Lake County Illinois

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Minutes Report - Final

Wednesday, July 28, 2010 1:00 PM

Conference Room C

Financial and Administrative Committee

1. Call to Order

Chair Paxton called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Present 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton,

Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

Also present:

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Suzi Schmidt, County Board Chairman

Gary Gordon, Finance & Administrative Services

Dusty Powell, Sr. Assistant County Administrator

Peter Kolb, Public Works

Barbara Chevalier, Speer Financial

Doretha Johnson, Division of Transportation

Kent McKenzie, EMA

Rodney Marion, Human Resources

Jennie Vana, Communications Manager

Mary Otahal, County Board Office

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Paxton led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 <u>10-0706</u>

Minutes from July 7, 2010.

Attachments: F&A 07.07.10

A motion was made by Member Mountsier, seconded by Member Stolman, that the minutes from July 7, 2010 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Member Bassi, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly,

Member Stolman and Member Carter

Not Present: 1 - Vice Chair Kyle

- 4. Added to Agenda Items
- 5. Public Comment
- 6. Old Business
- 7. New Business

Planning, Building & Zoning

Law & Judicial

Health & Community Services

Revenue, Records & Legislation

Public Works & Transportation

7.1 <u>10-0687</u>

Ordinance authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds (Sales Tax Alternate Revenue Source) of the County of Lake, Illinois, in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$32,000,000, for the purpose of defraying the costs of road improvements.

- Lake County General Obligation Bonds: Ordinance
- Lake County, by and through its Division of Transportation, is proposing to issue \$32
 million in general obligation bonds to provide road improvements to public roads within the
 County.
- This will include the improvement of Illinois Route 21 from Illinois Route 137, in cooperation with the State of Illinois.
- This action is needed to issue the bonds and obligate the County to repay the bonds with all the terms set forth in the ordinance.

Gary Gordon explained this resolution, starting that this is for the Milwaukee Avenue road project. This \$32 million is being issued through Recovery Zone Bonds and Build America Bonds. (Member O'Kelly and Vice-Chair Kyle entered the meeting at 1:04 p.m.) Barbara Chevalier from Speer Financial was available to answer questions.

Member Carter stated that the PWT Committee requested that it be noted that the rebate from the bond sale would be used to pay down the debt. County Administrator Barry Burton noted that this was part of the policy statement and that they will bring the policy statement back to committee next week.

Mr. Gordon stated that there will be subsequent actions coming forward in this regard over the next several months.

Mr. Burton clarified that while this is a state road, it was identified and approved in the Transportation Plan and we are funding the construction portion of Rt. 21 between Gurnee and Libertyville.

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the regular agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.2 10-0688

Joint resolution awarding a contract for the construction of a bike path along Park Avenue West from the Highland Park Country Club to east of US Route 41 to the lowest responsible bidder Dunnet Bay Construction, Glendale Heights, Illinois in the amount of \$624,882.30 and provides a supplemental appropriation of \$125,000 of County Bridge tax designated as Section 14-00271-00-BT.

- Park Avenue West (Highland Park Country Club to East of US Rte. 41) Bike Path, Construction: Contract Award and Supplemental Appropriation.
- A bike Path including a bridge over the Skokie River will be built along Park
 Avenue West with limits from Highland Park Country Club to east of US Route 41.
- The work also includes retaining walls, traffic signal modifications, landscaping and earthwork.
- A total of 5-bids were received and the lowest responsible bidder is Dunnet Bay

Construction, Glendale Heights, Illinois in the amount of \$624,882.30.

A supplemental appropriation of \$125,000 of County Bridge Tax funds is provided.

Attachments: BID TAB: Park Avenue West (Highland Park Country Club to East of US R

JUSTIFICATION: Park Avenue West (Highland Park Country Club to East

Doretha Johnson explained this resolution.

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the regular agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.3 10-0689

Joint resolution awarding a contract for the removal, replacement or refurbishment of thermoplastic pavement markings on the bituminous pavements of various county highways to the lowest responsible bidder, Mark-It Corporation, Romeoville, Illinois in the amount of \$297,092.89 and designated as Section 10-00000-08-GM.

- 2010 Group II Thermoplastic Pavement Markings for Bituminous Pavements: Contract

 Award.
- The County has miles of pavement markings for medians, lane lines, and cross walks on bituminous pavements. These markings last longer than paint but eventually require replacement.
- This is the second of two lettings for replacement thermoplastic markings in the 2010 program.
- One responsive bid was received and the lowest responsible bidder is Mark-It Corporation, Romeoville, Illinois, in the amount of \$297,092.89.

