

**CHAIRMAN'S ADVISORY LEGISLATIVE FORUM (CALF)**  
**McHenry County Government – Administration Building**  
**667 Ware Road**  
**Woodstock IL 60098**

MINUTES OF TUESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2009

The CALF meeting was called to order by Chairman Koehler at 6:00 p.m. The following members were present: Chairman Koehler; Yvonne Barnes; Ed Dvorak; Tina Hill; Pete Merkel; Anna May Miller; Marc Munaretto; Sandra Fay Salgado; and, Ersel Schuster. John Hammerand; Mary McCann; and Lyn Orphal were absent. Also in attendance: Peter Austin, County Administrator, John W. Labaj, Deputy County Administrator and Ralph Sarbaugh, Associate County Administrator-Finance.

Yvonne Barnes	Ed Dvorak
John Hammerand	Tina Hill
Mary McCann	Pete Merkel
Anna May Miller	Marc Munaretto
Lyn Orphal	Sandra Fay Salgado
Ersel Schuster	

MINUTES

Ms. Hill made a motion, seconded by Mr. Heisler, to approve the Chairman's Advisory Legislative Forum (CALF) meeting minutes of September 29, 2008. The minutes were approved as presented with all members present voting aye.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

NEW BUSINESS:

*Discussion – Federal Legislative Program for Fiscal Year 2009:* Remarks on new leadership in the State and the stimulus package being proposed by the Federal Government were made by Chairman Koehler. Mr. Austin distributed the proposed Federal Legislative Program agenda for 2010. The members discussed the Federal Legislative Program for the County, which included a variety of issues that are significant for the County. Funding requests included \$500,000 to perform water quality testing on 50 observation wells; \$1.3 million to complete comprehensive watershed plans; \$1 million for two transportation road widening projects; \$400,000 for the Public Safety Communication project; \$1,200,000 to complete a multi-year technology plan for the Integrated Criminal Justice Information system; and \$250,000 to fund the expansion of the *F.A.S.T. Solutions Initiative*. The County also seeks support for commuter rail service and the development of passenger rail lines for the continued healthy economic growth to the County. Policy concerns raised in the proposed program included: Opposition to unfunded mandates/preemptions; National Environmental Protection Act requirements; American with Disabilities Act requirements and transportation funding. Additional information on water and transportation projects, the two largest issues, were presented by Ms. McKinney, Water Resource Manager, and Mr. Korpalski, Jr. P.E., Direction of Transportation/County Engineer. The proposed Program will move forward for consideration by the County Board on February 3, 2009. A visit to Washington D.C. to present the program is planned for the first week in March.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

MISCELLANEOUS: None

REPORTS: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Heisler motioned, seconded by Mr. Dvorak, to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

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**RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION:**

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