

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**August 24, 2006**

The meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chair, Dan Priske at 4:30 PM on Thursday, August 24, 2006, in the Green Lake County Board Room. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

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

Also Present:           Marge Bostelmann, County Clerk  
                              Sheriff Mike Handel  
                              Lori Evans, Law Enforcement  
                              Mark Arends, Christine Carroll and Linda DeNells representing the Libraries

**AGENDA**

*Motion/second(Schubert/Ammentorp)* to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT – 3 Minute limit** None

**2007 BUDGET**

Mark Arends, Christine Carroll, Linda DeNell appeared to discuss the County/Library Agreement. The Agreement calculates a request of \$293,566 which is an increase of \$62,000 over last year's levy. Discussion was held on the funding, the formula and the agreement.

*Motion/second(Schubert/Ammentorp)* to fund the Library in 2007 at the 2006 levy of \$230,939 less 1%. Roll call, Schubert – aye, Ammentorp – aye, Brennan – no, Biesenthal – no Priske – no. Motion failed. The Library funding and agreement will be taken back to the Ag, Extension and Fair Committee for review and discussion.

The Committee reviewed the budget department by department.

Discussion was held on the Sheriff's budget for grant fund under revenue and the \$100,000 of offsetting revenues of 2006 unspent funds. Bostelmann emailed Jeff Cohen, County Auditor about this budget practice. He responded stating that it can be done, but is not a good practice to do with operating accounts. Revenue for a grants was also questioned. The Committee asked the Sheriff and Evans to re-look at the budget and present an update next week.

The Committee questioned the amount of money for forms in the Register of Deeds budget. Seaman will be asked to explain this to the Committee next week. The Committee questioned the Veteran Service transportation budget amount. Beuthin will be asked to address the Committee next week.

Discussion was held on the projected interest revenue for 2007. The committee recommended increasing the interest revenue by \$100,000. Bostelmann presented a projection of wage increases from 2006 to 2007. The committee questioned the calculation, Bostelmann will review the calculations and present a figure next week.

**COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

**Future meeting dates:** Regular meeting: Thursday, August 31, 2006 at 4:30 PM, September 28, 2006.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion/second(Schubert/Ammertorp)* to adjourn at 7:10 PM. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Margaret Bostelmann  
Secretary