

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Mr. Jim Duffy, Chair**

The Executive Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. with board members in the Board Room at the Courthouse or using the website – freeconferencecall.com. Members present were Duffy, Truesdell, Koster, Britt, McGinn, Katherine Nelson, and Karen Nelson. Also present were Keith Crady, Jim Fagerman, Administrator Joel Horn, and Amy Robbins.

1. During public comment, Mr. Keith Crady questioned if there were specific funds available for Fire and EMS. Mr. Duffy stated there are no specific funds however his group can apply for the ARPA State and Local Fiscal Recovery Grant to see if they qualify.
2. Mr. James Fagerman, from the States Attorney's office, presented a memorandum concerning County codes and options for hazardous and nuisance properties. The memorandum will be forward to the Zoning and Environmental Health departments for further review.
3. Chairman Duffy noted the following communications:
  - a. IL Housing Development Authority 2/16/22 Correspondence
  - b. Waste Management 2021 Annual Inspection Report
4. All Standing Committees and Wage & Salary Committee reported.
5. A motion was made by Katherine Nelson, seconded by Karen Nelson, to place the following reappointment on the agenda for Board action. All voted in favor of the motion.
  - a. Reappointment of James Hollaway to the Whiteside County Housing Authority Board.

**MOTION: To approve the Reappointment of James Hollaway to the Whiteside County Housing Authority Board.**

6. Mr. Duffy discussed the liquor license fees for the upcoming year. A motion was made by Katherine Nelson, seconded by Truesdell, to recommend to the Board to lay over the establishment of liquor license fees for 7/1/22-6/30/23 with a 50% discount.

**MOTION: To lay over the discounted liquor license fee for 2022-2023, as presented.**

7. The committee reviewed increasing the gaming license from \$50 to \$250/machine according to new guidelines established on maximum fees. A motion was made by Britt, seconded by Karen Nelson, to recommend to the Board to lay over raising the gaming license fee to \$250/machine.

**MOTION: To lay over the gaming license fee of \$250/machine, as presented.**

8. Mr. Duffy explained Mr. Bill Wescott is leading a Committee to promote the Public Safety Sales Tax at a maximum amount of 1% increase which creates approximately \$4 million per year. This tax would be paid by anyone traveling through the County to fund the dispatch center. A motion was made by Truesdell, seconded by Koster, to approve placing the Public Safety Sales Tax on the agenda. (See #104)

**MOTION: To approve a resolution authorizing the County Clerk to place a 1.0% sales tax referendum on the 11/8/22 election ballot.**

9. The Committee reviewed the monthly claims and budget reports. A motion was made by Britt, seconded by Katherine Nelson, to approve the claims and budget reports as presented. All voted in favor of the motion.
10. Mr. Horn reviewed the ARPA grant application process with the Committee. All Board members should direct businesses to submit an application to the Administrator's office and call his office with any questions. Once the accountants review each application and approve the expense, the Administrator's office will notify the business when the board meets to approve/disapprove their application.
11. There being no further business, a motion was made by Koster, seconded by Karen Nelson, to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor of the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

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| Next Regular Meeting: | Executive Committee: | 04/12/22 |
|                       | County Board:        | 04/19/22 |

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| Compensation and Reimbursements: | Payroll Check Print Date       | 03/25/22 |
|                                  | Reimbursement Check Print Date | 03/18/22 |

**MOTION: To place on file the Executive Committee's meeting report, February 2022 claims reports and related informational items, as presented.**