

FINANCE COMMITTEE
June 28, 2007

The meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chair, Dan Priske at 4:30 PM on Thursday, June 28, 2007, in the Green Lake County Board Room. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present: Dan Priske
Deb Schubert
John Brennan
Vern Ammentorp
Orville Biesenthal

Also Present: Marge Bostelmann, County Clerk
Orrin Helmer, County Board Chair
John Selsing, Corporation Counsel
Kathy Morris, Treasurer
Bob Podgorski, Highway
Linda Van Ness, HHS
Mark Podoll, Sheriff

AGENDA

Motion/second(Brennan+Sch4bert) to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second(Schubert/Biesenthal) to approve the minutes of May 31, 2007 as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – 3 Minute limit

Podgorski stated that the budget directive for a 0% increase will make it hard for highway department to keep up on highway road maintenance.

CORRESPONDENCE None

APPEARANCE None

TREASURER’S REPORT

Morris sent the report to the committee. She explained a CD came due on June 1st and she withdrew the money and sent it to the Local Government pool. \$11,138,000 is left in taxes to collect which is 30.59% of the roll; this is a little higher than last year.

Morris explained that when personal property taxes do not get pay, the municipality will charge back the share of those taxes but the County can not do that. For the County it is a levy amount that is not paid back.

Morris stated that the City of Green Lake is collecting mandatory boat launch fees. They expect to receive about \$14,000 this year. The county received about \$5,000. Helmer stated that the Highway Committee talked with the previous Sheriff’s administration and found that deputies would not be able to monitor the park to make sure boat passes were purchased. If the County plans to do this type of

procedure, a deputy will have to look at the cars to enforce the ordinance.

Motion/second(Brennan/Ammentorp) to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEAD – Linda Van Ness, Health & Human Services

Linda Van Ness stated that after 5 months they have expended 35% of the budget and received 32% of the revenue. Van Ness answered questions on individual line items in the budgets.

USE OF SALES TAX FUNDS FOR FUEL TANKS

John Selsing, Corporation Counsel, stated that the State Law on use of sales tax has been expanded to allow its use for most County operations, but the Green Lake County Ordinance #577-99 is more restrictive and does not allow us to use money for fuel tanks.

PRICE QUOTES FOR FUEL SYSTEM SHOP I & SHOP II HIGHWAY

Price quotes for a fuel system at the highway grounds were presented to the committee. Underground tank at Green Lake: Estimated price \$97,000.00; Underground tank to Manchester: Estimated price \$87,000.00. Above ground tanks at Green Lake \$56,000 and above ground tanks at Manchester \$45,000. Quotes are from US Petroleum Equipment. The Highway Committee has reviewed these quotes and asked that they be forwarded to the Finance Committee for review.

The Highway Committee recommends that the Finance Committee approve the placement of the above ground tanks. The 15,000 gallon tank at shop I has an estimated cost of \$56,000 and a 10,000 gallon tank at shop II has an estimated cost of \$45,000. The four current 1,000 gallon tanks, 2 at shop I and 2 at shop II, will be removed. Brennan stated that if this is approved then all the County departments should purchase their gas from the highway departments

Bostelmann stated that the County has \$821,364 in long term capital outlay which could be used to pay for the tanks or the contingency fund could be used. Helmer explained the number of gallons of fuel used in 2006 and 2005 and divided the savings into the cost and it would take 9 years to pay for the tanks. Discussion held on the total usage of the fuel by the county and the cost savings or loss.

Motion/second(Ammentorp/Priske) to approve the Highway Committee moving forward to obtain bids for the above ground tanks and pumps not to exceed \$110,000 from the capital outlay account. Roll call vote, 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.

REVIEW HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 2006 FUEL BILLS

Helmer stated that at the April meeting, Brennan, Ammentorp and Schubert voted to have the Highway committee absorb the bills. In the May meeting Priske, Ammentorp and Biesenthal approved paying the money from Contingency. Helmer asked why Ammentorp changed his mind. Discuss was held. Helmer is okay with the outcome that the Contingency fund pays the bills, but he did agree with the process.

BUDGET REVIEW

The Committee reviewed the budget printout. The electricity costs at 515 Gold Street is being checked to see why they are so high.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Van Ness presented a budget adjustment for the ADRC budget to reflect expenses that will go against the grant received.

Motion/second(Schubert/Ammentorp) to approve the budget adjustment for the Health and Human

Service for the ADRC grant accounts. Motion carried.

2008 BUDGET Schedule for Department Heads
September 10th at 1 pm.

Discussion was held on a schedule for Budget Review meetings with Department Heads. Discussion held. A meeting will be scheduled for September 10th at 1:00 pm. If another meeting is necessary it will be set at that meeting.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES None.

SUPERVISORS CLAIMS

The Committee reviewed the supervisor's claims in the amount of \$5,324.51 and lay people's claims in the amount of \$51.13.

Motion/second(Ammentorp/Biesenthal) to approve the supervisors' and lay persons' claims. Motion carried.

VOUCHERS

Vouchers were presented in the amount of \$141,721.28 for Finance and \$8,243.56 for IT.

Motion/second(Schubert/Ammentorp) to approve the Finance and IT vouchers. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

The Committee reviewed the Required Reporting Public Libraries in Green Lake County. This report determined the base of the formula for the County Library Contribution. A letter from Winnefox Library System regarding County Representation on Local Library Boards was also reviewed by the committee.

Bostelmann informed the Committee that the Winnefox Library System Libraries outside of Green Lake may be billing for non-count services.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Future meeting dates: Thursday, July 26, 2007 at 4:30 PM.

Future Agenda items: Special Meeting for Budget Review: September 10th at 1:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second(Schubert/Brennan) to adjourn at 6:10 PM. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Marge Bostelmann
County Clerk