

Approved 1/24/23

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

January 4, 2023

@ 4:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:	James Dillon – Chairperson; Sharon Williams – Vice Chairperson; Jennifer Groves Allison, Eden Blair, Brandy Bryant, Camille Coates, Linda Daley, Betty Duncan, Daniel Kelch, Danny Phelan, Rob Reneau, Steven Rieker, Paul Rosenbohm, Phillip Salzer, Matt Windish
MEMBERS ABSENT:	
STAFF PRESENT:	Scott Sorrel - County Administrator; Shauna Musselman – Assistant County Administrator; Jennie Cordis Boswell - State's Attorney's Office; Heather McCord – Chief Financial Officer; Brooke Sommerville – County Clerk; Nicole Bjerke – County Treasurer
VISITORS:	

Call to Order

Chairperson Dillon called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of October 13, 2022 and November 29, 2022 was made by Ms. Daley and seconded by Dr. Blair. The motion carried (15-0).

Informational Items/Reports/Other Minutes/Updates

- Springdale Cemetery

No verbal report. No questions or comments from committee.

- County Auditor

No report. No questions or comments from committee.

- Heddington Oaks Financials

No verbal report. No questions or comments from committee.

- Peoria County Enterprise Report

No verbal report. No questions or comments from committee.

- Joint Commission on Racial Justice and Equity update

No verbal report. No questions or comments from committee.

Mr. Dillon motioned to file and receive the informational reports.

- West Peoria Township Parcel Corrections Request

Mr. Sorrel explained that in November 2020 voters of West Peoria Township approved a referendum to dissolve the Township. He stated that under state statute, the City of West Peoria assumed the duties of the Township for the parcels also within the City of West Peoria. He added that there are 35 parcels which were in West Peoria Township that are not located within the City of West Peoria. He advised that there have been lengthy discussions between the City of West Peoria and Limestone Township in an attempt to resolve the issue, and have come to the County with a potential solution. He stated that 60 ILCS 1/10 of the Township Code stated that county governments and the County Board has the authority to make alterations to the boundary of an existing township.

He stated that based on that authority granted to the Board, Limestone Township has made a formal request for the 35 parcels be added to Limestone Township. He remarked that the Statute includes a mandate to post a 60-day notice and conduct a Public Hearing, after which the County Board may act on an Ordinance which would officially redraw the Township boundaries to include those 35 parcels.

Committee Action

- Review of Executive Session Minutes

A motion to accept the recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office was made by Mr. Rosenbohm and seconded by Mr. Windish.

Ms. Cordis Boswell advised that it is the recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office that all previously held executive session minutes continue to be held closed as the need for confidentiality still exists, and to destroy executive session audio recordings more than two years old, except those that relate to pending litigation.

The motion to approve carried (15-0).

- 2023-2024 County Board Committee Schedule

A motion to approve was made by Ms. Williams and seconded by Mr. Salzer. The motion to approve carried (15-0).

Discussion

- **The following Standing Committee meetings were summarized by their respective Chairperson as follows:**

Infrastructure

The following resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

- Appropriation into FY2022 budget for additional supplies purchased by local road districts (joint with Finance Audit and Legislative Affairs Committee)
- Preliminary Engineering Agreement for Phase II Preliminary Engineering of Maxwell Road
- Preliminary Engineering Agreement for Highway Safety Improvement Project on Hanna City-Glasford Road
- County Highway Department Maintenance Materials
- Agreement with Walker Consultants, Inc. for Peoria County Transportation Equity Study

Ways and Means

The following resolution was recommended to the County Board for approval.

- Monthly Delinquent Taxes

Land Use

The following were recommended to the County Board for approval.

Zoning Cases

- #ZBA-2022-0051, Petition of David & Hannah Dutton
- #ZBA-2022-048, Petition of Justin Malec
- #ZBA-2022-052, Petition of Michael J. Honegger – Special Use
- #ZBA-2022-047, Petition of Michael J. Honegger - Rezoning

Subdivision Waiver

- #WAV-2022-0004, Petition of Michael J. Honegger

Resolutions

- Appropriation of FY2022 Grant Funding
- Appropriation of FY2023 Grant Funding

County Operations

No resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

County Health

No resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

Public Safety and Justice

The following resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

- Police Service Agreement with Illini Bluffs School District
- Appropriation into FY2023 budget for purchase of body-worn cameras and in-car cameras
- FY2023 State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor Authorization
- FY2022 appropriation of additional grant funds awarded to the Child Advocacy Center (CAC)

Finance Audit and Legislative Affairs

The following resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

- Appropriation into FY2022 budget for additional supplies purchased by local road district (joint with Infrastructure Committee)

Miscellaneous

Mr. Dillon brought up a discussion of floodplain and floodway movements which will affect properties and areas along the Illinois River which would be in the floodway. Mr. Sorrel remarked that Peoria County is one of the few remaining counties in the state to continue to utilize original paper maps for the floodway and floodplain, while the Federal Government prefers digital form. He stated that a draft presented to the County by the Federal government was created using an algorithm from the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers and ignores over 50 years of local data the County has maintained on flooding events and flooding history of the Illinois River, Kickapoo Creek, and several other tributaries of the river. He advised that the algorithm also significantly expands the floodway, and will significantly impact Peoria County citizens' ability to participate in the National Flood Insurance Program. He stated that staff is working through a comment period and the appropriate state agency, the State Water Survey, to ensure concerns are addressed. He stated that one potential method of providing a means of support for the County would be to revisit Federal legislative lobbying services. Mr. Dillon agreed with the importance of retaining representation at the Federal level. Ms. Williams stated that this topic can and should be addressed with Federal legislators at the NACo Legislative Conference in Washington D.C. in February, and Mr. Sorrel stated that this issue would be added to that agenda.

Dr. Blair advised that the application for SmartStart Microgrants is being finalized and will be available at startabusinessgp.org within the next several weeks.

Mr. Sorrel advised that a special meeting of the Infrastructure Committee will be scheduled in order to approve a bid award for the renovation/remodeling of the Public Defender and IT Services Departments.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Dillon at 4:37 p.m.