

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD
COMMITTEE MINUTES

JUSTICE & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 23, 2005

Meeting Rm. 1, Brookens Administrative Center

1776 E. Washington St., Urbana

6:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Carter, Greenwalt, Hogue, James, Putman, Sapp, Schroeder, Tapley

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Deb Busey (County Administrator), Joel Fletcher (Office of the State's Attorney), Stephanie Joos (Animal Control), Dan Walsh (Sheriff), Barbara Wysocki (County Board Member)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The Recording Secretary called the roll. Declaring a quorum present, the Chair proceeded with the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDUM

MOTION by Sapp to approve the agenda; seconded by Hogue. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no one for public participation.

NURSING HOME

Closed Session to pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) 1, to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific County employees of Champaign

The Chair determined a closed session was not needed.

Recommend Approval of Employment Agreement with Andrew Buffenbarger to serve as the Champaign County Nursing Home Administrator

Busey explained there were three small errors in the agreement attached to the agenda that were changed at the recommendation of legal counsel. The changes were: 1. a comma was changed to a period in the second sentence of Section 5A, 2. the word executive was changed to the word closed in Section 5B to be more consistent, and 3. the following language was added to the end of the sentence in Section 12: "which is necessary for the performance of the employee's duties as Nursing Home Administrator." This language was added as a qualifier.

MOTION by Tapley to recommend to County Board approval of amended Employment Agreement with Andrew Buffenbarger to serve as the Champaign County Nursing Home Administrator; seconded by Sapp.

Greenwalt entered meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Anderson stated the Nursing Home Administrator Search Subcommittee was very pleased with the selection of Buffenbarger. He will be present at the July County Board meeting. Motion carried.

ANIMAL CONTROL

Approval of Contract for Food Services with CATSNAP

Item was removed from the agenda. This contract will be dealt with next month.

Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal Control Services with the City of Champaign

A final version of the agreement was passed out because negotiations were ongoing when the agenda packets were mailed to Board members. Fletcher explained the changes in the final version.

MOTION by Putman to approve the final version of the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal Control Services with the City of Champaign; seconded by Tapley. Schroeder asked if the Animal Control vehicle mentioned in the contract was to replace the Champaign County Animal Control vehicle or in addition to the existing vehicle. Fletcher stated the vehicle was in addition to the existing vehicle. Busey explained the vehicle in the contract would be used by the warden to provide services to the City of Champaign. Motion carried.

SHERIFF

Approval of Resolution Authorizing Exercise of Option for Reduction in Fees for Medical and Mental Health Services Contracts

Fletcher stated, as part of the Sheriff's negotiations with Health Professionals, Ltd. for mental health services at the County Jail, the fees for medical and mental health services would be reduced. Because the County Board was signatory to the medical services contract, the change cannot be made without County Board approval. Fletcher said there was nothing to be lost by this resolution; it is a reduction in fees, not services. The Sheriff negotiated this reduction and said the idea to ask for a reduction was initiated at Wysocki's suggestion.

MOTION by Sapp to approve Resolution Authorizing Exercise of Option for Reduction in Fees for Medical and Mental Health Services Contracts; seconded by James. The Sheriff answered questions about the increased mental health services at the jail. The increased services started last Monday. Tapley abstained from voting due to a possible conflict of interest. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Busey asked for a change in the Intergovernmental Agreement for Animal Control Services with the City of Champaign. On page five, notices should be sent with copies to Animal Control Administrator, not the Animal Control Warden. Putman agreed for this to be a friendly amendment to her motion and Tapley concurred. Inclusion of this friendly amendment to the above motion carried.

Fletcher stated there are revisions to the PETsMART Grant Agreement that is before the full Board. Fletcher will describe these changes fully at the Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kat Bork
Administrative Secretary