The Kendall County Board Meeting was held at the Kendall County Office Building, Room 209, in the City of Yorkville on Tuesday, August 2, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. The Deputy Clerk called the roll. Members present: Chairman John Purcell, Bob Davidson, Elizabeth Flowers, Jessie Hafenrichter, Dan Koukol, Nancy Martin, Suzanne Petrella, John Shaw, Anne Vickery and Jeff Wehrli.

The Deputy Clerk reported to the Chairman that a quorum was present to conduct business.

MINUTES

Member Hafenrichter moved to approve the submitted minutes from the Adjourned County Board Meeting of 7/5/11. Member Koukol seconded the motion. Chairman Purcell asked for a voice vote on the motion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

THE AGENDA

Chairman Purcell noted there would be modifications to the agenda. He read a letter of resignation from Kendall County Animal Control Warden Christine Johnson effective Tuesday, August 2, 2011. Having received this letter, Chairman Purcell requested item 10 B - Termination of Animal Control Warden be deleted from the agenda. He further requested that under Executive Session Personnel be deleted and substituted with Pending Litigation. Member Martin moved to approve the amended agenda. Member Flowers seconded the motion. Chairman Purcell asked for a voice vote on the motion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

CITIZENSTO BE HEARD

Todd Milliron, 61 Cotswold Dr, Yorkville read a prepared speech concerning the recent Animal Control meeting and the actions of the Animal Control Warden. He reported on the responses he received on his most recently submitted FOIA concerning information sought on the dog bite. Mr. Milliron requested the current policies for handling and tracking pets be reviewed and overhauled.

David Lee, 3015 Courtney Street, Plano is the father of Gavin Lee, the child bitten by the bull mastiff. Mr. Lee explained the circumstances of their presence at the Animal Control facility on the day Gavin was bitten. He further described what happened to Gavin after the bite and the seriousness of the situation.

Patrick Sondgeroth, Sandwich, was the mailman who was bitten by Moose. He explained what transpired the day he was delivering mail and was attacked by the dog.

Shannen Flores, 533 Cardinal Avenue, Oswego, Gavin’s mother, asked about the method of accountability for Animal Control.

MaryAnne Ryan, 324 Normandy Drive, Sugar Grove is the Pet Food Distribution Coordinator for the Kendall County Food Pantry. She asked Member Vickery if dogs and cats may be rescued from the Animal Control facility; Ms. Vickery responded they would be happy for the help.

Katherine Manola of Go Dog Go in Oswego was present to offer help to Animal Control in reorganizing or evaluating dogs.

Member Vickery reported Patrick Sondgeroth positively identified Moose as the dog that was euthanized.

Lara Bendik, owner of Happy Hounds 691 N. Bridge, Yorkville reported on her experiences with Animal Control. She requests evaluations of animals by animal behaviorists so situations like this do not get repeated. She is offering her services to help the facility again.

Eric Devick, Plano, spoke to the Board and explained he was the person who brought the issue to light and requests the Board face the responsibilities and fix them.

CORRESPONDENCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

There was no correspondence or communication to share.
NEW BUSINESS

2012 Holiday Schedule

Member Martin moved to approve the 2012 Holiday Schedule as ordered by the Circuit Court for the Sixteenth Judicial Circuit of the State of Illinois and signed by F. Keith Brown, Chief Judge on July 26, 2011. Member Flowers seconded the motion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Public Safety

Member Flowers reviewed the minutes from July 25, 2011 in the packet.

Judicial/Legislative

Member Koukol reviewed the minutes from July 27, 2011 in the packet.

Animal Control

Chairman Vickery reported Animal Control will be implementing Procedural Changes and will keep Board, press and public current on what is occurring at the facility.

Finance

CLAIMS

Member Vickery moved to approve the claims submitted in the amount of $515,387.36. Member Flowers seconded the motion.

COMBINED CLAIMS: FCLT MGMT $40,417.71, B&Z $2,095.03, CO CLK & RCDR $2,262.90, ELECTION $140.00, ED SRV REG $2,035.02, SHRF $26,269.82, CRRCTNS $7,208.77, MERIT $600.00, CRCT CT CLK $2,680.71, JURY COMM $1,317.52, CRCT CT JDG $3,226.20, CRNR $1,865.54, CMB CRT SRV $6,718.59, PUB DFNDR $1,086.06, ST ATTY $3,295.13, BRD OF RVW $21,98, SPRV OF ASSMNT $141.56, TRSR $288.10, EMPLOY HLTH INS $288,739.22, PPPOST $27,03, OFF OF ADM SRV $1,549.84, GNRL INS & BNDG $135.00, CO BRD $1,115.52, TECH SRV $16,632.91, CAP EXPEND $3,694.42, ECON DEV $32.27, CO HWY $186.00, HLTH & HN MN SRV $2,296.74, FRST PRSRV $10,305.40, KEN COM $3,327.36, ANML CNTRL $1,131.35, CO RCDR DOC STRG $164.90, CRT SEC FND $458.35, LAW LLBRY $4,193.70, PRBTN SRV $4,759.96, ENG/CONS ESC $300.00, VAC $8,580.33, FP BOND PROCESS 2007 $65,986.33
GRAND TOTAL $515,387.36

Chairman Purcell asked for a roll call vote on the motion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Chairman Vickery informed the Board that they talked about the total lightning claims at the Public Safety Center. Total claims are $54,970.51 with total insurance payments of $4,466.10. The county is responsible for a $10,000.00 deductible. Further insurance payments will be deposited into the Liability Insurance Fund and paid out through same.

