

MCHENRY COUNTY BOARD  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION MEETING  
MARCH 15, 2011

Chairman of the Board – Kenneth D. Koehler (District 2)

<b>District 1</b> Robert Bless Anna May Miller Marc Munaretto Robert Nowak	<b>District 2</b> J.S. "Scott" Breeden James Heisler Kenneth Koehler Donna Kurtz	<b>District 3</b> Mary L Donner Nick Provenzano Kathleen Bergan Schmidt Barbara Wheeler
<b>District 4</b> Sue Draffkorn John Hammerand Pete Merkel Sandra Fay Salgado	<b>District 5</b> Tina Hill John P Jung Jr. Virginia Peschke Paula Yensen	<b>District 6</b> Randall Donley Diane Evertsen Mary McCann Ersel C Schuster

The Honorable County Board of McHenry County, Illinois met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Chairman Koehler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by County Clerk Katherine Schultz with Members of the Board, department heads and visitors participating. Mr. Donley gave the invocation/personal remarks.

#### ROLL CALL

The roll was called by County Clerk Katherine Schultz. The following members responded: Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kurtz, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Nowak, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Yensen, Bless, Breeden, Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Evertsen, Hammerand and Koehler. Parliamentarian Jamie Rein was present. Chairman Koehler declared a quorum present with twenty-four members responding.

#### MINUTES

Mr. Heisler made a motion seconded by Ms. Donner to approve COW minutes from February 25<sup>th</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup> and County Board minutes from March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Chairman Koehler asked for any changes or corrections. Ms. Schmidt noted a typo on page 2 of the board minutes which is noted and will be corrected. Noting no other changes, the Chairman asked for a voice vote the ayes having it he declared the motion passed to approve the above-named minutes.

#### CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Ms. Yensen spoke about Women's History Month and one of her hero's Susan B. Anthony and the right to vote. Chairman Koehler reported that his meeting in Washington was a successful visit in that they had good conversation with Durbin and Kirk's people who actually do the writing of the issues that we want. He said they also had good conversation with Congressman Walsh which is his first one on one conversation with him since he took office. The Chairman said on the other side, he went to Springfield last week along with MCCOG. He said although it was interesting and informative what they want to do in Springfield as far as gutting the county and municipalities of state income tax money, it's going to leave most of the municipalities in very poor shape. The Chairman said they were also there lobbying in regard to workers' comp. He reminded them that if they looked into their own cases of workers' comp they might be appalled at what the state itself is paying.

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION/REPORTS

*7.1 Proclamation to Recognize Patricia Floeter for 19 years as Chairperson of the McHenry County Local Emergency Planning Committee*

Mr. Provenzano made a motion seconded by Ms. Wheeler to approve the above-named Proclamation.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, he declared the motion passed.

Chairman Koehler asked Ms. Floeter to come forward along with Barry Valentine of EMA. The Chairman presented Ms. Floeter with the Proclamation Certificate and a miniature flag of the County. Chairman Koehler noted that Ms. Floeter has been on this committee for over 20 years and served as the chairperson since 1992. He thanked her for the dedication she has shown to McHenry County. Mr. Valentine pointed out that Ms. Floeter has been someone they could count on over the years with her expertise on nuclear power stations and hazardous materials. She has been the person they've relied on for information on hazardous materials and some of the things they should do. Under her direction, the committee now follows up on all of the hazardous material issues that happen in the

County. They get a report back from the people who were responsible for the spill to find out exactly what they did with that product and how it was cleaned up and removed. He said they are going to miss her and her wealth of knowledge. Ms. Floeter thanked everyone for this recognition.

#### 7.2 Proclamation Acknowledging Health Care Workers

Ms. Peschke made a motion seconded by Ms. Salgado to approve the above-named Proclamation.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having he, he declared the motion passed.

The Chairman asked Dennis O'Sullivan from the Metropolitan Chicago Health Care Council to come forward.

Mr. O'Sullivan accepted and thanked the County for the proclamation and talked about what the Council does.

#### 7.3 Proclamation to Recognize Robert Cornelison for 32 years of public service with the McHenry County DOT

Ms. Miller made a motion seconded by Ms. Yensen to approve the above-named Proclamation.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, he declared the motion passed.

