



**CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD
COMMITTEE AGENDA**

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

**Brookens Administrative Center, Jennifer K. Putman Meeting Room
1776 E. Washington, Urbana
November 9, 2011 – 4:00 p.m.**

CHAIR: Brendan McGinty

MEMBERS: Carol Ammons, Tom Betz, Alan Nudo, Jonathan Schroeder

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PAGE NO.</u>
I. <u>Call to Order</u>	
II. <u>Roll Call</u>	
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V. <u>Public Participation</u>	
VI. <u>Review Feedback on Ideas & Initiatives from County Board Members</u>	4-10
VII. <u>Review Vision, Mission, & Values</u>	
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IX. <u>Next Meeting Date</u>	
X. <u>Other Business</u>	
XI. <u>Adjourn</u>	

1 CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD
2 COMMITTEE MINUTES
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5 **STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE**

6 **Wednesday, August 3, 2011**

7 **Brookens Administrative Center, Jennifer K. Putman Meeting Room**

8 **1776 E. Washington St., Urbana**
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10 4:30 p.m.

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12 **MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tom Betz, Brendan McGinty (Chair), Alan Nudo

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14 **MEMBERS ABSENT:** Carol Ammons, Jonathan Schroeder

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16 **OTHERS PRESENT:** Deb Busey (County Administrator), Patsi Petrie (County Board
17 Member), C. Pius Weibel (County Board Chair)
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19 **CALL TO ORDER**

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21 McGinty called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
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23 **ROLL CALL**

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25 Betz, McGinty, and Nudo were present at the time of roll call, establishing the presence
26 of a quorum.
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28 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM**

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30 **MOTION** by Betz to approve the agenda; seconded by Nudo. **Motion carried with**
31 **unanimous support.**
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33 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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35 **MOTION** by Betz to approve the Strategic Planning Committee July 6, 2011 minutes;
36 seconded by Nudo. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**
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38 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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40 There was no public participation.
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42 **REVIEW FEEDBACK ON IDEAS & INITIATIVES FROM COUNTY BOARD**

43 **MEMBERS**

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45 The committee reviewed the ten County Board members' responses to the Strategic Plan
46 ideas and initiatives that were received. Betz said the comments revealed to him the Board

47 membership's profound discouragement with regard to this process. Of the 27-member Board,
48 17 members did not respond to the ideas that would set the tone, character, and goals of the
49 County. This lack of response disturbed Betz. He was reluctant to draw conclusions from such a
50 small sample. Nudo said there were several reasons for the lack of engagement. The
51 Republicans do not see that the opinions of both sides would be considered after the redistricting
52 issue. He suggested discussing this form in the caucus meetings. Weibel noted the some Board
53 members only care about certain topics and none of the others. Betz wanted to spend the first ten
54 minutes of the August 9th Committee of the Whole meeting making Board members fill out the
55 response form. Nudo agreed it was very important to have more input from the Board. The
56 committee continued to discuss how to engage the majority of the Board on these issues and
57 agreed to complete the forms at Tuesday's caucus meetings.
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59 The committee discussed Idea #14 about the continuing development of the Champaign
60 County Nursing Home's self-sufficiency. Nudo did not think many Board members wanted to
61 move to self-sufficiency. McGinty said the discussions over the years have been how to make
62 the Nursing Home financially break even. The goal of Champaign County is not to make money
63 operating a Nursing Home, but neither is the goal to lose money. Self-sufficiency represents a
64 solvent and stable financial statement. Weibel thought the term "self-sufficiency" could be
65 better defined. McGinty did not want the General Corporate Fund to continue subsidizing the
66 Nursing Home. Busey noted the Nursing Home is an enterprise fund, which by definition, is
67 supposed to be self-sufficient. Nudo said financially solvent also means the Nursing Home has
68 to set aside funds for capital improvements. Discussion continued over this idea. Betz suggested
69 rewriting the goal as "financial solvency of the Nursing Home with ongoing evaluation of
70 management" and Weibel concurred. Discussion continued over the wording of goals. The
71 committee discussed that they would prioritize the goals after receiving more feedback from the
72 Board to be useful in the budget process, handling requests from departments, and in measuring
73 accomplishments.
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75 Busey stated the current Strategic Plan's goals could be reissued as ongoing goals for the
76 FY2012 budget preparation process and the departments could be directed to align to those
77 goals. This could help the committee avoid feeling rushed because of the budget process. The
78 committee reviewed the present Strategic Plan's goals. The committee concurred with using
79 those goals for the FY2012 budget process while it develops the FY2012 Strategic Plan.
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81 **REVIEW VISION, MISSION, & VALUES**

