

Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

9:00 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor

Law and Judicial Committee

1. Call to Order

Chairman Nixon called the meeting to order at 9:04 A.M.

Present 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Bartels, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton, Member Weber and Member Danforth

Absent 2 - Chair Cunningham and Member Frank

Others Present:

Farrah Watson, Finance and Administrative Services

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Amy McEwan, Deputy County Administrator

Cameron Davis, Assistant County Administrator

Donna Jo Maki, Executive Justice Council

Jeannine Thompson, Emergency Telephone System Board

Jeremiah Varco, Finance and Administrative Services

RuthAnne Hall, Finance and Administrative Services

Heidie Hernandez, County Board Office

Michael Wheeler, Finance and Administrative Services

Mary Stevens, Court Administration

Ben Gilbertson, County Administrator's Office

Lou Kent, Sheriff's Office

Tom Struck, Sheriff's Office

Jim Chamernik, Sheriff's Office

Ray Rose, Sheriff's Office

Jay Ukena, Court Administration

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Nixon led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Nixon stated there is a quorum present and Member Bartels will be participating electronically due to illness.

3. Approval of Minutes**3.1 [17-0385](#)**

Minutes from January 31, 2017.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Hart, that the minutes be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 6 - Chair Nixon, Member Bartels, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton and Member Danforth

Absent: 2 - Chair Cunningham and Member Frank

Not Present: 1 - Member Weber

3.2 [17-0386](#)

Minutes from February 7, 2017.

A motion was made by Member Hart, seconded by Member Danforth, that the minutes be approved. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 6 - Chair Nixon, Member Bartels, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton and Member Danforth

Absent: 2 - Chair Cunningham and Member Frank

Not Present: 1 - Member Weber

4. Addenda to the Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

5. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

6. Chairman's Remarks

There were no Chairman's remarks.

7. Old Business

There was no old business to conduct.

8. New Business

CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

8.1 [17-0338](#)

Report from Erin Cartwright Weinstein, Clerk of the Circuit Court, for the month of February 2017.

A motion was made by Member Hart, seconded by Member Paxton, that this communication or report be received and placed on the consent agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Bartels, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton, Member Weber and Member Danforth

Absent: 2 - Chair Cunningham and Member Frank

PUBLIC DEFENDER

8.2 [17-0356](#)

Report from Joy Gossman, Public Defender, for the month of February 2017.

A motion was made by Member Calabresa, seconded by Member Bartels, that this communication or report be received and placed on the consent agenda. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Bartels, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton, Member Weber and Member Danforth

Absent: 2 - Chair Cunningham and Member Frank

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT

8.3 [17-0365](#)

Joint resolution approving a contract with DLR Group, Chicago, Illinois, for architectural and engineering services for roofing replacement, upgrading the fire alarm system, and installing new security and locking systems at the Robert W. Depke Juvenile Justice

Center in the amount not to exceed \$133,490.

Jeremiah Varco and RuthAnne Hall of the Finance and Administrative Services Department presented on the proposed contract with DLR Group for architectural and engineering services to upgrade the fire alarm system, install a new security systems and roofing replacement for the existing Robert W. Depke Juvenile Justice Center.

Chairman Nixon requested that a brief background of the project be provided to inform the new members of the committee. Deputy County Administrator Amy McEwan provided a short update and noted that this project is currently in the design phase, and no bids have been issued.

Mr. Varco, reported that the current systems are outdated and an upgrade is needed. He also provided detail of the cost for the fire alarm system, security system and roofing replacement, and noted that the budget is higher because it is a detention center. Discussion ensued regarding the cost of the alarm system and roof replacement.

A motion was made by Member Paxton, seconded by Member Calabresa, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Bartels, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton, Member Weber and Member Danforth

Absent: 2 - Chair Cunningham and Member Frank

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

8.4 [17-0350](#)

Joint resolution authorizing the purchase of the G2 Fire Station Alerting System from US Digital Design, Inc. of Tempe, Arizona, in an estimated total amount of \$47,674.41, with an annual maintenance cost of \$2,184.57.

Jeannine Thompson of the Emergency Telephone System Board (ETSB) and RuthAnne Hall of Finance and Administrative Services Department presented on the G2 Fire Station Alerting System. Ms. Thompson provided detail as to how this system will benefit the call center and the fire stations. She indicated that the emergency call taker can activate the system to notify the fire station staff, the location and details of an emergency by entering certain information into the system. Member Bartels inquired on how this would work for the police stations. Ms. Thompson noted that this system is specifically for the fire departments and that the police department will be notified using another method.

