

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE MINUTES

County Facilities – January 25, 2007 – 6:30 p.m.
Meeting Room 2, Brookens Administrative Center

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beckett, Bensyl, Betz, Cowart, James, Jay,
McGinty, Sapp, Weibel

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Denny Inman, Deb Busey, Susan McGrath

Call to Order

Chair Beckett called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Betz to approve the agenda; seconded by Bensyl. **Motion carried.**

Nursing Home Construction Project **Alliance Environmental Group, Inc. Invoice #1759**

MOTION by James to recommend County Board approval of Invoice #1759 from Alliance Environmental Group, Inc. in the amount of \$281.25 for professional services provided through November 30, 2006; seconded by McGinty. **Motion carried.**

Mr. Beckett stated the bill is for consulting work with Phebus and Koester in pursuing litigation.

Resolution Authorizing Release of Claims against PKD, Inc. by Champaign County

MOTION by Betz to recommend County Board approval of the Resolution authorizing the release of claims against PKD, Inc. by Champaign County; seconded by Weibel.

Mr. Beckett explained that we have received the settlement check and for us to negotiate the check, the other side wants a release. Mr. Sapp stated the third whereas paragraph on the resolution is frustrating to him because PKD was the project manager for this project and they did have some responsibility to oversee the project.

Mr. Beckett stated having that in the resolution doesn't state that we feel PKD is not responsible; it is PKD saying they want to reach a settlement with us. His experience is that all releases and contracts have language like this. Mr. Betz stated he agrees with Mr. Beckett and the language in the resolution is simply boilerplate language that is always included in a settlement.

Ms. McGrath stated the same language is in the release so if the committee wants to delete that paragraph from the resolution it wouldn't affect anything. Mr. Beckett asked, if the committee would be more comfortable removing that paragraph, if we could have the resolution amended and redrafted by the County Board meeting. Unanimous consent to remove the third paragraph from the resolution.

Motion carried.

Exterior Masonry Project

Agreement with White & Borgognoni for the exterior masonry project

Ms. McGrath explained that this is a two step process; White & Borgognoni will have a standard Architects contract but we wanted to make sure there were certain stipulations that would be a part of that contract before it was executed. They were extremely cooperative in meeting the issues we had concerns with and the issues that will be reflected in the ultimate contract, which will be coming to the committee in February, are reflected in the agreement before the committee tonight. She explained they included a couple provisions that would be essential to allow some smaller businesses to be able to bid and to encourage the use of minority interns and they were agreeable to both of those stipulations.

MOTION by James to recommend County Board approval of the Agreement with White & Borgognoni for the exterior masonry project; seconded by Cowart.

Mr. Beckett stated, previously, when we were at this point we were at a higher cost. Ms. McGrath stated they asked the firm to go back and review the schedule and see if they could give us a reduction in fees in certain areas and they did that, so the A & E fees are less.

Motion carried.

Adjournment

Chair Beckett declared the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tiffany Talbott
Administrative Secretary