

MINUTES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 11, 2012

Members Present: Supervisors Gentz, Kubicki, Esposito, Hallmon, Rose, Elverman, and Breunig
YIG Present: Roe and Viroglio

1. 6:30 pm
The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gentz in the second floor committee conference room at the Administration Building. All supervisors and Youth in Governance were present.

2. 6:30 pm
Citizen Comments: None

3. 6:30 pm
Chair, Supervisor and YIG comments:
Chairman Gentz indicated KABA has sent us a notice of an Economic Forum to be held on October 16. If anyone wants further information, he has it. Regarding the 2013 budget, he told the committee he wants all questions answered from your departments at the committee level.

4. 6:32 pm
Communications: None

5. 6:32 pm
Approval of minutes of August 14, 2012 meeting:
Supervisor Breunig made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by Supervisor Esposito. All aye. YIG voted aye. Motion carried.

6. 6:33 pm
Report on status of corporation counsel budget:
Bernie Vash reviewed his report provided to the committee. The largest change since his last report was a bill for approximately \$6,600 from Perkins Coie for a letter of support they drafted on the casino issue related to the environmental impact statement.

Supervisor Rose said these are costs that need to be passed along to the Indian Tribe. Chairman Gentz asked Vash to check on what deadlines are looming and to find out when the extension of the IGA ends. Supervisor Elverman reminded the committee that the Board has supported these actions in the past.

7. 6:39 pm
Resolution from Supervisor Breunig regarding electronic transmittal of agendas:
Supervisor Breunig reported on the tentative schedule for the new website to go live as well as the schedule for training to use the on-line agenda module. Supervisor Rose questioned if there were any costs now or in the future if we support this resolution. Breunig said the software program had already been purchased by IT. Rose said he would support the resolution as long as there were no costs. He will oppose the purchase of computers for county board supervisors. IT Director, Marty Lacock said there will be cost savings if we go paperless. We are trying to stop the use of paper materials, we will avoid postage costs, and we will have a timely delivery of information to the board. We have not discussed providing tablets or I-Pads to county board members. Supervisor Kubicki asked if supervisors still want a hard copy, can they get that or is it all or nothing. Lacock said that is up to the county board. Supervisor Elverman said we could have supervisors without computers so we have to make them available. He is willing to go to the County Center and pick up a copy. Supervisor Hallmon supports this resolution but said e-governance will have to be given some serious thought.

Supervisor Breunig made a motion to approve the resolution. Seconded by Supervisor Hallmon. All aye. YIG voted aye. Motion carried.

Supervisor Breunig will amend the resolution to include the timetable for implementation prior to it getting to the county board.

6:55 pm

8. Update on county board chamber board and sound system:

Lacock gave an update on where we stand in improving the county board's audio system. The voting system has gone pretty good. Audio is a work in progress. Different microphones have been hard wired. Speakers in the board room have been integrated into the system.

7:10 pm

9. Update on shortfalls in the 2012 budget:

David Geertsen said we have Human Services and the Sheriff's Department here to discuss possible shortfalls in their budgets. Sheriff Beth gave a history on the housing of federal inmates for the last 11 to 12 years. BICE wants 24/7 medical services and more doctor visits. These are immigration detainees, not inmates. In July there was a meeting and they told us we were not living up to the medical standards. They capped our detainees at 150. In the past, we have budgeted 250 inmates. That is where the shortfall is coming from. We have asked for a per diem increase from \$70 to \$105. If we meet the medical standards, we think our numbers will go back up. We have taken steps to reduce our expenses in other areas such as eliminating the canine unit at the detention center, there's a hold on overtime, we have not hired anyone since July, and we closed two zones in the pre-trial facility. If the numbers go back up, we will have to hire more people to cover the zones.

Supervisor Esposito said there is a difference between civilian detainees and inmates. We were never set up to be a civilian detention center. Supervisor Rose said when we got into immigration housing, we sold them on our new facility. What they are looking for now does not describe a jail. Do we want to continue by modifying the facility? We have to have a Plan B.

(Supervisor Hallmon left the meeting at 7:35 pm)

Supervisor Breunig asked what is our exit strategy. Beth said he doesn't have that answer. We have to work with the budget so that if it does dry up, it does not affect our operation. If we lose it, we are looking at about a \$4 million dollar cut. Supervisor Elverman said we should be looking at how we adapt rather than exiting. Beth said if we stay where we are at right now, we will be between \$850,000 to \$1 Million short. Even if we get an increase in per diem, we will not break even at the end of the year. Geertsen said we are planning for it. We don't have to react and cut anything right now.

8:05 pm

Laurie Staves from Human Services provided a handout on their projected shortfall. They had been projecting a \$595,000 deficit in June. That deficit did not include the Brookside surplus, health insurance surplus, the health department lawsuit settlement and other surpluses from other divisions in the department. The new figure shows a \$49,000 surplus as of the end of July.

8:10 pm

10. Committee Chairs update on committee activities:

Supervisor Elverman said his committee reviewed an RFP for food concessions at the golf course. If things stay the same this Fall, we will be at break even this year.

Supervisor Breunig reported the State has given permission to fill a vacancy at the UW Extension Office.

8:15 pm

11. Any other business: None

- 8:15 pm
12. **Supervisor Elverman made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Supervisor Kubicki. All aye. YIG voted aye. Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

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