Attachments: BID TAB 2010 Group II Thermoplastic Pavement Markings for Bituminous

JUSTIFICATION 2010 Group II Thermoplastic Pavement Markings for Bituminous

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.4 10-0690

Joint resolution authorizing the execution of a contract for consulting engineering services between Lake County and IMS Infrastructure Management Services, Rolling Meadows, Illinois for the annual pavement testing services and associated components for the County's Pavement Management System at a maximum cost of services described of \$60,000. This resolution also appropriates \$70,000 of Matching Tax Funds and is designated as Section 10-00219-00-ES.

- 2010 Pavement Management System; Field Testing: Consultant Agreement
- The County's pavement management system has been in use since 1986 and data in the system needs to be updated on a yearly basis utilizing information collected using dynamic load testing and laser testing procedures.
- Approximately 25% of the County Highway System is retested each year.

- Information from the pavement management system is used to generate recommended resurfacing projects for the next five years.
- The same engineering firm is being used that did the initial testing.
- The contract is with IMS Infrastructure Management Services, Rolling Meadows, Illinois at a cost of services of \$60,000 and the resolution appropriates \$70,000 of Matching Tax funds.

Attachments: 2010 Pavement Management System; Field Testing: Consultant Agreemer

A motion was made by Member Stolman, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote: The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.5 10-0691

Committee

Financial and Administrative

Joint resolution providing Motor Fuel Tax funds for the maintenance of the County Highway System from December 1, 2010 to November 30, 2011. The amount of the appropriation is \$700,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds and designated as Section 11-00000-00-GM.

- 2011 Motor Fuel Tax Fund, Patrol I: Appropriation
- Patrol I are those maintenance materials and activities paid out of the Motor Fuel Tax fund and include material supply contracts such as sign material, and shoulder aggregate.
- Funds must be appropriated prior to a letting being held in the upcoming fall
- An appropriation is made of \$700,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds.

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.6 10-0692

Joint resolution appropriating \$110,000 of County Bridge Tax funds for underdeck repairs and the placing permanent underdeck shielding in some areas of the Pulaski Drive Bridge over US Rte. 41 and designated as Section 08-00196-08-BR.

- Pulaski Drive Bridge Underdeck Repair: Appropriation.
- A recent bridge inspection by County engineers showed numerous areas of cracks and spalls on the underside of the bridge.
- The deck itself is in good structural condition.
- Bloom Companies, LLC was hired to determine the extent of delaminated areas on the underside of the bridge, make recommendations on repairs, and provide a cost estimate for the repairs
- Certain repairs were recommended this year including the placement of permanent underdeck shielding in some areas
- The necessary design work is nearing completion.
- The work will be contracted for in due course on an expedited basis.
- This resolution appropriates \$110,000 of County Bridge Tax funds for the 2010 work and is designated as Section 08-00196-08-BR.

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this

resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.7 10-0693

Joint resolution appropriating \$717,000 of County Bridge Tax funds and \$1,348,000 of Matching Tax funds for the roadway rehabilitation and reconstruction of Lake Avenue from IL Rte 173 to the Wisconsin state line, including the replacement of two (2) bridge decks and designated as Section 08-00148-02-FP.

- Lake Avenue Rehabilitation, (IL Rte. 173 to the Wisconsin State Line) Appropriation
- This improvement includes the rehabilitation of the roadway, including the replacement of two (2) bridge decks.
- Before a project letting can be held, an appropriation of \$717,000 of County Bridge Tax funds and \$1,348,000 of Matching Tax funds is necessary.

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.8 10-0694

Joint resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement for the use of federal highway funds between the State of Illinois and Lake County for Phase I preliminary engineering services for the extension of the Washington Street bike path from Atkinson Road to Lancer Lane and designated as Section 09-00135-11-BT.

- Washington Street (Atkinson Road to Lancer Lane) Bike Path Extension; Phase I: IDOT Agreement.
- The county has been allocated federal CMAQ funds for this improvement and IDOT administers all federal highway funds.
- Phase I (Preliminary Engineering) is required on all federally funded improvements.
- This agreement provides for the county to receive 80% reimbursement of the cost of Phase I.

Attachments: Washington Street (Atkinson Road to Lancer Lane) Bike Path Extension; F

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member Paxton, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.9 10-0695

Joint resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with Civiltech Engineering Inc., Itasca, Illinois for professional services for the provision of Phase I preliminary engineering services for the extension of the Washington Street bike path from Atkinson Road to Lancer Lane at a maximum cost of services described of \$194,034.76. This resolution also appropriates \$215,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds for this improvement and

designated as Section 09-00135-11-BT.