Chairman Koehler presented Mr. Cornelison with the Proclamation and a miniature flag of the County.

Mr. Dammyer of DOT came forward and said that Mr. Cornelison's last day was Friday and although he is very deserving of retirement he will be greatly missed. He pointed out that Mr. Cornelison started in the winter of 1979 and has performed anything and everything the DOT has asked him to do. Mr. Dammyer said not only is he a model employee, he is a true friend who never has a bad day and nothing bad to say about anyone. Mr. Cornelison thanked everyone for the recognition.

#### SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None

#### ZBA CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Koehler asked if anyone wished to remove a petition, there were none.

Ms. Hill made a motion seconded by Ms. Donner to approve the following Petitions:

Exb #10-49; Alden Twp; Gerardo/Patricia Martinez; reclass of B2-B1V

Exb #11-02; McHenry Twp; John S Priest, Jr.; reclass of R1-R1V

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion, noting none he asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kurtz, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Nowak, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Yensen, Bless, Breeden, Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Evertsen, Hammerand and Koehler. The vote being twenty-four (24) ayes, the Chairman declared the motion to approve passed.

#### PLATS

None

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Koehler explained the rules of Public Comment. The following people spoke:

Ann Wronkowski of Woodstock	for	Petition #10-14
Tim Witherell of Woodstock	for	Petition #10-14
Debby Staley of Woodstock	against	Fleming Road project
Lisa Rhoades of Woodstock	against	Fleming Road project
Jose Olague of Crystal Lake	for	Petition #10-14
Eduardo Olague of Woodstock	for	Petition #10-14 (handout for bd members)
Paul Donos of Grayslake	for	Petition #10-14
Tobi Bacaner of Gurnee	for	Petition #10-14

Noting no others wishing to speak, Chairman Koehler closed public comment.

#### NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

12.1 *Resolution Authorizing the Unfreezing of and a Salary Adjustment to Position #045-0003-99 (First Assistant) and the Freezing of Position #045-0040-99 (Assistant Attorney) in the State's Attorney's Departmental Roster*

Mr. Provenzano made a motion seconded by Mr. Breeden to postpone this Resolution and bring it back before the board on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion, noting none, he asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it the Chairman declared the motion to postpone 12.1 to May 17<sup>th</sup> as has passed.

*12.2 Resolution Authorizing the Reclassification of Position #042-0002-06 "Assistant to the Court Administrator" to "Deputy Court Administrator" in the Court Administration Departmental Roster*

Mr. Provenzano made a motion seconded by Ms. Wheeler to approve the above-named Resolution.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion, noting none, he asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Heisler, Kurtz, McCann, Merkel, Peschke, Salgado, Schmidt, Wheeler, Bless, Breeden, Donner and Koehler. Nay: Hill, Jung, Miller, Munaretto, Nowak, Provenzano, Schuster, Yensen, Donley, Draffkorn, Evertsen and Hammerand. The vote being twelve (12) ayes and twelve (12) nays, the **motion to approve 12.2 has failed** on a tie vote.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Provenzano made a motion seconded by Mr. Heisler to approve the following Appointments:

McHenry County Sheriff's Merit Commission  
Brian J Goode term to 03/31/2017

Harvard Community Fire Protection District  
William J Hartwig term to 05/2014

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kurtz, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Nowak, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Yensen, Bless, Breeden, Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Evertsen, Hammerand and Koehler. The vote being twenty-four (24) ayes, the Chairman declared the motion to approve the above-named Appointments has passed.

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN UPDATES

None

ROUTINE CONSENT AGENDA

Chairman Koehler asked if anyone wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda. Ms. Schuster removed 15.2 B(2), B(8) and 15.2 G(1); and Ms. Draffkorn removed 15.2 B(3). Mr. Provenzano removed 15.2 D(1) noting there were amendments made to this since it passed Law & Justice and the State's Attorney's Office is still in the process of reviewing those changes so it will be brought back to committee and then back to the board.

Ms. Hill made a motion seconded by Mr. Provenzano to approve the Routine Consent Agenda with five items removed.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion, noting none, he asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kurtz, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Nowak, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Yensen, Bless, Breeden, Donley, Donner, Draffkorn, Evertsen, Hammerand and Koehler. The vote being twenty-four (24) ayes, the Chairman declared the motion to approve the Routine Consent Agenda with five items removed has passed.

