

FINANCE COMMITTEE

December 30, 2009

The meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chair, Dan Priske at 4:30 PM on Wednesday, December 30, 2009, in the Green Lake County Board Room. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present: Dan Priske
Deb Schubert
Eugene Schroeder
Alma Hedberg
Susan McConnell

Also Present: Orrin Helmer, Board Chair
Margaret Bostelmann, County Clerk
Kathy Morris, Treasurer
Sheriff Mark Podoll
Winn Collins, District Attorney

Also Present: Pam Schumacher, Missy Sorenson, Leone Seaman, Robert Sage and Terry Schrive

AGENDA

Motion/second (Schubert/McConnell) to approve the amended agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (McConnell/Hedberg) to approve the minutes of November 25, 2009 with the correction that Hedberg was absent. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 Minute limit)

Robert Sage stated that the minimum bid for the Washington Ave house is over priced. He would be willing to pay half of the minimum.

Terry Schrive appeared stating that when he looked at the property on Wisconsin Street he told Morris and Bostelmann that there was water in the bathroom fixtures and when he went back a few weeks later with his family he saw that the water froze and the fixture was broken. He is asking for some concession.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

APPEARANCE – None

OPEN TAX DEED BIDS

206-01088-0000 – 440 N. Wisconsin St Minimum Bid \$18,081.07:

Bid received from Terry Schry for \$18,101.01.

Motion/second(Schroeder/Schubert) to accept the bid as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Morris sent her report to the Committee. Morris stated that the sales tax received for the January payment is

higher than it has been in the last several years. The committee reviewed the Veribank watch report for banks. Morris reported that the best current interest rates are about 1.85%.

The title insurance has been received for all the tax deed properties.

Motion/second(Schubert/McConnell) to accept the Treasurer's Report. All ayes. Motion carried

Discussion was held on the minimum bid for the Washington Street lot.

Motion/second(Schroeder/Schubert) to lower the minimum bid to \$7,001 and re-advertise the property. Motion carried.

BUDGET REVIEW

The Committee reviewed the 2009 revenue and expenditure report. Each department was reviewed. Discussion was held.

BOND FORFEITURE FOR VINE FUNDING

Winn Collins explained that a program called VINE allows for victims to be noticed when a perpetrator is released from prison. Collins is requesting that \$10,000 of the bond forfeiture money received earlier this year be used to fund the VINE program. Schubert explained that Judge McMonigal stated at the Law Enforcement meeting that the bond forfeiture should go back to the general fund and not be used for these projects. Collins stated that this is a good program and funding can come from any funds appropriated by the County. The forfeiture fund was deposited into the general fund by the Treasurer and the Finance Committee can determine how the money is used. Discussion was held on the appropriateness of using the bond forfeiture funds for this project.

Motion/second(Schubert/Hedberg) to use \$10,000 of the bond forfeiture funds for the VINE program. Motion carried.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Bostelmann requested the creation of a revenue account for the HRA/Flex Interest.

A request was presented by Becky Pence to reallocate highway funding within the highway budget. The committee would like Pence to attend the next meeting and give an explanation of the reallocation of the highway funds.

Motion/second(Schubert/McConnell) to approve both budget adjustment requests. Motion carried.

GASB COMPLIANCE: PROPOSAL FOR OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT ANALYSIS

Three Proposals were received:

Key Benefit Concepts for \$5,000 to \$5,200

Actuarial & Health Care Solutions for \$6,300

Milliman for \$8,000

Bostelmann explained that she called the references for Key Benefit Concepts and all the counties she called were satisfied with their work.

Motion/second(McConnell/Hedberg) to approve low bid from Key Benefit Concepts. Motion carried.

GRANT WRITING UPDATE

Reports were sent with the Finance Committee packet.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES – None

SUPERVISORS MONTHLY CLAIMS

The Committee reviewed the supervisor's claims in the amount of \$5,320.46 and lay persons claims in the amount of \$857.20.

MONTHLY VOUCHERS

Vouchers were presented for 2009 Finance in the amount of \$19,483.23 and IT for \$17,820.63 and 2010 Finance for \$14,796.00 and IT for \$35,922.40.

Motion/second (Schubert/Hedberg) to approve the supervisor's claims and lay person's claims and the vouchers for Finance and IT for 2009 and 2010 as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

LONG RANGE PLAN DISCUSSION

Schroeder discussed the letter sent by Dan Priske requesting comments on the expansion of the new site to move the remaining downtown departments to the new site. He presented a Pro/con summary for discussion purposes. Discussion was held.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Schroeder stated that the County currently has several positions vacant and he sees where other Counties are doing the same thing. Not filling a vacancy would help reduce the need for layoffs and unemployment payments. Discussion held on sizes of departments and potential reduction of workforce.

- **Future meeting dates: Regular Meeting: Thursday, January 28, 2010 at 4:30 PM.**
- **Future Agenda items for action & discussion: Sale of tax deed property.**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Schubert/McConnell) to adjourn at 6:00 PM. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,



Margaret Bostelmann
County Clerk