

FINANCE & INSURANCE COMMITTEE
October 22, 2025

The regular meeting of the Finance & Insurance Committee was called to order by Chair Harley Reabe on Wednesday, October 22, 2025 at 3:30 PM, in the County Board Room and via remote access 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: Harley Reabe
 Brian Floeter
 Don Lenz
 Dennis Mulder
 Charlie Wielgosh

Other County Employees Present: Liz Otto, County Clerk; Jason Jerome, Interim County Administrator; Kayla Yonke, HHS Financial Manager; Sheriff Mark Podoll (3:40); Matt Vandekolk, Chief Deputy (3:40); Mike Van Meel, Maintenance Supervisor; Rachel Prellwitz, Health Officer; Dawn Brantley, FRI Unit Manager; Lisa Schiessl, C&F Unit Manager; Dave Abendroth, County Board Chair; Gene Thom, Supervisor 19 (alternate)

MINUTES OF 09/24/2025

Motion/second (Mulder/Lenz) to approve the minutes of the 09/24/2025 meeting with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minute limit) – none

2026 BUDGET

Interim County Manager Jason Jerome presented the 2026 budget. He used a PowerPoint presentation to explain how the final figure of \$19,008,780 was arrived at including levy limits, net new construction, and expenses outside of the levy limit. The debt service component of the budget will remain stable for the foreseeable future. Questions followed with discussion.

RESOLUTIONS

- **Relating to 2026 Budget and 2025 Property Tax Levy**

Motion/second (Mulder/Floeter) to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board. Motion carried with no negative vote. The committee commended Interim County Manager Jason Jerome and all other employees responsible for the 2026 budget.

- **Authorizing Not to Exceed \$6,000,000 General Obligation Promissory Notes for the Highway Building Project**

Interim County Manager Jason Jerome explained that this resolution is based on the final design and estimate for the Highway building project and puts a “do not exceed” cap of \$35,000,000 on the funding. This is not a resolution to bond for the funds at this time – it provides an assurance to contractors that the funding will be available but only if needed. *Motion/second (Lenz/Mulder)* to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board. Motion carried with no negative vote.

TREASURER’S MONTHLY REPORT

- **Tax Collection Update**
- **September Financial Reports**
- **Sales Tax Update**

No questions or comments based on the submitted written report.

IN REM PROPERTY STATUS UPDATE

No questions or comments based on the submitted written report.

MSA PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

County Clerk Liz Otto stated that the agreement is based on the information provided by Susan Maier of MSA at last month's meeting. This would be an agreement to contract with MSA to serve as the third party administrator of the remaining loans under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. ***Motion/second (Mulder/Floeter)*** to approve the agreement pending review of Corporation Counsel. Motion carried with no negative vote.

FINANCE REPORT

No questions or comments based on the submitted written report.

INSURANCE UPDATE – COUNTY CLERK

County Clerk Liz Otto stated health insurance open enrollment is underway. A quote of \$138,162 has been received from Wisconsin County Mutual for the Worker's Comp premium for 2026.

BUDGET REVIEW OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

No questions or comments based on the submitted written report.

SUPERVISOR/LAY PEOPLE MONTHLY CLAIMS

- Supervisor claims - \$750.90
- Lay People - \$211.50

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

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future meeting dates: Regular meeting – Tuesday, November 25, 2025 @ 3:30 PM
- Future agenda items for action & discussion:

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Reabe adjourned the meeting at 4:15 PM.

Submitted by,

Liz Otto
County Clerk