

Lake County Illinois

*Lake County Courthouse and Administrative Complex
18 N. County Street
Waukegan, IL 60085-4351*



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, September 2, 2008

11:00 AM

Conference Room C, 10th Floor

Law and Judicial Committee

1.0 Call to Order

Chair Nixon called te meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Present 4 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham and Talbett

Absent 4 - Vice Chair Whitmore, Member Carlson, Member Martini and Member Newton

Others present:

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Gary Gordon, Financial & Administrative Services

D. True, RALC

Raymond True, RALC

Glenn Garamoni, RALC

James Steward, RALC

Marci Junisko, Court Administration

Patrick Firman, Sheriff's Department

Mike Waller, State's Attorney

Matt Guarnery, Financial & Administrative Services

Amy McEwan, County Administrator's Office

Linda Wisch, County Board Office

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Nixon led the Commimttee in the pledge.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

None.

4.0 Public Comment

James Stewart of RALC stated that he is a Viet nam vet. Mr. Stewart reported that 85 counties have passed pro 2nd amendment; many unanimously or strongly. He spoke in support of pro 2nd amendment resolution.

Glen Garamoni of Fremont Township noted that Chair Schmidt suggested that this was not county business and they should contact state legislators. Mr. Garamoni stated that the problem in Springfield is not LakeCounty legislators, but Cook County legislators. Mr. Garamoni asked for the committee's consideration to put resolution on the agenda.

Raymond True of RALC asked that the Committee pass the resolution and send on to the full board. Mr. True presented an overview of the Supreme Court decision on right of individuals to bear arms. Mr. True asked that Committee and the full Board consider a resolution to follow the Supreme Court's decision and approve a resolution and

send on it to Springfield.

Chair Nixon reiterated that this is a State issue and also confirmed that all members of the Committee supported the Constitution of the United States. Chair Nixon stated that this is not a County issue and she would prefer that we not endorse it. Member Calabresa concurred. Member Talbett stated that the difficulty that we all have with this is that what happens when the next group comes before us with a similar request. We are not doing anything to infringe on gun owners rights at the present time. Member Talbett stated that if the committee supports this then it should come from the committee. Member Cunningham felt we should still evaluate and research this issue, so that we don't make a mistake.

Mr. True agreed with the Chairman's comments and indicated that they are merely asking for a position to go forward.

Chair Nixon concluded that this is not an issue that we can take up at this time.

Mr. Stewart noted that he had brought in petitions with signatures and supporters did come to the Board Meeting. Mr Stewart concluded by stating that they hoped the Board will take time to investigate this issue.

5.0 Added to Agenda

None.

6.0 Old Business

Member Calabresa inquired about the status of the GPS system for violators of orders of protection. She asked for confirmation that this is being researched so that everything will be in place if we can move forward. Ms. McEwan noted that the State's Attorney is working on this. State's Attorney Mike Waller confirmed that they are doing research on this, however, we have not seen the state legislation on this as of yet. Mr. Waller noted that the law takes effect on January 1, 2009 so we still have some time.

7.0 New Business

CIRCUIT CLERK

7.1 [08-0604](#)

Report of Sally Coffelt, Circuit Clerk, for the month of July 2008.

Passed for signature.

This matter was Received and placed on the Consent Agenda

CORONER

- 7.2 [08-0612](#) Joint Resolution authorizing the Purchasing Agent to enter into an agreement with Boller Construction Co., Inc, Waukegan., IL, for Interior and Exterior Improvements to the Coroner's Offices in the total amount of \$ 94,600.

Presented by Matt Guarnery. Mr. Guarnery noted that this is for the 2nd floor remodeling of the Coroner's office and some exterior maintenance work that needs to be done. Following discussion, Chair Nixon asked Sr. Assistant County Administrator Amy McEwan to arrange for a tour of the facility for the Committee. Ms. McEwan will try to arrange something for the near future.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Calabresa, that this Resolution be Approved and Referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham and Talbett

COURT ADMINISTRATION

- 7.3 [08-0573](#) Joint Resolution increasing the Court Automation Fee from \$5 to \$7, to be collected by the Clerk of the Circuit Court effective December 1, 2008.