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85 **ESTABLISHMENT OF GOALS**

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87 This item would be addressed at a future meeting.
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89 **NEXT MEETING DATE**

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91 The committee did not schedule its next meeting.

STRATEGIC PLANNING - IDEAS & INITIATIVES LISTING - REVIEW COMPLETED JULY 6, 2011

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Idea	Idea/Initiative	Average Ranking	Ranking Counts*	County Board Member Comments (by rank)
1	Establish processes for regular review of areas where processes have tended to be more arbitrary - e.g. - fees & fines, compensation, etc.	3	1=1 2=6 3=9 4=7 5=2	<p>1.) Sounds like Pius baloney to me.</p> <p>2.) A little too nebulous to be actionable.</p> <p>3.) Makes sense, do not want to micro manage departments.</p> <p>3.) We should ID the fines, etc. that are flexible and then set up logical timetables for review and adjustments.</p> <p>4.) Department heads leading the process when needed.</p> <p>4.) Believe this would lead to efficiencies and better decision making.</p> <p>4.) The county seems to have a history of being reactive on this type of thing which results in inconsistent or inappropriate budgeting (too high or too low) and unnecessary drama when a particular process must be addressed at the eleventh hour. This relates to what we should be doing in terms of succession planning (idea #19) in that both areas include identifying recurring activities, duties and responsibilities and determining the appropriate person within the organization to handle them.</p>
2	Reduce use and consumption of paper, finding alternative ways of disseminating information	3	1=6 2=5 3=5 4=4 5=4	<p>1.) Already being done</p> <p>1.) A paper trail is an invaluable "permanent record"</p> <p>1.) Saving paper and money is obviously good but I am skeptical that the dollar amounts here are large enough to have the potential impact of some of the other ideas on the list. The recent reduction in newspaper advertising requirements will help with this. I know that The Board of Review has already identified ways in which it can avoid sending unnecessary notices to landowners. Since these costs are attributed to departmental budgets it seems that there's already an incentive for department heads to look here for an obvious way to control costs-I'm not sure it rises to the level of a strategies planning goal.</p> <p>2.) Paper is sustainable</p> <p>3.) when possible</p> <p>4.) We should be doing this all the time. Once we get our membership to 22, then we can make broader changes, as in item #11.</p> <p>4.) We should reduce printing and paper costs where possible for environmental reasons</p> <p>4.) Relates to general orgreenifying (now there's a word).</p> <p>5.) When possible.</p>
3	Upgrade to county's financial management and accounting system	4	1=2 2=1 3=8 4=5 5=7	<p>Not Ranked) Not sure if this means computer system</p> <p>1.) Aren't we already doing this?</p> <p>2.) when we can and if affordable</p> <p>3.) Need more information, might rank this higher if the urgency is documented.</p> <p>3.) When possible.</p> <p>3.) I'll give a 3 to looking at this issue, but I don't have enough information to know whether we need to do it or not. The strategies planning goal should be "Assess the need for an Upgrade..." rather than "Upgrade..." until it's been established whether and how badly we need it and how much it would cost. This seems like it should be driven by administrative services bottom-up rather than by the board top-down.</p> <p>4.) But we need a "cooperative" Auditor.</p> <p>5.) Costing us daily with inefficiencies. Must replace.</p>
4	Election year, provide orientation workshop for new county board members - making use of former board members and past board chairs to share historic knowledge	3	1=4 2=3 3=9 4=2 5=7	<p>1.) Who's the Professor</p> <p>2.) Less important now, but maybe more important next year.</p> <p>3.) At no cost to the county</p> <p>3.) Solid idea to bring new board members up to speed, but is this strategic planning?</p> <p>3.) This is kind of specific and unambitious for a strategies goal-maybe something along the lines of "Ensure that Board members are able to contribute effectively..." which could include this kind of orientation, as well as any training or development that it was obvious would be cost effective and beneficial (similar to idea #8). I appreciated the opportunity as a candidate (before the election) to participate in the session like this that which I think Mr. Nudo requested and Ms. Busey offered last summer. It was very useful.</p> <p>5.) Do this.</p> <p>5.) Use of former members will enhance the existing workshops/intro sessions that we have now.</p> <p>5.) Great idea.</p>

