

MINUTES –
Trempealeau County Executive & Finance Committee
September 21, 22, 30, October 4, 7, 2010

Committee Vice - Chairman Doug Winters called the meeting to order at 9:07 am in the Wisconsin Room of the Courthouse in Whitehall, Wisconsin to conduct the 2011 Budget Hearings. Motion by Geske and seconded by Smick to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

September 21, 2010

Committee Members Present:

Doug Winters
Wally Geske
Mark Smick

Others in Attendance:

Nick Gamroth	Paul L. Syverson	Judge John Damon
Martin Goettl	Angeline Sylla	Curt Johnson
Phil Borreson	Kay Vold	Vickie Stahlheim
Ernie Vold	Kevin Lien	Rose Ottum
Tim Byom	Lynn Guse	Jami Kabus

Shared revenue estimate came in at \$1,921,129, the County budgeted \$1,900,000.

Real Property Lister

Nick Gamroth appeared, budget up 2.8%. due to binders and assessor expenses. Explained comparables. Referenced Chapter 70.09.

Land Records

Martin Goettl appeared. Budget down 8.6%. Explained comparables. Referenced Chapter 59.72, 16.967, Act 314.

Circuit Court

Judge John Damon, Angeline Sylla, and Kay Vold appeared. 5% decrease on non-mandates, Passports – County keeps \$25 and remainder goes to state. Court Services-same levy, Drug Court – no levy, reduced \$2,500.00. Law Library-no change. Account 51211 is up 24.5%, account 51213 is up 0.8%, and account 51230 is up 0.6%. Expenditures are up about 3% and revenue is down \$66,476. Referenced Chapter 48, 767, 48, 51, 54, 55, 938.

Health Care Center

Phil Borreson, Mary Gullicksrud and Curt Johnson appeared. No Levy request, except for two resolutions in from 2001 regarding waterline and water tower.

Land Management

Vickie Stahlheim and Kevin Lien presented. 0.6% overall increase (\$3,377.54) for 2011 budget. Non-metallic mining – no change; Fish & Game – grant for conservation practices, non levy item; Vehicle account – no levy requested; Septic – no levy requested; Wild Life Damage – no levy requested; TRM – grant money, no change, no levy requested; WRM - grant money, no change, no levy requested.

Handout of mandates

Register of Deeds

Rose Ottum presented 2011 budget. Anticipated revenue is lower due to documents down. **Handout of mandates**

County Fair

Lynn Guse and Tim Byom appeared for the Fair Board. They are requesting the same funding as last year. They reported sponsorship increased. Fair Board told Committee the fair would not happen without the County support and volunteers.

Committee recessed at 2:34 pm until September 22, 2010.

September 22, 2009

Vice-Chairman Doug Winters reconvened the meeting at 9:03 am.

Committee Member Present:

Doug Winters
David Suchla
Wally Geske
Mark Smick

Others in Attendance:

Paul L. Syverson
Sherry Rhoda
Carol Bawek
Dan Schreiner
Laurie Halama
Karen Carter
Jeff McIntyre
Judy Fredrickson

Cindy Currier
Bonnie Kindschey
Jon Zander
Megan Stuessel
Duane Fredricks
Ron McKernan
Kathy Gauger

Public Health

Sherry Rhoda and Carol Bawek appeared. Question regarding WIC, Farmers Market and Breast Feeding. Registered Dietician upto 24 hours/week. Well water question regarding going back to Health from Land Management. Additional \$6,000 in revenue, reduce Public Health Levy. Presented comparables.

Emergency Management/EPCRA

Dan Schriener presented. This position is 30 hours per week (70% EM, 30% EPCRA) Add Health Insurance – 7451.88 EM 5317.70 (exp) -1555 (rev), EPCRA 2279.02 (exp). Change EM 57159.81-33439=23720.81. Change EPCRA 22413.92-15068=7345.92. 911 is down \$500. Question on furniture request.

Treasurer

Laurie Halama appeared. Reviewed salary and fringe, per resolution. Personal property chargebacks – no change. Tax deed expense is up \$4,000. Presented comparables

Information Systems

Cindy Currier appeared. Explained her department. Levy down \$20,000. 911 grant was explained – non-lapsing account. Presented comparables

Coroner

Bonnie Kindschy appeared. Explained autopsies, medical exams, transporting and continued education

UW Extension

Jon Zander and Megan Stuessel appeared. Presented solid waste and explained clean sweep. Budget up because of Health Insurance. \$19,276.32.

Bike Club/Motor Coach Tours

Duane Fredricks, Karen Carter and Ron McKernan presented. Bike club is a promotional group. Shared marketing materials.

Human Services

Jeff McIntyre, Kathy Gauger and Judy Fredrickson presented. Gauger presented Senior Services unit budget and explained programs. Levy 2010 is \$0. Used savings account. For 2011, levy is \$36792. Remaining accounts in Human Services rescheduled for October 4 at 1:15 pm.

Vice - Chairman Winters recessed the meeting until September 30, 2010 at 9:00 am.

September 30, 2010

Vice - Chairman Doug Winters reconvened the meeting at 9:15 am.

Committee Member Present:

Doug Winters
David Suchla
Wally Geske
Mark Smick

Others in Attendance:

Paul Syverson
Jami Kabus
Matt Galewski
Bruce Cheline
Rich Anderson

Jim Johnson
Linda Massman
Deb Garson
LaVerne Michalek
Rebecca Suchla

Highway Department

Discussion on upcoming demands in 2011. There were questions on vehicle and equipment line items.

