



Minutes of Meeting
CITIZENS' EFFICIENCY COMMISSION
June 12, 2013

ATTENDANCE

Citizens' Efficiency Commissioners

	Jeff Adkisson	X	Marilyn Kushak
X	Daniel Cadigan		Frank McNeil
	Jim Cimarossa	X	Mike Murphy
X	Josh Collins	X	Drinda O'Connor
X	Jerry Crabtree	X	Robert Plunk
	Gary Crompton	X	Kent Redfield
X	James Donelan		J. D. Sudeth
X	Kevin Dorsey	X	Kenley Wade, Sr.
X	Cliff Erwin	X	Joan Walters
	Lee Fields, Jr.	X	Robert Wesley
X	Bob Gray		
	Karen Hasara		

Others

Norm Sims- SSCRPC

Amy Uden- SSCRPC

Jeff Fulgenzi- SSCRPC

Jess Weitzel- Graduate Intern

I. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Jim Donelan, in the absence of Chairperson Hasara and Vice-Chairperson Murphy, called the meeting of the Citizens' Efficiency Commission to order.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Donelan asked for approval of the May minutes. Mr. Cliff Erwin made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Jerry Crabtree seconded the motion and the minutes were approved

III. INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ms. Amy Uden introduced Ms. Jess Weitzel a Summer Graduate Intern for the SSCRPC. Ms. Weitzel is currently working on her Master's Degree at the University of Texas, and is originally a Springfield native. She will be involved in many SSCRPC projects over the course of the summer and may be providing assistance to the CEC.

IV. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:

Mr. Donelan then invited officers and committee chairs to report on recent activities for their committees:



Report of the Chair:

Mr. Donelan mentioned the Editorial in the *State Journal Register* on June 6th written by Mr. Murphy. This was the second editorial in the CEC's series of guest columns, and the Executive Committee has arranged a program of editorials for the next several months.

Mr. Donelan noted that a mayor's meeting is being planned and will likely take place on July 29, July 31, or August 5.

Commissioner Donelan reported that the Indianapolis trip is tentatively set for July 16th depending on Mayor Greg Ballard's schedule. Once the date is set staff will send out a notice to the commissioners. Staff will need to know how many commissioners will be attending in order to set logistical details.

Administrative, Management, and Budget Committee:

Committee Chair Kushak provided a brief update on her committee's projects. The committee continues to look into state mandated publications, as well as cooperative local government financing. She noted that the committee would like to have a presentation ready for the next meeting of the mayors' group, potentially related to CIEDA and group financing opportunities. The committee continues to look at cooperative joint payroll and with the help of Mr. Jeff Fulgenzi have made contact with ADP and New World Software companies to learn more about software products that could be used cooperatively. Ms. Kushak reported that her committee had also approved a supplement to the procurement recommendation detailing the Leadership Springfield group's report and providing a link to the local government procurement web portal.

Next Committee Meeting: Monday, July 8, 2013, 11:30 am; SSCRPC Conference Room 212. Mr. Jerry Crabtree will chair this meeting.

Community Development Committee:

Committee Chair Erwin reported that the higher education recommendation had been approved and that now the committee is working on putting together procedures on how to implement it.

He also noted that the committee is continuing to work on the process for obtaining building permits. They had an impressive presentation from SmartGov at the last meeting. The economic feasibility of this process will continue to be discussed at the next meeting.

In the area of Education, Chair Erwin indicated that the committee is taking a look at Sheila Simons report from the Classrooms First Commission. There are some recommendations in this report that might apply to Sangamon County.

Next Committee Meeting: Thursday, June 13, 2013, 3:00 pm; Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce Conference Room.



Public Works Committee:

Committee Chair Donelan reported that his committee recently toured the new Springfield Metro Sanitary District water treatment facility on North 8th Street. Committee members shared their impressions of this unique facility. The group noted that they found the tour very informative and were impressed with the technology, professionalism, and sustainable design of SMSD and the new treatment plant.

Next Committee Meeting: Monday, July 8, 3:00 pm; SSCRPC Conference Room.

Public Safety Committee:

Committee Chair Bob Gray explained that his committee continues to research law enforcement, fire protection, emergency response and the 911 system. Preliminary internal reports from the four assigned subcommittees are anticipated for the committee's internal review at its next meeting.

Next Committee Meeting: Wednesday, June 26, 2013, 3:00 pm; Sangamon County Farm Bureau

V. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Donelan asked if there was any new business to come before the commission.

Mr. Gray explained and presented the following recommendation on Centralized Dispatch Systems:

In light of its research, the CEC recommends that the City of Auburn and Village of Chatham transfer emergency call dispatch responsibilities to the Sangamon County Centralized Dispatch System (SCCDS), and evaluate disbanding their respective emergency dispatch centers.

The CEC further recommends that the SCCDS transfer the 911 Rollover Center responsibilities to the City of Decatur/Macon County Emergency Communications Center through intergovernmental agreement.

There was discussion as to whether Chatham and Auburn were receptive to this agreement. It was noted that the Mayor of Auburn is interested. Officials in Chatham have expressed less interest in the recommendation. The group also discussed various factual components of the recommendation, and provided clarity as to the estimated potential for cost reductions.

Mr. Gray made a motion to approve the recommendation with Mr. Bob Wesley providing a second. The motion passed unopposed. Mr. Donelan recommended that a press release not be sent out until Chair Hasara is available to be involved in the process.



Next meeting date—July 10, 2013 at 5:00 PM, Location to be the Hoogland Center for the Arts, Social Room.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Donelan invited members of the public to comment. There was no additional public comment.

Mr. Donelan then took the opportunity to thank the Citizen's Club for hosting the CEC on its program at the policy breakfast meeting last month. Mr. Bob Gray noted that the meeting was recorded and is available on Access 4 every Tuesday this month at 6:00 AM and 2:00 PM.

Mr. Wesley encouraged commission members to review two of the support documents provided by SSCRPC staff, the first being Ms. Uden's Master's project and the second being the philosophy document that was published when the commission began. He noted that both are conceptually useful documents that will help with making final conclusions as the commission wraps up its term.

It was noted that next meeting of the commission is going to be at a 5:00 p.m. instead of 3:00 p.m. in the hopes that more commissioners can attend. The commissioners noted that with this time change, their meeting will be in a different room of the Hoogland, and briefly discussed whether this location will meet space needs at the meeting.

Mr. Donelan encouraged commissioners to keep Chair Hasara and her family in their thoughts and prayers. A card from the commission was passed around for everyone to sign.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments, Mr. Donelan called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Erwin made the motion with Ms. Kushak seconding. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Lewis
Acting as Recording Secretary