Call to Order

The Committee of the Whole was called to order by Chair John Shaw at 4:00 p.m., who led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Board Members Present: Dan Koukol – here, Matthew Prochaska – here, Lynn Cullick - here, John Shaw– aye, Bob Davidson - here, Judy Gilmour - here

Board Members Absent: Elizabeth Flowers, Scott Gryder, Jeff Wehrli, John Purcell

Others Present: David Berault, Jill Ferko, Debbie Gillette, Jim Smiley, Dr. Amaal Tokars

New Business

- Unfunded Mandate Task Force – Member Prochaska provided background information on the task force, and said he hopes to discuss this item further at the Judicial Legislative Committee. County Clerk/Recorder Debbie Gillette said that the election office is greatly impacted financially by some of the unfunded mandates. Dr. Tokars said that the Health Department is mostly impacted by redundant services mandates, but said they are able to negotiate those with staff.

- Presentation of Kendall County Annual Financial Report for FY 2014 – Matt Schueler from Wipfli, CPAs reviewed the reports with the committee, detailing certain sections and findings.

- Petition 14-25: Amendment to the Kendall County Zoning Ordinance to allow bee keeping in residential districts – Member Gilmour provided background, and said they have reviewed state statutes on this issue, and reviewed the proposed amendment to the ordinance.

- Resolution Requiring the Audio Recording of all Standing Committee Meetings – Chairman Shaw stated that in the county’s efforts to maintain transparency. Mr. Shaw reviewed the proposed resolution, and explained why the resolution was created.
Honoring former County Board member Jessie Hafenrichter – Member Prochaska read the proposed resolution honoring former county board member Hafenrichter. Discussion following on other suggestions for honoring the former board member with a planted tree, or a plaque displayed at the county office building. There was consensus by the committee members present to ask the County Administrative Services office to research options and report at the April 16, 2015 COW meeting.

Review Draft Board Agenda – Chairman Shaw asked the committee to review the draft agenda and make any changes or additions.

Public Comment – Dr. Tokars read a letter from the Kendall County Board of Health regarding the state budget cuts and the impact on health department programs including home weatherization, medication costs, energy costs, mental health and addiction treatment.

Questions from the Media – Mr. Wyman, WSPY Media asked about the status of Alderman Bob Hyde’s appointment to the Rob Roy Drainage District. Chairman Shaw explained that after one board member researched the issue, and consulted with the State’s Attorney’s Office, the County Board was informed that there would be a conflict of interest because Mr. Hyde is an Alderman in the City of Plano. Therefore, Mr. Hyde was not approved to serve as a drainage district commissioner.

Executive Session – None needed

Items for the County Board

- Approval of Petition 14-25: Amendment to the Kendall County Zoning Ordinance to allow bee keeping in residential districts

- Approval of Resolution Requiring the Audio Recording of all Standing Committee Meetings

Adjournment – Member Davidson moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting and the motion was seconded by Member Cullick. There being no objection, the Committee of the Whole was adjourned at 5:01p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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