

Communications Committee Meeting Report (Submitted 10-04-07)
Board Conference Room #303C, Tuesday, October 2, 2007, 3:45 p.m.

Members present: Steve Brandau, Lindi Kernan, Jim Eccher, Ted Sturtevant, Jo Anne Hillman, Marvin Gradert and Barb Link. Members absent: Rich VerHeecke. Ex-Officio Members present: Rosemary Rathjen, IS Director and Dick Erickson, County Administrator. Others present: None.

Chairman Eccher called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

The agenda was approved as printed. Member Kernan moved to approve the September 4, 2007 Communications Committee meeting minutes as printed, Member Hillman seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Members Rathjen presented Information Services and General Financial Services claims for the month of September 2007. Member Gradert moved to approve the September 2007 claims for the Information Services Department in the amount of \$3,642.95 and General Financial Services Department in the amount of \$2,616.61, Member Brandau seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. The GIS Department did not have any claims to report for the month of September.

Member Rathjen distributed the September Information Services Department Activity Reports. (see attachment)

Department Heads discussed computer service activities for the month of September. Items discussed: 1) Orthophotography expected to be delivered in the next few days; 2) Department file folder security will be reevaluated; and 3) Department Heads will meet to discuss a policy regulating public access to computers.

The UCCI Board of Directors met on September 24, 2007. (see enclosed minutes of meetings held July 23 and September 24, 2007) The Committee discussed the status of legislation introduced in the 95th General Assembly. (see enclosure) The next UCCI Board of Directors meeting will be held Saturday, October 13, 2007, 8:30 a.m. prior to the U of I Education Seminar at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, Springfield. The U of I is currently accepting applications for the 2007/2008 Leadership Academy. (see enclosure)

The Committee reviewed and discussed the Finance Committee's proposed FY08 Computer Automation Software/Hardware budget. (on file)

The Committee reviewed and discussed a draft letter of support for QC rail service. Member Hillman moved to recommend the County Board send a letter of support for passenger rail service reinstatement between the Quad Cities and Chicago, Member Sturtevant seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. (see attached letter)

The Committee discussed the prioritization of revised/new Department Website pages and scheduled updates. The Committee determined work on the Website project should continue in-house and that out-sourcing for ongoing maintenance should be researched.

The next regular meeting of the Communications Committee was set for Tuesday, November 6, 2007, at 3:45 p.m., in the Board Conference Room 303C, Courthouse.

The meeting adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Erickson, County Administrator