

FINANCE COMMITTEE

October 27, 2021

The meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chair Harley Reabe on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 3:00 PM, in the County Board Room and via Zoom format at the Government Center, Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Dave Abendroth
Brian Floeter
Don Lenz
Dennis Mulder
Harley Reabe

Other County Employees Present: Amanda Toney, Treasurer; Kayla Yonke, HHS Business Manager; Liz Otto, County Clerk; Jason Jerome, HHS Director; Cathy Schmit, County Administrator; Dawn Klockow, Corporation Counsel (Zoom); Sheriff Mark Podoll; Chief Deputy Matt Vandekolk; Shannon Barfknecht, Financial Manager; Sue Wendt, Supervisor #10

MINUTES

Motion/second (Abendroth/Mulder) to approve the minutes of the September 22 and October 15, 2021 meetings with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

County Administrator Cathy Schmit introduced Shannon Barfknecht, Financial Manager.

APPEARANCES

- Green Lake County UW-Extension/Ag/Fair Committee

Kathy Ninneman, Fair/UWEX Office Coordinator, gave a presentation to explain the need for fairground updates and requested the use of ARPA funds for that purpose. Discussion held on how to proceed. County Administrator Cathy Schmit recommended working closely with the Highway Committee to finalize the request.

RESOLUTIONS

- **Resolution Relating to 2022 Budget and 2021 Property Tax Levy**

County Administrator Cathy Schmit gave an overview of the 2022 budget. Discussion held and questions answered.

Motion/second (Floeter/Mulder) to approve the resolution with a tax levy amount of \$17,265,775 and forward to County Board for final approval. Discussion held. Motion carried with no negative vote.

- **Relating to Cancellation of Outstanding Checks**

Motion/second (Abendroth/Lenz) to approve the resolution and forward to County Board. Motion carried with no negative vote.

TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT

- **Tax Collection Update** – Treasurer Amanda Toney had no update on tax collection from her written report.
- **September Financial Reports** – Treasurer Amanda Toney stated she has reinvested a sales tax CD.
- **Sales Tax Update** – Treasurer Amanda Toney stated the sales tax fund is doing extremely well and is up over 17% over last year.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ACT 80

Treasurer Amanda Toney gave information on Act 80. Discussion held. **Motion/second (Floeter/Mulder)** to postpone action indefinitely. Motion carried with no negative vote.

IN REM UPDATE

Treasurer Amanda Toney stated that the court date for delinquent 2017 tax parcels is November 22, 2021.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ON PROPOSED USES OF ARPA FUNDS

County Administrator Cathy Schmit handed out a list of requests currently on file for the use of the ARPA funds totaling \$3,673,629. Discussion held. Sheriff Mark Podoll informed the committee of the critical need to update the communications system software. He will request that Baycom provide a presentation at the November Finance meeting. Supervisor Floeter suggested a presentation by WCA in regard to the use of ARPA funds. This will be scheduled for the February 2022 County Board meeting.

BUDGET REVIEW OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

County Administrator Cathy Schmit stated she did not send out monthly reports for September. She is working with the new Financial Manager to get this done and will send them out when ready. Discussion held on the committee's request for an executive summary as well.

SUPERVISOR'S/LAY PEOPLE MONTHLY CLAIMS

Supervisor's claims: \$2,107.60

Lay Person's claims: \$609.24

Motion/second (Abendroth/Lenz) to approve supervisor and lay people claims. Motion carried with no negative vote.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- **Future meeting dates: Regular meeting – November 23, 2021 at 3:00 PM**
- **Future agenda items for action & discussion:**

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Reabe adjourned the meeting at 4:22 PM.

Submitted by,



Liz Otto
County Clerk