Presented by Marci Jumisko. This fee is legislation which is on the books and could be raised as high as \$15.00. The Courts are recommending an increase of \$2.00, which will bring us close to a balanced budget.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Talbett, that this Resolution be Approved and Referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham and Talbett

- 7.4 [08-0578](#) Joint Resolution authorizing the execution of Grant Award # 2008-DC-BX-0030 with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance and an emergency appropriation of \$200,000 for the Lake County Therapeutic Intensive Monitoring Program for the period July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2010.

Attachments: [TIM Court Grant Attachment](#)

Presented by Marci Jumisko.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this Resolution be Approved and Referred on

to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham and Talbett

7.5 [08-0600](#)

Committee Action authorizing change orders to Contract # 27190 and #27162 Contract Modifications - Driessen Construction Co.

Presented by Gary Gordon. Mr. Gordon noted that this item involves 2 separate change orders. The first change order is for the window project and is a result of the manufacturer (GE manufactured the windows) now identifying a need for better bracing and reinforced framing for the windows. The second change order is for 6 doors without windows for the courts. Six doors which were ordered with windows as per the architectural drawings and we don't need windows. These doors will be used elsewhere. Some acoustical panels will also be ordered.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Talbett, that this Committee Action Item be Approved and Referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham and Talbett

7.6 [08-0605](#)

Joint Resolution authorizing the Purchasing Agent to enter into an agreement with DK Contractors, Inc, Pleasant Prairie, WI to Construct an Asphalt Parking Lot at the Mundelein Branch Court in the total amount estimated not to exceed \$264,716.

Presented by Matt Guarnery.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Talbett, that this Resolution be Approved and Referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham and Talbett

PUBLIC DEFENDER

7.7 [08-0539](#)

Report of Joy Gossman, Public Defender, for the month of July 2008.

Passed for signature.

This matter was Received and placed on the Consent Agenda

7.8 [08-0610](#)

Joint Resolution authorizing the Purchasing Agent to enter into an agreement with Stuckey Construction Co., Inc, Waukegan., IL, for Remodeling of the Public Defender Offices in the total amount of \$1,728,728.

Presented by Matt Guarnery.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this Resolution be Approved and Referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham and Talbett

SHERIFF

- 7.9 [08-0542](#) Report of Mark C. Curran, Jr., Sheriff, for the month of July 2008.

Passed for signature.

This matter was Received and placed on the Consent Agenda

- 7.10 [08-0597](#) Joint Resolution authorizing the Chairman of the Board and the Sheriff to execute a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Teamsters Local Union No. 714, as the exclusive representative of the Correctional Division Sergeants bargaining unit employees of the Lake County Sheriff's Office covering wages and benefits.

Presented by Rick Eckenstahler and Rodney Marion.

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Talbett, that this Resolution be Approved and Referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham and Talbett

STATE'S ATTORNEY

- 7.11 [08-0514](#) Joint Resolution authorizing the continuation of the State's Attorney's Violent Crime Victims Assistance Program (09-0935), awarded by the Office of the Illinois Attorney General for the time period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009.

Attachments: [VCVA 09-0935 Agreement no sigs](#)

Presented by State's Attorney Mike Waller.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Cunningham, that this Resolution be Approved and Referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham and Talbett

Executive Session

- 7.12 [08-0543](#) Review of Executive Session Minutes

Attachments: [Review of Executive Session Minutes](#)

Chair Nixon informed the Committee that the State's Attorney's Office has reviewed this Committee's closed session minutes, and forwarded their recommendation as to whether each set of minutes should be opened or remain closed. The Chair agreed with the State's Attorney's recommendations. In lieu of reviewing each set of minutes, the Committee concurred with the State's Attorney's recommendations (see attached list of recommendations).

8.0 County Administrator's Report

Sr. Assistant County Administrator Amy McEwan noted that the next meeting will be September 30, 2008. Ms. McEwan also advised that budget hearings will be coming up in October. She also advised that she will try to plan a tour next month for one of the meetings. Ms. McEwan stated that she was asked to coordinate with PB&Z Committee on meeting dates and we will try to comply with their request whenever possible.

9.0 Adjournment

A motion was made by Member Cunningham, seconded by Member Talbett, that the meeting be Adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 4 - Chair Nixon, Member Calabresa, Member Cunningham and Talbett

Minutes prepared by Linda Wisch

Respectfully submitted,

Chair

Vice Chair
