COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REMOTE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - The meeting was called to order at 4:00p.m. by County Board Chair Scott Gryder, who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Attendee	Status	Arrived	Left Meeting
Amy Cesich	Present		
Elizabeth Flowers	ABSENT		
Scott Gengler	Here		
Tony Giles	Here		
Judy Gilmour	Here		
Scott Gryder	Present		
Audra Hendrix	Here		
Matt Kellogg	Present		
Matthew Prochaska	Here		
Robyn Vickers	Here		

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Member Cesich made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Member Giles. With nine members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 9-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS – Member Hendrix made a motion to approve Claims in an amount not to exceed \$986,966.79, second by Member Giles.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Attendee	Status	
Amy Cesich	Yes	
Elizabeth Flowers	ABSENT	
Scott Gengler	Yes	
Tony Giles	Yes	
Judy Gilmour	Yes	
Scott Gryder	Yes	
Audra Hendrix	Yes	
Matt Kellogg	Yes	
Matthew Prochaska	Yes	
Robyn Vickers	Yes	

With nine members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 9-0. Member Flowers was absent.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Discussion of Board Room Renovation & Security Upgrades at the County Office Building Mr. Craig Clary, Dewberry Engineering Consultants Project Manager, reviewed the proposed Board Room renovation plans including an executive conference room, expansion of the existing room into the current mailroom space, moving of the current mailroom, removal of the sound system, signage, desks, storage, sample carpet, material and wall colorings, upgraded technology, upgraded ceiling tiles, lighting, and seating for elected officials, staff, media and citizens. Discussion on a state grant application that will be submitted when we are allowed to apply, funding if there is no grant funding available, funds that were budgeted in FY2019 in the capital fund for this project, and what part of the project Facilities would be able to handle. Jim Smiley stated that Facilities can do some of the demolition, reorganizing new mailroom across the hall, moving of current mailroom, and smaller construction jobs. The committee was asked to submit their color preferences to Jim Smiley as soon as possible, so a final decision can be determined.
- Discussion of Petition 19-43 Request from the Kendall County Historic Preservation Commission for Amendments to the Kendall County Historic Preservation Ordinance Pertaining to Definitions, Historic Preservation Commission Powers and Authorities, Terms and Appointments of Preservation Commission Members, Nomination Procedures of Landmarks and Historic Districts, Alteration, Construction, Demolition and Maintenance Provisions, Penalties, and Application Fee Mr. Koeppel stated that this item was before the Committee of the Whole meeting previously, and was sent back to the County with suggestions. Matt Asselmeier, PBZ Manager explained that the HPC has been trying to get Certified Local Government status which allows them to be more active in terms of historic preservation applying for grants, and other historic preservation activities.

There was concern about the application fee of \$500 when the item was before the County Board in February 2020, which can be waived by the home-owner. The only other state concern was that state law requires that Historic Preservation Committee members be appointed for 5-year terms, and the County Ordinance term reflects 3-year terms, terms are staggered initially, and that the County Board selects the committee chair at the time of appointment. The Petition also clarifies super-majority vote on certain issues for approval, clarifies the terms and the selection of the chairman, and changes the requirement in the current ordinance that the HPC review any application for demolition of any structure older than fifty years, including porches, fences, etc. The Commission would have the authority to administer County-owned property under this new proposal, whereas the current ordinance grants authority to the County Board and the Commission.

Mr. Asselmeier stated the recommendations were reviewed by the Planning, Building & Zoning Committee. Member Prochaska stated that these recommendations actually provide additional protections for home owners, and allows third-party nominations/designations of property without the home-owners consent. Mr. Asselmeier explained the requirements once the Commission receives Certified Local Government status.

Chairman Gryder stated that he appreciates the Commission and the work they do for the County, but noted that the Commission has had quorum issues at times. Mr. Gryder also said the County is always seeking citizens to serve on the Historic Preservation Commission. This item will be on the County Board agenda for June 16, 2020.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

QUESTIONS FROM THE MEDIA – Jim Wyman asked what the procedure is for the Historic Preservation Commission to plaque properties. Mr. Wyman also asked about the Old Mill on Millhurst Road.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Chairman Gryder recognized the work of Will County Executive Larry Walsh Sr. who passed in the last week, his work with CMAP, UCCI and all that he accomplished in Will County. Mr. Gryder read highlights from his education, personal life, and work with the local government since 2004. He was known for his advocacy for disability issues, senior citizen services, preservation, and agricultural issues in his community.

REVIEW BOARD ACTION ITEMS – Chairman Gryder asked the committee to review the draft County Board agenda.

Add Animal Control under Standing Committee Reports

- Animal Control Building Renovation Update

Under Finance

- Approval of Claims

Under PB&Z

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Provisions, Penalties, and Application Fee

Under Special Committee Reports

- Northwest Water Planning Alliance
- Kendall Housing Authority

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Not needed

ADJOURNMENT – Member Cesich made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Member Gengler. With nine members voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 5:08p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valarie McClain Administrative Assistant and Recording Secretary