Lake County Illinois

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



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, May 23, 2018 11:00 AM

Assembly Room, 10th Floor

Ad Hoc Legislative Committee

1. Call to Order

Co-Chair Mathias called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

Present 5 - Co-Chairman Hewitt, Co-Chairman Mathias, Member Frank, Member Rummel and Member Werfel

Others Present:

Mary Ross-Cunningham, County Board Member

Carol Calabresa, County Broad Member

Aaron Lawlor, County Board Chairman

Barry Burton, County Administrator

Paul Fetherston, Assistant County Administrator

RuthAnne Hall, Finance and Administrative Services

Yvette Albarran, Finance and Administrative Services

Michael Schieve, Finance and Administrative Services

Susan Brines. Finance and Administrative Services

Efren Heredia, Health Department

Kent Gaffney, McGuire Woods Representative - Lake County Legislative Consultant (via phone)

Pat Carey, McGuire Woods Representative - Lake County Legislative Consultant (via phone)

Danya Abusoud, Finance and Administrative Services

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Rummel led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present 5 - Co-Chairman Hewitt, Co-Chairman Mathias, Member Frank, Member Rummel and Member Werfel

Co-Chair Mathias noted that there was a physical quorum present and that Member Frank was participating electronically due to a medical appointment.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1 18-0596

Minutes from April 25, 2018.

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

Aye: 5 - Co-Chairman Hewitt, Co-Chairman Mathias, Member Frank, Member Rummel and Member Werfel

- 4. Addenda to the Agenda
- 5. Public Comment
- 6. Chairman's Remarks
- 7. Old Business
- 8. New Business

8.1 18-0271

Update on the Illinois 100th General Assembly 2018 spring legislative session.

Items 8.1 and 8.2 are related. Please refer to item 8.2.

8.2 18-0272

Update on the status of the 2018 Lake County Legislative Program.

Kent Gaffney, McGuire Woods Representative, updated the Ad Hoc Legislative Committee (committee) regarding the legislative process and anticipated events in Springfield pertaining to Lake County bills.

- 1.) Senate Bill (SB) 2453: amending the Underground Utility Facilities Damage Prevention Act. This bill still has not moved forward due to opposition and negotiation with the utility and energy industry.
- 2.) SB3009: amending the Cemetery Association Act. The bill has been passed by the Senate and the House Rules Committee and is pending Governor Rauner's signature.
- 3.) SB2459: amending the Illinois Drainage Code (70 ILCS 605) to allow for the dissolution of the Seavey Drainage District and appropriate transfer of assets to the Village of Libertyville, Mundelein, and Vernon Hills.
- 4.) SB2452: consolidation of the Lakes Region Sanitary District into the Lake County Public Works Department.

Staff has been working with Sam Yingling to determine the feasibility of combining SB2452 language into SB2459 and passing both bills as one. Discussion continued.

Paul Fetherston, Assistant County Administrator, updated the committee on SB2610 amending the Motor Fuel Tax Law providing that any municipality, county, or road district that received distributions totaling more than \$1,000,000 in the previous State fiscal year shall receive a future distribution of motor fuel tax moneys unless that municipality, county, or road district implements a business enterprise program setting goals for the inclusion of minority, veteran, and female-owned businesses in the procurement of contracts. This bill has passed the Senate and is in the second reading in the House of Rules.

Mr. Fetherston noted if the County does not have a business enterprise program by July 1, 2018 the County would not receive Motor Fuel Tax funding. This provision would apply to all procurement contracts as well as professional services contracts. Member Frank requested all the house members that represent Lake County be aware of the committee's concerns. Discussion ensued.

Discussion ensued on potential legislation to transition the County's Chief Assessment Officer position to an elected official. Staff will continue to monitor and will inform the committee if a bill is drafted so that the committee could take a position.

Member Werfel inquired on SB3550: amending the Consumer Electronics Recycling Act. Mr. Fetherston noted this bill has passed the Senate and is now in the House of Rules. The bill has received opposition from the Consumer Technology Association.

Member Calabrese inquired on SB3023: allowing law enforcement agencies to establish a program to facilitate contact between a person and a licensed substance abuse treatment provider for assessment and coordination of treatment, and requested that the committee and staff carefully continue to monitor its progress. Discussion ensued.

9. Executive Session

10. County Administrator's Report

Mr. Fetherston noted the appointment of the County Administrator's Office fellow and the involvement in assisting the Ad Hoc Legislative Committee.

Mr. Fetherston also noted the development of the Foxconn resolution to take place at June 12. 2018. Discussion ensued.

11. Members' Remarks

11.1 18-0299

Discussion and potential committee action on active legislation.

Member Calabresa inquired on the Fall 2018 deadline to submit initiatives for consideration and for the committee to consider pushing the deadline a little later in the year. Discussion ensued.

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

A motion was made by Member Werfel, seconded by Member Rummel, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 5 - Co-Chairman Hewitt, Co-Chairman Mathias, Member Frank, Member Rummel and Member Werfel

Meeting minutes prepared by Danya Abusoud.	
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