



**Champaign County Board  
Facilities Committee  
County of Champaign, Urbana, Illinois**

**MINUTES – APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED**

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**DATE:** Tuesday June 4, 2019  
**TIME:** 6:30 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Lyle Shields Meeting Room  
Brookens Administrative Center, 1776 E. Washington St., Urbana IL 61802

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**Committee Members**

**Present:** Mike Ingram, Jon Rector, Steve Summers, Leah Taylor, Jodi Wolken, James Tinsley, Charles Young  
**Absent:** Stan Harper

**County Staff:** Dana Brenner (Facilities Director) Ashley Peete (Recording Secretary)

**Others Present:** Giraldo Rosales (County Board Chair) Darlene Kloeppel (County Executive)

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**MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Committee Vice-Chair Steve Summers called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**II. Approval of Agenda/Addenda**

**MOVED** by Mr. Rector to approve the agenda; seconded by Mr. Ingram. Upon Vote, the **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**III. Approval of Minutes-May 7, 2019**

**MOVED** by Ms. Wolken to approve the minutes; seconded by Mr. Ingram. Upon vote, the **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

**IV. Public Participation**

Lynn Braham, Rohn Koester, Allan Axelrod, Martell Miller, Niloofar Shambayati, John Bergee

**V. Communications**

None

**VI. New Business**

**A. County Jail Consolidation Discussion with Sheriff Dustin Huerman Staff**

Champaign County Sheriff Dustin Huerman discussed his vision for the future, regarding the need to close the Downtown Jail and add to the Satellite Jail. Further, the Sheriff delineated the current challenges facing the correction staff with the current inmate population; and the changes necessary to positively impact inmates/correction staff now and into the future.

Sheriff Huerman feels the Downtown Jail should be closed and we must have a facility that meets the needs of the citizens of Champaign County and have a community approach as well, simply having a jail will not solve

the criminal justice problems. He also stated that Champaign County is doing a lot of good things as far as the Criminal Justice system goes. The County is working with Mental Health to develop new programs to divert those who may have mental illness, to get them out of the jail, or prevent them from coming to the jail in the first place. Sherriff Huerman is passionate about helping people before they come to the County Jail. The fewer people that come to the County Jail, the better off those people who did not go to the jail will be in the long run.

The goal for the correctional facility when the downtown jail closes, if things go in the right direction, Sheriff Huerman feels that will reduce the bed space that both jails can house at the given time. The problem is not the amount of beds, but the amount of space, or usable space that is needed for the individuals incarcerated today. What has been envisioned for the jail is the reduction of capacity and having more usable space. Mr. Huerman posed concern for the current condition of the downtown jail, and not having the funds to make certain repairs.

As conversations continue, Sheriff Huerman would like the Facilities Committee as well as the public to know that this is not just a jail issue, but also a community issue.

B. Update on ITB#2019-003 Courthouse Column Base Modification Project

Mr. Brenner stated that several contractors have been contacted in regards to the column base project. Based on the hours that this work will need to be done, primarily late at night, or early morning, it's going to escalate cost. Because of that, more time is needed as far as bids to figure out if contractors have the staff to get the project done. Bid opening deadline was extended out until May 21, 2019.

C. Approval of Contract Award for ITB#2019-004 Brookens POD #100 Roof Replacement

Mr. Brenner reviewed attachment that was included in packet and updated as far as bids that were received from contractors. **Motion** was made by Ms. Taylor to approve the contract; seconded by Mr. Ingram. Upon vote, **Motion Carried Unanimously**

D. Update on ITB#2019-001 Art Bartell Road Sidewalk Project

Mr. Brenner updated the status of the sidewalk project. Utility boxes still had to be lifted. Mr. Brenner estimated 6-10 days of work before the project would be completed, based on weather.

E. Update on Courthouse Chiller Replacement

Mr. Brenner reviewed the purchase order for the chiller replacement. Mr. Brenner hopes for the compressor to be replaced before extremely hot weather comes.

F. Update on Courthouse Locker Installation

Mr. Brenner stated that the new lockers have arrived and will be installed. Mr. Brenner would like a significant base installed for the lockers to be attached to. The lockers should be easy to operate.

**VII. Other Business**

None

**VIII. Presiding Officer's Report**

A. Future Meeting-Tuesday August 6, 2019

**IX. Designation of Items to be placed on the Consent Agenda**

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**X. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm

*\*\*Please note the minutes reflect the order of the agenda and may not necessarily reflect the order of business conducted at the meeting.*