

Minutes approved 09-19-12



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

McKenzie Building - Jury Commission Room

Wednesday, August 22, 2012 – 4:12 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Chairman Zimmerman, James Carius, Russ Crawford, Jim Donahue, Dean Grimm, Mike Harris, Terry Hillegonds, Carroll Imig, Tim Neuhauser, Greg Sinn, Terry Von Boeckman

Committee Members Absent: Lincoln Hobson

Others attending: County Administrator, Mike Freilinger

MOTION

MOTION BY VONBOECKMAN, SECOND BY CARIUS to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2012 and the July 25, 2012 In-Place meetings.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION

E-12-77

MOTION BY GRIMM, SECOND BY HARRIS to recommend to County Board to approve County Delinquent Tax Resolution.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION

E-12-78

MOTION BY NEUHAUSER, SECOND BY HILLEGONDS to recommend to County Board to approve the recommendation by the State's Attorney and the County Administrator on the six-month review of the Executive Session minutes and recordings.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION

E-12-79

MOTION BY GRIMM, SECOND BY CARIUS to recommend to County Board to approve ProAct Prescription Discount Care Program for Tazewell County uninsured residents.

Chairman Zimmerman stated this is another prescription benefit for residents in addition to the prescription savings already offered by

NACCO. There is no county cost. Information on this program included in the meeting packet.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
E-12-67

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY HILLEGONDS to recommend to County Board to approve the 5 Framework/Priority and the 6 Initiative Recommendations for Regional Economic Development.

Harris had multiple questions on the recommendation including who governs, develops, controls and pays for. He stated he does not see how it will work and feels he does not have enough information.

Chairman Zimmerman stated all were very legitimate questions. He stated that ViTal Economy was retained to do a broad overview of what was lacking. There is a region wide steering committee and Russ Crawford and Dean Grimm are representing Tazewell County. He stated that Peoria had provided recommendations and both Peoria and Woodford made some decisions on our behalf. His advice was to move forward cautiously.

Harris stated he still sees the plan as a financial liability. Crawford stated that no money is committed with the approval of the framework/initiative resolution. TCRPC is funding the Frank Knott model. He stated that local work teams have been created to address the priorities.

Grimm stated that answers to questions such as Harris presented are not known at this time. The initial implementation comes at no cost. He stated that the County has already invested a lot of money into regional economic development. This new model promises more of a return.

Neuhauser stated the process will take at least 12 – 18 months. There will be a lot of time, input and involvement from both the public and private sectors. He stated our involvement is important to provide a voice for our county and input on the project. Areas of deficiency have been identified and hopefully we will have a clear picture with definable and achievable goals.

Hillegonds stated our economic development is fragmented. He stated that ViTal Economy has a good track record and if the plan is done the right way, there could be huge potential for the County

in both the public and the private sectors. He said this is the very beginning of the project and he is confident it will have a positive end result.

Donahue state he was very disappointed how the beginning of the process worked as the steering committee was formed without allowing the input of our County Board Chairman. Donahue asked Chairman Zimmerman if he was satisfied in moving forward with this recommendation. Zimmerman stated that both Grimm and Crawford will do an excellent job on the Committee.

Sinn asked about merging and eliminating some of the current economic development entities. Crawford stated decisions are up to the local work teams. Harris stated he was still uncomfortable with it and would vote no to show discontent.

Crawford requested that language in the Resolution be changed from "are scheduled to approve" to "were approved" as other counties had already approved the 5 framework/priorities and 6 initiatives resolutions.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

Opposed were Jim Carius and Mike Harris.

MOTION

E-12-68

MOTION BY NEUHAUSER, SECOND BY GRIMM to recommend to County Board to approve a contract for Tazewell County Economic Development Plan (Sub-Plan).

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION

E-12-83

MOTION BY HILLEGONDS, SECOND BY GRIMM to recommend to County Board to approve a Subordination Agreement.

Sally Hanley, Director of Business Development with EDC, provided the Committee with a brief update. She stated that Millenium Professional Services have been fiscally prudent and were rewriting their Line of Credit at a better package rate. She explained that the expiration date was 08-29-12. She would take the agreement signed by Chairman Zimmerman and they would not process until 08-29-12 when the Board approved.

Hanley introduced Jay Phillips, the Vice President of Chase Bank.

County Administrator Freilinger reminded the Committee that there was no change for the County except the bank involved.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
E-12-74

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY IMIG to recommend to County Board to approve the appointment of Keith Walker to the Mackinaw Valley Water Authority.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
E-12-75

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY IMIG to recommend to County Board to approve the reappointment of Kenneth Becker to the Mackinaw River Levee & Drainage District No. 1.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
E-12-76

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY IMIG to recommend to County Board to approve the appointment of Dr. Steve Dickey to the Board of Health.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
E-12-80

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY IMIG to recommend to County Board to approve the reappointment of Duane Haning to the West Fork Drainage District.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
E-12-81

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY IMIG to recommend to County Board to approve the reappointment of Marvin Frank to the Union Drainage District No. 1.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION
E-12-82

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY IMIG to recommend to County Board to approve the reappointment of Joshua Charlton to the Cincinnati Drainage and Levee District.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION

E-12-84

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY IMIG to recommend to County Board to approve the appointment of Tricia O'Neal to the Mental Health Advisory Committee.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION

E-12-85

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY IMIG to recommend to County Board to approve the appointment of Sara Smith to the Mental Health Advisory Committee.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

**REPORTS AND
COMMUNICATION**

Sinn stated that he was very impressed by Administrator Freilinger's opening remarks at the Strategic Plan meetings. Sinn stated that the public displayed a high comfort level in the discussions.

Grimm advised the Committee that on 09-22-12 there will be an auction of surplus property. It will be at the truck barn at the Highway Department and Carroll Imig has consented to be the Auctioneer.

Donahue stated he is a member of Pekin Main Street and they will be moving to the Monge Building. However, they will be in need of a desk and asked if we could find an extra desk their use.

Crawford advised the Committee that he will be sending dates to the Board members of the Steering Committee meetings.

Chairman Zimmerman recessed the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

(transcribed by S. Beeney)