Finance Committee Meeting Report (Submitted 07-13-09)
Courthouse, Room 303C, Friday, July 10, 2009, 8:15 A.M.

Members Present: Pat Ripperger, Jerry Thompson and Dennis Sullivan. Member Absent: Muriel Weber. Others Present: Barb Link, County Clerk/Recorder; Kelli Humphrey, Accounting/ Payroll Office Manager; Rich VerHeecke, Treasurer; Lisa Hammer; and Colleen Gillaspie, County Administrator.

Chairman Ripperger called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m. Member Thompson moved to approve the agenda with additions of III. Old Business, C. Change of Budget Meeting Date; IV. New Business, C. Creation of Longevity Line Items; and D. State of IL User Agreement between the IL State Police and Uniform Conviction Information Act Requestor, Member Sullivan seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Member Thompson moved to approve the June 8, 2009 Finance Committee meeting minutes, Member Sullivan seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Lindi Kernan, Supervisor of Assessments, reported Department activities for the month of June. It was requested by the Committee that a line item titled Property Tax Appeal Expenses be created in the Assessor's FY10 Budget Request.

Barb Link, County Clerk/Recorder and Rich VerHeecke, Treasurer, reported Department activities for the month of June.

The Committee reviewed the Treasurer's Fund Balance Report and the County Clerk's Reconciliation Report. Member Thompson moved to recommend the County Board place on file the Treasurer's June Fund Balance Report and Interest Report (available at meeting) and the June Reconciliation Report of the County Clerk, Member Sullivan seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. (see enclosed reports)

The Committee reviewed the June 2009 Revenue and Expenditure Audit Trail Reports as prepared by the Accounting Department. On pace year-to-date revenues and expenditures should be 58.34%. The Committee reviewed, discussed and questioned various revenue and expenditure entries: 1) An AmerenIP payment will be moved from 1020-5120 to 1020-5070; 2) An office supplies expense will be discussed with the Public Defender's Department to verify that it should be moved; 3) Health Department account usage percentages will be discussed with the Health & Social Services Committee Chair to verify they are being reviewed; and 4) an AmerenIP payment will be moved from 8270-5030 to 8270-5070.

Member Sullivan moved to recommend the County Board approve the June County Accounts in the total amount of $3,442,338.42, Member Thompson seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. (enclosed)

Under old business, the Henry County Correction al Center Daily Population Report for the month of June was discussed. (on file)

The Committee discussed the State of IL's budget problems and continued conversing possible effects to the County if the budget is approved as proposed.

With no objections, Chairman Ripperger requested the August 25, 2009 Finance Committee meeting be moved to Wednesday, August 26, 2009.

Under new business, Member Sullivan moved to recommend County Board approve the FY09 County Board Department Resolution creating a Background Check line item and funding that line item with $250.00, Member Thompson seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. (attached)

Member Thompson moved to recommend the County Board authorize the Treasurer to release RRLF funds to Sweet Peas Grill, LLC, Geneseo, in the amount of $25,000.00 and Excelled Sheepskin and Leather Coat Inc., Kewanee, in the amount of $100,000.00, Member Sullivan seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. (attached)

Member Thompson moved to create Longevity line items in the necessary budgets associated with the Assessor, GIS, Circuit Clerk, County Clerk/Recorder, Maintenance, Treasurer, Zoning/Building, Animal Control and Coroner's Departments, pending County Board approval of the AFSCME union contracts July 14, 2009, Member Sullivan seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

The Committee reviewed and discussed the State of IL User Agreement. This agreement must be signed and submitted along with a payment to create an escrow account before Henry County can have background checks performed by the Bureau of Identification. Member Thompson moved to recommend County Board approve the User Agreement between the IL State Police and Uniform Conviction Information Act Requester (Henry County), subject to the review and approval of the State's Attorney, Member Sullivan seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. (attached)

The next regular scheduled Finance Committee meeting was set for Monday, August 10, 2009, at 8:15 a.m., Board Conference Room #303C, 3rd floor, Courthouse.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Gillaspie, County Administrator