

Minutes approved 03-20-13



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Jury Commission Room – McKenzie Building

Wednesday, February 20, 2013, 4:21 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Chairman Zimmerman, Timothy Neuhauser, Russ Crawford, Jim Donahue, Brett Grimm, Dean Grimm, Mike Harris, Terry Hillegonds, Carroll Imig, Darrell Meisinger, Greg Sinn, Terry Von Boeckman

Others attending: County Administrator, Mike Freilinger

MOTION

MOTION BY IMIG, SECOND BY SINN to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2013 meeting and the January 30, 2013 In-Place meeting.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION

E-13-44

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY DONAHUE to recommend to County Board to approve the appointment to fill the unexpired term of Board Member for District 3.

On voice vote, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION

E-13-47

MOTION BY DEAN GRIMM, SECOND BY SINN to recommend to County Board to approve Business Development Loan.

Sally Hanley, Director of Business Development with Economic Development Council for Central Illinois, stated the loan write-up and application were included in the Executive Committee packet. Millennia Professional Services has three major contracts and the loan is needed to secure necessary equipment. This will create 16 full time positions. They are requesting \$150,000 from the Tazewell County Revolving Fund.

Hanley introduced Paul Moreno, President of MPS as well as Steve Deitts, Partner with MPS. Moreno thanked the Committee for the support. He stated this is a unique situation as they have the largest sub-contract with the I-74 project as well as a large engineering project.

Brett Grimm stated he would abstain from voting as he has worked with MPS and did not want it to appear as a conflict of interest.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**
Brett Grimm abstained.

MOTION
E-13-43

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY HARRIS to recommend to County Board to approve proclaiming March 2013 to be Poison Prevention Month.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
E-13-45

MOTION BY DEAN GRIMM, SECOND BY MEISINGER to recommend to County Board to approve a joint resolution to incorporate Mason into Tazewell County Educational Service Region.

Chairman Zimmerman explained that the Regional Offices of Education were being reduced and areas with lower populations were being merged. He stated this is a non-binding resolution and there are many details yet to be worked out. Assistant State's Attorney Mike Holly stated he is working with ROE and there may be intergovernmental agreements coming to Committee.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
E-13-46

MOTION BY DONAHUE, SECOND BY NEUHAUSER to recommend to County Board to approve a joint resolution to incorporate Woodford into Tazewell County Educational Service Region.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION
E-13-40

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY HILLEGONDS to recommend to County Board to approve the appointment of Sue Sundell to the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION

E-13-41

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY HILLEGONDS to recommend to County Board to approve the reappointment of Brad Brooks to the East Peoria Sanitary District.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION

E-13-42

MOTION BY CRAWFORD, SECOND BY HILLEGONDS to recommend to County Board to approve the appointment of Marcy Brooks to the Schaeferville Fire Protection District.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED.**

Freiling advised the Committee there will be an In-Place Executive meeting for 02-27-13 for an item that had not made it to the Agenda.

Chairman Zimmerman opened the floor for discussion regarding amending the County Board rules on appointments to TCRPC. Zimmerman wanted the consensus of the Committee. He reminded them that non-board member appointments had been allowed in the past and he would defer to the Committee.

Dean Grimm stated that the County Board is the policy maker and there is a significant amount of Tazewell funds. He stated that the representatives should be elected officials. Sinn stated the talent of Board members could be spread too thin since all serve on County committees. Imig stated a qualified individual could be prevented from being a member of TCRPC if appointments were limited solely to Board members.

Crawford stated he has been on TCRPC since 1978 and was very familiar with how it works. He stated that Peoria has several appointments that are not Board members. He urges not to change the rules to limit appointments. Hillegonds stated others could do a good job representing and this appointment requires a lot of time. Harris indicated he wanted the rule left as is. Neuhauser said he did not want to see individuals with expertise excluded. Von Boeckman wants to see only Board members as elected officials this is the job.

Chairman Zimmerman stated this was not something that would be resolved in this meeting. He encouraged the Committee to provide him with additional thoughts or comments.

Imig wanted the Committee to know that the Tazewell County Farm Bureau will be celebrating their 100th year on 03-15-13 and would like to see a proclamation from the Board. He stated they were the first to use the term "farm bureau". Chairman Zimmerman said this could be done at an In-Place meeting on 02-27-13.

Crawford advised the Committee that there were three governor appointments to the TCRVDA.

Chairman Zimmerman recessed the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

(transcribed by S. Beeney)