

**DRAFT**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**  
**May 10, 2011**

The Executive Committee of the DeKalb County Board met on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 7:00p.m. at the Administration Building's Conference Room East. Chairman Larry Anderson called the meeting to order. Members present were Marlene Allen, Ken Andersen, Julia Fauci, Scott Newport, Paul Stoddard, Pat Vary, and Ruth Anne Tobias. Mr. Gudmunson was absent. Chairman Anderson invited Mr. Jerry Augsburg to sit in for Mr. Gudmunson to represent the County Highway Committee. Others present were Ray Bockman, Gary Hanson, Sally DeFauw, Robert Brown, Steve Reid, Riley Oncken, Greg Millburg, Charles Foster and John Hulseberg.

**Moved by Ms. Tobias, seconded by Mr. Newport, and it was carried unanimously to approve Mr. Augsburg to sit in for Mr. John Gudmunson.**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Moved by Ms. Vary, seconded by Mr. Andersen, and it was carried unanimously to approve the amended minutes from April 2011.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Chairman Anderson moved item #7 up to item #3A Chair's Comments. He also asked to hold an Executive Session under the item for the purpose to discuss personnel.

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

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: PERSONNEL**

It was moved by Mr. Newport, seconded by Ms. Allen, and it was carried unanimously by a roll call vote to go into an executive session to discuss personnel.

It was moved by Ms. Tobias, seconded by Mr. Stoddard, and it was carried unanimously by a roll call vote to return to open session. No action was taken.

**APPOINTMENTS**

1.) **Victor Township Drainage District:**

Mr. Michael Rosenwinkle  
Mr. Alan Wiesbrook  
Mr. Dean Lundeen

All appointments are for a term of 3

years, until September 1, 2014.

**Moved by Ms. Allen, seconded by Ms. Tobias, and it was carried unanimously to forward these appointment recommendations to the full board for approval.**

**Appointments expiring for JUNE 2011:**

- 1.) DeKalb County Nursing Home Foundation Board – 1 position.
- 2.) Fairdale Light District – 1 position

**APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY BOARD AGENDA**

Mr. Ray Bockman, County Administrator, reviewed the County Board Agenda for the Board Meeting to be held on May 18, 2011.

Ms. Tobias said that she was upset about the Law and Justice Committee's decision to forward the concealed weapon resolution to the full board for approval. There have been so many gun issues lately and many people are upset that the County would send this on.

Mr. Stoddard was also concerned about this being forwarded to the full board over such a controversial issue at NIU.

**Moved by Mr. Andersen, seconded by Mr. Augsburger, and it was carried by a roll call vote, with 5 yes votes and 4 no votes, to approve the County Board Agenda. The no votes were Ms. Fauci, Mr. Stoddard, Ms. Tobias and Ms. Vary.**

**GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Mr. Newport, Chairman of the Finance Committee, said that the Finance Committee would meet in June 2011. They will have a presentation by the auditors that evening.

Mr. Augsburger, Vice-Chairman of the County Highway Committee, said that there was much discussion on weight limits on county roads.

Mr. Andersen asked Mr. Augsburger is there has been any discussion at the County Highway Committee regarding grade crossings that may be closed permanently or upgraded along the new Amtrak route.

Mr. Augsburger said that they have not discussed that nor has anyone contacted the Highway Department to discuss this issue - that he knows of.

Chairman Anderson said that he would bring this issue to the attention of the County Highway Office.

Ms. Fauci, Chairman of the Forest Preserve District Committee, reported that they were awarded the Clean Energy Grant in the amount of \$200,000 for the Sparks property.

Mr. Stoddard, Member of the Health and Human Services Committee, said that they have held the Senior Services Tax Levy Hearings on both April 4, 2011 and April 11, 2011. The final total amount of allocations equals \$488,114.00.

Ms. Allen, Chairman of the Law and Justice Committee, said that her committee is sending one resolution to the full board for consideration regarding HB148 on concealed carry weapons.

Ms. Tobias, Vice-Chairman of the County Board, said that the courthouse project is well underway. The Jail Planning Committee is meeting this Thursday and that they will be looking at a resolution to hire an architect to help with this project.

Ms. Vary, Chairman of the Economic Development Committee, said that her committee, last month, discussed the Fiber Optics Project along with discussion on an Amendment to the Fiber Optic Indefeasible Right to Use Agreement with DeKalb Fiber Optic. She feels that the fiber optic project will help to put DeKalb County on the map. Tomorrow night they will be hearing from Ms. Whitwell, Supervisor of Assessments for DeKalb County.

Mr. Andersen, Vice-Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Committee, said that his committee discussed the issue on the Faith Outreach Church. After a lengthy discussion the item was sent back to the Planning and Zoning Committee.

Ms. Tobias spoke about the Selection of the Supervisor of Assessments. She said that there were 11 applicants of which 10 of those candidates were certified by the State. Four candidates were interviewed and then the Ad Hoc Supervisor of Assessments Committee selected Ms. Robin Bruschon for the position. She will be the Acting Supervisor of Assessments for a term of 60 days so that she can complete some educational classes. She is an appointed department head and that appointment will be for 4 years.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION – LAND ACQUISITION**

It was moved by Ms. Vary, seconded by Ms. Allen and it was carried unanimously by a roll call vote to move into closed session to discuss land acquisition.

It was moved by Ms. Allen, seconded by Mr. Andersen, and it was carried unanimously by a roll call vote to return to open session. No action was taken.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mr. Stoddard seconded by Ms. Tobias, and it was carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairman Larry A. Anderson

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