

LAW & LEGAL
December 6, 2021

The Law & Legal Committee held its monthly meeting on Monday, December 6, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, Courtroom 201. Committee Members present included Vice Chair Ken Durkin, Lee Calvert, Eric Chapman, Travis Hiel, and Terra Litchfield. Member Michael Kirby attended via zoom. Members absent were Committee Chair Joe Erlandson and Julie Melvin. Other persons in attendance were County Chair Scott Schwerer, Committee Secretary Stacey Alexander, Patrick Stout, Tim Lobdell, Sheriff Nick Petitgout, Susan DiGrino, JoAnn Hairston-Jones, Chris Enroth, and Carrie McKillip.

Vice Chair Ken Durkin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Review & Approve November 1, 2021 Minutes

Member Litchfield moved with a second by Member Calvert to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Waste Management Update

Dave Schaab gave the report.

Tri-County Recycling

No report. Tim Lobdell was present. Lobdell informed the Committee that he is still waiting to get the scale in so there are no numbers to report yet. Lobdell stated that they received one bid on installing it. County Chair Schwerer said he might want to call hoods in Rushville for a second bid.

Veteran's Assistance and Van Report

Ric Smart gave the report. Seven Veterans were given assistance in November. Total assistance amounted to \$1598.93.

Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Nick Petitgout gave the report. Sheriff Petitgout informed the Committee that November numbers were high at the Jail. Sheriff Petitgout also stated that they have some inmates waiting to go to IDOC, and they are still waiting on reimbursement from the State on inmates kept there during COVID.

Assessor's Office Update

No report.

Presentation by the Women's Club to go over Findings from the Recycling survey

WIRC, McDonough County Health Department, U of I Extension, Illinois Rural Affairs Institute, and the Greater Foundation of Women's Club worked together on the Rural Recycling Survey. The Survey took place on May 21, 2021 and got 534 responses from McDonough County. A power point presentation and a discussion were held. Tim Lobdell stated maybe if a plan was in place and a grant became available it could be submitted right away.

Claims Review and Approval

Member Hiel moved with a second by Member Chapman to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Other

None.

Executive Session

None

Public Comment

Dana Walker stated that the Rural Committee would be behind the Rural Recycling. Walker said he is going to talk about it at Earth Day in April 2022. He also stated that the County is being irresponsible by not wearing masks when COVID numbers are going up.

County Board Chair Comments

County Chair Schwerer informed the Committee that there are 86 new cases of COVID in McDonough County. Chair Schwerer also stated that he is still waiting on the rules from the Treasury on the uses of the ARPA money.

Adjourn

Member Litchfield moved with a second by Member Chapman to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.