# COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

**Thursday, May 16, 2019** 

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

#### ROLL CALL

Attendee	Status	Arrived	Left Meeting
Amy Cesich	Present		
Elizabeth Flowers	ABSENT		
Tony Giles	ABSENT		
Judy Gilmour	Here		
Scott Gryder		4:52p.m.	
Audra Hendrix	Here		4:59p.m.
Matt Kellogg	Yes		
Matthew Prochaska	Here		
Robyn Vickers	Here		

Others present: Matt Asselmeier, Mera Johnson, Assistant State's Attorney Leslie Johnson

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Motion made by Member Hendrix to approve the agenda, second by Member Prochaska. With six member's present voting aye, the motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 6-0.

**OLD BUSINESS** - None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

From the Admin HR Committee:

➤ Discussion of Workers Compensation Tactical Athlete Health and Performance Institute Program (TAHPI) – Mera Johnson explained the program as a athletic concierge type service available to those employees on workers compensation that wanted a more one-on-one physician and therapy program. Johnson explained the process through IPMG, the cost to the County per engagement (case) of \$1285, and the estimated cost reduction of workers compensation cases if utilizing the program. Ms. Johnson reported that the Admin HR Committee had already approved the program at their May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, and that it would be implemented soon.

From the Planning, Building and Zoning Committee:

Discussion and Approval of the Junk and Debris Ordinance Update – Matt Asselmeier reviewed the proposed changes/updates to the Ordinance with the committee. Member Prochaska made a motion to remove section 4 from the proposed ordinance on Junk and Debris, and renumber all subsequent sections accordingly, second by Member Gilmour. With six members voting aye, the motion carried.

Member Prochaska made a motion to amend the ordinance to include the phrase "without the necessity of receiving a complaint" at section 4A, second by Member Hendrix. **With six members voting aye, the motion carried**.

Member Prochaska made a motion to forward the ordinance to the County Board for approval, second by Member Kellogg. With six members voting aye, the motion carried.

From the Economic Development Committee:

- ➤ Discussion of the development of the Kendall County Economic Development Corporation Discussion on the Economic Development Committee's desire to establish a public/private partnership in the form of an Economic Development Corporation. Ms. Hendrix explained the reasoning behind the corporation, the committee's plans for utilizing the EDC Revolving Loan Fund to fund the development and creation of the 503-C6 corporation, the purpose of the corporation, the financial plan for implementation, potential stakeholders, and the increased revenue potential for Kendall County.
- ➤ Discussion of Using the Revolving Loan Fund to Fund the Kendall County Economic Development Corporation Ms. Hendrix reminded the committee about the State's Attorney's Office legal opinion regarding the administrative law regarding the Revolving Loan Fund, and a letter from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Office of Community Development regarding the administration of the Revolving Loan Fund.

Discussion of the committee's concerns about using the RLF funds for creation of a corporation, the laws concerning the administration of the funds, and the EDC committees desire to utilize RPF funds for the creation of an Economic Development Corporation.

Discussion of Union Negotiations and the Labor & Grievance Committee – Discussion of possibly involving the Labor & Grievance Committee is union negotiations this year, or to have negotiation discussions at the Committee of the Whole meetings. There was consensus by the committee to have a Special COW meeting in June or July to formulate a plan for labor negotiations with Leslie Johnson.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT** - None

**QUESTIONS FROM THE MEDIA** – Jim Wyman, WSPY News asked if the Economic Development Corporation going to be able to make the loans that the County cannot make now due to the restrictions of the state law, and about the exact amount in the Revolving

Loan Fund. And, will the Economic Development Committee agenda items be sent to the ED Corp, and since the Economic Development Corporation is not subject to public inspection, and cause similar problems that have been experienced in the DeKalb County Economic Development Corporation.

**REVIEW BOARD ACTION ITEMS FOR MAY 21, 2019** – Chair Gryder asked the committee to review the draft County Board agenda.

#### ITEMS FOR THE JUNE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING - None

#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**A.** Chairman Gryder reported that he is joining Kane County Board Chair Chris Lauzen and others in a meeting with IMRF officials on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss the changes in the IMRF rates.

Latreese Caldwell reviewed the increases for regular IMRF, SLEP and Echo at a total increase of 22.2 percent, or \$480,000 with no salary increases. And with every 1 percent wage increase, IMRF would increase by \$32,000. Therefore, a 3 percent salary increase would result in a \$577,000 increase for Kendall County.

**B.** Chairman Gryder was happy to announce that the Solar Field Grant was approved for Kendall County.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Member Prochaska made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of the review of discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06, 5ILCS 120-2/21, second by Member Vickers.

## **ROLL CALL**

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With six members voting aye, the committee entered into Executive Session at 5:44p.m.

The committee reconvened in Open Session at 5:47p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Member Prochaska made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Member Vickers. With six members voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 5:48p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Valarie McClain, Administrative Assistant and Recording Secretary