*15.2 B(2) Resolution Authorizing Amendments to Resolution R-200906-10-201 as related to the HOME Investment Partnerships Program*

Mr. Breeden made a motion seconded by Ms. Draffkorn to approve the above-named Resolution.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion, noting none, he asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kurtz, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Nowak, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Schmidt, Wheeler, Yensen, Bless, Breeden, Donley, Donner, Draffkorn and Koehler. Nay: Schuster, Evertsen and Hammerand. The vote being twenty-one (21) ayes and three (3) nays, the Chairman declared the motion to approve 15.2 B(2) has passed.

*15.2 B(3) Resolution Authorizing the Program Year 2011 Community Development Block Grant Allocations*

Mr. Breeden made a motion seconded by Ms. Donner to approve the above-named Resolution.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion. Ms. Peschke and Ms. Draffkorn asked to abstain from the vote due to a conflict.

Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kurtz, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Nowak, Provenzano, Salgado, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Yensen, Bless, Breeden, Donley, Donner, Evertsen, Hammerand and Koehler. Abstain: Peschke and Draffkorn. The vote being twenty-two (22) ayes and two (2) abstentions, the Chairman declared the motion to approve 15.2 B(3) has passed.

*15.2 B(8) Resolution authorizing the creation of a Procurement Officer-Building Inspector position for the Community Development Division and freezing an Associate Building Inspector position within the Planning & Development Department*

Mr. Breeden made a motion seconded by Ms. Hill to approve the above-named Resolution.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion. Ms. Schuster said she suggests watching how the new department grows; they'll be back to bring the inspector back to the Planning Department shortly.

Noting no other discussion, Chairman Koehler asked for a roll call vote. The following members responded aye: Heisler, Hill, Jung, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Nowak, Peschke, Provenzano, Salgado, Schmidt, Yensen, Bless, Breeden, Donner, Draffkorn and Koehler. Nay: Kurtz, Schuster, Donley, Evertsen and Hammerand. Absent: Wheeler. The vote being eighteen (18) ayes and five (5) nays noting one (1) absent, the Chairman declared the motion to approve 15.2 B(8) has passed.

*15.2 D(1) Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement between the McHenry County Sheriff's Office, the Village of Lake in the Hills, and McHenry County to provide mutual aid*

Mr. Provenzano made a motion seconded by Mr. Breeden to postpone this Resolution to April 19<sup>th</sup>.

Noting no discussion, Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, he declared the motion to postpone 15.2 D(1) to April 19<sup>th</sup> has passed.

*15.2 G(1) Resolution Authorizing Adoption of Amendments to the McHenry County Board Rules*

Ms. Schuster made a motion seconded by Ms. Yensen to approve the above-named Resolution.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion. Ms. Schuster said two different committees have worked for about a year and a half to try to bring the board rules up to date. She proposed if someone had an amendment to do it this evening and then send it back to committee to discuss the zoning issues.

Ms. Miller made a motion seconded by Mr. Bless **to amend Section 3 Chairman and 4 Vice Chairman to remove the third sentence "It is recommended that the Chairman/Vice Chairman not serve more than three (3) consecutive terms."**

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to amend. Ms. Miller said there is no basis in law and it's up to the members of the board to make the determination on their own. Mr. Provenzano agreed stating that the board rules are a book of rules not recommendations. Ms. Salgado said if the amendment is successful there is still an option to put this out for referendum for the people of McHenry County to decide how long the Chair and Vice Chair should hold the position. Ms. Kurtz commented about power being distributed if the terms were limited and was against this amendment. Board members continued to comment both for and against this amendment. Mr. Hammerand asked our Parliamentarian Ms. Rein what force of law or what validity would this have if somebody decided they wanted to be Chairman after the third attempt. Ms. Rein said none that is why a compromise was reached by saying recommendation. If someone were to seek a term after that recommendation it doesn't prohibit them from doing so it just would be against the recommendation that is in the board rules. It was pointed out that succession planning, leadership abilities and mentoring with our colleagues are very important. Ms. Salgado said she wished the board had had the State's Attorney's opinion before because the opinion was that we could not legally limit a term limit. She said what this is not saying is that we're limiting anyone to run for County Board, it's the term position of the Chair, which is only elected by the County Board members. Ms. Schmidt pointed out that as we are presently structured it is the board's call who is the Chairman; every two years the board decides but it is the voters who decide who the board members are.

