

Finance Committee Meeting Report (Submitted 8-14-14)
Courthouse, Room 303C, Tuesday, August 12, 2014, 2014, 5:00 P.M.

Members Present: Dennis Anderson, Marvin Gradert Loren Rathjen and Jerry Thompson. Members Absent: None. Ex-Officio Members Present: Tim Wells. Others Present: Rich VerHeecke and Colleen Gillaspie.

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 p.m. Member Marvin Gradert moved to approve the agenda as printed, Member Rathjen seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Member Thompson moved to approve the July 8, 2014 regular Finance Committee meeting minutes and June 26, 2014 Joint Finance & Public Safety Committee meeting minutes as printed, Member Marvin Gradert seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Jackie Oberg, Circuit Clerk, submitted a packet of information pertaining to current fee levels compared to statutory authority (on file). Member Wells moved to recommend a resolution increasing the court automation fee and a resolution increasing the court document storage fee be created and approved by the County Board, Member Marvin Gradert seconded, all were in favor and motion carried (attached). An additional fee increase for letters of office is still being researched and will be presented in the near future.

Jackie Oberg left at 5:30 p.m.

Lindi Kernan, Supervisor of Assessments, and Barb Link, County Clerk/Recorder, submitted written reports (on file).

Rich VerHeecke, County Treasurer, reported Department activities for the month of July. The due date for the 2nd tax installation is September 10th.

The Committee reviewed the Treasurer's Bank Balance Report and the County Clerk's Fund Balance Report. Member Rathjen moved to recommend the County Board place on file the Treasurer's July Bank Balance Reports and July Interest Report (available at meeting) and the County Clerk's July Fund Balance Reports, (on file) Member Marvin Gradert seconded, all were in favor and motion carried (see enclosed reports).

Rich VerHeecke left at 5:53 p.m.

The Henry County Correctional Center Daily Population Report for the month of July was reviewed (on file).

The Committee reviewed the July 2014 Revenue and Expenditure Audit Trail Reports as prepared by the Accounting Department. The Committee reviewed, discussed and questioned various revenue and expenditure entries.

Member Thompson moved to recommend the County Board approve the July County Accounts in the total amount of \$3,178,248.22, Member Wells seconded, all were in favor and motion carried (enclosed).

Under discussion of the current budget, the Overview of Past Due State payments, the Hillcrest Home Balance Sheet and New/Current Employees Wage Info were reviewed (on file).

The budgeted IMRF SLEP Enhancement payment was discussed. Member Marvin Gradert moved to authorize a payment be made to IMRF in the amount of \$750,000.00 to pay off the IMRF SLEP Enhancement account, Member Rathjen seconded, all were in favor and motion carried.

Discussion on the fee study was tabled until the September Committee meeting.

Under Old Business, the Committee discussed recommending a nursing home advisory referendum on the November ballot. Following research, Ms. Gillaspie was informed any referendums would need to be authorized by the County Board at their August meeting to be placed on the November 2014 ballot. Member Marvin Gradert moved to recommend the County Board approve a resolution to place an advisory referendum on the November 2014 ballot pertaining to public use of funds to support Hillcrest Home, Member Wells seconded, all were in favor and motion carried (attached).

Under New Business, the draft FY15 budget policy resolution was reviewed and discussed. Member Thompson moved to recommend the County Board approve the FY15 budget policy resolution, Member Rathjen seconded, all were in favor and motion carried (attached).

The next regularly scheduled Finance Committee meeting was set for Tuesday, September 9, 2014, at 5:00 p.m., Board Conference Room #303C, 3rd floor, Courthouse.

With no further business, Member Wells moved to adjourn, Member Marvin Gradert seconded, all were in favor and motion carried. The meeting adjourned 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Gillaspie, County Administrator