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5	Make intergovernmental cooperation a goal in projects, e.g. Mahomet Aquifer	4	1=2 2=5 3=2 4=8 5=8	1.) Sounds like Pius baloney 2.) Already doing where appropriate and not always appropriate. 3.) When we can and if affordable 4.) This should be standard practice. 4.) Generally we should be seeking ways to share/reduce costs by cooperation. 4.) Protecting County integrity. 5.) Intergovernmental cooperation and communication should be a goal in any county project that affects other municipalities or districts. The county should seek to have a representative on local and regional intergovernmental boards. As a technical matter the county should demand and/or encourage that alternate county representatives who are present as a result of an appointed county representative's absence be allowed to participate fully including participating in voting.
6	Establish a process for the county board, elected officials, and county staff to have "idea exchanges" to create a better understanding of the various roles and show appreciation for all accomplishments.	3	1=4 2=5 3=9 4=6 5=1	1.) Like our current "study sessions?" 2.) Manager Responsibility 2.) I thought we were already doing this 3.) This is a good idea, but how do we do it? 3.) I think we should make better use of our existing time but I agree we need a better way to discuss ideas and grow them. 3.) I think we do this some times. 3.) So long as it's not a retreat. 4.) "appreciation for all accomplishments" sounds a little too touchy-feely to be meaningful, but I agree that more frequent and substantive communication among board members, elected officials and staff would be useful. A related issue I would like to see considered is the idea of proactive Labor/Management conferences so that ongoing or developing labor issues can be dealt with in advance of contract negotiations. It seems that the only time a number of labor issues are raised is at the bargaining table, and this results in negotiation sessions which are inefficient, overly long and unnecessarily acrimonious. I discussed this issue with Ms. Busey and she also felt such communication would be productive.
7	Renovate the county board meeting room so the public feels more engaged with the county board members.	2	1=8 2=7 3=3 4=2 5=4	1.) Not Priority, Manager Responsibility 1.) Don't think this is the best use of County Funds. 2.) We need to do this when we have it in the budget 2.) This should be put off until 2013 when the CB has 22 members. 2.) Start this process for the smaller board in 2012. 2.) Will happen after 2012 elections and reduction in size. 2.) the most pressing need for the board room is to provide padding for the "church pews"-they are abusive to sit on for any length of time. People will feel more "engaged" and respected if they aren't uncomfortable. If there is any hope of board members adopting "paperless" technology there needs to be electrical outlets at each table and the Wi-Fi needs to be reliable. But in terms of issues facing the County, this is hard to get excited about. 4.) when possible and we have the money. 5.) Also improve PA system
8	Build into budget professional development for Board members at NACO	2	1=7 2=7 3=5 4=0 5=4	Not Ranked) Not a good use of tax money 0.) Read the flyers & internet 1.) I think this is a waste of tax payer money. If there is a special need then send only those necessary to get what we need (NO PARTY TIME) 2.) More interested in the next time and I think they should be combined. 2.) Professional development sessions can range from extremely useful to a total waste of time-I would want to make sure any training was going to be of specific relevance to Champaign County and that it would be cost-effective. 3.) if we can afford it. 3.) Good idea when we have the money. 3.) Budget dependent. Useful. 5.) Imperative