Member Calabresa requested an update on what changes are taking place for the ETSB. Ms. Thompson provided a few updates including, a system that will give the ability to locate a police officer by tracking their mobile radio devices.

A motion was made by Member Hart, seconded by Member Calabresa, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Bartels, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton, Member Weber and Member Danforth

Absent: 2 - Chair Cunningham and Member Frank

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

8.5 [17-0366](#)

Joint resolution authorizing various professional service agreements for psychological services for the Lake County Psychological Services Division of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Court in the estimated amounts of \$180,000.

Mary Stevens of Court Administration provided details on the treatments that will be provided which including sex offender assessments and treatments, driving under the influence assessments, drug and alcohol assessments, and psychiatric assessments and treatments. The services will be conducted in the jail, detention center, or out in the community.

Member Hart asked if there are any differences this year compared to other years, and if these services are pre trial orders. Ms. Stevens responded that there hasn't been great change compared to past years, and that these services can be pre trial orders if the judge decides that an individual needs an assessment before a bond is set.

Member Bartels inquired on how these services are compensated. RuthAnne Hall of the Finance and Administrative Services Department responded that there is an established cost per service. The cost varies by provider and services provided. Ms. Stevens added that the County incurs the service fees for juveniles that are in the detention center and if an individual is unable to pay; however, if an individual has insurance or medicare the services are billed to them, and the County will cover a fee if needed. It was also noted that once an individual is sentenced to jail that individual's service fees are covered under jail medical.

A motion was made by Member Hart, seconded by Member Weber, that this item be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Bartels, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton, Member Weber and Member Danforth

Absent: 2 - Chair Cunningham and Member Frank

SHERIFF

8.6 [17-0364](#)

Joint resolution authorizing, an application with the Illinois Department of Transportation for a Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) grant in the amount of \$113,013.20 for fiscal years (FY) 2017 - 2018.

Undersheriff Ray Rose reported on the request to submit an application for the Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP). He informed the committee that this grant has been applied for in the past and will fund traffic campaigns through out the year for non holiday events such as halloween, superbowl and other events to enforce Driving Under the Influence (DUI), seat belt checks, and safety checks. A brief explanation was provided regarding the Sheriff's Office need to request approval to apply for a grant.

Member Paxton inquired on if this grant will be used for equipment, if there has been any issues receiving funding from the state, and if the campaigns are done prior to receiving funds. It was noted that this year no equipment will be purchased with the grant, there has not been an issues being reimbursed, and the campaigns are done prior to receiveing the funds.

Discussion ensued regarding the DUI count and it was added there is a decrease on certain holidays due to awareness.

A motion was made by Member Weber, seconded by Member Hart, that this resolution be approved and referred on to the Financial and Administrative Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Bartels, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton, Member Weber and Member Danforth

Absent: 2 - Chair Cunningham and Member Frank

9. Executive Session

There was no executive session.

10. County Administrator's Report

Deputy County Administrator Amy McEwan invited the Committee Members to tour the 911 Call Taking Center, Dispatch Center, and Highway Patrol on April 7 directly after the Committee of the Whole Meeting. The next tour would be for April 25 in place of the meeting and all agenda items will be moved to the second round in May.

11. Members' Remarks

Member Danforth inquired on information, Member Hart requested in the past regarding the increasing population in the jail, and is interested in knowing how many of those individuals are undocumented. Deputy County Administrator Amy McEwan noted that there is someone looking into that number and a report on that and other inquires will be brought back. Ms. McEwan also reported on the Loyola report that has been e-mailed to the Law and Judicial Committee Members. She mentioned that the County is looking to do a similar study to identify trends and find opportunities to reduce the average daily stay in jail. County Administrator Barry Burton noted that the are responses to a Request for Proposal was developed and responses are due back soon. Discussion ensued in regards to the study.

12. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Hart, seconded by Member Calabresa, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 7 - Chair Nixon, Member Bartels, Vice Chair Calabresa, Member Hart, Member Paxton, Member Weber and Member Danforth

Absent: 2 - Chair Cunningham and Member Frank

Next Meeting: April 25, 2017

Meeting minutes prepared by Heidie Hernandez.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Law and Judicial Committee