

FINANCE COMMITTEE
December 27, 2007

The meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chair, Dan Priske at 4:30 PM on Thursday, December 27, 2007, in the Green Lake County Board Room. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present: Dan Priske Absent: Orville Biesenthal
Deb Schubert John Brennan
Vern Ammentorp

Also Present: Marge Bostelmann, County Clerk
Orrin Helmer, County Board Chair
John Selsing, Corporation Counsel
Kathy Morris, Treasurer
Darleen Stray, Coroner
Mark Podoll, Sheriff

AGENDA

Motion/second (Schubert/Ammentorp) to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Ammentorp/Schubert) to approve the minutes of November 29, 2007. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – 3 Minute limit None

CORRESPONDENCE None

APPEARANCE None

TREASURER'S REPORT

Morris sent the report to the committee. Morris stated that the County is receiving a good rate at the Local Government pool of 4.45%. \$2.3 million has been collected so far for the four municipalities that she collects for. Morris will ask the County Auditor for a recommendation on the wording of the County investment policy.

Motion/second(Schubert/Ammentorp) to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

Tax Deed Property: Morris explained that only one parcel can be taken and they are planning to make arrangements to pay the 2003 taxes of \$279.40. The Committee instructed Morris to give the property owner 60 days to make the payment before taking tax deed.

BUDGET REVIEW – 2007

The Committee reviewed the monthly print out.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS None

Coroner: Stray explained that one week in March the County paid for six autopsies which cost over \$10,000. The compensation expense is much higher than budgeted. Stray explained that as of this year the Coroners are now required by the State to do a death investigation and sign the death certificate for all cremations. Because of that requirement, the coroner's are being paid for a "call" in addition to the cremation fee. The committee questioned that authority of the additional payment.

Motion/second(Ammentorp/Schubert) to approve appropriating \$4237 from contingency to offset the deficit in the Coroners budget and adjust the budget to reflect the additional income in cremation fees. Motion carried.

The Committee would like to have Stray provide a proposal at next month's meeting to increase the cremation fees and eliminate the additional call pay of \$62.00.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES None

SUPERVISORS CLAIMS

The Committee reviewed the supervisor's claims in the amount of \$5,064.35 and lay persons' claim in the amount of \$617.35.

VOUCHERS

Vouchers were presented in the amount of \$4583.30 for Finance and \$17,859.79 for IT in 2007 and \$58,413.00 in 2008.

Motion/second (Ammentorp/Schubert) to approve the supervisors' and lay persons' claims and the Finance and IT vouchers. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT None

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Future meeting dates: Thursday, January 31, 2008 at 4:30 PM.

Future Agenda items: Cremation fees.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Schubert/Ammentorp) to adjourn at 5:30 PM. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Margaret Bostelmann
County Clerk