

FINANCE COMMITTEE

September 8, 2011

The meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chair, Debra Schubert at 3:00 PM on Thursday, September 8, 2011, in the Green Lake Government Center, UWEX Training Room. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

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

Also Present: Vicki Bernhagen, Deputy County Clerk
Kathy Morris, Treasurer
Sheriff Mark Podoll
Lori Evans, LE Admin Asst
Eugene Henke, County Board Supervisor
Thomas W. Traxler, Jr., County Board Supervisor

Also Present: John Selsing, Corporation Counsel
Tony Daley, Berlin Journal
Aaron Becker, Ripon Commonwealth

AGENDA

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

Motion/second (Guden/Meyers) to approve taking the agenda out of order. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 Minute limit) –

County Board Supervisor Traxler handed out a sheet of paper outlining the General Duties of Public Officials, Rules Governing Debate and Summary of Procedures Incident to Debate.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

APPEARANCE – None

VIEW TAX DEED PROPERTIES

Chairman Schubert, Supervisor Meyers, Supervisor Whirry, Supervisor Guden, Treasurer Morris and Deputy County Clerk, Bernhagen went to view the following list of properties.

1. Hwy 73 open property – T. Princeton – 3:20 pm
2. N5515 County Rd C – T. Princeton – 3:40 pm

RESUME MEETING AT GREEN LAKE GOVERNMENT CENTER IN UWEX TRAINING ROOM – 4:30 PM

DISCUSS TAX DEED PROPERTIES FOR ACQUISITION

Discussion was held on the tax deed properties at Hwy 73 open property in the Town of Princeton and N5515 County Rd C in the Town of Princeton.

Motion/second (Meyers/Guden) to take tax deed on parcel 016-00556-0200, Hwy 73 open property in the Town of Princeton and not advertise because it is a right away. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion/second (Whirry/Meyers) to take tax deed on parcel 016-00756-0400, N5515 County Rd C in the Town of Princeton and set the bid according to the County formula. Before it could be shown it will need to be fumigated. All ayes. Motion carried.

2012 BUDGET

Discussion was held on the budget summary sheet.

***DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION TO BE PRESENTED AT NEXT COUNTY BOARD MEETING REGARDING THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Postponement of any decision regarding corporation counsel ordinance pending completion of investigation and audit of corporation counsel's office.
2. Obtain written legal opinion regarding legality of Ordinance 60-4 (Chapter 60 of the Code of Green Lake County Officers and Employees; Article II Corporation Counsel; Election and term. Bond.) which potentially limits the discretion provided County Board in Wis. Stat. sec. 59.42; and
3. Further analysis of non-salary line items in corporation counsel's budget for reimbursement of contracted services, office expenses and other items.

Resolution No. 20-11 Relating to threat of litigation to Green Lake County and certain members of the County Board by Corporation Counsel John B. Selsing was read.

Discussion was held on Resolution 20-11 Supervisor Whirry was not sure if this was the correct committee for this and would like it tabled. Chairman Schubert explained that it was the proper committee because of the finances.

Motion/second (Guden/Meyers) to approve Resolution 20-11 and forward to the September 20, 2011 County Board. Roll call vote, 3 ayes (Guden, Meyers, Schubert), 1 nay (Whirry). Motion carried.

***ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR AGREED UPON PROCEDURES: SCHENCK – CORPORATION COUNSEL OFFICE**

Engagement letter was reviewed.

Motion/second (Meyers/Guden) to approve the letter of engagement from Schenck and give the County Clerk authorization to sign the response. Roll call vote, 3 ayes (Meyer, Guden, Schubert), 0 nay, 1 abstained (Whirry). Motion carried.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- **Future meeting dates:** Thursday, September 29, 2011 at 4:30 PM.
- **Future Agenda items for action & discussion:**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Guden/Whirry) to adjourn at 5:00 PM. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Vicki Bernhagen
Deputy County Clerk