## LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES OF APRIL 7, 2016

Chairman Marty Fannin called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the committee room in the Livingston County Historic Courthouse.

Present: Fannin, Young (arrived at 5:12 p.m.), Allen, Arbogast, Flott, Holt (arrived

at 5:09 p.m.), Shafer (arrived at 5:05 p.m.), Steichen (arrived at 5:26 p.m.),

Vietti, Yoder

Absent: Ingles

Also Present: County Board Members Carolyn Gerwin, Bob Weller, Administrative

Resource Specialist Alina Hartley, Streator Mayor Jimmie Lansford, Adam Dontz (GLCEDC), David Fulkerson (Newtown Township).

Fannin called for any additions or changes to the agenda with none being requested. *Motion by Flott, second by Arbogast to approve the agenda as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.** 

**Approval of 2016 Strategic Plan** – The Committee reviewed the 2016 Strategic Plan summary, which includes minutes of the work sessions held. Fannin stated that he was pleased with the work sessions, the discussions that were held and the results of the meetings. *Motion by Arbogast, second by Vietti to approve the 2016 Strategic Plan.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.** 

**Intergovernmental Agreement: Smith Douglas Property** – Fannin stated that a meeting has been scheduled to review any outstanding issues with the City of Streator in an attempt to work out an agreement or letter of intent that will be acceptable to all parties. Mayor Lansford addressed the Committee. Lansford stated that the City of Streator does not have any hidden agenda regarding the property, and that they primary concern was the proximity to their water supply in the event of flooding or leaching. Discussion took place regarding some of the history of the property along with its environmental issues. Mayor Lansford reported that they have been in contact with the EPA in order to gain federal funding for the remediation of the property, along with some insurance that if funding should not be available, the City of Streator would not be held liable. David Fulkerson from Newtown Township expressed concern with the project. Fulkerson stated that the Township is against putting the area into the TIF, along with reduction in taxes to the district, or increased taxes to the homeowners. Further discussion took place. Fannin requested that the meeting be recessed until 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, in order to allow time for department heads and the attorneys to work with Streator on their concerns with the agreement.

**Other Business** – The Committee reviewed a draft newsletter that was being presented in response to concerns raised during the recent work sessions. Some committee members

felt that the newsletter was a duplication of efforts and someone redundant. Hartley expressed some concern with ability to get the letter done prior to the County Board meeting. Consensus of the Committee was to try the newsletter out for a few months to see what the response and level of benefit is.

The Committee then reviewed the full board agenda.

Discussion took place regarding the need to schedule a special finance committee meeting to request emergency funds to replace a damaged bridge.

Motion by Shafer, second by Holt to recess the meeting. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES. Meeting recessed at 6:07 p.m.

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Alina Hartley Administrative Resource Specialist