

Approved 3/23/21

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

February 23, 2021

Immediately following Finance Audit and Legislative Affairs Committee

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:	Andrew Rand – Chairman; James Fennell – Vice Chairman; Jennifer Groves Allison, Eden Blair (<i>via teleconference</i>), Brandy Bryant, Linda Daley, James Dillon, Betty Duncan, Kate Pastucha, Rachel Reliford, Rob Reneau (<i>via teleconference</i>), Steven Rieker, Paul Rosenbohm (<i>via teleconference</i>), Phillip Salzer, Sharon Williams
MEMBERS ABSENT:	
STAFF PRESENT:	Scott Sorrel - County Administrator; Shauna Musselman – Assistant County Administrator; Jennie Cordis Boswell - State's Attorney's Office; Randy Brunner – Chief Financial Officer; Jessica Thomas – County Auditor (<i>via phone</i>); Amy McLaren – County Highway; Brian Asbell, Doug Gaa, Jim Middlemas, Chris Watkins – Sheriff's Office; Nicole Bjerke – County Treasurer
VISITORS:	Kurt Bialobreski – Chief Innovation Officer, Hanson Professional Services; Paul Leamon – Distillery Labs

Call to Order

Chairman Rand called the meeting to order at 2:25 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the executive session minutes of December 2, 2020 and regular session minutes of January 26, 2021 was made by Ms. Duncan and seconded by Ms. Bryant. The motion carried unanimously (15-0; Dr. Blair, Mr. Reneau, and Mr. Rosenbohm voted aye via teleconference).

Informational Items/Reports/Other Minutes/Updates

➤ Springdale Cemetery Minutes

Ms. Daley advised that Strategic Planning sessions developed three goals, and as the Springdale Authority Board has begun meeting every other month, committees will meet specifically to work on those goals and revision of the by-laws.

➤ CDAP/GAP/Macro/Other Loan Report

Mr. Sorrel advised that all active loans are current.

➤ County Auditor

Ms. Thomas directed committee members to the submitted report, and entertained any questions. There were no questions or comments from committee.

➤ Heddington Oaks Financials

No verbal report. No questions or comments from committee.

➤ Peoria Urban Enterprise Zone and Peoria Rural Enterprise Zone Projects

Mr. Sorrel commented that the summary included in the committee packet itemizes 2020 private development projects that occurred within the enterprise zones.

Resolution

➤ Distillery Labs Smart City/Mobility Living Laboratory

A motion to approve was made by Mr. Salzer and seconded by Ms. Pastucha.

Mr. Sorrel advised that Peoria County has been awarded an \$800,000.00 State Research and Planning Grant (SPR grant) by the Illinois Department of Transportation, with a required \$200,000.00 local match. He stated that there are multiple partners at the local level comprising the local match, with Peoria County being largest. He advised that \$140,000.00 of the \$200,000.00 local match would be paid by Peoria County, with the City of Peoria and CEO Council providing the remaining \$60,000.00 balance. Ms. McLaren added that the grant is a pass-through grant, with Peoria County being the local agency sponsoring the grant.

Mr. Sorrel advised that the grant funding will be utilized to support the planning, marketing, operation and equipment purchase for the Distillery Labs Smart City/Mobility Living Laboratory.

Mr. Leamon, Executive Director of Distillery Labs explained that Distillery Labs, located in the Thomas K. Thomas Building on Adams Street, is intended to be a hub and incubator space for entrepreneurial activity and start-up ideas, and ingraining the Peoria region into a process of starting companies as a way forward for economic development. He stated that the three pillars of Distillery Labs, in addition to supporting any new company, are a Smart Mobility/Smart Cities initiative, health and wellness for underrepresented communities, and agriculture, food, and farming systems.

Mr. Bialobreski, Chief Innovation Officer of Hanson Professional Services, spoke of the role of his firm. He stated that Hanson Professional Services would work with the staff of Distillery Labs to market local and national companies to utilize the Living Laboratory, focusing on a Smart City connected environment, as well as procuring the necessary equipment for the Living Laboratory.

The motion to approve carried unanimously (15-0; Dr. Blair, Mr. Reneau, and Mr. Rosenbohm voted aye via teleconference).

✚ The following Standing Committee meetings were summarized by their respective Chairperson as follows:

County Operations

The following resolution was recommended to the County Board for approval.

- PCAPS Grant Award for Intake Diversion Program

Infrastructure

The following resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

- Intergovernmental Agreement with Medina Road District
- Preliminary Engineering Service Agreement for Phase I and II Engineering of Dickison Lane Bridge
- Preliminary Engineering Service Agreement for Phase I and II Engineering of culvert on Graham Chapel Road
- Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement for Phase I Preliminary Engineering of Maxwell Road

Ways and Means

The following resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

- Monthly Delinquent Taxes
- Rollover Appropriation in FY2021 budget for purchase of glass divider panels
- Rollover Appropriation into FY2021 Election Commission budget for unused grant funds

Land Use

The following resolution was recommended to the County Board for approval.

- Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) Strong Communities Program Grant Award

Public Safety and Justice

The following resolution was recommended to the County Board for approval.

- FY2021 budget appropriation for AOIC Rapid Relief Funding for Remote Capabilities Program

County Health

No resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

Finance Audit and Legislative Affairs

No resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

Miscellaneous

Ms. Sorrel noted that committee members present have been provided copies of the Budget in Brief, and copies will also be disseminated to both committee members attending the meeting remotely and all other County Board members. He commented that the documents is also available on the Peoria County website.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Rand at 3:07 p.m.

Recorded and Transcribed by: Jan Kleffman