

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Polk County Finance Committee met in the Second Floor East Conference Room of the Polk County Government Center at 2:00 p.m. on October 22, 2008.

Present: Gary Bergstrom Mick Larsen Brian Masters
 Bryan Beseler Kathryn Kienholz

Also Present: Tonya Weinert
 Members of the Public Members of the Press

Chairman Gary Bergstrom called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Moved by Beseler/Masters to accept the Agenda as published. Motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Masters/Larsen to approve the previous Minutes of October 7 and October 8, 2008. Motion carried by voice vote.

The committee members discussed upcoming calendar events and agreed to hold their next meeting on November 5, 2008 at 3:00 p.m.

Land & Water Resources

The Minute Taker handed out *Resolution - Requesting Grant Funding through the Department of Natural Resources "Targeted Runoff Management Program"*. Land & Water Resources Director Tim Ritten reported he was bringing the Resolution to the Finance Committee prior to taking it to the full County Board.

Moved by Masters/Larsen to approve Resolution - Requesting Grant Funding through the Department of Natural Resources "Targeted Runoff Management Program" and to recommend approval by the full County Board. Motion carried by voice vote.

Economic Development Corporation

Executive Director of the Economic Development Corporation Mike Welch introduced Director of West Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission Jerry Chasteen. Chasteen gave the committee members an overview of what types of services were offered on a regional level as well as direct services to Polk County. Land Information/Zoning Director Sara McCurdy updated the members with some history regarding the Planning Commission and communities. There was a question whether Polk County could contribute a portion of the dues and receive proportionate services. Chasteen reported the dues would need to be paid in full in order to receive any type of benefits.

2009 Budget Discussion

Finance Director Tonya Weinert reported on the 2009 Budget, the Library 150 Act money held outside of the levy and "Effort of Maintenance." Weinert reported she was working with Corporate Counsel Jeff Fuge to possibly obtain an Opinion from the Wisconsin Attorney General's office for clarification regarding "Effort of Maintenance" and what dollars can go outside of the levy cap. She further reported that the 2009 Budget was still in balance at the present time. The committee members further discussed the Contingency Fund, the Fund Balance Policy, the Highway Budget and the Home Health Care Budget.

Department of Administration/Finance

Weinert reported she was working on the Lime Quarry Project with Highway Commissioner Steve Warndahl and Supervisor Brian Masters. The Minute Taker handed out a portion of the Treasurer's Report as earlier submitted by Treasurer Amanda Nissen which included the cash balance/interest in the County Checking Account and the monthly interest earnings to date.

Moved by Kienholz/Bergstrom to approve bills and vouchers numbered 247320 - 248055. Motion carried by voice vote.

Moved by Beseler/Masters to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.