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9	Re-establish the educational plan and budget for all departments.	3	1=3 2=5 3=7 4=5 5=2	1.) Every department is going to be different in terms of their education and training needs and I think we need to let the department heads identify needs and request them through the budget process rather than imposing them top-down. 2.) That is a department responsibility. 3.) Let the department come up with the money. 3.) Good idea when we have the money. 3.) I support this. 3.) See #8 above. 5.) Imperative
10	What can be done to increase minority hiring and retention (county employees and county contractors) throughout County? Disparity Study and/or other methodologies.	2	1=9 2=4 3=6 4=1 5=3	0.) Need to treat everyone fairly and equally. NO MORE STUDIES. 1.) We need to treat everyone equally and fairly. We have done enough studies. We should not tell contractors how to run their businesses. 1.) This should be ongoing. It is not easy to find/identify minority contractors. 2.) It is imperative that the county follows all applicable laws in terms of hiring and awarding of contracts. It seems like it should be a relatively inexpensive and straightforward process to compare the rates at which minority employees are hired, are promoted, and leave, and contracts that are awarded to minority-owned businesses with those of other public units in Champaign County and beyond, to establish whether there appears to be a disparity. If so, it would be appropriate for the board to discuss the potential causes of such a disparity and based on that discussion identify any appropriate actions or an appropriate direction for additional study. 3.) Important but in the middle of the pack for me. 3.) Already great progress with contractors. Better or more readily available data would be helpful. 5.) But not a disparity study!
11	Design & Implementation of Paperless system for County Board Meetings	2	1=4 2=6 3=9 4=2 5=1	Not Ranked) didn't answer but drew arrow referring to #2 1.) Our constituents are far from paperless 1.) This would save some printing and copying costs and in the long term it seems to be a good idea, but from a practical standpoint I suspect it will result in members having even less familiarity with the contents of the meeting packets. The lack of electrical connections and reliable Wi-Fi in the meeting room might make this impractical. We don't want members' participation being impaired because their batteries are dead. 2.) I find it handy to have copies. 2.) We can plan for it but it should be implemented in 2013 (see #7). 3.) Does this require computers for all at meetings? 3.) should be combined with #2 3.) if cost effective & practical 3.) Will save but will be hard to enforce/change habits. 4.) Only if practical. 2.) That is an IT issue. 2.) This should be an ongoing process. 2.) Would be helpful to modernize but not critical. 3.) with IT leading 3.) The web site isn't great, but it seems to be relatively complete in terms of what's on it. Rather than a "re-design" I wonder if we can look at a simpler solution like a more intuitive front page, a site map, an index, or other ways to make it easier to find the content that's already there. Another point to consider: more and more people are accessing web pages using phones and other mobile devices. The use of scripting, images, animation and other technologies customarily favored by web designers as eye-catching or appealing from a marketing standpoint are generally gratuitous and should be minimized so that the web page can be accessed by as many people on as many types of devices as possible. 5.) We need to have County information more accessible to the public.
12	Re-design of County web-site to continue enhancement of the internet as a communication tool for all county operations and services	3	1=2 2=7 3=6 4=3 5=5	2.) That is an IT issue. 2.) This should be an ongoing process. 2.) Would be helpful to modernize but not critical. 3.) with IT leading 3.) The web site isn't great, but it seems to be relatively complete in terms of what's on it. Rather than a "re-design" I wonder if we can look at a simpler solution like a more intuitive front page, a site map, an index, or other ways to make it easier to find the content that's already there. Another point to consider: more and more people are accessing web pages using phones and other mobile devices. The use of scripting, images, animation and other technologies customarily favored by web designers as eye-catching or appealing from a marketing standpoint are generally gratuitous and should be minimized so that the web page can be accessed by as many people on as many types of devices as possible. 5.) We need to have County information more accessible to the public.

