

**Members Present**

Mr. Stauffenberg, Mr. Olthoff, Mr. Tripp, Mr. Bertrand, Mr. James, Mr. Martin, Mr. Washington, and Mr. Scholl.

**Members Absent**

Ms. Hertzberger.

**In Attendance**

Mr. Kruse, Mrs. Lee, Mr. Whitten, Mike Van Mill, Brian Billingsley, Eric Sadler, Donna Shehan, Sherri Gessner, Tom Bunosky, Bob Gessner, Ed Piatt, Tim Schmidt, John Bevies, and Bruce Clark.

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Stauffenberg at 9:00 a.m. Quorum present.

**2. Public Comment**

None.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Tripp and seconded by Mr. Bertrand to approve the minutes of February 18, 2004. Motion carried.

**4. Building**

None.

**5. Subdivision**

Village of Sollitt – Vacation of Part of Plat

Mr. Billingsley provided an overview of the request to vacate part of plat in the Village of Sollitt.

A motion was made by Mr. Martin and seconded by Mr. Tripp to approve the request. Motion carried.

**6. Zoning**

None.

**7. Other**

Consumers Illinois Water Company

Mr. Bunosky from Consumers Illinois Water was present to discuss proposed development plans in the Limestone area. He said they have scheduled in their capital construction program for 2006 the project of running a line out there. He estimates the cost to be \$470,000. He said they were asked for a master plan of Limestone Township to serve all the homes in that area and that cost estimate was considerable at \$7.2M.

Mr. Martin asked how far they go on Route 113. Mr. Bunosky said past Riverside by the river.

Discussion was held regarding working with developers on future projects.

Mr. Bunosky said Consumer's will finance the main extension and infrastructure needed to convert to a public water supply for ten years at their fixed interest rate, which is 2.9% currently for the homeowner.

Mr. Stauffenberg asked if the cost of a community well is \$100,000. Mr. Bunosky said correct.

Mr. Stauffenberg said he would like to see the sub-dividers and Consumer's get together on these issues because we will be dealing with this again.

Printing Services for 1<sup>st</sup> Edition of Kankakee County Waste & Recycling Guide

Mr. Van Mill said Ms. Shehan has been working on a recycling guide and they initially thought they would need approval to develop an RFP; however, due to proposed changes in the bidding procedures it will not be necessary.

Mrs. Lee said Mr. Smith made a presentation on bidding procedures at the department head meeting and Administration committee meeting. The County's bidding requirements have not been changed since 1988. The committee is recommending to the full Board next week that we amend our ordinance to be in line with State guidelines. Items would not be put out for bid until they were over \$20,000.

Ms. Shehan said she is proposing a recycling guide on recycled newsprint that will contain current information on waste disposal options that she hopes to update on an annual basis. The preliminary cost estimate is \$10,000.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lee and seconded by Mr. Washington to approve allowing the Planning department to print the Kankakee County Waste and Recycling Guide contingent upon the passage of the bidding procedure revision by the full Board.

Mr. Martin said this will thoroughly cover the households and is a good idea.

Mr. James asked what monitoring tools would be used to determine its effectiveness.

Ms. Shehan said the newspaper is an educational tool and she can survey the businesses to see if they have an increase.

Mr. Stauffenberg said we will be getting updates on recycling in Kankakee County and he is looking forward to Ms. Shehan taking off with it.

Motion carried on a roll call vote of 9 ayes and 0 nays.

City of Kankakee – Tipping Fee Grant Application

Mr. Van Mill said Richard Schultz from the City of Kankakee is present to prove an overview of his request.

Mr. Schultz said they are requesting a grant for their on-screen promotion for recycling. They previously received grant funds to produce their latest version of their recycling brochure. They will use three posters and add a fourth image encouraging them to participate in the City of Kankakee's program or their local program.

Mr. Stauffenberg asked who picks up their disposables. Mr. Schultz said ABC Disposal and the contract has three costs (1) solid waste disposal (2) charge for recycling program and (3) yard waste.

Mr. Van Mill asked if there is a cost difference with these three services. Mr. Schultz said recycling costs less than solid waste.

Mr. Stauffenberg asked if the City of Kankakee contributes to this. Mr. Schultz said the City pays for it every month and the annual cost is \$70,000-\$80,000.

