

COMMITTEE: FINANCE  
DATE: MARCH 4, 2021  
TIME: 10:00 A.M.  
PLACE: COUNTY BOARD ROOM

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lukas called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and read the agenda.

#### ROLL CALL

Present: Chaney, Collins(phone), Gretzinger & Lukas

Absent: Campbell

Others Present: Nora Matuszewski, Josh Bradley, & Alex Walrath

#### APPROVE AGENDA

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

#### APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 15, 2021 FINANCE MEETING

Motion by Chaney to approve the minutes from the February 15, 2021 Finance meeting, second by Gretzinger. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS:

- Resolution-Emergency System Upgrades at Sheriff Department

The billing from Central Square is part of the Administration fees and training, for the Zuerker project (911), which has money in reserve account for.

Motion by Gretzinger to approve Walrath signing of the P.O. Agreement and payment to Central Square from the reserve account that was set aside for this project, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

- Ownership change from original business who received bid contract (Zuerker) which is causing payment confusion.

Walrath explained the entity started out Zuerker and now there are two other companies that have taken over the project; Central Square and Tri-tech are the two companies working with the (911) system upgrade.

- Update from Emergency Director and steps moving forward

Walrath updated the committee on the repeater project, which can be identified on the billings by a "SDP", which is held up by batteries right now. The floor in the building in Wabeno will be replaced by the Maintenance, which is now owned by the Town of Wabeno. When the project is finished Northway Communications will come in and put the new repeaters in. The Hazardous Communications grant was finally accepted and the county will receive \$30,000 toward the \$40,000 paid for the work done on the All Hazard Mitigation Plan. The 2021 grants are being worked on and the possible EM position change has also been discussed with the state and he was told they can be adjusted when and if needed. The evacuation routes are almost finished and when done Walrath will contact Campbell for a Risk Management meeting. He is also working on Tower packets and hopes to have them available to everyone on the board in the near future.

Motion by Gretzinger to approve payments for the repeaters in the amount of \$121,470 and forward to the full county board in resolution form, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

Motion by Gretzinger to approve payment of \$160,000 for the Dispatch Radios, which had been approved by resolution, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

## UPDATES AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS:

- Sales Tax Revenue

The Treasurer had available the sales tax revenue for the county and the county was up in sales tax for February by \$12,000.

- General Obligation Debt

There was discussion on the projects and moving forward and the resolutions needed for projects.

- Broadband and current reimbursement request

Motion by Chaney to have a face to face meeting with Northwoods Connect to go over invoices, progression, etc. about the project before any further payments are made, second by Collins. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

- Resolutions for projects

Motion by Collins to present a resolution to full county board of Capital projects up to this point, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

## DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A NEW PHONE SYSTEM IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,225 APPROVED BY THE BUILDING/PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Motion by Gretzinger to approve the new phone system and payment in the amount of \$4,225, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

## DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL ON PAYMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW TABLES FOR THE COUNTY BOARD ROOM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,513.70, APPROVED BY THE BUILDING/PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Motion by Gretzinger to approve the \$4,513.70 for the tables, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

## DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICY

The policy was gone through and changes were made by the committee.

Motion by Chaney to approve all changes made to the policy, second by Gretzinger. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

## FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND SETTING DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

- Broadband
- General Obligation
- Financial Management Policy (Resolution form)
- Resolutions for Capital Projects (possibility of several on one resolution?)
- Next meeting – March 24, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion by Gretzinger to adjourn, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:26 p.m.