Noting no further discussion, Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the vote being too close to call he asked for a roll call vote. He noted that a yes vote is to remove the recommendation for term limits for Chairman and Vice Chairman and a no vote is to keep the recommendation for term limits for Chairman and Vice Chairman in the board rules.

The following members responded aye: Hill, Jung, McCann, Merkel, Miller, Nowak, Provenzano, Bless, Breeden, Donner, Draffkorn, Hammerand and Koehler. Nay: Heisler, Kurtz, Munaretto, Peschke, Salgado, Schmidt, Schuster, Wheeler, Yensen, Donley and Evertsen. The vote being thirteen (13) ayes and eleven (11) nays, the **motion to amend to remove the recommendation for term limits for Chairman and Vice Chairman has passed.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any other discussion.

Ms. Evertsen made a motion seconded by Ms. Hill **to amend Section 8.2 to remove the recommended board meeting time of 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month and have it remain as 9 a.m.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to amend. Noting none, he asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, the Chairman declared the **motion to amend Section 8.2 to remove the recommended board meeting time of 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month has passed. This meeting will continue to be held at 9 a.m.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any other discussion.

Mr. Hammerand made a motion seconded by Ms. McCann **to amend Section 7.1 to change the following wording: from first sentence Mileage may - to mileage upon request and from the second sentence Mileage may - to mileage shall**

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to amend. Noting none, the Chairman asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, the Chairman declared the **motion to amend language in 7.1 from first sentence Mileage may - to mileage upon request and from the second sentence Mileage may - to mileage shall has passed.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any other discussion.

Mr. Provenzano made a motion seconded by Ms. Wheeler **to amend Section 10, #18 remove Public Comment** as this would be the second Public Comment of the meeting.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to amend. Mr. Provenzano felt that there is ample time provided for public comment in the beginning of the meeting. Some board members felt that having the second public comment time gives people the opportunity to respond to things that have been voted on or discussed by the board throughout the meeting. Ms. Miller pointed out that there is no exchange of discussion with the board and having a second public comment after board business could bring more emotional comments in reaction to things passed or discussed during the board meeting. She encourages people to come before the board but agrees that ample time is given in the beginning of the meeting. Mr. Hammerand suggested that perhaps we should be giving more than three minutes to speak as he has heard numerous comments that this is not enough time to get their statements completed.

Noting no other discussion, the Chairman asked for a voice vote, being too close to call he asked for a roll call vote noting that a yes vote is to remove the second public comment and a no vote is to keep the second public comment on the Agenda. The following members responded aye: Merkel, Miller, Munaretto, Nowak, Peschke, Provenzano, Wheeler, Bless, Breeden, Donley, Draffkorn, Hammerand and Koehler. Nay: Heisler, Hill, Jung, Kurtz, McCann, Salgado, Schmidt, Schuster, Yensen, Donner and Evertsen. The vote being thirteen (13) ayes and eleven (11) nays, the Chairman declared the **motion to remove #18 second public comment has passed.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any other discussion.

Ms. Donner made a motion seconded by Mr. Breeden **to amend Section 12.3 by removing the second sentence The total time allotted for public comment shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes unless extended by Board action.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to amend. Ms. Donner felt we should let the public speak for as long as they want as we never limit them to 30 minutes, we do extend when requested. Ms. Salgado said she is always in favor of extending public comment and feels that having a guideline in place is important. Mr. Bless and Ms. Wheeler agreed adding that we need this rule to have control of the meeting. Chairman Koehler commented that

this is a tool to manage the meeting. If there are several people signed up to speak, he tries to have the next speaker ready and waiting as well as there is always the courtesy of letting people speak beyond the red light/three minutes.

Noting no other discussion, Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote on the motion to amend Section 12.3 by removing the second sentence The total time allotted for public comment shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes unless extended by Board action. He noted that a yes vote is in favor of eliminating the 30 minute allotted time, a no vote leaves the 30 minute time limit unless extended by the Board in the rules. On the voice vote, the nays having it, the Chairman declared the **motion to remove 12.3 the second sentence The total time allotted for public comment shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes unless extended by Board action has failed.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any further discussion.

