

COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS
JUDICIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
Wednesday, October 26, 2016
Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The Judicial Legislative Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Matthew Prochaska at 3:03p.m.

Roll Call: Matthew Prochaska – here, Judy Gilmour – here, Bob Davidson - here. **With three members present, a quorum was established to conduct committee business.**

Committee Members Absent: Dan Koukol, John Purcell

Others Present: Vicky Chuffo, Robyn Ingemunson, Judge Tim McCann, Judge Robert Pilmer, Eric Weis

Approval of Agenda – Member Davidson made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Member Gilmour. **With three in agreement, the motion carried.**

Approval of Minutes – Member Gilmour made a motion to approve the August 24, 2016 meeting minutes, second by Member Davidson. **Minutes adopted with three members in agreement.**

Status Reports

Circuit Clerk – Robyn Ingemunson provided the case filings for her office as of 10/25/2016. Ms. Ingemunson said that she expects that more cases will be filed this year than last. She said there was a large increase in Traffic cases.

Courthouse – Judge McCann also reported that retired Judge Jim Cadwell passed away on August 30 2016. Judge McCann will provide information to Member Prochaska to prepare a resolution honoring his passing and for his many years of services with Kendall County.

Judge McCann reported that he has been advised that our Drug Court funding, grant money from the State of Illinois for a program called Adult Redeploy, which will help in reducing the number of those in prison, should be received soon. Judge McCann said the Drug Court should be up and running officially as of November 2016. Judge McCann also stated that the certification is in the hands of the IL Supreme Court as of today, and they expect it to be approved, and on its way.

Sheriff's Office/Court Security – No report

Court Services/Probation – No report

Public Defender – Vicky Chuffo provided her monthly report.

State's Attorney – Mr. Weis reported that they will have a new Assistant State's Attorney in early November.

Legislative Report and Update – Member Prochaska stated that the only major piece of legislation that could possibly pass by the end of the year is the State Budget, but it is unsure if that will happen before the new general assembly takes office in January 2017. They anticipate that nothing will happen until after the Election.

Old Business – None

New Business

- *Discussion on the Task Force Policy Recommendations and Legislative Bills Introduced* – Member Prochaska stated that there is currently a discussion on the Task Force Policy Recommendations and Legislative Bills introduced. Member Prochaska said that in the committee packet is a summary of the all bills suggested from the recommendations of the Illinois Lieutenant Governor's Local Government Consolidation and Unfunded Mandate Task Force. Member Prochaska said that of the twelve proposals, currently only one is considered still alive and viable - HB4501, which would allow the County to merge or dissolve a unit of the local government provided that the County Board Chair can appoint the majority of its governing board. The exception is districts organized under the Water Commissions Act of 1985.
- *Approval of the Resolution Honoring Bradley Stephen Barrett* – Member Prochaska provided background and reasoning for the proposed Resolution Honoring Bradley Stephen Barrett. Member Gilmour made a motion to forward the item to the County Board for approval, second by Member Prochaska. **With three members present voting aye, the motion passed.**

Items for COW – None

Actions Items for County Board

Approval of the Resolution Honoring Bradley Stephen Barrett

Approval of the Resolution Honoring Judge Jim Cadwell

Public Comments - None

Executive Session – None

Adjournment – A motion was made by Member Gilmour, second by Member Davidson to adjourn the Judicial Legislative Committee at 3:21p.m. **With all in agreement, the meeting adjourned.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Valarie McClain
Administrative Assistant/Recording Clerk