

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
February 27, 2019**

<b>COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>	<b>Andrew Rand - Chairman; James Dillon, James Fennell, Allen Mayer, Kate Pastucha, Rachel Reliford, Rob Reneau, Steven Rieker, Paul Rosenbohm, Phillip Salzer, Sharon Williams</b>
<b>MEMBERS ABSENT:</b>	<b>Thomas O'Neill, Rachael Parker</b>
<b>STAFF PRESENT:</b>	<b>Scott Sorrel – County Administrator; Shauna Musselman – Assistant County Administrator; Larry Evans - State's Attorney's Office; Randy Brunner – Interim Chief Financial Officer; Paul Letcher, Julie Ciesla – Finance; Angela Loftus – Asst. Director of Human Resources; Dan O'Connell - Facilities Director; Amy McLaren – County Highway; Doug Gaa – Sheriff's Office</b>
<b>VISITORS</b>	<b>Hannah Martin, Eric Miller – Tri-County Regional Planning Commission</b>

**Call to Order**

Chairman Rand called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the executive session minutes of July 24, 2018, August 28, 2018, November 8, 2018, and regular session minutes of December 18, 2018 was made by Mr. Salzer and seconded by Mr. Fennell. The motion carried.

**Miscellaneous**

• **Autonomous Vehicles**

Mr. Miller, Executive Director of Tri County Regional Planning, addressed the committee regarding a U.S. Department of Transportation grant opportunity, for which the region is applying. He stated that TCRPC will apply for \$8 million of the \$60 million nationwide federal grant to explore autonomous mobility in the Peoria region. He explained that the overall goal of the grant is to collect data and research that will inform future rulemaking about future nationwide deployment of vehicles with automated driving systems. He stated that Peoria and the Peoria area region could be utilized as a testbed to deploy automated vehicles. He commented that this economic development initiative could potentially create area employment, with the Peoria area becoming a test market for the autonomous vehicles attracting larger businesses.

Mr. Miller advised that he is requesting Peoria County support for the project in concept and potential support in terms of additional match dollars. He stressed that although no local match is required, the application would be strengthened by supportive partnerships. Ms. Martin reiterated that the goal of the grant is collection of data and research in order to assist the Federal Government in a decision on how to regulate autonomous vehicles. She commented that Federal Government also has interest in proving the promise that these vehicles will enable greater freedom to transportation challenged populations. She stated that Peoria's unique qualities such as geography and technical partnerships put it in good standing for qualification.

Mr. Sorrel advised that a number of public and private partners are currently engaged in the grant application process. He recommended that to make the grant application competitive, Peoria County prepare a resolution of support with a pledge of \$100,000.00 per year for three consecutive years, with the source of funding to be determined if/when the grant is awarded.

Mr. Sorrel advised that the grant deadline falls between the March and April County Board meetings, and Ms. Martin commented that the grant will be awarded in June with funding in

place near the end of the fiscal year. She added that Tri County Regional Planning Commission would be positioned as the lead applicant, with funds coordinated through the business “Autonomous Stuff” and Nexmobi.

Mr. Reneau asked if “green cars” are included in the fleet, and Ms. Martin stated that electric cars are being developed. She also noted that this grant has a “buy American” component, and due to the type of transit service to be provided, larger vehicles will be utilized.

### **Informational**

- Springdale Cemetery Minutes

No verbal report. No questions or comments from committee.

- CDAP/GAP/Macro/Other Loan Report

Ms. Ciesla stated that all loans are current. She noted that Hick'ry Stick payments are issued by the bankruptcy court, and not Hick'ry Stick directly. She advised that the CDAP/GAP Loan Fund has a current balance of \$671,134.88.

- Heddington Oaks Financials

No verbal report. No questions or comments from committee.

### **Resolution**

- **Appropriation of FY 2018 funds into FY 2019 budget for purchase of vehicles**

A motion to approve was made by Ms. Reliford and seconded by Ms. Williams. Mr. Brunner advised that staff is requesting an appropriation of \$85,500.00 in unspent funds for the purchase of vehicles. He advised that Probation and the Coroner’s office would be the likely recipients of the purchased vehicles. He added that purchase would be off a state bid for the Probation Department.

After discussion and questions regarding specificity, Mr. Fennell amended the motion to approve the appropriation contingent on the review and approval of the resolution by the Public Safety and Justice Committee.

Mr. Mayer questioned why the resolution is presented as a rollover as opposed to a budget amendment from the General Fund. He suggested presenting the resolution as a budget amendment as opposed to a rollover, with the source being fund balance

Mr. Mayer motioned to delete the language “*of unspent FY 2018 funds*” in the resolution header and revise to state: Appropriation of \$85,500.00 to purchase vehicles in FY 2019 budget. The motion was seconded by Ms. Pastucha.

Mr. Rand clarified that the motion is to approve the revision from a rollover to a budget amendment. The motion to amend carried unanimously.

Mr. Rand explained that a second vote is to amend the proposed revision stating that the appropriation is subject to final approval of the Public Safety and Justice Committee. The motion to amend carried unanimously.

Mr. Mayer remarked that the second amendment is unnecessary per the Rules of Order for budget amendments. He advised that the resolution should go to the Public Safety and Justice Committee under the current Rules. Mr. Sorrel said the funding source is General County, which is the oversight of this committee. Mr. Mayer commented the Executive Committee could adopt the resolution as amended; however, the resolution would not go to the full County Board as the substantive committee must first approve, per the Rules of Order.

Mr. Rand clarified that the resolution is being voted on as amended by Mr. Mayer and seconded by Ms. Pastucha. The motion to approve as amended carried unanimously.

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

**Public Safety and Justice**

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

- Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Peoria-2018 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)

**County Operations**

No resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

**Infrastructure**

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

- Construction Engineering Agreement with Hutchison Engineering, Inc. for the Dirksen Parkway Reconstruction Project

**Land Use**

CANCELED

**County Health**

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

- Contract for Dialysis Services

**Ways and Means**

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

- Monthly Delinquent Taxes
- Establishment of Public Official Bond Requirements
- Marriage/Civil Union License Fee Increase
- Legislative Proposal for Livestock Management Facilities

**Budget Subcommittee**

No resolutions were recommended to the County Board for approval.

**Miscellaneous**

Mr. O'Connell advised that the ring road repair at the Sheriff's Office is approximately 40% complete. He stated that further repairs are not budgeted in 2019; however, repair will be necessary in 2020.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Rand at 5:20 p.m.

*Recorded and Transcribed by: Jan Kleffman*