

Lake County Illinois

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18 N. County Street
Waukegan, IL 60085-4351*



Minutes Report - Final

Wednesday, November 10, 2010

8:30 AM

Conference Room C

Revenue, Records and Legislation Committee

1. Call to Order

Chair Bassi called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Present 6 - Chair Bassi, Member Paxton, Member Nixon, Member Hewitt, Vice
Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

Absent 1 - Member Carey

Also present:

Amy McEwan, Sr. Assistant County Administrator

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Gary Reis, Finance and Administrative Services

David Stolman, County Board Member

Carrienne Carallis, CAO Intern

Jennifer Henderson, County Board Office

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Bassi led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 10-1077

Minutes from September 1, 2010.

Attachments: [RRL 9.1.10](#)

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Pedersen, to approve the minutes from September 1, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Bassi, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

Not Present: 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

3.2 10-1074

Minutes from September 29, 2010.

Attachments: [RRL 09.29.10](#)

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Pedersen, to approve the minutes from September 29, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Bassi, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

Not Present: 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

3.3 10-1016

Joint RRL & F&A budget minutes from October 6, 2010.

Attachments: [RRL & F&A budget minutes 10.06.10](#)

A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Pedersen, to approve the minutes from October 6, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Bassi, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

Not Present: 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

4. Public Comment

5. Added to Agenda

6. Old Business

7. New Business

County Clerk

7.1 10-1066

Report of Willard R. Helander, County Clerk, for the month of September 2010.

Attachments: [sep10_20101020143919](#)

A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this report be received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Bassi, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor
Not Present: 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

Recorder of Deeds

7.2 10-1055

Report of Mary Ellen Vanderverter, Recorder of Deeds, for the month of September 2010.

Attachments: [SRDP36C210102009320.tif](#)

A motion was made by Member Taylor, seconded by Member Hewitt, that this or report be received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Bassi, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor
Not Present: 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

Treasurer

7.3 10-1028

Report of Robert Skidmore, Treasurer, for the month of September 2010.

Attachments: [Cash Investment September 2010.pdf](#)

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A motion was made by Member Hewitt, seconded by Member Taylor, that this report be received and placed on the County Board agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Chair Bassi, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor
Not Present: 2 - Member Paxton and Member Nixon

Legislation

7.4 10-0853

Resolution approving the FY 2011 State Legislative Program.

- The Revenue, Records and Legislative Committee has reviewed legislative initiatives as submitted by the departments and elected offices.
- The standing committees were given an opportunity to submit items for consideration for

the State legislative program.

- The Revenue, Records and Legislative Committee submits the attached initiatives and requests approval of the FY 2011 Lake County State Legislative Program.

Attachments: [State Agenda 2011 11 05 10-2](#)

Committee discussed the two options for defining the Board Member and Elected Official salaries and the required timelines. Further discussions on how to use CPI as a potential tool and how these options have been applied in other counties within Illinois.

Member Brent Paxton arrived at 8:36 a.m.

Chairman of the Board, Suzi Schmidt arrived at 8:37a.m.

Member Audrey Nixon arrived at 8:47 a.m.

Member Audrey Nixon is favorable for the FY 2011 State Legislative Initiatives however is apposed to issues regarding setting salaries for County Board members and Elected Officials.

Chairman's salary should be defined by setting a standard for 4 years or tie to a CPI based on a fixed interest to provide more flexibility. Member Taylor agrees on the importance of having a CPI in place and asked to benchmark Board salaries with other counties. Mr. Burton and Chariman Schmidt stated it varies from county to county and is not consistent. Mr. Burton will continue working on this issue. Member Paxton asked when the legislative event would take place and Ms. McEwan stated to determine a date is not yet selected.

A motion was made by Member Taylor, seconded by Member Paxton, that this communication or report be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Bassi, Member Paxton, Member Nixon, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

7.5 10-0998

Joint resolution for a twenty-five (25) month contract with a one (1) year renewal option with Kolkmeier Consulting of Springfield, IL for state legislative consulting services.

- The County has a need to enter into a contract for Illinois legislative consulting services.
- Lake County has a long standing successful relationship with Kolkmeier Consulting of Springfield, IL, who is familiar with the issues confronting Lake County and has a very good working relationship with the Lake County legislative delegation in Springfield.
- Kolkmeier Consulting also represents Metro Counties further adding benefit through collaboration with other counties on legislative initiatives.
- The Purchasing Agent consulted with an ad hoc review group and determined that this purchase of consulting services is exempt from the competitive bid process on the basis of there exists a long standing, successful relationship for professional services and the knowledge gained through this relationship adds value integral to the services provided for these services.
- There is no cost increase to this contract from 2010 to 2011. The contract will cost the County \$4,005.67 per month for the period of December 1, 2010 to December 31, 2011, thereafter subject to annual changes in the United States Consumer Price Index (CPI).
- The cost will be charged to 101-1102040-79950-000-000-11011.

Discussion regarding the Kolkmeier Consulting contract and defining the payment terms.

Recommendation to the Board for negotiating the contract with proposal to Kolkmeier and approves of the fees and schedule defined in the new contract. County Administrator Mr. Burton stated that Mr. Kolkmeier is an effective lobbyist and is well recognized in Springfield, IL. Member Taylor asked what other agencies are represented by Kolkmeier. County Administrator Burton stated Kolkmeier Consulting represents 10 - 15 other agencies.

This resolution was approved and referred on to Financial and Administrative Committee The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Bassi, Member Paxton, Member Nixon, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

8. Executive Session

9. County Administrator's Report

Mr. Burton outlined the current pension proposal for the police and fire departments.

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Member Paxton, seconded by Member Nixon, to adjourn at 9:20 a.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Chair Bassi, Member Paxton, Member Nixon, Member Hewitt, Vice Chair Pedersen and Member Taylor

Minutes prepared by Jennifer Henderson.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Revenue, Records & Legislation Committee