

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
LAW & JUSTICE CENTER COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 6th, 2011

Committee Chair Bill Flott called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Clavey Room of the Livingston County Courthouse.

Present: Flott, Deany, Borngasser, Koerner, Ruff, Weber, Woodburn

Absent: Vietti

Also Present: Bill Fairfield, Jack Hayes (FQC), John Eallonardo (FQC), Kathy Arbogast, Mike Ingles, Alina Hartley, Fred Marano (FQC), Daniel Atilano (PSA) Becky Beary (PSA), Judge Bauknecht

Flott called for any additions or changes to the agenda with there being none requested. *Motion by Ruff, second by Weber to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the August 2nd meeting. Koerner requested the minutes be amended to note the issue with the employee restrooms on the first floor. *Motion by Weber, second by Deany to approve the minutes of the August 2nd, 2011 meeting as amended. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

Courthouse Renovation Update – Becky Beary was present to review the proposed interior finishes for the courthouse renovation with the Committee. Discussion took place regarding the flooring. Atilano stated that the current flooring is somewhat of a liability due to the unevenness of the floor. Discussion took place regarding alternate flooring options. Consensus of the Committee was to have the base bid to clean, patch and repair the current floor, Alternate #1 replace with a tile similar to the existing and Alternate #2 replace with terrazzo.

Atilano reported that the exterior chair lift does meet ADA requirements. Atilano stated that the replacement of that unit will be included as an alternate. Atilano reviewed additional alternates to be included. Discussion took place regarding the interior elevator. It was requested that a variance be obtained since the current elevator does not meet code requirements. *Motion by Weber, second by Ruff to approve and release for bid the courthouse renovation construction documents. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

Dedication – The Committee reviewed a letter submitted by Resident Circuit Judge Jennifer Bauknecht in regards to her request to incorporate the Judiciary into the Dedication Ceremony scheduled for October 15th, including allowing her to introduce Supreme Court Justice Rita Garman and reserved seating for all Judges attending.

Initial plans for the ceremony were reviewed. Speakers are to include Bill Flott, to provide a history of the project, Bob Russell on behalf of the City of Pontiac, Supreme Court Justice Rita Garman and Jack Hayes and Daniel Atilano to present the building to Livingston County and

Bill Fairfield as Master of Ceremonies. The invocation and benediction by Brian Bill, the music will be provided by the Pontiac High School Band and the flag will be raised by the VFW. An open house of the building will follow, with cake and punch in the lobby. Flott stated that department heads have been asked to participate and be available to answer any questions the public may have about their area.

It was suggested that an open house be hosted without a formal dedication ceremony in order to avoid any issues and conflicts. A lengthy discussion was held. *Motion by Weber, second by Borngasser to postpone a decision until a recessed meeting to be held next week.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Flott stated that he felt that they were following the direction of the Committee on reducing the number of speakers and the length of the ceremony.

FQC Project Status Update – John Eallonardo reviewed the Budget Status Report and updated Project Schedule with the Committee.

Flott stated that in thinking about the move and items that need to be completed including the sale of excess furniture, the agreement with Illinois American Water, the moving of departments to the LJC and the moving of departments out of the courthouse to various remote locations. Discussion took place regarding having FQC provide transitional services to assist with these various items. Consensus of the Committee was to discuss the FQC proposal at next weeks recessed meeting.

Jack Hayes discussed issues that FQC has with the insurance on the LJC. Hayes stated that there have been changes in the insurance billing and how insurance companies view their liability. FQC was required to carry coverage on the entire \$16 million project instead of the \$1 million associated with their individual contract. Hayes discussed other changes in insurance that changed their liability. This has resulted in a significant increase in premiums. Hayes stated that FQC is requesting the county consider an adjustment in their contract to cover these additional costs to FQC. Discussion took place. Consensus of the Committee was to share in these additional costs.

Award Recommendations – N/A

Budget Adjustments – Budget Adjustment #15 was presented to the Committee for approval. *Motion by Ruff, second by Deany to approve budget adjustment #15.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Time Capsule – N/A

ComEd Easement – N/A

Approval of Bills – The Committee reviewed the September 2011 bills submitted totaling \$1,421,973.19 for the Law & Justice Center and \$126,754.62 for the Courthouse. *Motion by Deany, second by Ruff to approve the bills.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Motion by Ruff, second by Deany to recessed. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.
Meeting recessed at 4:16 p.m.. Recessed meeting to be held on September 13th at 1:00 p.m..

Alina M. Hartley
Administrative Resource Specialist