Tourism

Linda Massman presented a summary of the Trempealeau County Tourism Council and activities the council is involved in. Discussed marketing efforts. Explained how the budget is split three ways by motorcoach, bicycling and maps.

Victim Witness

Deb Garson presented that expenses were down and revenues increased. Approximately 5% decrease in levy requested. Reviewed mandates and comparables.

TV Studio

Matt Galewski presented the budget. He explained how the Board approved reclass created an increase in the budget. Discussed revenues. Questions regarding programming and content of the programming. There are no comparables for the TV studio

Maintenance

Bruce Cheline presented the budget. Questions regarding salary, benefits and updating electronic door locks and vav boxes. Discussed comparables.

County Clerk – Paul Syverson

Property Contingency Fund – Created for future replacement of boiler.

Jail Repair – This was set up for special projects in jail repair to be completed in 2010. Nothing to be budgeted in 2011.

Risograph – used for ballots and envelopes

Unemployment – Carryover of \$6,978.27

County Chair – Decrease in levy request for 2011

800 Telephone – Dropped.

Human Resources

Jami Kabus presented the HR budget with a slight decrease for 2011. Shared comparables.

Corporate Council

LaVerne Michalak presented the budget with a increase due to legal labor council and health insurance. Also discussed **PECFA** account. This was for cleanup of local property. This is a non-lapsing, no levy account.

Sheriff's Department

Rich Anderson and Rebacca Suchla presented a budget comparison to the committee. Levy is down \$86,000 overall (Sheriff, Dispatch, Jail, Patrol).

County Clerk – Paul Syverson

Libraries – Increase

Historic Museum – No Levy

County Parks – No change in levy. Possibly reduce or change mower line item.

Economic Development – No change

Snow mobile trails – no levy

Regional Planning – Decrease in levy approximately \$250.00

Misc. Vending Machines – No levy

Contingency fund – Non-lapsing account

Misc. Revenue – County sales tax

At 3:03 p.m. Vice - Chair Winters adjourned until October 4, 2010 at 9:00 am.

October 4, 2010

Vice Chairman Doug Winters reconvened the meeting at 9:03 am.

Committee Members Present:

Doug Winters
David Suchla
Wally Geske
Mark Smick

Others in Attendance:

Renee Lyon	Rich Anderson	Judy Fredrickson
Jami Kabus	Rebecca Suchla	
Jeri Marsolek	Jeff McIntyre	
Bill Thoma	Kathy Gauger	

Sheriffs Dept.

Committee discussed additional cost savings options in the jail and administrative areas.

Veteran's Services

Bill Thoma presented a power point and slide handouts for his budget. The budget is down 2.8%. Questions regarding a collaboration with Senior Services to provide transportation to more veterans.

Child Support

Renee Lyon presented the budget. Explained how the ARRA grant affected the budget. Explained her department is performance based and funding can fluxuate. Question on how much money child support rings in. Renee later handed out that information to the committee.

District Attorney's Office

Jeri Marsolek presented the budget with a 0% levy change. Is using the Diverson program to offset increased costs of health insurance.

Human Services

Jeff McIntyre presented the 2011 budget.

Economic Support: No change in levy request. Had a 2.3% cut in funds from State income maintenance.

Long Term Support: 0% levy change in budget. Discussed transportation coordination with veterans and Senior Services.

ADRC: Zero levy requests. This department is State and Federally funded.

Administration: 0% budget increase overall.

Family & Children: 0% change in levy request. Jeff pointed out that of the \$1.3 million, \$703K levy of that is paid to the TCHCC. This results with 10% of budget being levy dollars.

At 2:35 p.m. Vice-Chair Winters recessed the meeting until October 7th, 2010 at 11:00 am.

October 7, 2010

Vice Chairman Doug Winters reconvened the meeting at 11:58 am.

Committee Members Present:

Doug Winters
David Suchla
Wally Geske
Mark Smick

Others in Attendance:

Paul L. Syverson
Jami Kabus
Rich Anderson
Rebecca Suchla

Reviewed levy summary update.

County Clerk:

Special Accounting – No change

Indirect Cost Study – no change, contract for 5 years.

County Clerk – Decrease in Administration/office expenses. Requesting a copy machine. Increase in overall budget. Suchla questioned possibly leasing vs purchasing.

Clerk Automation – Added codification of ordinances (- \$15,000). Geske questioned the cost value of current demand. Will remove \$15,000 from budget

Elections – Printing has greatly increased. This is a non-lpsing account. Costs are related to the amount of information on the ballots. Overall, the budget is down approx. \$1,000.

MCO Payment – Money will need to be taken from the General Fund. Suchla questioned how the funding changed when the MCO change occurred.

Parks – Eliminate the mower from the budget (- \$2,600).

Western Dairyland –

No change in levy request

Principle on Long Term Debt – up from last year, due to Prior Service (\$1.6M), Hwy J project (\$2.2M)and Communication Tower (\$2.5M)

Interest –Increased due to adding the Communications Tower project. \$286,000 more than last year. Winters feels the communications tower is a county-wide benefit and should come out of the General Fund.

Revenues – County sales tax was an anticipated increase of \$50,000. May add an additional \$87,000. Committee will review and revisit.

Call backs for 10/11/2010 E/F Committee Meeting: Register of Deeds, UW_Extension, Maintenance, Clerk of Courts, Sheriff

Next meeting scheduled for 10/11/2010 at 9:00 am.

At 4:25 p.m. Vice Chair Winters adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Smick, Secretary
Jami Kabus, Paul L. Syverson, Recording Secretaries