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13	Improve technology vision and continue planning	3	1=5 2=4 3=11 4=3 5=1	<p>1.) Just what does this mean? 1.) Too nebulous 2.) We have to continue to plan as technology changes-should be ongoing. 2.) Nothing wrong with our technology vision, just don't have resources to implement much at this time. 3.) Yes 3.) Not a lower priority because it is something on which the county obviously spends a fair amount of money, and which has the potential to streamline operations. Not a higher priority because it's so vague--obviously there should be individuals within the county administration who are tasked with staying on top of new technologies and identifying ones that were of obvious benefit, and using that knowledge to advise to the county administrator and to inform the budgeting process. This seems more like the job description for the county IT department than a board-level priority.</p>
14	Financial Solvency of Nursing Home	4	1=3 2=2 3=3 4=6 5=10	<p>1.) Current system working well 1.) I am not sure how a county-owned entity can ever be truly self-sufficient. 1.) Satisfied with the current situation, so not a priority currently for me. 2.) Evaluation important but 18 months implies assumptions that may not be reasonable 2.) Just got done doing this via renewal of MPA. Good to keep eye on ball, but for now, we're in good shape here. 3.) Not sure it can happen that soon. 4.) this will continue to be a problem we need to keep on this. 4.) Not sure this is an "idea" as much as a clear part of the board's job, but I agree it's important to stay on top of the financial picture at the nursing home. Although self-sufficiency seems to be a non-negotiable requirement at this point due to the county's financial condition, in the long term there needs to be a discussion about the mission of the CCNH in terms of its mix of private- and public- pay patients and what additional services it should be providing. The mission statement as I perceive it now is "serve as many public-pay patients as possible without losing money" which seems to be a goal that arose out of necessity rather than intention; once this or a future board is comfortable that the CCNH has survived the crisis of the past several years, some longer-term thinking in terms of the mission of a public nursing home (targets for percentage of public pay patients; what mix of services best serves the interests of the community; how the CCNH compares and compliments private nursing home offerings, etc.) would be appropriated. 5.) The CCNH needs to be self sufficient. 5.) Do whatever we need to keep it going</p>
15	Development of coordination and improved collaboration between the County Board of Health and CUPHD	3	1=2 2=5 3=7 4=8 5=2	<p>0.) We can not be a CUHD and do not want to be!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! 1.) Collaboration is ongoing and improving. 2.) Live within our limits!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! 2.) Would be nice if not great, but this will take referendum to change if I'm not mistaken. 3.) Not sure the County Board has much control of this 3.) The current structure seems needlessly complex but it also seems to be working; to the extent that the county can explore long term improvements to the structure I think our participation would be valuable, but this doesn't seem like a top priority. 4.) An excellent opportunity to find economy by cooperation. 5.) Separate health districts are highly inefficient</p>

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16	Ongoing commitment to improving health insurance - through education, evaluation of benefits, and management of cost	4	1=1 2=1 3=10 4=5 5=7	1.) Happening through eventual insurance committee. 2.) Not sure what the focus of this is. 3.) Cost Cost Cost!!!!!! 3.) We have the employee advisory committee on this -- which seems to be going in the right direction. 3.) Do not over commit. Careful!!!!!! 5.) The staggering rate of increase in health care costs will make it more and more difficult for the county to maintain staffing levels and morale at the levels necessary to provide essential public services. Health care costs that once represented a "fringe benefit" of a few percent of an Employee's salary now represent a substantial portion of their compensation. The county needs to get out in front of this problem through aggressive negotiation with providers; through investigation of creative benefits structures such as self-insurance backed by a catastrophic, high-deductible or reinsurance plans from an outside insurer. The county should also work with department managers and union representatives to make sure employees are aware of the impact of increasing health care costs on the county's ability to offer wage increases and encourage employees to participate in county benefits discussions via avenues like the health care committee which is taking shape now.
17	Establishment of a County Board Executive Committee	2	1=9 2=1 3=5 4=4 5=1	0.) NO deal!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! 0.) NO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! 1.) I'm not sure! What's the purpose? 1.) A bad idea. 1.) Not supportive of this. 1.) Elevating some county board members to an executive committee seems like it would relegate other county board members to second-class-citizen status and seems counterproductive. It also raises issues of representational equity in that voters in districts without representation on the executive committee could be at a disadvantage in terms of getting their issues onto the board's agenda. I support the COW structure in that it allows all members who want to participate to do so. If the COW structure is considered to be unworkable, returning to a system of individual committees with open meetings seems preferable to an executive committee approach. 4.) This is worth looking into but how is it to be structured? 4.) Even with a 22-member board, this could and would create better communication and hence decision-making.
18	County Board Contracts - allow for timely review by Board Members; ensure that contracts are enforceable and written to protect and benefit the County	4	1=1 2=2 3=3 4=5 5=14	1.) Individual board members brought in when it makes sense. Otherwise, let professionals do their job. 2.) Is this really a problem? 2.) Not sure this is a strategic item, but rather an operational issue. 3.) Doesn't County attorney already review? 3.) We can work on the timing of reviewing contracts within limits. Some come to us with little time to review. Contracts should be enforceable and written to protect the County, but they should benefit both parties (i.e. neutral) 3.) Timely review, definitely; there seems to be a lack of advance planning in terms of keeping track of when various contracts, grants and intergovernment agreements will come up for renewal and communicating this to board members. "ensure that contracts are enforceable and written to protect and benefit the County" seems like a fundamental obligation of any public body and its legal counsel, so I wouldn't call it a strategic goal. 5.) Timely is key 5.) All contractors or just hwy & facility 5.) Yes 5.) Needs to happen.

