

MINUTES

Eau Claire County
Committee on Finance and Budget

Thursday, February 8, 2018 / 1 pm
Eau Claire County Courthouse – Room 1273
Eau Claire, WI 54703

Members present: Supervisors Jim Dunning, Stella Pagonis, Robin Leary, Nick Smiar, Mike Conlin

Staff present: Kathryn Schauf, County Administrator; Keith Zehms, Corporation Counsel;
Janet Loomis, County Clerk, Sharon Rasmusson

Chairman Jim Dunning called the meeting to order at 1pm.

Confirmation of Compliance with Open Meetings Law

Meeting confirmed

Public Comment Period (15 minutes max)

None.

Motion by Supervisor Conlin, seconded by Supervisor Smiar to adjourn into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1) for the purpose of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. To wit: Finance Director interviews

Motion by Supervisor Conlin, seconded by Supervisor Leary to adjourn closed session and reconvene in open session.

Financial Policy Process / Discussion

- **Carry Forward Financial Policy**

Kathryn Schauf, County Administrator, reviewed the resolution and fact sheet with regard to non lapsing accounts. Not all non-lapsing accounts will go away. In addition, fund balance policy will address non lapsing funds.

Supervisor Conlin would like to separate the carry forward policy and the non-lapsing account language. It was determined that a meeting of the committee be scheduled prior to the county board meeting on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 to adopt a resolution addressing a carry forward policy.

Proposed Resolution / File No. 17-18/111 “Authorizing the Sale of Tax Deed Property to Former Owner Nathan R. Schultz for \$13,146.07; Directing Corporation Counsel to Prepare a Quit Claim Deed on the Described Property; Directing the County Clerk to Execute Said Quit Claim Deed on Behalf of Eau Claire County” / Discussion - Action

Janet Loomis, County Clerk, present. This individual will get his house back by paying back taxes.

Motion by Nick Smiar/Mike Conlin to authorize the sale of tax deed property to former owner Nathan R. Schultz for \$13,146.07. Motion carried.

End of Year Projections / Discussion

A preliminary report was provided by Amy Weiss. A detailed report will be provided at the April 2018 meeting. Committee requested that Diane Cable, DHS Director and Vickie Gardner, Fiscal Manager be invited to the March 8, 2018 meeting to discuss end of year budget shortfall in Human Services Department.

Financial Activity Updates / Discussion - Action

- * County Sales Tax Report (month of November 2017) Committee reviewed.
- * County Board Chair Vouchers. Motion by Supervisor Smiar to approve of a travel reimbursement request for the County Board Chair in the amount of \$158.52 . Motion carried.
- * Line Item Transfers – None.

Review / Approval of January 11, 2018 Committee Minutes

Motion by Supervisor Conlin to approve of the joint committee meeting minutes with the Committee on Administration on January 11, 2018 and the January regular committee meeting minutes as amended.

Schedule Next Meeting and Agenda Items:

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 6:45 pm. (Carry Forward Policy)

Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 4:30 pm. (Fund Balance Policy; Draft Ordinance to Repeal Non-Lapsing Funds)

Committee adjourned at 3:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon M. Rasmusson
Committee Clerk

