

Executive Committee Meeting Report (submitted 1-13-14)  
Saturday, January 11, 2014, 8:00 A.M., North Court Jury Room

Members present: Roger Gradert, Don DeDobbelaere, Jo Anne Hillman, Ann DeSmith, Tim Wells, Dennis Anderson and Karen Urick. Members absent: John Sovanski and Rick Livesay. Others present: Bill Preston, Jim Kursock (arrived at 8:21 p.m.) and Colleen Gillaspie.

Acting Chairman DeSmith called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.

Member Roger Gradert made a motion to approve the agenda as revised, Member DeDobbelaere seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Member Wells made a motion to approve the November 9, 2013 Executive Committee meeting minutes as printed, Member DeDobbelaere seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

There was no Public Comment.

The following Standing Committees presented information and/or an overview of reports to be submitted at the January 16, 2014 County Board meeting: Communications, Health & Social Services, Administration, Transportation and Public Safety (see Committee reports). The Finance Committee will be meeting Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. and the Plan/Dev Committee will be meeting Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

There was no old business.

Under new business, the Committee reviewed the request from the Henry County Tourism Bureau to send a letter of support to Congresswoman Bustos regarding the American Discovery Trail. Member Roger Gradert moved to authorize sending a letter of support to Congresswoman Cheri Bustos from the Executive Committee regarding the American Discovery Trail, Member Wells seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Member Wells reviewed a timeline of Workforce Investment Board issues (attached). Following an audit completed July 30, 2013 by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) of the Workforce Investment Area (WIA) #13, which includes Rock Island, Henry and Mercer Counties, fiscal and programmatic findings were identified that needed to be resolved. The audit findings became the basis for Henry County's review of the current Chief Elected Officials (CEO) agreement which outlines the requirements of each county in regards to WIA #13. The Executive Committee requested this issue be reviewed with the full County Board including sharing the current CEO agreement between Rock Island, Henry and Mercer Counties, as well as both Henry County's draft revised CEO agreement and Rock Island County's draft revised CEO agreement

(attached). Additional research will be completed regarding Henry County's workforce options, with a final recommendation to be made to the Executive Committee in the near future.

Discussion was held regarding the recent institution of Public Act 98-0122 which explains the Medical Marijuana Act. It was decided that this Act has the potential to affect personnel, public safety and county zoning ordinances. As such, this Act will be added for discussion at the Administration, Public Safety and Plan/Dev Committees.

A plan update is needed for the Rural Revolving Loan Fund (RRLF). As such, Ms. Lori Merrill, has requested various revisions to the plan and would like approval from the Executive Committee to include them. The Committee requested a sub-committee be established by Member Wells to review the plan and recommended revisions with Ms. Merrill.

There were no Executive Board Comments.

There were no County Board Chairman comments.

The next regular Executive Committee meeting was set for Saturday, February 8, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. in the North Court Jury Room 102J, Henry County Courthouse.

With no further business, Member Wells moved to adjourn, Member DeDobbelaere seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Gillaspie, County Administrator