



FINANCE COMMITTEE
Minutes – September 19, 2019

Call to Order. Vice Chair Beaver called the meeting of the Finance Committee to order at 7:30 A.M. on Thursday, September 19, 2019, in the Conference Room N-1, Fifth Floor, Courthouse-East.

Committee Members Present. Supervisors Beaver, Fox, Podzilni and Yeomans.

Committee Members Excused: Supervisor Mawhinney.

Staff Members Present. Sherry Oja, Finance Director; Josh Smith, County Administrator; Randy Terronez, Assistant to the County Administrator; Diana Arneson, Assistant to Information Technology Director; Lisa Tollefson, County Clerk; Bridget Laurent, Deputy Corporation Counsel; Jodie Surber, Analyst; Tom Sweeney, County Conservationist.

Others Present: None.

Approval of Agenda. Supervisor Fox moved approval of the agenda, second by Supervisor Podzilni. ADOPTED.

Approval of Minutes – September 5, 2019. Supervisor Yeomans moved approval of the minutes of September 5, 2019 as presented, second by Supervisor Podzilni. ADOPTED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements. Supervisor Podzilni said he will be appointing Kevin Leavy to the District 13 Supervisory open seat at the next County Board meeting.

Ms. Tollefson said she has one of the new voting machines which she would be happy to demonstrate after the meeting if anyone was interested.

Mr. Smith introduced Ms. Surber, the new Analyst in our department. The Committee welcomed Ms. Surber.

Transfers and Appropriations. None.

Review of Payments. The Committee accepted the reports.

Review of Payments Over \$10,000. The Committee accepted the reports.

Resolutions and Committee Endorsements.

To Designate a Qualified Newspaper for all Rock County Legal Publications for 2020

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled on this _____ day of _____, 2019, does hereby designate the *Janesville Gazette* as the official county newspaper for all county legal publications for 2020.”

Supervisor Yeomans moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Fox.

Ms. Tollefson said the State sets the rate for the newspapers.

The Committee discussed having legal publications in both the Janesville Gazette and the Beloit Daily News.

ADOPTED.

Accepting the USDA-NRCS Staffing Grant and Amending the 2019 Land Conservation Department Budget to Add a New 1.0 FTE Senior Conservation Specialist Position

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this _____ day of _____, 2019, accepts the USDA-NRCS staffing grant, created a new 1.0 FTE Senior Conservation Specialist position in the Land Conservation Department and amends the Land Conservation Department’s budget as follows:

...”

Supervisor Podzilni moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Fox.

Mr. Sweeney explained there will be two people retiring within the next two and one half years and the plan is to segway this new person into the position of one of the retiring people. This will also give the department the opportunity to train this person into this position, see how things are done in Rock County and meet and get used to the different people in Rock County. He added that the only cost to the County will be truck time, a telephone and a desk.

ADOPTED.

Request to Authorize Purchase of Remote Desktop Licenses Supervisor Fox moved approval to purchase the Microsoft licenses from CDW-G in the amount of \$22,290.04, second by Supervisor Podzilni. ADOPTED.

Updates, Discussion and Possible Action.

Discussion and Possible Action on Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program Mr. Smith said two resolutions were handed out that are not on the agenda under resolutions as he wanted to discuss them before they go on the next agenda. He said this PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) program is different than what we are used to hearing about with Land Conservation. This program is about clean energy and working with economic development, public health, safety and general welfare. It would be used for local development for improvements to energy efficiency and stimulate local economic activity. Mr. Smith added that the Wisconsin Counties Association has been recommending approval of this.

Adjournment. Supervisor Fox moved adjournment at 7:52 A.M., second by Supervisor Podzilni. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

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