- Washington Street (Atkinson Road to Lancer Lane) Bike Path Extension; Phase I
 Consultant Agreement and Appropriation
- The existing bike path along Washington Street will be improved by extending it from Atkinson Road to Lancer Lane with connectivity to the Village of Grayslake bike path system and to the College of Lake County
- A consultant will be utilized to undertake Phase I preliminary engineering services to determine the final recommended improvement.
- This resolution authorizes the execution of professional services agreement with Civiltech Engineering Inc., Itasca, Illinois for Phase I (Preliminary Engineering) services and appropriates \$215,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds.

Attachments: Washington Street (Atkinson Road to Lancer Lane) Bike Path Extension; F

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.10 <u>10-0696</u>

Joint resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement for consulting engineering services between Lake County and MACTEC Engineering and Consulting Inc., Chicago, Illinois, for the provision of Phase I preliminary engineering services for the replacement of the deck beams of the bridge carrying southbound Arlington Heights Road over Buffalo Creek at a maximum cost of services described of \$34,837. An appropriation of \$45,000 of County Bridge Tax funds is made for these engineering services designated as Section 10-00193-07-BR.

- <u>Arlington Heights Road Southbound over Buffalo Creek, Bridge Deck Beam</u> Replacements: Consultant Agreement and Appropriation.
- The bridge deck beams of the bridge for southbound traffic need to be replaced and consulting engineering services will be utilized to design the replacement of the beams.
- The selected and recommended consultant is MACTEC Engineering and Consulting Inc., Chicago, IL at a cost of services of \$34,837.
- The appropriation is \$45,000 of County Bridge Tax funds for this improvement designated as Section 10-00193-07-BR.

Attachments: Arlington Heights Road Southbound over Buffalo Creek, Bridge Deck Bear

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.11 <u>10-0697</u>

Joint resolution authorizing the execution of an agreement for the use of Federal Highway Funds between the State of Illinois and Lake County for Phase I preliminary engineering services for the replacement of the deck beams of the bridge carrying southbound Arlington Heights Road over Buffalo Creek and designated as Section 10-00193-07-BR.

- Arlington Heights Road Southbound over Buffalo Creek, Bridge Deck Beam Replacements; Phase I: IDOT Agreement.
- The County has been allocated federal HBP funds to repair this bridge and IDOT administers all federal funds.
- Phase I (Preliminary Engineering) is required on all federally funded improvements.
- This agreement provides for the county to receive 80% reimbursement for the cost of Phase I.

<u>Attachments:</u> Arlington Heights Road Southbound over Buffalo Creek, Bridge Deck Bear

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.12 10-0684

Joint resolution declaring intent to reimburse certain water and sewer capital expenditures utilizing proceeds from the bond.

- The Public Works Department is proposing to borrow \$20 million in revenue bonds to fund certain capital improvement projects.
- It is allowable for the proceeds of the bond issuance to be used to reimburse Public Works for projects under construction at the time of the bond issuance.
- A Reimbursement Resolution is utilized to confirm and document our intent to use the bond proceeds for the purposes of reimbursing the expenditures associated with capital improvement projects which are in progress.
- The reimbursable projects under construction are included as an exhibit to the Reimbursement Resolution and are as follows: Mill Creek WRF Expansion, Grainger Lift Station 2nd Force Main, FY 2009 Water Main Replacement, NEC Pump Station 2nd Force Main, FY 2010 Water Main Replacement, and NEC Pump Station Improvements.
- This resolution authorizes reimbursement from bond proceeds for capital expenditures up to sixty days prior to the passage of this resolution.

Attachments: 08.10.10 Reimbursement Res. EXHIBIT A.docx

Peter Kolb exlained this resolution allowing the County to use some of the interest money proceeds to pay off a portion of ongoing projects.

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the regular agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.13 <u>10-0700</u>

Ordinance authorizing the issuance and sale of \$20,000,000 Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series A of 2010, and providing the terms of and security for payment thereof.

- The approved 2010 Budget included a \$20 million revenue bond issuance.
- Public Works 10-Year Capital Projects Program includes \$110 million in capital projects expenditures.

