

Finance Committee
Rock Island County Board
November 14, 2008

The Finance Committee of the Rock Island County Board met on Friday; November 14, 2008 in the conference room of the County Board Office. Chairperson Tom Rockwell called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Committee Members Present: Rockwell, Dueysen, Malvik, Mayberry and Moreno

Committee Members Absent: Banaszek and Harmon

Others Present: James E. Bohnsack, Randy Jacobs, Captain Daryl Bounds, Jeannette Hunter, Larry Wilson, LuAnn Kerr, Diana Robinson, Donna Wilkerson and Joan Russell

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Moreno seconded to approve the minutes of the October 17th meeting. Carried.

Hotel/Motel Fund – Zoo Interactive Presentation

Mr. Jacobs presented sketches of the zoo interactive presentation to the committee. (Record) The contract for services totaling \$70,000 was also presented. Full installation is scheduled for completion by January for the interactive kiosk, which will be placed in the baggage claim area. (Record)

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Mayberry seconded to approve the contract and appropriation of \$70,000 as provided in #4J on the agenda. Carried.

Surplus Equipment

Chairman Bohnsack advised that Coroner Sharon Anderson would like to purchase the 2001 Pontiac Grand Am that she has been driving. It has 84,000 miles on it and the Kelley Blue Book trade in price ranges from \$2675 for excellent condition to \$1825 for fair condition. (Record)

Motion: Mr. Mayberry moved, Mr. Dueysen seconded to declare the property as surplus and to allow Ms. Anderson to purchase the vehicle at a cost of \$2500. Carried.

Appellate Prosecutor Annual Resolution

Included in the packet was the annual resolution approving the use of and appropriation for the Appellate Prosecutor. (Record)

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Moreno seconded to approve the resolution. Carried.

Audit Sub-Committee Report

Included in the packet was a report of the audit sub-committee. (Record)

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Dueysen seconded to proceed with the recommendations of the Audit Sub-Committee. Carried.

New Money Resolutions

The committee reviewed each of the 17 new money resolutions presented. (Record) They expressed their concern over item #4D; the resolution from the Health Department for a breast-feeding program. The committee questioned why this program would be taken out of house instead of being handled by our staff. There was no one present at the committee from the Health Department to answer the questions.

Motion: Mr., Dueysen moved, Mr. Mayberry seconded to approve the new money resolutions presented except that from the Health Department, #4D. Carried.

From other Committees – Fuel for Sheriff

Captain Bounds presented a request to appropriate \$60,000 to cover the high costs of fuel that the Sheriff's Department has experienced. (Record)

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Dueysen seconded to approve the appropriation. Carried.

From other Committees – Reinstate Deputy Clerk I Position

Mr. Malvik advised that the Circuit Clerk's Office had a deputy clerk I position vacant for almost two years, so it was taken out of her budget. Due to moving Moline Court into the Courthouse, the position is needed again. Ms. Hunter advised that all administrative staff is working overtime and weekends trying to catch up. She and Ms. Bierman work in the Traffic Division regularly. Moline and Rock Island police departments have received grants and are making special stops and writing more tickets. While the process has been streamlined as much as they can, they still have staff working weekends and extra hours. Chairperson Rockwell questioned the need for the position that will cost nearly \$40,000 with benefits. (Record)

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Moreno seconded to approve the appropriation. Carried.

From other Committees – State's Attorney and Public Defender Salaries

Included in the packet were resolutions for salary, IMRF and FICA costs related to the state determined salary increase of 3.80% for the State's Attorney and Public Defender, which went into effect July 1, 2008. (Record)

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Dueysen seconded to approve the appropriations. Carried.

Chief County Assessment Office

Mr. Wilson presented the routine monthly report. (Record) It is time to send out the Senior Exemptions again.

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Dueysen seconded to approve the report. Carried.

Board of Review

Ms. Russell provided the routine report. (Record) She advised that they had 483 complaints but feels they should finish their session by January.

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Dueysen seconded to approve the report. Carried.

Purchasing

Ms. Wilkerson presented the report of bids. (Record) One item required approval of the committee, that was the low bid for a copier from RK Dixon at a cost of \$3,448 plus \$1,008 maintenance on the Lanier LD125. This machine will be shared between the Coroner, Veterans Assistance and Purchasing.

Motion: Mr. Moreno moved, Mr. Mayberry seconded to approve the purchase. Carried.

Treasurer

Ms. Kerr presented the routine monthly reports. (Record) Reports indicated our current interest rates at just 1.80%. The fourth installment of property taxes was due November 12th. Just over \$30 million will be distributed at the end of November. She advised the committee that a Parameter Bond Ordinance will be presented by the Forest Preserve Commission which will allow for the sales of the bonds as soon as interest rates are down. The high interest rate currently being offered would reduce the bond proceeds and may not allow all the work to be completed. Bond insurance is not available due to the market conditions and the Forest Preserve District still had an A+ rating.

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Dueysen seconded to approve the report. Carried.

Auditor

Ms. Robinson presented the routine monthly reports. (Record) She projected out the revenue and expenses for the General Fund for the remainder of the reportable fiscal year. Through this process, she determined that the County will have approximately \$296,510 more revenue than expenses this year. Salary reimbursements from the State are currently behind due to the State's budget crunch. Veterans Assistance Fund will have their expenses exceed revenue. The Health Departments cash flow problem will continue into the new fiscal year due to overspending. Their revenue should meet their expenses, however. Ms. Robinson noted that her office again received the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for excellence in financial reporting.

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Mayberry seconded to approve the report.

Per Diem/Mileage Report

Mr. Mayberry questioned the amount of per diems that Board Member Maranda earned for the month of October. It was explained that he was involved in negotiations for the AFSCME 2025B contract. (Record)

Motion: Mr. Moreno moved, Mr. Malvik seconded to approve the report. Carried.

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Dueysen seconded to approve the transfers of appropriations in nine (9) funds. Carried.

Motion: Mr. Dueysen moved, Mr. Malvik seconded to approve a delinquent tax resolution. Carried.

Motion: Mr. Moreno moved, Mr. Mayberry seconded to approve the Treasurer's Disbursements totaling \$3,944,144.80. Carried.

Motion: Mr. Mayberry moved, Mr. Dueysen seconded to approve the claims totaling \$3,498,636.62 plus late claims of \$244,524.79 for a total of \$3,743,161.41. Carried.

Other

Chairperson Rockwell commented that property values have dropped about 1% this year where we usually see about a 3% increase. In September, 2008 IMRF projected out IMRF rate for next year at over 16%. This is up from 9.42% currently. It was discussed that the IMRF projection that is delivered to the Human Resources Department should be shared with appropriate individuals/departments; such as County Board, Treasurer and Auditor immediately upon its arrival.

Motion: Mr. Mayberry moved, Mr. Dueysen seconded to go into closed session as per 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. Carried with a roll call vote.

Closed Session began at 4:06 PM.

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Mayberry seconded to return to open session. Carried.

Closed Session ended at 4:23 PM.

Motion: Mr. Malvik moved, Mr. Mayberry seconded to approve the two (2) bargaining unit tentative agreements, with IUOW Local 150 and AFSCME Local 2025B as presented and to recommend their approval to the full board. Carried.

There being nothing further to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:24 PM.

Shelly Chapman