

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Social Environmental Committee
CHAIRPERSON: Margie Montelius
DATE/TIME: July 16, 2009

PRESENT:

Bernece Hill
 Dan Sheridan

Mike Lorig
 Marvin Schultz

Margie Montelius
 Don Zillig

Other Board Members:

Others: Rich Machala, Peg Murphy and Dan Reimer

1. **Minutes Approval** – Marvin Schultz made a motion to approve the minutes of June 18, 2009. Mike Lorig seconded and the motion passed.
2. **Citizens' Comments** – None
3. **Unfinished Business**
 - a) **Courthouse Office Improvements** – Dan Reimer reported that Staff, from the GIS and Assessor's offices, has completed painting of their respective offices, carpet will be installed Friday and All-Systems, Inc. is planning to begin installation of office improvements on Monday of next week. Margie Montelius discussed that the next area to plan office improvements for is the detectives' office in the Sheriff's Department but because of current budget constraints the committee would put this project on hold.
 - b) **County Emergency Management Services.** Nothing new on this subject, this item can be removed from the agenda.
4. **New Business**
 - a) **Discussion and Possible action on Joint Committee Meeting Date for August of 2009.** Margie Montelius reported that Peg Murphy would not be available for the Thursday, August 20th date and has asked that this joint meeting with the Finance Committee be moved to Wednesday, August 19, 2009. **Bernece Hill made a motion to recommend change of date of joint committee budget review with Finance Committee and Social and Environmental from Thursday, August 20, 2009 to Wednesday, August 19, 2009. Seconded by Dan Sheridan and motion passed.**
 - b) **Discussion and Possible action on Members for Solid Waste Committee.** Bernece Hill reported that Maggie Friedenbach would be doing the secretarial work until they were able to fill the position of president for the Solid Waste Committee. There will be a meeting on next Thursday night, July 23rd in Savanna, IL at City Hall. Margie Montelius discussed that she would attend the next meeting with Bernece. The committee discussed that the Solid Waste Committee was an agency that Jo Daviess County funds through the budget process and planned to meet with them at the August 19th joint committee meeting.
5. **Staff Reports**

- a) **Jo Daviess Transit.** Rich Machala discussed the medical mileage report and that starting in December he stopped accruing the Public Aid invoices because he could charge 65% of that money to the Downstate Operating Program. So the County was reimbursed \$410.97 which is 35% of the Public Aid amount. The amount of outstanding invoices to the State of Illinois from January 09 to June 09 is \$6,453.23. Machala reported that he received an email that the Illinois State Budget that was passed will not have any affects on transportation. Dan Reimer reported that because of the State Stimulus funding the auditors asked that the County have a separate revenue line item. The Treasurer's Office has created this line item as ARRA (American Recovery Reimbursement Act). Machala reported that the Downstate Operating Assistance Program will have a conflict of dates with having the Committee forward a motion to the County Board at the next meeting. **Because the item was not on the agenda for this committee meeting that the committee can not recommend this at the next County Board meeting but it can be placed on the County Board agenda as not recommended by the committee.** Rich reported that the Inter-State Operating Authority application has been accepted by the State and that Jo Daviess County Transit can now cross into the State of Iowa.
- b) **Public Health.** Peg Murphy reported that the heating and air conditioning work has been completed. The committee discussed that the Health Protection grant in the amount of \$62,000 from the State of Illinois may not receive funding. Murphy reported that there has been 1 case of H1N1 reported in Jo Daviess County and that there are 3259 cases in the State of Illinois and 14 deaths. It is anticipated that this is the first round of the H1N1 and that there will be another wave in about 6 months it takes 6 months to develop the vaccine. Murphy reported that the regular flu shot would be available around October and that the first H1N1 shot would be available around February or March and that the second dose is required 30 days apart. There would not be enough vaccine for everyone so the Center for Disease Control is talking about vaccinating the high risk groups which include infants, expecting mothers, school age children and individuals with chronic illnesses.

6. **Citizens' Comments.** None.

7. **Board Member Concerns.** Margie Montelius introduced the newest County Board Member and Committee Member, Don Zillig.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. following a motion by Bernece Hill and seconded by Dan Sheridan.

The next meeting will be a joint meeting with Finance, Tax and Budget committee to be held on August 19, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.