



COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS
JUDICIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 22, 2017 - 3:00 p.m.

Kendall County Courthouse

Jury Assembly Room

807 West John Street; Yorkville, IL 60560



MINUTES

1. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum:

Committee Chair Matthew Prochaska called the meeting to order at 3pm. Committee members present were Matthew Prochaska, Judy Gilmour, and Audra Hendrix. Absent were John Purcell and Tony Giles.

2. Approval of Agenda

Member Gilmour motioned to approve the agenda, second by Member Hendrix, motion passed unanimously.

3. Approval of Previous Committee Minutes

Member Gilmour motioned to approve the February 1, 2017 Judicial Legislative Committee minutes, second by Member Hendrix, motion passed unanimously.

4. Status Reports

- ❖ Circuit Clerk - none
- ❖ Courthouse - Presiding Judge McCann reported the federal bankruptcy court now has routine hearings for area residents. Previously, area residents traveled to Joliet for the hearings.
- ❖ Court Services - none
- ❖ Public Defender -written monthly report provided – 948 open cases on February 22, 2017
- ❖ Sheriff's Office/Court Security - none
- ❖ State's Attorney - none

5. Legislative Report and Update

A. Resolution opposing the creation of new State holidays

Committee Chairman Prochaska presented the resolution. The committee did not provide a motion to approve the resolution.

B. Resolution supporting HB 3127

Committee Chairman Prochaska presented the resolution. HB 3127 amends the Property Tax Code. Provides that all property used exclusively for public or conservation purposes belonging to a forest preserve district or a conservation district is exempt from taxation. HB 3127 amends the Illinois Drainage Code. HB 3127 provides that before any action may be taken by a drainage district regarding property owned or operated by a forest preserve district organized pursuant to the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act or a conservation district organized pursuant to the Conservation District Act, the drainage district shall first receive approval for the action from the board of commissioners of the forest preserve district or the

board of trustees of the conservation district. If passed the bill would be effective immediately.

Member Gilmour motioned to recommend approval to the County Board of Resolution Supporting HB 3127, second by Member Hendrix, motion passed unanimously.

6. Old Business

Committee Chairman Prochaska reminded the Committee that the Resolution for Amendment to the Board Rules of Order to merge the Judicial Legislative Committee and Public Safety Committee into one committee called the Law, Justice and Legislation Committee would be a topic on the next County Board meeting March 7. The Committee of the Whole discussed the topic on February 16 and forwarded the topic to the Board for action on March 7.

7. New Business - None

8. Action Items for County Board

Approve Resolution Supporting HB 3127

Resolution for Amendment to the Board Rules of Order to merge the Judicial Legislative Committee and Public Safety Committee into one committee called the Law, Justice and Legislation Committee

9. Public Comment - None

10. Executive Session - None

11. Adjournment

At 3:15pm, Member Hendrix motioned to adjourn, second by Member Gilmour, motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Jeff Wilkins, County Administrator