

FINANCE COMMITTEE

July 28, 2011

The meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chair Deb Schubert at 4:30 PM on Thursday, July 28, 2011, in the Green Lake County Board Room. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present: Deb Schubert
Margaret Whirry
Alma Hedberg
Joanne Guden
Jack Meyers

Also Present: Liz Otto, Deputy County Clerk
John Selsing, Corporation Counsel
Roger Field, EDC President
Kathy Morris, Treasurer
Becky Pence, Highway
Al Shute, LUPZ
Tony Daley, Berlin Journal
Dan Priske, Board Chair
Sheriff Mark Podoll
Lori Evans, SO Adm Assistant
Linda Van Ness, HHS
Bob Jahn, Highway Dept.

AGENDA

Motion/second (Meyers/Guden) to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Guden/Whirry) to approve the minutes of June 21, 2011 and June 30, 2011. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Roger Field, president of the Economic Development Corporation committee, spoke regarding the EDC's mission of promoting and securing economic development within Green Lake County. It is a 9 member committee that is also a member of the Tri-County Economic Development Corporation that includes Marquette and Waushara counties. He informed the Finance Committee that they are meeting the 3% reduction for 2012 that is required but that the county must pay the total \$40,000 as approved by the County Board instead of the current \$30,000 due to a shortage of funds.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

APPEARANCES – None

GOLD STREET PROPERTY – County Clerk Marge Bostelmann stated in her report that the Gold Street property has been listed with Malcom Bay Realty for \$119,500. The property is listed on the "MLS" multiple listing service and can be sold by any realtor. Supervisor Guden questioned the lot size of the property. Dan Priske informed her that it is a corner city lot.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Kathy Morris stated that the sales tax figure as of August 1 is \$105,846.56. Boat launch permits collected as of July 28 is \$18,423.41 which is a slight increase over 2010. She also gave updates on property tax money collected and paid out so far this year, a tax deed property, and an automatic payment procedure that has been set up and is working out well. Morris stated that she would like to implement the automatic payments for more taxpayers if requested.

Motion/second (Meyers/Guden) to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES – *Motion/second (Whirry/Hedberg)* to approve Resolution 17-2011 Relating to Cancellation of Outstanding Checks. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT HEAD – BOB PODGORSKI, HIGHWAY DEPT

Administrative Assistant Becky Pence gave the report due to Bob Podgorski's medical leave. She stated that revenues are down for July but expenses are also low so the overall budget is good. Pence answered questions from Supervisors Guden and Schubert on several accounts.

BUDGET REVIEW

The committee examined the revenues. Al Shute of Planning and Zoning answered several questions regarding revenues in that department. Expenses were also reviewed by the committee.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Health and Human Services Director Linda Van Ness stated that the Children and Family Services unit has received an increase of \$92,052.00 due to a Children's Trust Fund grant. The Aging unit has also received a slight increase in revenues. Budget adjustments were requested to several accounts to reflect the increase in revenues.

Motion/second (Guden/Meyers) to approve HHS budget adjustments as requested. Motion carried.

2012 BUDGET

2012 budgets for contingency fund, debt retirement, county board, committees and commissions, and economic development were reviewed.

Motion/second (Guden/Hedberg) to approve budgets as submitted. Motion carried.

SUPERVISORS MONTHLY CLAIMS

Committee reviewed the supervisor's claims in the amount of \$2,679.40 and lay people in the amount of \$225.00.

MONTHLY VOUCHERS

Vouchers were presented for Finance in the amount of \$29,152.69 and for IT in the amount of \$2,949.84.

Motion/second (Whirry/Guden) to approve the supervisor's claims and the vouchers for Finance and IT as presented. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT – County Clerk Marge Bostelmann submitted a written report giving an update on 2012 budgets and stating that all departments are trying to achieve the 3% reduction. Finance will receive

the budgets prior to the August 25th meeting and she suggested a meeting date be set for the 1st or 2nd week of September to review the budget and talk with departments.

CLOSED SESSION – None

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- **Future meeting dates: Regular Meeting:** Thursday August 25, 2011 at 4:30 PM. Supervisor Meyers stated that he will be unable to attend because he will be out of town.
- **Future Agenda:** Supervisor Whirry questioned the mileage rate of .555 set by the federal government. She stated that if the county would lower the rate the difference could be taken as a business deduction on individual's income taxes and the county could save money. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Guden/Hedberg) to adjourn at 5:15 PM. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Liz Otto
Deputy County Clerk