Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

December 5, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM

Members Present: Eric Rasmusson, John Roth, Ann Gill, John Almer, Dick Joyce
Also Present: Sandy Pommier, Susan Bates, Lana Phillips, members of public

A motion to approve the minutes from the October 31, 2011 meeting was made by Roth, seconded by Almer. Motion carried.

Appointments/Reappointments:
Reappoint David Hauschild to the Maine Township Drainage District-Gill/Joyce. Motion carried.
Reappoint Robert Mitchell to the Dingman Drainage District-Almer/Roth. Motion carried.
Reappoint Grundy County Insurance Trust Members (John Galloway, Tom Poole, John Almer, Ralph Wagner, John Roth, Dave Boggs, Frank Halpin)-Roth/Joyce. Motion carried.
Appoint Dick Olson to the Public Building Commission to complete term of Mike Throneburg-Almer/Gill. Motion carried.

Almer made a conference phone call via cell phone to Land Use Director Heidi Miller to discuss the consolidation of the P & Z Committee and Environmental Committee.

Liquor Licenses:
EJ Karz: Class A - $1800.00-Roth/Gill. Motion carried
Honest Abes: Class A - $1800.00-Almer/Roth. Motion carried.
Golf Visions (Nettle Creek): Class A - $1500.00-Roth/Joyce. Motion carried.
Moose Lodge: Class B - $900.00-Almer/Gill. Motion carried.
Morris Country Club: Class B-$1200.00-Roth/Gill. Motion carried.
American Legion: Class C - $900.00-Almer/Roth. Motion carried.
Goose Lake: Class A - $1800.00-Joyce/Almer. Motion carried.
Sparrow Development (DJ Amoso)-$Class D - $1200.00-Gill/Roth. Motion carried.

Resolution Extending Bar Hours for 12-31-11/New Years Eve:
A motion was made by Almer, seconded by Gill to positively recommend the resolution to the County Board for approval. Discussion was held on the matter. Rasmusson expressed his concerns with safety issues and promoting additional time to consume additional alcohol. Roth felt that the county hours should be the same of the city's. The resolution would authorize county establishments to remain open until 3AM on January 1, 2012. Gill quoted the Liquor Ordinance in regards to the regular hours. Upon roll call vote, one aye (Joyce) four nays (Almer, Roth, Rasmusson, Gill). Motion not carried.

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Resolution Requiring a Referendum for Any County Project that Utilizes Bonding and with the Public Building Commission Controlling the Project:
Susan Bates reviewed the amendments made to the resolution including wording that would allow the board to override the requirement of a referendum with the approval of a two thirds vote of all County Board Members (requires 12 votes) A discussion was held in regards to necessity of the resolution and better educating the public on county projects. A motion was made by Roth to positively recommend the resolution as presented to the County Board for approval. Upon roll call vote, three nays (Almer, Joyce, Gill) two ayes (Rasmusson, Roth) Motion not carried.

Committee Consolidations:
The committee was provided a draft of the committees and members that had been revised to combine the following committees:
Advisory with Media Relations
Procurement with CBA/Elections
Facilities with Education
Planning & Zoning with Environmental
Roth stated that he had worked with Secretary Sandy Pommier to come up with the most equal/fair scenario possible for all board members. A discussion was held. A motion was made by Roth, seconded by Rasmusson to positively recommend to the County Board the consolidated committees as presented. Upon roll vote, three ayes (Almer, Roth, Rasmusson) two nays (Joyce, Gill). Motion carried. Bates stated that she would provide a resolution for the action taken.

No executive session.

Old/New Business:
Almer questioned recent State legislature involving Public Comment requirements. Bates stated that the county is in compliance.

A motion to adjourn was made by Almer, seconded by Joyce. Motion carried.

A motion was then made to reconvene the meeting to allow Gippers II to obtain the liquor license. A motion was made by Almer, seconded by Joyce to approve the Class A License for the amount of $1800.00. Motion carried.
A motion was also made by Almer, seconded by Gill to authorize the Chairman to approve the liquor license for Indian Creek Ranch if requested. Motion carried.

Bates suggested that the committee authorize Pommier to amend the Grundy County Rules of Order and Procedures to reflect the changes in committees. Motion by Almer, seconded by Gill. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Almer, seconded by Gill. Motion carried.

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