

EXECUTIVE & FINANCE COMMITTEE
DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET MEETING
SEPTEMBER 10, 2012

Meeting was reconvened by Chair Michael Nelson at 9:05 am in the County Board Room of the Courthouse in Whitehall, Wisconsin.

Members present: Ernest Vold, Michael Nelson, Tom Bice, John Aasen & Dave Suchla
Also County Clerk Paul L. Syverson and Jay Low

Committee discussed the updated budget sheets.

Maintenance

Bruce Cheline was present.

Committee cut Object codes 191 & 192 by half. Drop \$10,126.15. There were no fringes calculated on this so no cut there. Discussed snow removal at the courthouse. He uses a bobcat from Peterson Implement in Whitehall, which they let him keep it insight. Discuss major improvements carpeting in Human Services and the Packer Room (\$20,000), VAV replacement (\$45,000) and Sound System in County Board Room (\$25,000). These three were cut from budget, so total reduction is \$100,126.15. Bruce had added in five hours for Bobbi Guthrie into the budget to bring her to 40 hours a week. **Motion by Tom Bice and seconded by Dave Suchla to keep her at 35 hours per week. Motion passed 4 – 1. No vote-Ernest Vold.** Will calculate the five hours with fringe to deduct.

Motor Coach Tours/Bicycles

Olin Fimreite and Duane Fredrick presented

They explained that they needed more brochure jackets for the Motor Coach Tours, but their council will cover it. They actually need assistance in taking the “Audio Tour” brochure and the “Things to Do” brochure and combining them into one. **Motion by John Aasen and seconded by Ernest Vold to increase request from \$1,666 to \$3,850. Motion carried.**

Olin then talked about the Bicycle tours. Ron McKernan was unable to attend today. **Motion by John Aasen and seconded by Ernest Vold to leave levy the same for Bicycles. Motion carried.**

District Attorney

Taavi McMahan, Special Prosecutor was present.

The budget is up because the revenue for the Diversion Coordinator is gone. The expenses are also higher as the State is going to make the counties pay more for heroin investigations. Committee lowered Fax expense \$180 to \$20.

Corporation Counsel

Present was Rian Radtke.

Drop \$150 from Fax line to \$50. Add \$100 to printing.

Land Records

Presenting was Ann Hempel.

Ann explained that she only goes to one conference a year. **Motion by Dave Suchla and seconded by Tom Bice to increase budget/levy by \$5,000. Motion by Dave Suchla and seconded by Tom Bice to amend the motion to \$6,000. Motion to amend carried. Amended Motion carried.**

Victim Witness

Debbie Garson presented

Revenue will be going down again. She explained restitution as some are not ordered and if ordered is not collected. Drop Fax \$220 to \$20. Drop Computer services \$ 120 to zero. She discussed how many cases she deals with both new and ongoing. She does a lot of work with witnesses.

Senior Services

Kathy Gauger was present.

The State has reallocated funding for the 85.21 transportation down \$11,554. She plans to use reserve funding to cover the difference. The reserve would be \$19,717. She said we must match 20%, but since the grant will be less, she is asking that the levy remain the same. She explained the transportation program and the marketing consultant. She also requested that volunteer drivers who drive over four hours be able to get a waiver for in-county meals. She said it is in the budget as presented. Committee said to start with Personnel & Bargaining Committee and then come back to Executive & Finance.

Real Property Lister

Nick Gamroth presented.

Levy has a small increase. He was asked about mapping. He said it is behind. He is doing the parcel mapping and there is good cooperation between Real Property Lister and Land Records.

Michael Nelson adjourn the meeting

Adjourned at 2:25 pm

Paul L. Syverson
Recording Secretary