

**Village of Bensenville
Village Board Room
12 South Center Street
Bensenville, Illinois 60106
Counties of DuPage and Cook**

**MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND LEGISLATION
COMMITTEE MEETING
January 19, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairwoman Janowiak called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

PRESENT: Upon roll call by Deputy Village Clerk, Corey Williamsen, the following Board Members were present:

Chairwoman Janowiak, President Soto, Carmona, DeSimone, Jaworska, O'Connell, Wesseler

Absent: None

Village Clerk, Ilsa Rivera-Trujillo was also present

A quorum was present.

Staff Present: V. Benham, J. Caracci, K. Katz, F. Kosman, M. Martella, M. Patel, M. Rysavy, S. Viger, C. Williamsen

Approval of Minutes: The November 17, 2015 Administration, Finance and Legislation Committee Minutes were presented.

Motion: Trustee O'Connell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Trustee Wesseler seconded the motion.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Rory Group: Village Consultant, Jay Dalicandro, presented to the Committee a Resolution Authorizing the agreement with the Rory Group for Village Lobbyists and Consulting Services.

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Mr. Dalicandro stated the Village requested proposals from firms to provide the services of a state lobbyist/consultant to support and promote Bensenville residential and business stakeholders' interests by formulating, promoting, monitoring and reporting on the state legislative initiatives and priorities. Mr. Dalicandro stated the firm was to demonstrate key relationships with leadership in the State, City of Chicago and DuPage and Cook Counties and should be well informed on both Development of Aviation and O'Hare Modernization Program and the EOWA project. Mr. Dalicandro stated The Village received submissions from six firms: B-P Consultants, Inc.; McArarney Consulting / Serafin & Associates, Inc.; MRH Solutions, LLC / Torricelli Lobbying & Consulting, LLC / Ann L. Schneider & Associates, LLC; Rory Group; Roosevelt Group; Thomas J. Walsh Consulting. Mr. Dalicandro stated the Rory Group has familiarity with the Village of Bensenville and DuPage County contacts Chairman Dan Cronin, Illinois Tollway Authority Chairman Robert Schillerstrom and Choose DuPage Executive Director John Carpenter. Mr. Dalicandro stated the firm has a relationship with the City of Chicago Department of Aviation, Springfield contacts with both the Governor and House and Senate contacts of both parties. Mr. Dalicandro stated the Rory Group contacted Representative Durkin to assist with the billboard industry regarding the 18 billboards along York Road and the proposed "cap & replace" model. Mr. Dalicandro stated it was his recommendation to approve a contract with the Rory Group with the same terms currently in place.

President Soto asked if Mr. Dalicandro thought the Village of Bensenville should be without a lobbyist. Mr. Dalicandro stated he would recommend the Village of Bensenville retain a lobbyist.

Trustee DeSimone stated he did not feel the Village of Bensenville received enough from the Rory Group in the past for the amount of their contract. Trustee DeSimone stated he would like the Village to hire a new lobbyist/consulting firm.

Motion: Trustee Wesseler made a motion to approve this item for placement on a future Village Board Meeting Agenda for action as presented. President Soto seconded the motion.

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Roll Call: Ayes: Chairwoman Janowiak, President Soto, O'Connell, Wesseler
 Nays: Carmona, DeSimone, Jaworska
 Motion carried.

**INFORMATIONAL
ITEMS:** There were no informational items.

ADJOURNMENT: President Soto made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee O'Connell seconded the motion.
All were in favor. Motion carried.
Chairwoman Janowiak adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

Corey Williamsen
Deputy Village Clerk
PASSED AND APPROVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bensenville this 16th day, February 2016