

Communications Committee Meeting Report (Submitted 11-04-15)  
Courthouse, Room 303C, Tuesday November 3, 2015, 3:30 p.m.

Members Present: Lynn Sutton, Steve Brandau, Tim wells, Kelli Parsons, Lindi Kernan, and Sheriff Padilla. Members absent: Jake Waller and Jo Anne Hillman. Others Present: Susie Goff

Chairman Sutton called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. Member Parsons moved to approve the agenda as printed, Member Wells seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

There was no public comment.

Member Padilla moved to approve the October 6, 2015 Communications Committee minutes as printed, Member Kernan seconded, all were in favor, motion carried.

Ms. Kernan presented the Information Services claims for the month of October on Ms. Rathjen's behalf, as she was attending a meeting and was absent. Member Kernan moved to approve the October 2015 Information Services Department claims in the amount of \$46,680.77, Member Brandau seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Ms. Rathjen had provided a list of updates for the Committee (see attached list). Chairman Sutton reviewed the list with the Committee. There were no comments.

Under the Legislative Report, Ms. Kernan brought to the Committee's attention House Floor Amendment 2 to SB1488 (see attachment). This bill would allow the City of Chicago to raise the general Homestead Exemption to \$14,000, and permit any County to adopt the same. If Henry County were to do so, it would suffer a potential loss of \$125,584,000 in annual EAV. There would also be a negative impact if bordering Counties adopted the Exemption and Henry County did not that could cause long delays from the County Clerk's office for overlapping taxing districts. Mr. Wells moved to authorize a letter in opposition of House Floor Amendment 2 to SB1488, be sent to local legislators from the Communications Committee. Member Parsons seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. All Committee members were encouraged to contact local legislators regarding this legislation.

The next UCCI meeting will be held November 16, 2015.

There were no requests for purchases of goods and services.

There was no Old Business.

There was no New Business.

The next regularly scheduled Committee meeting will be Tuesday, December 1, 2015, at 3:30 p.m., Board Conference Room 303C.

With no further business to discuss, Member Brandau moved to adjourn, Member Padilla seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susie Goff, Administrative Assistant to the County Administrator