

Minutes
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
November 9, 2004
@7:00 P.M.

The Executive Committee of the DeKalb County Board met on Tuesday, November 9, 2004 @ 7:00 p.m. at the Legislative Center's Freedom Room. Chairman Dennis Sands called the meeting to order. Members present were Marlene Allen, Sue Leifheit, Jeff Metzger, John Wilson, Roger Steimel and Ruth Anne Tobias. Others present were Ray Bockman, Steve Slack, Julia Fauci, Anita Jo Turner and Eileen Dubin.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Ms. Leifheit, seconded by Mr. Wilson, and it was carried to accept the minutes of the October 2004.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Ms. Allen, seconded by Ms. Tobias, and it was carried unanimously to approve the agenda.

APPOINTMENTS

Chairman Sands recommended the following appointments:

River Valley Workforce
Investment Board:

Ms. Michelle Villarreal, appointment for a term of 2 years, until 11/01/2006.

Moved by Mr. Steimel, seconded by Ms. Tobias, and it was carried unanimously to approve the appointments as presented by Chairman Sands, and to forward them to the full board for approval.

Chairman Sands informed the committee that the River Valley Workforce Investment Board were still looking for 3 more members to appoint from our County to sit on their board. They are seeking 2 members from the business community and 1 member from the agricultural community.

Chairman Sands also informed the committee that the DeKalb County Board Reorganizational Meeting will be held on the first Monday in December, which is December 6, 2004 @ 7:30p.m. at the Legislative Center's Gathertorium. The two parties need to meet in their caucuses at least one week prior to the reorganizational meeting. Chairman Sands further explained that each caucus should pick three members, according to our rules, and then those three members from each party will come together and select a candidate. Mr. Bockman said that if you plan business that is not typically done at the reorganizational meeting then please let Mary Supple in the County Board Office know so that we can adjust the agenda accordingly.

Chairman Sands also reminded the committee that the Public Services

Committee will now meet on the second Monday, on December 13, 2004. Mr. Bockman said that Public Policy and Administrative Services are both cancelled. Mr. Wilson said that Public Infrastructure and Development will be meeting on December 2, 2004.

AD HOC RULES REVIEW REPORT UPDATE

Chairman Sands said that since Mr. Eric Johnson could not make the meeting this evening that the rules review report should be discussed next month.

Moved by Mr. Steimel, seconded by Mr. Metzger, and it was carried unanimously to table the item until next month's Executive Committee meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY BOARD AGENDA

Mr. Bockman, County Administrator, reviewed the county board agenda for the board meeting to be held on November 17, 2004. Mr. Bockman also reminded the committee that prior to the County Board meeting next week that there will be a special meeting of the Administrative Services Committee to discuss the FY2004 Year-End Budget Transfers @7:00p.m.

Mr. Slack asked if he could speak under Old Business at the County Board Meeting regarding an update on the Drug Court? Chairman Sands agreed to allow him to speak on the subject at the November 17, 2004 County Board meeting.

Moved by Ms. Leifheit, seconded by Ms. Tobias, and it was carried unanimously to forward the county board agenda to the full board for approval.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Ms. Allen, Chairman of the Public Services Committee, said that her committee heard from Ms. Cada and Ms. Keri Nelson about the Learning Mentor Program in the Court Services Department.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Public Infrastructure and Development Committee, said that he had no business to discuss this evening.

Ms. Leifheit, Chairman of the Administrative Services Committee, said that they will be forwarding the FY2005 Budget to the full board for approval. She also mentioned that the board has all been notified that the auditors have sent out a fraud questionnaire that will now be part of the audit.

Ms. Tobias, Chairman of the Public Policy Committee, said that her committee is forwarding the First Time Homebuyers Program Resolution that is an annual housekeeping item. Her committee also discussed home rule for the county and they decided that it is not the time for this right now and that the county should look at other options. They also discussed the Sister City Program that any governmental agency can join, but the committee decided not to pursue it currently.

Mr. Steimel, Chairman of the Planning and Regulations Committee, said that his committee is forwarding two ordinances that were both unanimously approved. He also said to note the notices on the weekly agendas being mailed out regarding the special meetings that the Planning and Zoning Department will be holding in November and December for the public for their input regarding the possibility of changes to the County's zoning ordinance.

Mr. Metzger, Chairman of the Forest Preserve Committee, said that his committee will be meeting on Tuesday, November 16, 2004 @6:00p.m. in Conference Room East regarding the three budget items on the county board agenda.

Mr. Metzger also informed the committee that the next Ad Hoc Open Space Study Sub-Committee meeting will be held on November 22, 2004 @ 7:00p.m. in the Legislative Center's Gathertorium.

He also mentioned that the Greenways and Trail Meeting is scheduled for tomorrow evening @ 7:00p.m. here at the county facilities. They will be talking about the final stage for their plan.

Mr. Wilson said that before adjourning he wanted to notify the committee that the LEPC Committee that meets over at the Highway Department will be asking for a representative from the County Board to replace John when he leaves the board in December. They deal with chemical spills, fires, and discuss any issues that deal with damage that occurs from a chemical disaster.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ms. Leifheit, seconded by Ms. Tobias, and it was carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Dennis R. Sands

Mary C. Supple, Secretary
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