by Saunders.

14. States Attorney Report -
    a. Approval of Bills-motion by Huntley to approve bills in the amount of $2,561.68. 2nd by Nye. Motion carried.
    b. Windmill update by Roe – Ben Roe reported that we will be appearing before federal court to make our arguments for the case and believes the court would look favorably on our arguments. If it goes in our favor, it would be dismissed. He clarified there are 2 cases – one at the local level for the state and another in the 2nd district for the federal court. He noted we're at the same point in both cases, and if they agree with the lower court, the supreme court would have to agree not to hear it at the federal level. Roe hopes we're at the end of the cases. If there is no need for another special use permit, the project could then move forward. Rice asked Roe to reprint our windmill ordinances to get the current board up to speed – Hopkins will ask Reibel to provide these. Rice asked if the Kings windmill project has to come to the county board to file and Hopkins says yes – we've already clarified with zoning because it's on county property. Colson notes that there will be a set fee by the state, but the county collects it like any other real estate tax. Rice asks if we can set up a fee that would specifically benefit schools that have been hit hard, like the OCEC problems with the school. It would be an annual fee, to be worked out.

15. New Business – Rice notes that we will need to make the union negotiation piece of the Finance Committee meeting a closed session and asked McKinley to note that on the posting.

16. Old Business –
    a. Responsible Bidder Ordinance – Roe noted he has copies and date regarding other ordinances passed in other counties and will set up a time to review the information with Rice, McKinley, and

Williams to recommend next steps to the committee. Roe notes he has also conferred with Curtis Cook on this.

b. Hearing Officer – Rice reports McKinley and he are still waiting to set time with Ray Bachman of DeKalb to understand their model.
c. Holdiay Schedule - Saunders and Heuer note concern of adopting the 2010 Holiday schedule as proposed because it contains one less day than in our union contracts. We need to wait to see what union concessions come before adopting it to ensure we are in breech of our contract. Motion by Bauer to reconsider the holiday schedule next month. 2nd by Hopkins. Motion carred.
d. Next month's meetings will all be Monday and Tuesday 11/09 and 11/10 instead of 11/10 and 11/11 to accommodate the Veteran's Day holiday.

17. Adjournment - by Chairman Rice at 5:05

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