FINANCE COMMITTEE March 31, 2005

The meeting of the Finance Committee was called to order by Chair, Dan Priske at 4:30 PM on Thursday, March 31, 2005, in the Green Lake County Board Room. The requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met.

Present: John Brennan Absent: Dan Priske

Orville Biesenthal Deb Schubert Bernie Kasierski

Also Present: Marge Bostelmann, County Clerk

Orrin Helmer, Board Chair

John Selsing, Corporation Counsel

Kathy Morris, Treasurer

Linda Van Ness, Director, HHS

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

Motion/second(Kasierski/Schubert) to approve the minutes of February 24, 2005 as presented. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE None.

APPEARANCE

Mark Hoffman appeared to discuss the in rem procedure for taking tax delinquent property. He again stated that with the tax deed process, he can not get title insurance. Morris presented information to the Committee explaining difference between the in rem and tax deed process. Morris explained that the in rem process is cleaner and title insurance can be obtained without a problem. Morris stated that the in rem process is more time consuming but is cleaner. Selsing stated that the tax deed process is procedural; the in rem involves a court action and can slow down the process.

This will be put on the agenda for next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Morris sent the report to the committee. She stated that the interest rates are a little higher. Morris will move \$1 million from the Local Government Investment Pool to a local investment for a year.

Motion/second(Biesenthal/Kasierski) to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

INVESTIGATION OF CONTAMINATED PROPERTY BY DNR

Morris presented a letter from Kevin McKnight regarding his request to investigate certain land for contaminated lands. Morris has received permission to look at the Holloway property in Manchester.

Mary Lou Neubauer from the city of Berlin told Morris that a DNR employee is also

investigating the Petigo property for contamination.

The committee also would like to see the D Evans property in Markesan also looked at.

Motion/second(Kasierski/Schubert) to approve all three properties being investigated but make sure that the Markesan property, which is a blacktopped parking lot is not overly disturbed. Motion carried, 3 ayes, 1 abstained (Biesenthal).

BUDGET REVIEW

The Committee reviewed the printout. Discussion was held on several specific accounts.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Linda Van Ness presented a contract addendum for \$6,027 for Functional Screening, \$19,722 for Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program, \$2,959 for Foster Parent Training in 2005, \$1,197 and for Foster Parent Training in 2004.

Motion/second(Kasierski/Schubert) to approve the budget adjustment. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES None

SUPERVISORS CLAIMS

The Committee reviewed the supervisor's claims in the amount of \$4,514.31.

Motion/second(Biesenthal/Kasierski) to approve the supervisor's claims. Motion carried.

VOUCHERS

A list of Finance vouchers was presented for \$8,987.72 for Finance and \$12,787.95 for IT.

Motion/second(Schubert/Kasierski) to approve the Finance vouchers for \$8,987.72 and IT vouchers for \$12,787.95. Motion carried.

CLERK'S REPORT

Policy for writing off past due charges

Bostelmann asked Jeff Cohen for input, but has not heard back yet.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Future meeting dates: Thursday, April 28, 2005 at 4:30.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Submitted by,

Margaret Bostelmann Secretary