Transportation Minutes

May 28, 2015

The Transportation Committee of the Piatt County Board met on Thursday, May 28, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 104 of the Courthouse. The meeting was called to order by Al Manint. Attending were: Tom Dobson, Al Manint, Randy Shumard, Mike Wileaver, Randy Keith, Ray Spencer, Lisa Olsen, Keri Nusbaum, and Melanie England. Others in attendance were Helen Ferguson and Randy Platt.

IT

Helen Ferguson and Randy Platt of MCK spoke expressing their concerns about the plan to move the Piattran server to the Piatt County Office Building. Some of their concerns include the procedure for moving the server, security measures and who will have access to the server. There are concerns that Lisa will have limited access to the server. They are also concerned that transportation personnel will have to drive to the new location in order to switch out the external hard drive which they use to back up data.

Randy Shumard indicated that this item had already been addressed. Randy Keith remarked that the location at PCOB is a locked room with a controlled environment, and backup generators. He noted the re location of the server had already been addressed by the committee on a recommendation by the Building and Grounds committee, and a strong case would need to be made to change that decision.

FY 16 (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016) Operating Budget

Al Manint asked Lisa to walk the committee through the paperwork provided, and point out the items which contributed to the deficit in the proposed budget. Lisa said the health insurance portion of the fringe is an eligible expense for reimbursement.

Lisa told the committee that the budget was prepared on the direction that no cuts to the program be made. She has been looking for more funding opportunities for local match. A budget needs to be submitted in order to get an estimate for grant funds.

Randy Keith asked why the deficit amount is different than the last meeting, and was told there were duplicate entries found which have now been corrected. He offered to talk to groups, townships, etc. if needed to try to generate more funds.

Tom Dobson asked if the budget had been submitted to IDOT. Lisa has not submitted it because she isn't sure if it can be changed once submitted. Randy asked how grants funds are effected by cuts or changes in the budget.

Mike Wileaver asked for clarification of the 'cap' on funding. It would be nice to know how much expenses could be cut and still get the full funding. He questioned why the addition of 1 employee added \$115,000.00. There was discussion of the 3% pay raise for transportation employees.

Committee members asked Lisa to work on the budget, and get more information for them. Lisa asked them for direction in preparing and making changes to the budget. She asked about cutting the Rantoul route and changing the discounts available. Randy Keith asked for options.

There was no public comment

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. Lisa will provide the additional information requested by the committee members.

MOTION: Dobson moved, seconded by Shumard to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Nusbaum Piatt County Zoning Officer