

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD  
INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 10, 2021

Committee Chair Marty Fannin called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm, in the County Board Room of the Historic Courthouse located at 112 W. Madison St. in Pontiac, Illinois.

Present: Fannin, Mays, Blackard, Manker, Slagel

Absent: Barickman, Steichen

Also Present: County Board Chair Kathy Arbogast, County Board Members Mark Runyon, Linda Ambrose, and Jim Carley, Alina Hartley (Executive Director), Jon Sear (Network & Computer Systems Administrator), and Diane Schwahn (Finance Director)

Fannin called for any additions or corrections to the agenda. *Motion by Blackard, second by Slagel to approve the agenda as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

**Cyber Insurance / Multi-Factor Authentication** – Sear reported that he has been working with four different vendors to identify the best option for the county. Sear stated that he based his analysis on 300 users. Sear reported that the first option included the software with a VPN at a cost of \$36,000 the first year and \$28,000 thereafter. Sear stated that the second option runs through the firewall with an upfront cost of \$1,700 plus maintenance, and an additional \$50 per user per year, estimated at \$14,200. Sear reported that the third option installs a software that includes two factor authentication at \$72 per user, estimated at \$18,000 per year. Sear stated that the fourth option uses USB dongles for a two factor authentication at a cost of \$55 per user, to purchase. The only additional cost will be the USB replacements as needed. Discussion took place. The Committee discussed the options moving forward. Sear also noted that the first three options require cell phones, and not all county employees have a cell phone. Other issues discussed included ongoing cost and maintenance. Discussion also took place regarding the ability to utilize two different systems. Sear stated that the first option was his preference and the fourth option would be his second choice. Discussion took place regarding the ability to test the systems with some employees to evaluate ease of use and what works best for the departments. The Committee acknowledged with no decision being made, there could be a lapse in cyber coverage.

The floor was open for public comment.

*Motion by Blackard, second by Mays to adjourn.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m..

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Alina M. Hartley  
Executive Director