

Finance Economic Development Committee
November 25, 2014 at 9:00 am
County Board Room

Present: Matt MacKenzie, Frank Kempf, Rick Korpela, Pat Daoust, Jerry Teague

Others: Jeff Beirl, Lori Schmidt, Pete Russo, Heather Schutte, Tom Mayfield, Kent Dumonseau

Matt MacKenzie called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Motion by Pat Daoust, second by Rick Korpela to approve the October 23, 2014 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

No public comment at this time.

Tom Mayfield and Kent Dumonseau were present today regarding the bonding for MMC and the cancer center. They stated that the project is proceeding well, financing has down sized and Bayfield County will no longer be needed for part of the bonding. More money has been placed into the project by MMC and the amount of bonding is down to \$7.12 million, the total approximate price of the project is \$22 million. REI Medical Inc. is no longer involved because of changes in the plans. Discussion followed. Motion by Frank Kempf, second by Jerry Teague to move the resolution forward to the full Board in December for action. Roll call vote: all yes. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding the Town of LaPointe and the exemption that the County denied. Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Rick Korpela for Matt MacKenzie to represent the Finance Committee at a meeting with the Town of LaPointe for discussion on this issue. Motion carried. Jeff Beirl extended the invitation to the Chair and Vice Chair to also meet with the Town. Pete Russo stated that he would go and also gave approval for Matt MacKenzie to attend to represent this Committee.

October financials were reviewed and discussed along with the sales tax report.

Matt MacKenzie held discussion regarding the process for money given to other entities. The Committee feels that this should be looked at again in the future and that they need to come up with a process, ie audits, financials, etc.

Heather Schutte gave an update on the social media conference that she attended in October. Heather stated that the guidelines call for a Social Media Committee, that all sites/comments become open to the public. Heather feels that we need to update/upgrade the website first and that she has looked into this and has found someone that can do this for us at a cost of \$300 - \$400 to create a website that would be more user friendly. Discussion followed. It was also stated that we need to check to see what the Chamber of Commerce is doing for the County on social media. The Committee would like to have Heather bring in the person that gave her the quote for further discussion.

Vouchers were reviewed at this time. Motion by Frank Kempf, second by Pat Daoust to approve vouchers for payment. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding the capital projects list that was presented at the full County Board.

The next meeting was scheduled for December 29, 2014 at 9:00 am in the County Board Room.

Motion by Frank Kempf second by Rick Korpela to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:08 am.

Lori Schmidt, Administrative Assistant