

Property Committee Meeting
June 17, 2019
VCAB, 2nd Floor, Large Conference RM., 5:00 PM

MINUTES

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order and Roll Call

Committee Chairman Wes Bieritz called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Upon the call of roll, the following members were present: Wes Bieritz, Joe Eakle, Adam Hart, Mitch Weaver, and Diana Frazier-Brenneman. Greg Thatcher and Dan Wright were absent. 5 present, 2 absent. Dan Wright joined the meeting at 5:24 P.M. Also present were: Larry Baughn-VC Chairman, Doug Toole- Health Department, Bill Donahue- Risk Consultant, and Jennifer Jenkins -CB Office.

Agenda Item 2 - Adoption/Amendment to the Agenda

A motion was made by Eakle, second by Hart, to adopt the agenda as presented.

Agenda Item 3 – Approval of minutes- September 17, 2018

A motion was made by Weaver, second by Eakle, to approve the September 17, 2019 minutes as presented.

Agenda Item 4 - Audience Comments

None.

Agenda Item 5 – Discussion- Declaration of Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Property Committee

Eakle made a motion of concurrence for Wesley Bieritz as Chairman of the Property Committee and second by Weaver. Upon the call of roll, the following members voted yes to-wit: Bieritz, Eakle, Hart, Weaver, and Frazier-Brenneman. 5-yes and 2-absent. Eakle made a motion of concurrence for Mitch Weaver as Vice Chairman of the Property Committee and second by Hart. Upon the call of roll, the following members voted yes to-wit: Bieritz, Eakle, Hart, Weaver, and Frazier-Brenneman. 5-yes and 2-absent.

Agenda Item 6 – Discussion-County Renaming Policy

Bieritz provided some brief background of the County renaming policy. He informed the committee that a couple of years ago there was a renaming inquiry about the Courthouse. There was a great deal of discussion during this time however, nothing was completed through County Board. So the committee is back to get this done properly and get it completed once and for all. It was suggested previously that the renaming party should have 800 signatures of voters within the County and then can they only move forward to the Property Committee and it must be by a 2/3 vote. It would then move to the Executive Committee. Each of these committees would need to support the renaming by a 2/3 vote before being passed on to the board. There was a Policy on Naming Public Buildings handed out to the committee for their review. It was suggested by Hart to add roads, bridges, etc. Baughn added that we could refer to it as a Policy on Naming Public Property versus just Public Buildings. The committee also discussed the options of the 800 signatures such as; maybe 500, do they have to be registered voters, etc. It was determined that there would be 500 signatures of the residents of Vermilion County, being 18 years of age or older, in support of such action. It was also determined to adopt such recommendation the full County Board pass such recommendation by two-thirds vote of the entire County Board, and not just those present, for such action to be taken by the County. A revised version of the Policy on Renaming Public Property will include the above suggestions and will be available for the Executive /Legislation Committee meeting and County Board.

Upon the call of roll, the following members voted yes, to-wit: Bieritz, Eakle, Hart, Weaver, Frazier-Brenneman. 5-Yes, 2-Absent

Agenda Item 7- Executive Session

Not necessary.

Agenda Item 8- Items of Information and Committee Concerns

Chairman Baughn shared a quick update of a few of the County buildings. The EMA facility located on Georgetown Road is currently being used as storage for quite a few departments. Chairman Baughn suggests that we continue the use of this building for this purpose as the County does not have any other storage options at this time. We are currently awaiting an adjustor from our insurance company to give us a quote on the cost for any repairs due to the recent storm. Hart suggested to make sure that we have someone come and check out the additional structure at the EMA location on Georgetown Road. It is a pole barn that could have possibly endured quite a bit of damage. Hart volunteered to be present if needed.

Chairman Baughn also referred to the abundance of scrap that the County has acquired throughout the move from the Annex to VCAB, etc. This is useless scrap such as old desks that are no longer usable, chairs that are no longer safe, etc. Building and Grounds will be disposing of such equipment.

Discussion ensued regarding Collins Tower. Baughn noted that he noticed additional pieces of the building that is starting to come off.

Baughn informed the committee that there was a total of about a \$270,000 hit for the recent storm and hail damage. This is the amount provided to Vermilion County by C.H. Smith. C.H. Smith charged Vermilion County one deductible versus a deductible for each vehicle. This was an unexpected surprise and appreciated by the Chairman.

Agenda Item 9 – Adjournment

Bieritz adjourned the meeting at 5:36, until the next meeting scheduled for Monday July 15th @ 5:00 P.M.

Minutes by: Jennifer Jenkins, CB Office