

COMMITTEE: FINANCE
DATE: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2020
TIME: 1:00 P.M.
PLACE: COUNTY BOARD ROOM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lukas called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and read the agenda.

ROLL CALL

Present: Campbell, Chaney, Collins, Gretzinger & Lukas

Absent:

Others Present: Nora Matuszewski, Mark Ferris, & Scott Williams

APPROVE AMENDED AGENDA

Motion by Collins to approve the amended agenda as presented, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 FINANCE MEETING

Motion by Gretzinger to approve the minutes from September 8, 2020 Finance meeting, second by Campbell. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Angie Close from Langlade County Economic Development commented by Go-to meeting on the revolving loan fund that her county created through their economic development and how well it has worked. She explained to the committee some of procedures and answered questions from board members.

Several board members asked questions and commented on the fund as well as Don LeMaster and Kristina Dunow. Dunow explained she feels strongly about the revolving loan fund and helping businesses grow here in the county.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A REVOLVING LOAN FUND FOR THE FCEDP

Gretzinger felt the idea needed to go to the full county board for approval and explained she was very interested in the fund, but there needed to be a plan.

Motion by Gretzinger to approve organizing/setting up a revolving loan fund to be voted on by the County Board with the amount to be determined by the board if approved, second by Collins. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON WPS LEASE

Motion by Collins to table until the next meeting of the Finance to be held on September 21, 2020, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON JAIL DOOR TRAINING WITHIN HOUSE

Motion by Collins to proceed with in-house jail door training, second by Campbell. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON WPSC-NATURAL GAS LINE AND PAYMENT FOR A NEW LINE INTO THE COURTHOUSE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000

Motion by Collins to approve the new gas meter loop into the courthouse in the amount of \$5,000, also the cost of a new regulator for the boiler, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CORPORATION COUNSEL CONTRACT FOR 2021

Motion by Gretzinger to approve the new contract for 2021 which included an increase in service costs from \$85 to \$100, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ON UPDATES ON JAIL COSTS, POSSIBLE ACTION

Motion by Collins to increase the budget for the project by \$30,000 for unforeseen contingencies, having Musson question #23 & #24 as not payable, under the understanding that any and all change orders be signed by Lukas, second by Campbell. All present voting (AYE) (4); (NAY) (1), Chaney. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE 2021 BUDGET

The Clerk explained there were still several departments that did not turn in their budgets yet. There is still no word from the Health Insurance renewal for 2021, which is being followed up every other day, the retirement stayed the same except for the protected status, the workman's compensation rate went up a from .69 to .73 and the rating bureau amounts went up as well per classification. The budget will be added to the meeting on the 21st, hopefully all departments will be in and a better picture will be known. The allowable increase for the levy was only in the \$40,000 range.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A COPY MACHINE IN COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

The Clerk explained the original quote for the copy machine was for a used machine not new. The committee went over the new quote and the clerk explained it was a machine that is 4-years old, and because of COVID came out of a hospital, so, it is considered a very good machine. Motion by Campbell to approve the contract, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE NEW TOWER

Motion by Gretzinger to approve the equipment from the Northway Communications quotes supplied by Walrath, in the amounts of \$40,100 and \$81,370, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Treasurer-Financial Update
- WPS-Tower Lease
- 2021 Budget

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion by Chaney to adjourn, second by Campbell. All present voting AYE. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 2:56 p.m.