Mr. Provenzano asked about Section 17 where it says Resumes are not required for re-appointment and why it is here. He doesn't see where they are required at all. The Chairman said to his knowledge resumes have never been required but may be attached if an applicant wishes to do so, however completed applications are required.

Mr. Provenzano made a motion seconded by Ms. Yensen to **amend Section 17 third paragraph, remove the last recommended sentence Resumes are not required for re-appointments.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to amend. Board members agreed with this amendment. Ms. McCann wondered if the word should be Applications and then to that should the former applications for re-appointment be submitted to the committee. Ms. Hill asked if Mr. Provenzano would be willing to change his amendment from Resumes to Applications are not required for re-appointments. She said the applications are kept on file so they can be reviewed for re-appointment. Mr. Provenzano said no he was not in agreement because some of the information on the application might have changed over the time they were holding the position. It was noted that an application is a legal document and the applications should not be rolled over for re-appointment.

Noting no other discussion, Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote on the motion to amend Section 17 third paragraph, remove the last recommended sentence Resumes are not required for re-appointments. The Chairman noted a yes vote is to remove this sentence a no vote is to leave it in. On the voice vote, a unanimous aye vote having it, the Chairman declared the motion to **amend Section 17 third paragraph, remove the last recommended sentence Resumes are not required for re-appointments has passed.**

Chairman Koehler asked for any further discussion.

Ms. Peschke said in Section 17 the same paragraph that was just amended, she asked that the word "be" be inserted between will and distributed to read, which will be distributed .... Chairman Koehler said the correction is noted and will be taken care of.

Ms. Schuster made a motion seconded by Mr. Provenzano to **amend Section 4, first paragraph, to remove the last recommended sentence, The Vice Chairman of the County Board shall not be eligible to serve as a Standing Committee Chair (effective December, 2012).**

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to amend. Ms. Salgado said this was proposed because it has not been the practice of the County Board to have the Vice Chairman sit as a sitting Chairman on any of our committees. She is against this amendment because if the Vice Chairman would have to sit in for the Chairman for some reason for a length of time, he could possibly interrupt the services to another committee. She feels there are plenty of people who can provide leadership to our standing committees. Board members spoke for and against this amendment some feeling that the Vice Chairman should be allowed to Chair a standing committee to use his or her leadership skills as well.

Noting no further discussion, the Chairman asked for a voice vote, the vote being too close to call, he asked for a roll call vote. The Chairman noted that a yes vote is to remove the last recommended sentence, The Vice Chairman of the County Board shall not be eligible to serve as a Standing Committee Chair (effective December, 2012) and a no vote is to leave this sentence in.

The following members responded aye: Heisler, Hill, Jung, Merkel, Miller, Provenzano, Schuster, Bless, Breeden, Evertsen and Koehler. Nay: Kurtz, McCann, Munaretto, Nowak, Peschke, Salgado, Schmidt, Wheeler, Yensen, Donley, Donner, Draffkorn and Hammerand.

The vote being eleven (11) ayes and thirteen (13) nays, the Chairman declared the motion to **remove the last recommended sentence, The Vice Chairman of the County Board shall not be eligible to serve as a Standing Committee Chair (effective December, 2012) has failed.** Sentence stays in.

Chairman Koehler asked for any further discussion.

Ms. Hill asked if there were no other changes that we return this back to committee to go over the zoning petition portion of the rules. Ms. Rein said we can do this or pass the board rules with all of the amendments made this evening so that the Ordinance would have this date, then we would bring the whole thing back to make changes to the Zoning Petitions section. Chairman Koehler said the motion and second will now be to vote for or against all of the changes as they've been amended with the understanding that the zoning petition section will go back to Management Services to be reviewed. Ms. Rein said the zoning petition section will remain as is at this time.

Ms. Hill made a motion seconded by Ms. Donner to table the vote to a date certain of April 19<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman Koehler asked for any discussion on the motion to table. Mr. Provenzano asked what this does to all of the amendment votes that have been done. Mr. Rein said they will be put into this as completed so the only changes that will be made will be to the zoning section. Technically that does mean you can bring them back up at the next meeting, but it will be a clean copy of what was done tonight. Board members felt a vote should be taken on the County Board Rules as amended here tonight leaving the Zoning Petition section as is to be brought back at a later time. Ms. Rein said the Board can table just the section on Zoning.