Mr. Scholl asked if there is coordination between recycling and playground equipment. Mr. Schultz said they are not there yet, but it is something to think about.

Mr. Stauffenberg asked if the City would fund this project if the County does not approve it.

Mr. Martin said half of the people in the County never go to the show and he thinks we will hit a small percentage of people. He said we gave them money already and the brochure is good, but what about the rest of the people in the County. He cannot see where this program will be effective and it will not reach enough people. He said the expenditure is not appropriate.

Mr. Schultz said he has provided data about his request including the number of people who attend the movie theatre. This is a multi-media approach. If everybody in the County wanted to promote recycling from the Tipping Fee Fund is very appropriate because that is what the money is for.

Mr. Martin said the brochure is good because it hits everybody, but he does not see this as being effective. He thinks we need to promote recycling, but this is not an effective way to spend our money.

Mr. Scholl said if this is successful in the theatre, it could it be extended to Kankakee cable television.

Mr. James said the money is set aside to promote recycling and the request is not out of line.

Mr. Washington asked what the current status is of the fund.

Mr. Van Mill said approximately \$140,000 not considering the money that was recently allocated to Pembroke.

Mrs. Lee said one of our concerns is that our landfill capacity is rapidly coming to an end and depending on what happens later this month, it is incumbent upon us as protectors of this County to make sure we have landfill space available. If recycling is the tool that we have, we need to use every means available. Movies hit every generation available. She said this is a good use of the funds and is the purpose of the funds.

Mr. Martin said a couple of years ago, we withdrew funds from the Training Center and as a result, we have no recycling program. Mr. Washington said the Training Center situation was that they were sorting recyclables and the amount of money they got went down and it was not profitable for them.

Mr. Van Mill said the cost of Ms. Shehan's office and the Pembroke allotment will be coming out of this fund.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lee and seconded by Mr. Scholl to grant the City of Kankakee \$6,415.50 for their "On-screen Promotion" recycling program.

Mr. Bertrand said he would like to amend the motion and table the request. He said we have a short life in the landfill and we do not know what is going to happen. If the landfill fills up, we will not have tipping fee.

A motion was made by Mr. Bertrand and seconded by Mr. Martin to table the request.

Mr. James said even if the landfill fills up, recycling will be the answer and we cannot get started soon enough. Recycling is a necessity that is here to stay.

Motion failed on a roll call vote of 4 ayes and 5 nays to table the request.

Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7 ayes and 2 nays to approve the request.

#### Kankakee County Quality Improvement

Mr. Van Mill said the Kankakee Valley Park District is asking for a grant to do a feasibility study for the trail system. He said a presentation was given a few months ago on this initiative.

Mr. Adams from the Kankakee Valley Park District was present. He said the major concern of the Park District is that there is not a way for people to get to the Aquatic facility. They are very interested in looking at a trail that would serve as an opportunity for cyclist, cross country ski, etc. The grant is for a feasibility study and will cost \$5,000. They will be paying \$1,000 and they are asking for \$4,000.

Mr. Van Mill said they are paying a 20% match on the project.

Mr. Washington asked what we have standing in that fund. Mr. Van Mill said approximately \$35,000.

Mr. Martin asked if the City of Kankakee is participating. Mr. Adams said no.

Mr. Van Mill said it is a Park District trail maintained and operated. The stakeholders are Consumer's Illinois Water, State of Illinois at Shapiro, Forest Preserve District, KCC, and the Park District.

A motion was made by Mr. James and seconded by Mr. Scholl to approve the grant request from the Kankakee Valley Park District in the amount of \$4,000 for the purpose of paying for a feasibility study for the trail expansion.

Motion carried on a roll call vote of 7 ayes, 1 nay and 1 present.

**8. Old Business**

Mr. James asked about the discussion held at the last meeting regarding the county paying for these grants once the money runs out.

Mr. Van Mill said he believes the motion was in support of the program and the committee would like to see it funded, but there was no action other than that.

**9. New Business**

None.

**10. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Mr. Tripp and seconded by Mr. Scholl to adjourn the meeting at 10:27 a.m. Motion carried.

Jim Stauffenberg, Chairman

Juanita M. Baker  
Administrator