Eric Weis submitted a request to use Leslie Johnson as the county HR attorney heading up the employment/collective bargaining issues for the county. Eric is also requesting a replacement Civil Attorney. Member Vickery explained this will be further discussed as Budget Hearings begin at the end of August.

Fran Klaas appeared at the Finance Committee with a request to rescind the award to the second low bidder on seal coating.

Ed Dixon spoke to the Finance Committee and distributed a Letter of Cooperation Amendment Proposal for IMRF & PTELL which was reviewed and discussed by the committee. After discussion it was recommended the wording under "VACKC"s counter proposal to amend the wording of the Letter of Cooperation: The County Board agrees to allow the VACKC to annually fund the budgetary line items that will pay the annual percentage of the employers' portion for the listed employee benefits... and include reference to PTELL. It was further recommended Ed Dixon work with Jeff Wilkins and Nancy Martin on the wording and have the document reviewed by the State's Attorney's Office prior to submitting to the County Board for approval. Further discussion will be deferred to the COW meeting on August 11th prior to the County Board meeting on August 16th.

Economic Development

Member Koukol reviewed the minutes distributed at the meeting from July 22, 2011.
Highway

Member Davidson reported no action is needed on the Newark Road Seal Coat Contract. The State of Illinois has approved the second low bidder who has guaranteed work will begin by the end of this week to fulfill the contract for the county.

Administration

Paul LaLonde, Program Director with the Voluntary Action Center KAT (Kendall Area Transit) gave an update of the past year and half of operations. The system has been operational since March 22, 2010. State funding is lagging, however, community contributions have been a major contributor in successful operations. KAT has provided 10,033 rides given through July 2011. Last Friday the 10,000th ride was provided. A breakdown of reasons for ridership shows: medical - 48%; employment - 26%; shopping - 12%; social/recreational - 5% and education - 3%. Seniors make up 47% of the riders; disabled at 28% and the general public at 25%. In KAT’s beginning they averaged 16 rides/day with 75 - 100 registered riders. Today they average 50 rides/day with 900 registered riders. Paul reported on the accomplishments / partnerships and spoke of receiving the 2010 Governor’s Award for Unique Achievement; partnerships with Senior Services Associates, the Regional Office of Education, Kendall County Special Education Coop and the Kendall County Health Department. KAT is also an active member of the Kendall County Senior Providers group, helping form a resource Action Committee with Kendall Cares and have held talks with PADS. There has been a recent partnership developed with Open Door Rehabilitation Center in Sandwich. Future plans include the inclusion of Oswego and Montgomery to make the system completely whole and a Kendall County Park and Ride. There will be discussion about expanding the fleet, continuing current partnerships and exploring new ones, continued support of the Resource Action Committee with Kendall Cares group and to continue growing ridership through community outreach. Paul related some personal stories detailing how KAT has fostered the independent lifestyle of many seniors; and how access to work and medical treatment has increased.

STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES APPROVAL

Member Martin moved to approve all of the Standing Committee Minutes and Reports as submitted. Member Hafenrichter seconded the motion. Chairman Purcell asked for a voice vote on the motion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE AND OTHER LIAISON REPORTS

UCCI

Member Petrella reported the conference she attended covered issues concerning labor law, collective bargaining, labor relations, confidentiality and FOIA.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Chairman Purcell reminded the Board the Kendall County FAIR begins August 4-7, 2011 at the Fairgrounds and encouraged attendance.

August 2, 2011 COUNTY BOARD MEETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kendall County Big Slough Drainage District
G. Scott Breunig – 3-year term – expires September 2014

APPOINTMENTS

Tuberculosis Board
Dr. Alafia Nomani – 3-year term – expires August 2014

Member Hafenrichter moved to approve the appointment. Member Flowers seconded the motion. Chairman Purcell asked for a voice vote on the motion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Other Business

Jim Smiley distributed FGM’s review of bids and options for the KenCom basement build-out. Bids were received on Friday, July 22, 2011. The County received 11 bids from contractors for the work. The apparent low bidder is LITE Construction with a base bid of $1,022,700.00. That bid does not include the acceptance of any of the seven alternates. Member Vickery recommended the Executive Board of KenCom become involved and find ways to do some value engineering. These bids exceeded expectations by almost $300,000. Chairman Purcell noted the Board is in agreement that a signed lease agreement is necessary before moving forward with funding.

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CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Todd Milliron, 61 Cotswold Dr, Yorkville complimented the work KAT has done in Kendall County.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Member Flowers made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:55pm for litigation when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court. Member Martin seconded the motion. Chairman Purcell asked for a roll call vote on the motion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

RECONVENE

Chairman Purcell reconvened the Board into regular session.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Martin moved to adjourn the County Board Meeting at 8:05pm until the next scheduled meeting. Member Flowers seconded the motion. Chairman Purcell asked for a voice vote on the motion. All members present voting aye. Motion carried.

Approved and submitted this 2nd day of August, 2011.

Respectfully submitted by,

Mimi Bryan
Kendall County Deputy Clerk