

Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes

June 27, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM

Members Present: John Galloway, Tom Poole, John Almer, Frank Halpin, Dave Boggs
Members Absent: John Roth, Ralph Wagner

Also Present: Ron Severson, Dan Duffy, Sandy Pommier, Lana Phillips, Susan Bates, John Bates, Mitch Conwell, Mike Vezzetti, John Callahan, Heidi Miller, Denise Kasper

A motion to approve the minutes from the June 13, 2011 meeting was made by Boggs, seconded by Almer. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the claims was made by Almer, seconded by Poole. Motion carried.

County Administrator Dan Duffy told the committee that he has been compiling budget data in order to prepare a draft to be presented at the next meeting.

The committee was presented with proposed increases for the FY2012 employee salaries including the costs of 1, 2 and 3 percent increases. Duffy stated that the Personnel Committee had differed to the Finance Committee in order to better determine financial status prior to making a recommendation.

The committee discussed the resolution calling for referendum on any county bricks and mortar project above the amount of \$500,000.00. Board Chairman Severson explained the reasoning for the resolution including that larger projects need to be sold to the public and that the amount of the resolution may need to be higher. The committee agreed to amend the resolution to exclude road and bridge projects and asked Duffy to prepare two resolutions (\$500,000.00 & \$1 million) to be presented at the next meeting.

Coroner John Callahan attended the meeting to entertain questions in regards to the recommendation from the Personnel Committee to approve the funding for the full time Chief Deputy position. Galloway asked HR to do a county comparison on the requested salary. A motion to table the matter was made by Poole, seconded by Boggs. Motion carried.

The committee was notified of the IRS raising the standard mileage rate for the second half of 2011 to 55 ½ cents. A motion was made by Almer, seconded by Poole to authorize a memo to be distributed to all county departments. Motion carried.

Mitch Conwell and States Attorney John Bates attended the meeting to discuss the Juvenile Diversion Program. Conwell, Coordinator for the program, told the committee

that the State funding for the program will no longer exist and explained the need and benefits of the program to those involved as well as to the county. Bates added that the matter had been favorably recommended to the committee by the Criminal Justice Committee and that the county would be totally funding the program for the FY2012 budget. Galloway stated that he was in favor of the program and asked for more time to review the information.

Duffy told the committee that he is pleased with the status of the current budget, being at 46.45% spending at the half year point.

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

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