



WILL COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

302 N. CHICAGO ST.
JOLIET, IL 60432

AUGUST 21, 2014

County Board Committee Room

Regular Meeting

8:30 AM

- I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

WC Democratic Caucus - Regular Meeting - Jul 17, 2014 8:30 AM

- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT
- V. OLD BUSINESS
- VI. OTHER OLD BUSINESS
- VII. NEW BUSINESS
 - 1. Discussion of County Board Agenda
- VIII. OTHER NEW BUSINESS
- IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION
- X. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn

NEXT MEETING - SEPTEMBER 18, 2014



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JULY 17, 2014

County Board Committee Room

Regular Meeting

8:30 AM

I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Chair Diane Zigrossi called the meeting to order at 8:31 AM

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Diane Zigrossi	Chair	Present	
Robert Howard	Vice Chair	Present	
Walter G. Adamic	Member	Present	
Joseph M. Babich	Member	Absent	
Reed Bible	Member	Present	
Herbert Brooks Jr.	Member	Present	
Mark Ferry	Member	Present	
Kenneth E. Harris	Member	Present	
Donald A. Moran	Member	Present	
Beth Rice	Member	Present	
Jacqueline Traynere	Member	Late	
Stephen M. Wilhelmi	Member	Absent	
Denise E. Winfrey	Member	Present	

Also Present: B. Friefeld

Present from State's Attorney's Office: P. Mock

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Mr. Harris led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

WC Democratic Caucus - Regular Meeting - Jun 19, 2014 8:30 AM

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Denise E. Winfrey, Member
SECONDER:	Walter G. Adamic, Member
AYES:	Zigrossi, Howard, Adamic, Bible, Brooks Jr., Ferry, Harris, Moran, Rice, Traynere, Winfrey
ABSENT:	Babich, Wilhelmi

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

V. OLD BUSINESS

None.

VI. OTHER OLD BUSINESS

None.

VII. NEW BUSINESS**Discussion of County Board Agenda**

Mrs. Zigrossi advised there were 2 proclamations. The first one is recognizing Providence Catholic High School baseball team. Tom Weigel will be presenting. The next proclamation is declaring July 20-26th as accessibility awareness week. Ms. Winfrey and she will accept it and Ms. Winfrey will be reading it.

Land Use

Mr. Howard stated the ordinances going through are variances and there were no problems with those. Mr. Reichert took up a lot of time but that is not on the board agenda. He will proceed forward with a residence there but as he started without a building permit, he will now pursue a building permit. Mr. Paddock committed to work with him through the whole process.

Mr. Brooks inquired if Land Use tabled this and if it was coming back in August.

Mr. Howard replied it will not come back to Land Use for awhile.

Mr. Bible stated he spoke with Mr. Weigel who advised there would be a public hearing scheduled to amend the ordinance to allow proprietors to have a residence at a warehouse facility in the I-1 zoning areas.

Mr. Talkington advised this will be at the public hearing in August and after that if it gets approved, he can apply for proprietor in an industrial district.

Finance

Mr. Adamic reviewed the 4 items on the agenda. He advised Resolution 14-185 is appropriating State of Illinois Disaster Data Back Up grant funds if we receive 100% of the funding for ICT.

The next Finance Committee meeting is August 5, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

Public Works

Mr. Adamic advised the most important resolution was the reappointment of our County Highway Engineer from September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2017. He believes our engineer has done an excellent job and deserves reappointment.

County Engineer Gould welcomed the support from the board and thanked everyone.

Mr. Adamic reviewed the remaining resolutions.

Mrs. Traynere arrived at this juncture.

The next Public Works meeting is August 5, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.

Judicial

Mr. Bible advised there are no reports or resolutions this month as the committee did not meet. A related matter coming forward this morning and is part of the Executive Committee resolutions is the hiring of Dr. Burke to coordinate the Narcan program.

Public Health

Mrs. Rice stated the amendments to the Ordinance of Food Service is standard and is based on changes in state laws or clarification. There was a discussion of receiving a report in November about the difficulties from the Sheriff's Department and Land Use Department in enforcing the current burn ordinance. We are going to collect data on when are the problems; what time of day because one of the proposals is to hire 2 part-time Land Use personnel who will be able to respond better. If anyone has specifics on information they would like we are going to collect it at the next meeting and then let each department know this is the information that would be helpful to us.

Mrs. Traynere advised she requested an understanding of why we have chosen the way we do things; in terms of all the ordinances, we are not proactive, we wait until someone complains. We do not have anyone in the county checking to determine if people are following our ordinances. We want to know what other counties did.

Mr. Brooks believed the Sheriff's Department advised they do not have the personnel.

Mr. Olson advised Land Use responds to complaints.

Mr. Howard inquired of the State's Attorney, by state statute, can the Land Use Department hire an officer and empower them to issue tickets for the existing burn ordinance.

ASA Mock replied yes, they are in code enforcement so they have the ability to enforce ordinances.

