

Finance/Economic Development Committee Meeting
July 23, 2015 at 9:00 am
County Board Room

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

Others: Jeff Beirl, Pete Russo, Lori Schmidt, Dale Kupeczyk, Kathy Roper, Ann Kozar, Charles Ortman

Matt MacKenzie called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Motion by Pat Daoust, second by Pete Russo, to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried. Motion by Jerry Teague to approve the June 25, 2015, meeting minutes as presented. Second by Pat Daoust. Motion carried.

Kathy Roper was present today seeking funds for the New Day Shelter. In 2014 the County donated \$2,000 to this and Kathy would like to see a donation of that amount again. Discussion followed. Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Rick Korpela to approve a \$2,000 donation from the 2015 Contingency Fund to the New Day Shelter and to forward this on to the full Board for action. Discussion. Motion by Matt MacKenzie to amend the motion to table it until November. There was no 2nd to this motion and therefore it failed. Roll call vote on the original motion. Motion carried with Frank Kempf and Pat Daoust being opposed.

Ann Kozar held discussion regarding a subordination for the Culvers RLF loan. Motion by Frank Kempf, second by Pete Russo to approve the subordination and to move it forward to the full Board for action. Matt MacKenzie abstained from voting. Motion carried.

Jeff Beirl held discussion regarding Delta Dental insurance for employees. This benefit went into place approximately 2 years ago and there have been no changes to the employee contributions. Motion by Pat Daoust, second Rick Korpela to increase employee contributions to the dental plan as follows: from \$10/family to \$20/family, \$7.50/single + one to \$15/single +1, and \$5/single to \$10/single effective January 1, 2016. Motion carried.

Discussion followed regarding the CDBG Program Cooperation Agreement. This is something that simply needs to be renewed and a new resolution sent in. Motion by Frank Kempf, second by Pete Russo to approve the Agreement and Resolution and to forward it on. Motion carried.

Jeff Beirl presented a resolution supporting an application to the Wi. Investment and Local Fund Board for mining costs reimbursement and discussed it with the Committee. Reimbursement is being sought in the amounts of \$15,480 for costs for the Ordinance and \$4,055.41 for eligible expenses for County Board Supervisors (per diems and mileage). Discussion followed. Motion to approve the resolution and to forward it to the full Board for action by Pat Daoust with a second by Jerry Teague. Motion carried.

June financials were reviewed and discussed. The biggest concern right now is the jail population and the court system. Motion by Pete Russo, second by Rick Korpela to approve the financials as presented. Motion carried.

Charles Ortman was present today regarding Kathy Schutte and her attendance at Fair Board meetings. Charles stated that the Extension Committee asked her to attend on behalf of the County, not realizing that it needed the approval of this Committee in order for her to get paid a per diem and mileage reimbursement (which has been denied in the past). Motion by Pat Daoust to approve past voucher claims that were previously denied by the Committee for Kathy Schutte attending Fair Board meetings thru July 23, 2015. Second by Jerry Teague. Motion carried.

Vouchers were reviewed at this time. Motion by Pat Daoust to approve vouchers for payment with a second by Jerry Teague. Motion carried.

Dale Kupczyk and Ann Kozar held discussion regarding a past revolving loan for Ashland Industries.

Jeff Beirl stated the we have 10 tickets available for the WIN Conference.

Discussion followed regarding contributions to outside agencies and a list of past agencies and dollars amounts were given by Jeff. It was the consensus of the Committee that they should come to the Board or Finance Committee over a 1 year period to discuss the contributions they are seeking.

Discussion regarding the 2016 budget and wages followed. Jeff Beirl stated that he would like to propose a \$0.40/hr increase to all employees and discussion followed. Jeff stated that he will also be trying to get the City to contribute to Dispatch once again.

We are presently looking at a new phone system for all three (3) buildings which will hopefully be cost neutral. The actual cost of the 100 year celebration was \$2,153. This will be brought back to the Committee as the original motion was for \$2,000 from the 2015 Contingency Fund.

The next meeting was scheduled for August 21, 2015 at 9:00 am.

Motion to adjourn by Jerry Teague, second by Pat Daoust. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:59 am.

Lori Schmidt,
Administrative Assistant