Community Relations Committee

Meeting Minutes

November 29, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM

Members Present: Millie Dyer, Terry Pfaff, Ken Iverson, Willie Rodosky, Mike Throneburg

Also Present: Dick Joyce, Sandy Pommier, Kathy Doran, Elton Monson

A motion to approve the minutes from the October 28, 2010 meeting was made by Rodosky, seconded by Throneburg. Motion carried.

The committee discussed individuals for potential public recognitions at upcoming county board meetings. Ms. Dyer stated that in December the county will be honoring the employees for years of service. The committee discussed two possible veterans to be honored in January.

The VACGC claims were reviewed and signed; a motion to take the claims under advisement was made by Pfaff, seconded by Rodosky. Motion carried.
Kathy Doran stated that a voucher had been prepared in the amount of $2916.00 twelve months of insurance coverage for the new 2010 Ford El Dorado Aero Lite 12 passenger van that was obtained through grant funding through Human Services Transportation Plan. However, the invoice from the insurance company would not be available until the next day, at which time Ms. Doran would get it to the board secretary.

Dick Joyce spoke on behalf of Dan Duffy in regards to the payment of legal retainer fees. Upon receipt of a letter from Elton Monson dated October 28, 2010, Duffy replied via a letter dated November 1, 2010, stating that he followed the advice of the States Attorney. Monson added that the attorney had not been retained due to payment not being made from the proper budget line item.

Pfaff requested an explanation of the reasons for the need for any attorneys and feels that the monies spent should be utilized in a better way. Monson and Doran responded by claiming that in the past the county had refused to pay the VAC claims, the States Attorney had influenced all attorneys that the VAC attempted to obtain and the only recourse is to write a mandamus.

Hearing no need for executive session, new or old business, Ms. Dyer asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Throneburg, seconded by Rodosky. Motion carried.

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