Mr. Howard suggested this was an option to look into.

Mr. Friefeld recommended the County Board take a step back. The Executive Branch is responsible for enforcement and are having a difficult time of enforcing it. Perhaps they need to take a look internally regarding how to go about enforcing ordinances. He did not believe this was a law enforcement issue. The Land Use Department should determine what resources they need and come back to the County Board with that request.

Mrs. Zigrossi stated the issue were the complaints that needed to be addressed. You don't change an ordinance because of multiple complaints if you can't enforce what is already on the books. She concurred with Mr. Friefeld.

Insurance & Personnel

Mrs. Zigrossi advised there were no issues requiring a vote this month.

The next meeting is August 12, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

Legislative & Policy

Mr. Howard stated no meeting was held this month. The next Legislative & Policy meeting is August 12, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. We will start monitoring legislation that may be coming up in the veto session.

Mr. Brooks inquired if Julie Curry or Brent Hassert were coming to the meeting.

Mr. Howard replied yes, we can contact them to attend.

Capital Improvements

Ms. Winfrey stated there is the renewal of the Workforce Services lease. They will have to eventually move out.

Ms. Winfrey advised they toured the Records Management area. In the meetings moving forward, we will be thinking about what can be done to help solve some of the issues. They have no space, storage that does not meet the standard for records retention, especially for some of the court documents. This will be on the agenda for our August meeting.

Mr. Adamic inquired are they projecting a time frame when we will run out of space.

Ms. Winfrey replied they are already out of space. Moving some of the items that do not belong there would be helpful.

Mrs. Zigrossi inquired if any of the documents can be digitized?

Ms. Winfrey advised they already do some as well as microfilm so those documents that qualify and meet the standards are already put on but there is such a preponderance of records they are unable to keep up. They do not have adequate or appropriate space.

The next meeting is August 5, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

Airport

Mr. Moran stated the next meeting is August 7, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.

Executive

Mr. Brooks advised regarding Resolution 14-194 Authorizing Execution of Environmental Recycling and Disposal Service Host Agreement that we have been in negotiation with Waste Management and Dean Olson to bring this agreement to where it is now so we need support on that.

Mr. Friefeld informed the members that a draft has been sent to Environmental Recycling and Disposal so we don't have anything to review until they accept that agreement. This will be removed from the agenda today. There should be a motion to send it back to committee. ASA Tatroe suggested we send it back to committee so we can have a joint meeting of Land Use and Public Works. He believed the 2 committees wanted a joint committee meeting.

Mr. Adamic inquired if it is necessary to have a joint meeting.

Mr. Friefeld replied historically Public Works has been involved in the siting of the original Prairie View. He stated Public Works can yield to Land Use if they wanted, it is a process issue.

Mr. Brooks asked if it would be Public Works or Land Use or Public Works and Land Use.

Mr. Adamic stated he would yield it to Land Use.

Mr. Friefeld suggested the motion is to send this to the Land Use Committee and if anyone objects, they will speak up.

Mr. Brooks advised Resolution 14-196 Declaring Sheriff's motorcycles as surplus. This came up at the Executive Committee where we did not feel we were receiving the best price for the motorcycles.

There was discussion regarding the value of the motorcycles.

Mr. Brooks stated Resolution 14-200 was authorizing the County Executive to execute a professional services agreement with Dr. Burke and inquired if this is the one Mr. Bible referenced previously. He advised Dr. Burke was at the Executive Committee meeting where this was moved to the County Board. He inquired if there were any questions.

Mr. Brooks reviewed the remaining resolutions and asked if there were any questions.

The next Executive Committee meeting is August 7, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. in the County Board Committee Room.

Mr. Friefeld referring to Resolution 14-200 stated ASA Tatroe explained at the Republican Caucus that the latest version is on your desks, the changes she made was to make it clear this was an independent contractor. Dr. Burke is reporting to the Executive's office but is not being supervised by the Executive. There was also an issue regarding who owned the materials and after discussion the compromise was she has the copyright and is giving us an irrevocable license at no charge to use it, modify it however we want so we still have the benefit of it. He wanted everyone to be clear on that issue.

This resolution was previously distributed to members by staff.

ASA Mock stated the change was on the intellectual property. Since she is in this business and if she develops a nice program for us, she wants to use it for other entities and we said ok, but we want a continuing license that we get to use it and if we want to modify it, we can modify it and if we change our program from hers then we can change it without her having a problem. Both parties should be happy with that change.

VIII. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None.

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:59 AM

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Walter G. Adamic, Member
SECONDER:	Denise E. Winfrey, Member
AYES:	Zigrossi, Howard, Adamic, Bible, Brooks Jr., Ferry, Harris, Moran, Rice, Traynere, Winfrey
ABSENT:	Babich, Wilhelmi

NEXT MEETING - AUGUST 21, 2014

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Jul 17, 2014 8:30 AM (Approval of Minutes)