

BUILDING PROJECTS COMMITTEE
McHenry County Government Center – Administration Building
667 Ware Road
Woodstock IL 60098

MINUTES OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman Moy at 9:30 a.m. The following members were present: Perry Moy; Sue Draffkorn; Don Brewer; Mary Lou Zierer; Marie Chmiel; and Ed Dvorak. Nick Provenzano arrived at 10:10 a.m. Also in attendance: Peter Austin, County Administrator; Tom Svoboda, Sheriff's Department; Cathy Link, Purchasing; Barry Valentine, ESDA; Peter Layer, representative from CivilTech Engineering; interested public; and the press.

Perry Moy, Chairman	
Don Brewer	Marie Chmiel
Sue Draffkorn	Ed Dvorak
Nick Provenzano	Mary Lou Zierer

MINUTES: Ms. Zierer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dvorak, to approve the Building Projects Committee and Valley-Hi Committee joint meeting minutes of January 23, 2006. The minutes were approved as presented with a unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

PRESENTATION: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion of West Parking Lot Reconfiguration: Peter Layer, CivilTech Engineering, provided an update to the plans to realign the parking area in front of the jail building. Originally, the plan was to have 108 parking spaces but the cost of \$295,000 was too high. The parking was re-evaluated and parking spaces were dropped to 46 as a cost saving measure. In addition existing lighting and the observation camera will not change between the parking area and Annex B. New lighting will be installed in front of the jail building. The total cost is anticipated to be \$135,000. The existing driveway used by Annex B will allow for access during the construction. Landscaping will be done in phasing by True Green. Ms. Chmiel questioned if 46 parking spaces were enough. In response, it was noted that 46 will be sufficient to meet the needs at the present time. Ms. Chmiel questioned how much had been budgeted for this project. It was noted that \$100,000 was the original budget for this project, a funding source for the additional \$35,000 will need to be determined. Mr. Brewer asked what the "peak hours" for use of this parking lot would be. Chief Svoboda responded that the day shift with 32 officers/supervisors would be the peak hours, during this time 16 visitor spaces would be available. Chairman Moy thanked Mr. Layer for his update.

OLD BUSINESS:

Update on construction and remodeling projects:

Valley-Hi: Ms. Link reported that the security system for employee entrance was discussed at the Field meeting this past Thursday (2/2/06). Rock River was the low bidder for installation of a card reading system for employees. However this system would be a stand alone system and would not be compatible with the Government Center system. The cost increase would be approximately \$10,000 and to be consistent with the rest of the Government Center and to have the background checks done through the Sheriff's Department. A change order will be forthcoming for this request. Mr. Brewer questioned if the Sheriff provides the background checks will Valley-Hi need to pay for these services since Valley-Hi is an enterprise fund. He stated all costs involved should be known before making this change. Ms. Link added that Valley-Hi's current employee badges can be confusing as they do not identify the person as a government employee. The proposed badges would be the same as all other county employee badges. Ms. Link will do more research on administrative fees and costs. Ms. Zierer asked if all doors at Valley-Hi would be security doors so patients cannot leave the building. Ms. Link responded that the dementia unit on the second floor does have secure doors but she will need to check on the other exit doors.

The Division of Transportation has sent a letter denying a request for a variance at Valley-Hi to allow an emergency access driveway to the new nursing facility. The letter stated that even though this project is funded by McHenry County, it must follow the same standards for access and construction as any other development project.

Ms. Link also reported that there have been complaints of mud on Hartland Road due to the construction. SAS has been reminded of the need to keep the roads clean along with the construction site. These issues will continue to be monitored.

Approved: 3/20/06

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Ms. Link reported that the wrong size windows were received and were being sent back. A corrected order was shipped and windows are being installed.

During the last meeting members had asked if it would be possible to have emergency electrical outlets in all patients' rooms. Ms. Link stated that to meet the requirements there must be 24 hours of fuel on hand at all times and the existing generator had an above ground fuel, such a change would require a step down electrical transformer site the anticipated costs would be \$500,000. She stated they are still looking at other alternatives, including the possibility of potable oxygen tanks (which could raise a storage issue).

Courthouse/Sheriff Remodeling Projects:

Ms. Link reported that meetings continue to be held twice a month with the architect and contractors. Bid packs for Phase 3 will be coming in soon. Changes to the State's Attorney's area are moving forward with the relocation of Building Operations and moving the entrance door to the I.T. Department. Two change orders are pending in excess of \$20,000 which will be brought to the Committee for approval. A bid request for food services was sent to 26 vendors with only Blimpies responding. Blimpies will be relocated to the area in front of Traffic near the west entrance. The possibility of tying this food service in with the jail foodservice contract is being explored. New communication/location signs will be posted through the building. The judiciary division has been very understanding with noise issues, which have been minimal to date. Ms. Chmiel asked for further explanation on change orders and Mr. Austin explained that the relocation of Building Operations was more than just a small change. With the relocation, the area had to be reconstructed which added to the costs. Ms. Chmiel questioned where the extra funds would come from and Mr. Austin noted that this was being researched.

Jail Project: Chief Svoboda reported that the manufacture of the dishwasher, that has had 43 service calls in the past four months, has agreed to install another unit as they felt the equipment was not installed properly. The new machine would come with a two year warranty. Chief Svoboda stated that the manufacture is an 85 year old company out of Germany and he felt this issue was being resolved to everyone satisfaction. The administration wing construction is on-time. It is anticipated that it will be ready for use on April 1, 2006. The new officers' dining room will be a "cash-less" operation with the purchase of items by the use of ID cards; deductions will be taken from payroll. Members asked if such a system could be integrated into one used by the entire staff. Mr. Austin noted that there could be security issues but this option could be research after all construction projects were completed.

Change Order Updates: Change orders were reviewed and Mr. Sarbaugh submitted contingency reports for the Valley-Hi construction project; the courthouse remodeling; and the jail build out project. Mr. Provenzano asked that percentage balances be added to future reports.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Noting no further business, Mr. Provenzano made a motion, seconded by Mr. Brewer, to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 a.m. The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

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RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION: None.

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