

EXECUTIVE & FINANCE COMMITTEE
DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET MEETING
SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

Meeting was called to order by Chair Ernest Vold at 9:03 am in the County Board Room of the Courthouse in Whitehall, Wisconsin.

Members present: Ernest Vold, Douglas Winters, & Dave Suchla Also Deputy County Clerk Stacy Sylla

Motion by Dave Suchla, seconded by Douglas Winters to approve the agenda.
Motion carried.

Mark Smick Arrived at 9:04 am

Discussed Health Department on WMCRE dollars. Could take Dollars from General Fund for a car this year

Wally Geske arrived at 9:07

Discussion on the Law Enforcement budget by Smick.

Health Care Center

Presenting were Mary Gullicksrud and Kurt Johnson

Questioning funds to the HCC from the County for services. Mr. Johnson explained the cost rates. We can discount bed holds which currently there is no charge. Everyone else has to be billed the same. Smick asked if we could combine our Human Resources or IT departments. Levy is down \$50,000. Levy is \$19,106.

Tourism

Presenting was Jean Galazinski

Trempealeau County is number 59 of the 72 counties on total expense for tourism. Sales Tax is collected on \$41,877,648 tourism dollars. Would like to redo motorcycle map and continue to update the website. Committee talked about giving more dollars to Tourism Council, about bike dollars and distribution. They would like to develop Trout Streams/Maps

Snowmobile Trails

Dep. Clerk Sylla presented budget. Ok

Clerk Automation

Dep. Sylla explained the Software Support and the Upgrade. Question on the fax carryover dollars. Sylla will check.

Risograph

Dep. Clerk Sylla presented - No Levy

Committee asked Sylla if Jami Kabus had looked at other people for Property Insurance. Sylla didn't know

Miscellaneous Expense-Vending Machines

Dep. Clerk Sylla presented - No Levy

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Contingency Fund.

Dep. Clerk Sylla presented – Question if this could be used for Unfunded Retirements.

Motion by Geske and seconded by Vold to adjourn for lunch. Motion carried

Adjourned at 11:31 am

Reconvene at 12:35 pm with Vold and Suchla present.

Veterans Dept.

Present was Bill Thoma

Decreased levy by 6.3%

Clerk Automation

Questioned if support is \$1,126.63 times 12 equals \$13,519.56, then why budget is \$14,519.56. Sylla checked out and there are usually 11 months of one rate and one of another as we are not on a calendar year contract, so an extra \$1,000 is in just for unknown increase for one month.

Cobra Health Insurance

Jami Kabus presented. This was a one year federal program, so should be done. No levy

Elections

Budget the same every year. No change.

Property Contingency

Budget the same, but will wait until end of budget meetings.

Unemployment Compensation

Same budget/levy as last year \$45,000.

Health Insurance Deductible

Basically the same as last year rounded to the next dollar. Question was asked if the State said 12% or 12.5%.

County Fair

Tim Byom was present from the Fair Board. He talked about the campers' upgrade for electricity. Sponsorships and Advertising commissions this year were \$15,000. The Demo Derby was only one night and was good. The tractor pull will grow. Same levy.

Closed Session

Motion to go into Closed Session per WI Stat 19.85 (1)(c) to consider employment, compensation and performance evaluation data by Doug Winters and seconded by Wally Geske. Ernest Vold, aye, Doug Winters aye, Mark Smick aye, Wally Geske aye, Dave Suchla aye. Motion carried at 2:00 pm.

Motion to go into Open Session by Dave Suchla and seconded by Ernest Vold.

Ernest Vold, yes, Doug Winters yes, Mark Smick yes, Wally Geske yes, Dave Suchla yes. Motion carried at 2:45 pm.

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Circuit Court

Present were Judge John Damon, Michelle Weisenberger and Kay Vold. Interpreter up only part of the year. Half year paid by the state. Jury trials (206) could squeeze? Drop \$10,000. Justice Sanctions could use the Fund Balance Applied (FBA) on Drug Court. \$10,000 Grant. Employee has decided to take a family health insurance plan instead of no insurance. Add \$17, 828.40. Question was asked if employee went to part-time. Savings would be about \$7,000. No action on this. Deduct \$2,000 each on Court Ordered Doctor Services (209), GAL Fee Watts (262), Attorney Fees (265) and Postage (311). Total increase in levy \$17,828.40 and decrease \$18,000.00

Court Services

Question on levy being up \$1,804.67. Also Health Insurance? Kay will look at this.

Drug Court

OK

Law Library

OK

10th Executive & Finance – 40 hours for Clerk of Court position.

Motion by Suchla and seconded by Winters to adjourn. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 4:14 pm.

**Stacy Sylla
Recording Secretary**