

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

**COMMITTEE:** Executive Committee Meeting  
**CHAIRPERSON:** John Lang, Chairperson  
**DATE/TIME:** August 6, 2024 at 6:30 pm

**PRESENT:**

☒ John Lang  
☒ LaDon Trost  
☒ Dianne Allendorf

☒ John Creighton  
☒ Diane Gallagher  
☒ Don Zillig

☒ John Schultz  
☒ Tina Brandel

A quorum was established.

Other Board Members: Michael Dittmar

Others: Scott Toot, Sheriff Kevin Turner, Kathy Phillips and Nick Tranel

### **1. Minutes Approval**

- a) Minutes of the May 7, 2024 Executive Committee meeting – **Schultz made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2024 Executive Committee meeting. Seconded by Gallagher and motion passed following a voice vote resulting in all Ayes.**
- b) Minutes of the June 4, 2024 Executive Committee meeting – **Schultz made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2024 Executive Committee meeting. Seconded by Allendorf and motion passed following a voice vote resulting in all Ayes.**

### **2. Citizens' Comments – None.**

### **3. Unfinished Business**

- a) FY2023/FY2024 Strategic Goals and Plans – The Committee briefly reviewed the Strategic Goals and Plans.
- b) Update on Jo Daviess County FOIA requests – The Committee reviewed the July 2024 FOIA Requests.
- c) Courthouse Project Update and possible action – Toot gave his update on the Courthouse Renovation Project.

### **4. New Business**

- a) Discussion and possible action on a Resolution to dissolve the Ad-Hoc Courthouse Committee - **Gallagher made a motion to approve a Resolution to dissolve the Ad-Hoc Courthouse Committee. There was some discussion. The Committee's time has come to an end and the objective for the Ad-Hoc Committee has been completed. It will now go to the Executive Committee who will report to the full board. Seconded by Brandel and motion carried following a roll call vote resulting in all Ayes.**

### **5. Closed Session –**

**Allendorf made a motion to enter into closed session at 7:06 p.m. for the Closed session minutes section 2(c)21 "Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purpose of**

*approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.”*

**Topic of Discussion: The review of closed session minutes**

**Seconded by Schultz. Voice vote resulted in all Ayes and motion carried.**

**At 7:18 p.m., Schultz made a motion to reconvene to open session. Seconded by Zillig. Roll call vote resulted in all Ayes and motion carried.**

**6. Possible action as result of a closed session –**

- a) **Allendorf made a motion to open the minutes or the Executive Committee Closed Session minutes from March 1, 2022. Seconded by Schultz and motion carried by voice vote.**
- b) **Allendorf made a motion to open the County Board Closed Session minutes from March 24, 2022. Seconded by Schultz and motion carried by voice vote.**
- c) **Allendorf made a motion to open the County Board Closed Session minutes from July 12, 2022. Seconded by Brandel and motion carried by voice vote.**
- d) **Allendorf made a motion to open the County Board Closed Session minutes from August 9, 2022. Seconded by Brandel and motion carried by voice vote.**
- e) **Allendorf made a motion to open the County Board Closed Session minutes from January 10, 2023. Seconded by Schultz and motion carried by voice vote.**
- f) **Allendorf made a motion to open the County Board Closed Session minutes from March 14, 2023. Seconded by Brandel and motion carried by voice vote.**
- g) **Allendorf made a motion to open the County Board Closed Session minutes from June 13, 2023. Seconded by Brandel and motion carried by voice vote.**
- h) **Allendorf made a motion to remain closed, the County Board Closed Session minutes from September 12, 2023. Seconded by Schultz and motion carried by voice vote.**
- i) **Allendorf made a motion to remain closed, the County Board Closed Session minutes from October 18, 2023. Seconded by Brandel and motion carried by voice vote.**
- j) **Allendorf made a motion to open the County Board Closed Session minutes from December 12, 2023. Seconded by Schultz and motion carried by voice vote.**

**7. Staff Reports**

- a) **County Administrator – Scott Toot gave his monthly report. He had already touched on the Courthouse Renovation Project earlier in the meeting. Basically, he’s been working on the courthouse renovation, the budget process and the Transit department negotiations. He has also been doing interviews for the EMA Coordinator.**

**8. Summary of Committee Activities**

- a) **Diane Gallagher – Development & Planning Committee – The D&P Committee received edits for the Comprehensive Plan and they’ll include an updated fiber map, info about hunting and grammatical changes.**

- b) John Schultz – Finance, Tax & Budgets Committee – Finance met on June 27<sup>th</sup>. They reviewed Round 1 Revenue Estimates and allocated the 2024 Property Tax Levy, Payable 2025. The allocation of the 1% sales tax will be 25% Highway and 75% General Fund. The Budget Guidelines were also established.
- c) Tina Brandel – Information & Communications Technology Committee – The Committee did not meet this past month.
- d) John Creighton - Public Works Committee – There was no update from the Public Works Committee
- e) John Lang – Legislative Committee – Legislative did not meet this past month. He spoke about the grocery tax and municipalities.
- f) Dianne Allendorf – Social & Environmental Committee – S&E had some more Transit contracts this past month. She said there was a concern over approving them if there was a potential strike in the future. Hermesen made the committee aware that she was approached for the contracts.
- g) LaDon Trost – County Board Chairman – There have been a lot of new issues and they have been very busy.

**9. Citizens' Comments** – None.

**10. Board Member Concerns** – Creighton mentioned how the Supreme Court declined to hear the appeal on the Illinois assault weapons ban. Zillig hopes everyone has a Happy Fourth of July. Gallagher asked that anyone who has had a particular business that has been impacted by zoning, she'd appreciate being informed.

**11. Adjourn**

The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, July 2, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m. following a motion made by John Schultz. Seconded by Don Zillig and the motion carried by voice vote.**