

Trempealeau County Executive/Finance Meeting

Meeting called to order by Chairman Ernie Vold at 9:03 a.m. in the County Board Room at the Trempealeau County Government Center, Whitehall, Wisconsin on Monday, October 3rd, 2011.

Committee Members Present: Ernie Vold, Doug Winters, Mark Smick, Wally Geske, Dave Suchla

Others Present: Paul Syverson, Jami Kabus,

Notice was posted according to open meeting law requirements.

Adoption of the Agenda – Motion/Second: Winters/Suchla to adopt the agenda; Motion carried.

Jeff McIntyre and Judy Fredrickson met with the committee. McIntyre told the committee that the Justice Coordinator and the Family Enrichment positions could be eliminated from the budget in order to reduce the requested amount. Suchla referenced previous Human Services minutes and told McIntyre that he needs to look only at what is required by law and budget only for those services accordingly. Suchla also asked about the IM Consortia. McIntyre explained the Consortia with the Region. Further discussion was had about reducing the Human Services 2012 budget.

Motor Coach and Bike Tours – Olin Fimreite, Ron McKernan, Duane Fredricks
Fimreite gave an overview of the motor coach program and distributed a handout of travelers expenditures over the years. Reviewed the rating system, number of tours and number of tourists over the past 15 years. Fimreite feels the County is not investing enough money into tourism in the County. Marketing materials and the website were shared with the Committee. McKernan requested funds for reordering bike maps, as they only have a couple hundred remaining.

District Attorneys Office – Jeri Marsolek
Marsolek pointed out that she added State Bar membership dues to her budget. This is proposed because of the loss of income for employee contributions for WRS for the State employees in that office. Discussion was had regarding funding the Justice Coordinator position and the Diversion Program.

Human Resources – Jami Kabus
Kabus explained the line item transfer from Corporation Counsel's budget. She reviewed Workers Compensation, Liability and Property Budgets.

Child Support – Renee Lyons
Lyons reviewed with the Committee the funding changes for her department in 2012. She also explained the collections process and state performance status.

.55110 Libraries

Syverson advised that the County is required to pay local libraries. The amount is based on library financial reports, and State law dictates what the County is mandated to pay.

.54520 MCO Payment

Syverson advised that the MCO payment is a five year mandated payment. Suchla asked if we paid it all now, would there be a discount on prepayment. Syverson would look into it.

Committee recessed @ 11:55 AM.

EXECUTIVE & FINANCE COMMITTEE
DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET MEETING
OCTOBER 3, 2011 (Part 2)

Meeting was reconvened by Chair Ernst Vold at 1:00 pm in the County Board Room of the Courthouse in Whitehall, Wisconsin.

Members present: Ernest Vold, Douglas Winters, & Dave Suchla Also County Clerk Paul L. Syverson

Land Records

Presenting was Ann Seymour

Levy is down. Discussion about department organization commenced.

Debt Service

Presenting was County Clerk Paul L. Syverson

Committee discussed paying off the one Bond when callable.

Museum

No Levy

Economic Development

Postage up \$100, so levy was up \$100

Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission

Membership Dues and Per Diems/Mileage

Victim Witness

Debbie Garson presented

Reimbursement is expected to go down from State by 10%

Levy is down. Caseload is about 350

County Sales Tax

Same amount as last year at \$1,300,000. State estimates it to be \$1,440,469.

Senior Services

Kathy Gauger, Jeff McIntyre, and Judy Fredrickson present

Levy is down. Discussed Benefit Specialist and the 85.21 Transportation. Only two accounts have levy.

Real Property Lister

Nick Gamroth presented.

Levy is down.

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

Adjourned at 3:50 pm

Paul L. Syverson

Recording Secretary