

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Social and Environmental Committee
CHAIRPERSON: Brandon Behlke
DATE/TIME: February 18, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brandon Behlke	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Hughes
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Bingham (left 7:05 pm)	<input type="checkbox"/> Ron Smith
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve McIntyre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Martin Werner
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Heuerman	

A quorum was established.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Kathy Gabel, Rich Machala and Dan Reimer

1. Minutes Approval

- a) **Steve McIntyre made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 17, 2015 Social & Environmental Committee meeting and the minutes from the January 12, 2016 Special Social & Environmental Committee meeting. Seconded by Robert Heuerman and motion passed.**

2. Citizens' Comments:

3. Unfinished Business

- a) FY2015/FY2016 Strategic Goals & Plans – The committee reviewed their strategic goals and plans which includes completion of the Jo Daviess County Transit Building.
- b) Update on JDC Transit Building Addition Project – There will be discussion later in staff reports.

4. New Business

- a) Discussion and possible action regarding painting request for proposals for the Jo Daviess County Transit Building – Rich Machala reported that he contacted Scott Sibley from Sjostrom & Sons to get an estimate for painting walls in the transit building that were not specified in the bid documents to be painted. The estimate is approximately \$4,000.00. The committee discussed various options including painting the non-painted walls in the Transit Building addition with epoxy paint. **Dan Hughes made a motion to bid out the painting of five walls not painted in the Transit Building addition specifying epoxy paint. Seconded by Martin Werner and motion passed.**

5. Staff Reports

- a) Jo Daviess County PCOM – Rich Machala reported the Federal 5311 reimbursement of \$97,065.51 requested in January has not been received. State DOAP advance reimbursement requests of \$77,934.49 (Second Quarter) and \$182,500.00 (Third Quarter) were both received in January. Service Contract/Local Match received a check in the amount of \$11,190.50 which represents \$2,820.25 fares and misc. and \$8,370.25 service contract income for December, 2015 collected by The Workshop and submitted to the County. PCOM Expense amount of County expense for the month of January, 2015 were \$2,024.24 for payroll and \$8,068.73 for claims totaling \$10,093.15. The balance of the Public Transportation Account at the end of January 2016 was \$783,121.35, which includes interest of \$104.40 and DOAP

3rd quarter advance payment of \$ 182,500.00. Machala reported that the November Capital Assistance Grant payment of \$36,254.95 was received on January 4th.

- b) Jo Daviess County Transit – Kathy Gabel reported that the remodeling of the old office area began on February 8th. Bus 40 was involved in a two vehicle car accident on January 4th. An insurance claim was filed. The estimate is \$11,400.00. All repairs will be done in-house. Jo Daviess County Transit is the only rural transportation department that does its own bodywork repair in-house. A Facebook page was created for Jo Daviess County Transit (977 “likes” to date). A constant contact email blast was created. An email blast was sent to over 2,000 emails, mostly in the Jo Daviess County area. Gabel is working on increasing the email database. Gabel is working with the Jo Daviess County Health Department in transporting single, pregnant women to the Highland Health Center in Freeport, IL. Within one hour of talking to the Health Department a trip was booked for a ride to Freeport. Gabel attended the Local Transit Region 1 meeting in Freeport and a couple attending the meeting asked for information on transportation for the Apple River area, specifically, rides for the elderly.
- c) Public Health – Elizabeth Kane was unable to attend the meeting. Dan Reimer reported that the Home Health Advisory Board met last week and has made a recommendation to close the Home Health Care program. This recommendation will be going to the Board of Health on March 2nd.
- d) Mental Health Board – Nothing new to report at this time.
- e) Other Boards – Brandon Behlke reported that the Solid Waste Agency to hold a Spring Recycling day in Elizabeth. The date is to be determined.

6. Citizens’ Comments - None

7. Board Member Concerns – None

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:29 pm by Steve McIntyre, seconded by Martin Werner and motion passed.