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19	Succession Planning for County Administration	4	1=1 2=1 3=5 4=4 5=13	1.) Ok 2.) Not very predictable 3.) Definite need, but in the middle 3.) When needed 5.) YES - because we do not have one. (5) Because of knowledge base of Administrator and magnitude of the job, this item is very important. 5.) The county has been fortunate to have a long-serving county administrator but being able to handle change (both expected and unexpected) means finding ways to ensure that knowledge of county administration is not vested in one individual. Succession planning at the very least needs to include a review of management, personnel responsibilities and procedures with an eye toward making them transferable. In 2013 we will lose at least 5 experienced board members and will likely have a new board chair. This will be chaotic enough on the new board without having to deal with the current board's inaction on succession planning. We need to get out in front of this now.
20	Development of comprehensive plan for county's facilities and campuses, establishing goals and objectives; documenting maintenance repair and replacement with an emphasis on sustainable solutions and "orgreenic" concepts; developing annual appropriation for implementation of plan	4	1=2 2=0 3=1 4=4 5=16	1.) Long over due but with emphasis on cost, not green concepts. 4.) Absolutely useful to plan accordingly regardless of our ability to implement in a given year. 4.) The County absolutely needs to be taking a long term view of keeping its physical plant safe and efficient. It seems clear that the short life span of the downtown jail is at least partly a result of inefficient and deferred maintenance. The sheriff's office downtown apparently recently went without hot water for weeks. Brookens clearly has significant HVAC and energy efficiency issues and is rife with life safety violations in terms of missing and inoperative exit signs and labyrinthine offices with insufficient evacuation routes. I have to assume other County facilities have similar problems. Hopefully the recent addition of a building & grounds manager will help get this on the right track, but before we start trying to be "orgreenic" I'd settle for being safe and halting the deterioration of conventionally constructed facilities. These aren't necessarily issues that the county board should be intimately involved in, but the board should ensure that county staff are given direction and funding to address this area. I agree that specific attention should be paid to appropriating money for preventive maintenance as opposed to being entirely reactive. 5.) What's orgreenic? Mean 5.) Plain common sense 5.) Yes. This should be ongoing and updated routinely. 5.) Absolute need. 5.) Keep emphasis on cost, not concepts. Must maintain a maintenance reserve!!!!
21	Study and Plan to document long-term solutions for county jail facilities and operations; through utilization of inter-departmental input, assistance and planning from the criminal justice system officials, and potential establishment of Citizens Advisory Committee - all to work with the County Board to identify use of jail and development of best solutions for jail facilities and operations.	4	1=2 2=0 3=1 4=4 5=17	0.) citizens advisory Committee 1.) No citizens committee! 1.) We do NOT need to tell the sheriff how to run his jail and we do not need a Citizens Advisory Committee. (5++) NOW 5.) The Satellite Jail was sold as the solution to our jail problems. It obviously wasn't. The next building/renovation project needs to last longer than 10 or so years. 5.) We appear to be moving towards an "emergency" situation. 5.) No question that this is our most pressing need to resolve. 5.) Should be rolled into #20 above 5.) Long term solutions 5.) Particularly in terms of jail planning, this item is critical to staying on top of financial and public safety needs. 5.) This may be the most important issue faced by this board given the deteriorating condition of the downtown jail and the inevitably long lead time in terms of identifying and implementing a solution, I support the goal as stated here. A "Citizens Advisory Committee" should be structured and expected to be a source of creative ideas and productive discussion rather than a forum for airing past grievances about law enforcement in general. (21-B) 5.) We should look at long term solutions for our jails.

