FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

COMMITTEE: FINANCE

DATE: OCTOBER 5, 2022

TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PLACE: FOREST COUNTY BOARDROOM

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lukas called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m. and read the agenda.

ROLL CALL

Present: Anderson, Campbell, Chaney, Gretzinger, Lukas

Absent:

Others Present: Nora Matuszewski, Ron Skallerud, Christy Conley

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Anderson to amend the agenda to include acceptance of the LATCF funding, second by Chaney. all present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

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

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 28, 2022 FINANCE MEETING

Motion by Campbell to approve the minutes from September 28, 2022 Finance meeting, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

LATCF FUNDING

The Clerk was notified from the Treasury of potential funds coming to the County arising from a 20-year study they had done on tribes, counties, etc. that have lost revenue from government programs. The Clerk attended a webinar pertaining to the funding and Forest County is one of the counties qualified to receive the money. The amount the County has allocated to them is \$1,942,112.46 for years 2022 and 2023. The revenue would come in two separate payments of \$971,056.23 (2022 and 2023), and the money can be used until it is gone, with yearly reports done on expenditures. The only thing it cannot be used for is lobbying. The Clerk is already in the system for the ARPA funding and would only need permission to accept the funding. Motion by Gretzinger to give the Clerk permission to accept the LATCF funding, second by Chaney. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

The Sheriff brought up an additional way to get funding for the county by possibly acquiring items through a government surplus and then selling them when able.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE 2023 BUDGET

The budget was still over levy by \$1 million. The Clerk removed all outlay items from the budget with the committee deciding to use some of the money coming from the Treasury to cover those expenses. The total outlay items totaled \$417,000 bringing down the budget shortfall, but not enough.

The committee began working looking at the Social Services accounts and reduced the following:

- (01)-Supplies reduced to \$100
- (03)- Postage reduced to \$100
- (03)-Travel reduced to \$500
- (04)-Misc. reduced to \$5,000
- (04)- Computer Maint. reduced to \$250
- (14)- Misc. reduced to \$300
- (14)-AMSO reduced to \$600

The Judge was asked to come in and discuss the deputy he court ordered for the courtroom. The committee explained the difficulties they were having and he told the committee he would not enforce something that was not affordable, but he wanted some guarantee from the Sheriff there would be a deputy available for court. He told the committee the dangers of not having a deputy available and the Sheriff told the committee and the Judge he would work harder to make sure there was a deputy available. So, the court ordered deputy was removed under the understanding the Sheriff would make sure there was a deputy available for the court.

Social Services Continued:

- (18)- Travel/Training reduced to \$750
- (18) Misc. reduced to \$500
- (19)- WISACWIS Eliminated drop \$1,315 has never been charged
- (26)- Client needs reduced to \$100,000
- (51) Travel reduced to \$4,000
- (51) Supplies reduced to \$100
- (51) Misc. reduced to \$3,000
- (51)- Client Needs reduced to \$500
- (52)- Travel/training reduced to \$1,000
- (52) Misc. -reduced to \$500
- (52)- Client Needs reduced to \$100

Commission on Aging – Line items reduced:

- (10)- Tires reduced to \$0 the item has not been used for three or more years
- (10)- Vehicle Maint. Reduced to \$4,000

The Clerk will go through and recalculate all changes and update for the next meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND SETTING DATES FOR BUDGET MEETINGS

- 2023 Budget
- American Tower lease agreement
- Meeting dates –October 10, 2022 10:00 a.m. & October 17, 2022 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion by Chaney to adjourn, second by Gretzinger. All present voting (AYE). Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned at 1:40 p.m.