Mr. Hammerand asked Ms. Hill if she would change her motion to table the Zoning Petition section to a date certain of April 19<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Hill and Ms. Donner were both fine with this change. The motion now reads as follows:

Ms. Hill makes a motion seconded by Ms. Donner to table Section 15 Zoning Petitions recommendations.

Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote on the motion to table Section #15 Zoning Petitions recommendations to go back to committee to come back possibly on April 19<sup>th</sup>. On a voice vote, the ayes having it, he declared the **motion to table Section #15 Zoning Petitions recommendations has passed.**

Chairman Koehler said the vote being taken now is to approve the County Board Rules as amended with Section 15 recommendations going back to committee for further review. The zoning petition rules stand as is with no changes at this time. The Chairman asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, he declared the **motion to approve the County Board Rules as amended with Section 15 recommendations going back to committee for further review has passed.**

Chairman Koehler commented that the change of leadership discussion will be seen at the next meeting. He will be out of the country and Mr. Jung will be having surgery and will not be able to be here, so the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Breeden will be the Chair at the April 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### ORDINANCES

16.2 A *Ordinance Amending the McHenry County Stormwater Management Ordinance #O-200401-10-009 adopted January 20, 2004*

Ms. McCann made a motion seconded by Ms. Peschke to approve the above-named Ordinance.

Noting no discussion, Chairman Koehler asked for a voice vote, the ayes having it, he declared the motion passed.

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Austin asked Adam to talk about recognition the County received. Adam told the board that our transparency rating as noted through a website, Sunshine Review.org has improved. We did have a B- rating a few months ago but as of the first week of March we were increased to an A+ rating through our transparency from what we have posted on our website. He said we are one of only five counties in the State of IL who have this rating and one of three that have an A+ rating. He thanked all who helped in reaching this accomplishment.

Mr. Austin said he is meeting with appointed department heads over the next two weeks, doing the quarterly check-in on work plans to see what progress is being made and any challenges being encountered. Also, he had hoped to give a presentation on the County finances this evening but they didn't quite get everything together, so it will be done on April 7<sup>th</sup>. He said there were many good comments at the Strategic Planning meeting on what we are doing to

react to the uncertainty in Washington D.C. and the crisis in Springfield. They would like to spend some time talking about that with the full Board in addition to talking about where we are in the first quarter of County finances. Mr. Austin said he will be out of state the week after next but will be accessible via phone or e-mail.

MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Ms. McCann reminded members that there will be a Stormwater meeting next Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30.

Mr. Provenzano said he participated in the interviews for EMA Director. They interviewed eight applicants, all very qualified with good discussion, and there will be a second round of interviews next week.

Ms. Schuster thanked staff for helping to achieve an A+ transparency rating.

Ms. Hill said under the direction of Chairman Schuster of Management Services she has stayed on top of acquiring art for the County buildings from the Art Funds that were remaining, which was about \$8,000. Ms. Hill said she and Ms. Kurtz, liaison to the committee, went out Saturday night to the Women's Works at the Old Courthouse on the Square. They will be bringing those artists in to show the artwork that was purchased.

Mr. Hammerand said we have the Youth Alcohol Abuse Council here in McHenry County and he's heard many comments about it. Today on the radio he heard they found a 3-year old that was addicted to alcohol and is being treated for this, the parents had put him on alcohol since he was born. He said it forces you to think about the extreme cases when you think about alcohol abuse.

Ms. Kurtz added to Ms. Hill's comments by recommending to everyone that we support our local arts.

Chairman Koehler said we will have an executive session at our next night meeting as well as a visit from the Appellate Prosecutor who was here yesterday to talk with himself and Mr. Austin.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Miller made a motion seconded by Ms. Donner to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Chairman Koehler declared the motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Dated and approved at Woodstock, Illinois this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, A.D., 2011.

s/ John S. Breeden  
John S. Breeden, Acting Chairman  
McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

s/ Katherine C Schultz  
Katherine C. Schultz, County Clerk