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Idea	Idea/Initiative	Average Ranking	Ranking Counts*	County Board Member Comments (by rank)
22	Develop a process for movement from Visioning(big.small.all)/LRMP to documenting and adopting a Comprehensive Plan.	2	1=8 2=3 3=5 4=2 5=2	<p>0.) Hasn't this died yet 0.) do nothing until we get our zoning in order. This will continue to be a problem until we do something. 1.) the real issue is Zoning Not comp plan. 1.) STOP the LRMP before it does any more harm to the county and the citizens we all serve. We need to clean up our zoning department. 2.) We need to avoid the assumption that just because big.small.all produced a "vision," that this vision is universal. Given the disparity of opinion among county residents on many zoning and land use issues, it seems impractical to expect to complete a comprehensive planning process which operates at the level of detail contained in the LRMP. A less ambitious, high-level comprehensive plan which enshrines consensus goals might be a better place to start. The intersection of the zoning ordinance, LRMP, and zoning enforcement seems to be in a bit of a shambles; if we think we can develop a comprehensive plan that makes the situation better rather than worse I'd be supportive of it, but I have to admit I'm skeptical about being able to accomplish that given the current board, staff and available resources. To be honest I think that the planning staff and the previous board overreached on the LRMP as evidenced by the debate over the 1-or-2-or-3-for-4 issue and I am concerned that much of a comprehensive planning process might just be a repeat of that debate at this point. 3.) Bottom of the middle for me 4.) But what is the best way to do this? 4.) Think it's important but question the do-ability based on strong feelings and eventual super majority requirements.</p>
23	Maintain focus on sustainability and sustainability issues including working through Extension Education towards the establishment of local food council as a means of economic development	2	1=9 2=7 3=3 4=3 5=0	<p>0.) Not a project for County government. 1.) I'd be interested in hearing more about this in terms of its economic impact and benefits and the appropriateness of the county government as a vehicle for promoting it, but it seems too specific to be appropriate as a strategic planning goal. 2.) This is a good idea but local food growth and use can only be a small part of our economy. 2.) Interested by not sure this is a county board item. 3.) Good idea for long term vision for County and valuable teaming exercise with Extension. 1.) Beyond our means. 2.) Like above, interested but not in the top priorities for me. 2.) See item 5 comments. Already happening when appropriate. 3.) Don't want to see the County "take over" local drainage districts. 3.) This is already in some areas now. We can do our part. 3.) It may be easier to pull teeth than trying to work with some drainage districts, but we have to try. 3.) First understand what the drainage districts were established to do. Then pursue cooperation within the drainage district means and ability to work together. 3.) (5) for the county encouraging intergovernmental discussion (see also idea #5) among the municipalities and the drainage districts (and sanitary districts, which have an interest in stormwater management because stormwater and groundwater infiltrate sanitary sewers). (3) because while communication can always be better, in this particular subject area municipal and district staff members already communicate as a matter of course, so I'm not sure it cries out for county intervention. (1) for "comprehensive change" for its own sake-intergovernmental discussions can certainly be a vehicle for raising awareness and identifying best practices but in an area where the municipalities and drainage districts provide 95% of the heavy lifting and the cash, it seems more appropriate for the county to be a facilitator of discussion than a change agent. 4.) person crossed out "including working through Extension Education" 5.) Drainage districts need comprehensive renovation or supplementing -- requires action by the State. Much is truly good but system is not meeting modern needs. I could go on forever on this one.</p>
24	Pursue intergovernmental cooperation with municipalities and drainage districts to promote comprehensive change in design for community-wide stormwater management	3	1=2 2=5 3=8 4=6 5=3	<p>#2 Establish a means to address concerns brought to Board meetings from residents. Once a concern is brought to the Board, the group or resident should get a reply on the issue from the Chair once discussed by the board.</p>

Additional issues mentioned:

#1 Board members should be aware of each County department's duties and any enforcement powers they may have to deal with citizen issues.