Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM

Members Present: John Galloway, John Almer, Dick Joyce, Dave Boggs, Ralph Wagner, Frank Halpin, John Roth

Also Present: Ron Severson, Dan Duffy, Sandy Pommier, Lana Phillips, Denise Kasper, Mike Vezzetti

A motion to approve the claims as presented was made by Wagner, seconded by Boggs. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the board member vouchers was made by Joyce, seconded by Almer. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 7, 2011 meeting was made by Wagner, seconded by Boggs. Motion carried.

No Public Comment.

County Administrator Dan Duffy reviewed the draft FY2012 County Budget Hearings Schedule in attempt to coordinate with the committee members schedules. A discussion was held and the committee agreed to schedule the meetings at 4:30 PM. A motion was made by Almer, seconded by Roth to authorize Duffy to send the schedule to Department Heads and Elected Officials. Motion carried.

Duffy updated the committee on the contract that the county entered into with NIMEC to save 20% on electrical expenses. The effective date of the contract is May 1, 2011. He stated that the gas contract will be reviewed by the Procurement Committee.

Duffy also updated the committee on the Downstate Operating Assistance Program (DOAP) that will allow for the reimbursement of eligible operating expenses that are not required for the provision of public transportation, which would be in addition to the Section 5311. He stated that the county has secured the amount of $230,000.00.

Duffy also told the committee that the TIGER II funding that is to fund the purchase of a hybrid bus for the county may be eliminated. On February 19, 2011, the U.S. House of Representatives voted to end the TIGER II grant program and cuts funding to the program completely.

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Duffy told the committee that he had met with a company in regards to the cost of the installation of more efficient light bulbs.

Duffy stated that as directed, he met with the owner of the Technology Center where the county provides an office for Kendall Grundy Community Action to ask that the rental contract be amended to add an "opt out" clause in the case of no funding for LIHEAP. The owner was not in favor of the request.

A motion to adjourn was made by Almer, seconded by Boggs. Motion carried.

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