

FINANCE COMMITTEE
September 14, 2005

The meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chair, Dan Priske at 8:30 AM on Wednesday, September 14, 2005, in the Green Lake County Board Room. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present: Dan Priske
John Brennan
Orville Biesenthal
Bernie Kasierski
Deb Schubert

Also Present: Marge Bostelmann, County Clerk

AGENDA

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

2006 Budget Review

Gary Podoll – Emergency Management: Podoll will reduce his budget by \$769: \$250 from advertising and \$519 from capital equipment.

Bob Podgorski – Highway: Podgorski presented an increase in revenue to reduce the budget by \$61,405. Discussion was held on gas prices and savings to all departments now using the fuel from the Highway shop with a key system. The Finance Committee would like to work with the highway to purchase larger tanks.

Motion/second(Kasierski/Brennan) to send a letter to the Highway Committee requesting that larger gas tanks be purchased for additional cost savings and work with the Highway Committee for the financing of the larger tanks to be the purchased with County funds.

Parks: Podgorski stated that the boat launch fees increased this year to about \$6000. Park Maintenance was reduced by \$1442 to make the 3% cut.

Al Shute – Planning and Zoning: Shute explained the mandates that his department is under and presented the changes made in his budget of \$7150 throughout all the sub-units of Planning and Zoning department. Shute explained that he currently has a vacancy in his office of a secretary and would like to replace the position with a third code enforcement officer. Discussion was held.

Land Info: Shute proposed to cut travel \$250, cut membership \$250, seminars cut \$500, consulting cut \$300 for a total of \$1300.

Linda Van Ness – Health and Human Services: Van Ness explained how the levy was reduced by \$72,734.

John Selsing – Corporation Counsel: Selsing explained that his budget has not changed other than personnel cost for over 8 years. Discussion was held. No change was made.

Bostelmann explained that health insurance will increase by 20%. Discussion was held on reducing employee hours, applying undesignated funds, and lowering contingency fund. All changes will be compiled in the summary sheet and sent to the committee for final discussion on September 29th. Bostelmann will present different scenarios of the cuts and revenue increases and explain how the changes will affect the levy for the committee to review.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Future meeting dates: Thursday, September 29, 2005 at 4:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second(Brennan/Kasierski) to adjourn at 11:10 PM. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Margaret Bostelmann
Secretary