- A Cash Flow Analysis projects the need to borrow up to \$40 million to fund the 10-year Capital Projects Program.
- We will be utilizing Build America Bonds for this issuance, which provides a rebate of 35% of the bond interest costs. This will allow us to receive a rebate of \$7.7 million over the life of the bond debt service.
- The revenue bond market interest rates are very favorable at this time.
- This revenue bond issuance will not significantly increase Public Works annual debt service over current levels, because some older bond issues will be retiring.
- This is a parameter Ordinance, which establishes the terms, provisions and limitations of the bond sale and authorizes the issuance of \$20 million, Series A, 2010 Bonds.
- The bond sale is scheduled for September 13th at which time designated officials are authorized to approve the sale. A report will be presented to the County Board at the September 14th Board Meeting summarizing the bond sale results.

Attachments: 08.10.10 Series A Revenue Bond Ordinance.doc

08.10.10 Bond Order.doc

08.10.10 Continuing Disclosure Undertaking.doc

Peter Kolb explained this resolution authorizing the County to sell \$20 million of Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, using these Build America Bonds to pay off capital improvement projects. Mr. Kolb stated that, as a result of the cash flow analysis, they have identified \$40 million that they will have to borrow over the next 10 years. Using the Build America Bonds will provide a rebate of \$7.7 million on the interest.

Committee members requested a prioritized list of the projects, which Mr. Kolb will provide.

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this ordinance be recommended for adoption to the regular agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.14 10-0702

Joint resolution authorizing Robert Skidmore, Treasurer, to withdraw monies from Series S Construction Account to pay construction cost items.

- The County issued bonds in 2009 in the amount of \$ 1,207,805.14 to construct the Hawthorn Woods/Glennshire Water System Improvements.
- Per the County Bond Ordinance, the County Board must approve disbursements of bond proceeds within the Construction Account.
- This withdrawal pays invoices #6 to the contractor, PirTano Construction, related to the HWG water main construction in the total amount of \$363,044.25.

A motion was made by Member Carter, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

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7.15 10-0643

Resolution to approve a memorandum of understanding between Lake County and the USA Disaster Relief Corps, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation.

- The USA Disaster Relief Corps (USADRC), an Illinois not-for-profit corporation based in Lake Bluff, is a volunteer organization that has embraced the mission of providing assistance to communities during emergencies and disasters through the application of advanced technical capabilities. The USADRC maintains equipment and personnel that are capable of providing an array of specialized services, including radio communications support; voice, data, and video linkage through multiple technologies and media; remote illumination and videography; and more traditional rescue functions.
- The Lake County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) serves as the County's point of
 coordination for various resources to support preparedness for and response to
 emergencies and disasters of all kinds. Lake County EMA continues to coordinate with
 various partner organizations and when appropriate to establish more formalized
 relationships through memoranda of understanding.
- Lake County has entered into various Intergovernmental Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding, which are cataloged and referenced in the County's Emergency Operation Plan.
- The proposed memorandum of understanding will allow USADRC to more quickly assist
 any agency or community within Lake County in need of assistance by identifying the
 County as the point of coordination for USADRC equipment and capability in support of
 Lake County needs.
- The proposed memorandum of understanding also encourages collaborative preparedness through the conduct of joint training, exercises, and other activities.

Attachments: 2010 06 30 USADRC Lake County MOU FINAL Version.pdf

Kent McKenzie explained this resolution.

A motion was made by Member O'Kelly, seconded by Member Carter, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.16 10-0644

Resolution authorizing acceptance of a US Department of Homeland Security subgrant for Emergency Operations Center Technology and authorizing the necessary Budget Amendments and Emergency Appropriations in the amount of \$140,148.12 in the FY 2010 EMA budget.

- Lake County EMA applied for and has been selected to receive competitive grant funding for Emergency Operations Center Technology enhancements of up to \$140,148.12.
- The Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS) will administer the reimbursement grant program on behalf of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, Illinois Terrorism Task Force, and US Department of Homeland Security.
- Funds will be used to reimburse the County's eligible costs for enhancing the technology
 that supports the Emergency Operations Center. Specifically, funds will provide for the
 initial purchase of an enterprise EOC Risk Management Software system and the
 necessary computer servers to support that system. The system will be available through
 the internet to authorized partner jurisdictions and organizations, and will enhance

collaboration with those partners as well as improve the effectiveness and efficiency of coordination within the Lake County EOC.

- The budget amendment and emergency appropriation is necessary to correctly account for the funds to purchase the system.
- The grant has a performance period extending until March 31, 2011.

Attachments: 2010 07 01 2009 ILEAS EOC Grant Agreement Lake County.pdf

2010 07 20 ILEAS EOC Tech Grant ADI Spreadsheet.pdf

Kent McKenzie explained this resolution.

A motion was made by Member Stolman, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the regular agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

7.17 10-0705

Resolution accepting the annual Emergency Management Assistance grant funding from the Illinois Emergency Management Agency for Federal Fiscal Year 2010 Emergency Management Performance Grant pass-through funds in the maximum amount of \$152,917.52.

- This funding supports the County in developing and maintaining an effective integrated Emergency Management Agency and program.
- This funding provides for quarterly reimbursement of up to 50% of allowable program costs for the Lake County Emergency Management Agency.
- The actual amount of funding is dependent on both the county's expenditures and the availability of federal funds to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency.
- The maximum funding available to Lake County through this grant is \$152,917.52.
- This grant provides for Emergency Management program activities between October 1, 2009, and September 30, 2010.
- Revenue from this grant will offset currently budgeted expenses. No additional expenses are budgeted as a result of this grant.
- Lake County spends more than \$349,000 in emergency management program activities to satisfy the grant requirements.

Attachments: 2010 IEMA EMPG Grant Agreement.pdf

Kent McKenzie explained this resolution.

A motion was made by Member Bassi, seconded by Member O'Kelly, that this resolution be recommended for adoption to the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote: The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

- 8. Executive Session
- 8.1 Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

A motion was made by Member Bassi, seconded by Member Stolman, to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Member Bassi, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly,

Member Stolman and Member Carter

Not Present: 1 - Vice Chair Kyle

Discussion.

A motion was made by Member Stolman, seconded by Member Kyle, to come out of executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton,

Member O'Kelly, Member Stolman and Member Carter

9. County Administrator's Report

- Employee Health Care Alternatives
- 1. Rodney Marion presented proposed employee health care alternatives. He stated that, if there is no change in 2011, it will result in a 10.8% increase in premiums, or \$3.3 million. He has formed an Employee Advisory Group of about 50 employees that are discussing this issue.

The intent is to find ways to contain the cost without cutting the core of what we cover. The proposed new objective is to pay health insurance claims on an equitable basis while encouraging good consumerism and healthy life styles, and he is presenting a consumer driven program that would accomplish this objective. (Member Stolman left the meeting at 2:25 p.m.). This plan will affect employees who have the PPO plan. The HMO plan will remain the same.

Mr. Marion reviewed the proposed program. He reported that there are incentives in place that will reward employees for low utilization, and that same plan will make those who are high utilizers pay more of a fair share.

Committee members expressed concern about how this plan will affect the lower paid employees and employees with chronic illnesses. They asked for further clarification on the ramifications of the changes and incentives, including how this plan could be affected by President Obama's Health Care Plan. They requested that he look into how many employees on the PPO plan make less than \$40,000 a year. The Committee also requested that this information be presented to the Committee of the Whole meeting prior to it being voted on. Mr. Marion stated that he would like to bring a contract back to Committee in September, but it may be pushed back until October so that it can be presented to the County Board before then.

- 2. Barry Burton stated that they are meeting with departments about the budget process and are trying to get information from the State to be able to finalize the budget. It may be necessary to push the Joint Budget meetings scheduled for September back.
- 3. Approximately 53-57 employees elected to take the Accelerated Retirement Option.

There are many positions that they are comfortable with not filling. They don't have the final results yet, but will present those when available.

- 4. Mr. Burton informed the Committee that the City of Waukegan approved the designation of the Health Department facilities on Belvidere Road as historic buildings. The County was not notified of this, and the County opposes it. The ordinance states that it's designed to be a cooperative effort with the property owner, so they are working on this with the City of Waukegan.
- 5. Mr. Burton stated that the Communications Department e-mails newsclips from the local papers and include articles that mention County Board Members. Jennie Vana stated that it also includes comments made in Talk of the County because they are published. Member Carter stated that if the article is not signed, it shouldn't be included in the clips. Past policy has been that if it mentions somebody, it goes in there, and includes all articles concerning the county.
- Ms. Vana has also been including Forest Preserve articles, but apparently the Forest Preserve send their related clips to board members as well. Mr. Burton stated that if it's a Forest Preserve article, it will come from the Forest Preserve.
- 6. Cable franchise fee audit Mr. Gordon reported that Communcations and Purchasing recently issued an RFP for a cable audit of bills to make sure the County is receiving the correct amount of franchise fees.

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Member Kyle, seconded by Member Mountsier, that the meeting adjourn at 3:27 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Member Bassi, Vice Chair Kyle, Member Mountsier, Chair Paxton, Member O'Kelly and Member Carter

Not Present: 1 - Member Stolman

Minutes prepared by Mary Otahal.	
Respectfully submitted,	
Chairman	
/ice-Chairman	
	
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