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Eau Claire County

Committee on Finance & Budget

Monday, August 10, 2020 **4:30 p.m.**

Webex Conference Call

Members present: Supervisors Steve Chilson, Jim Dunning, Robin Leary, Stella Pagonis, Gerald Wilkie; Board Chair Nick Smiar

Staff present: Norb Kirk, Finance Director; Janet Loomis, County Clerk; Sue McDonald, Deputy County Clerk;

Kathryn Schauf, County Administrator; Amy Weiss, Senior Accounting Advisor

Others present: Sean Lentz, Senior Municipal Advisor with Ehlers; Ryan Patterson, Leader Telegram

Chair Pagonis called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm and confirmed compliance with open meetings law.

Committee clerk took roll call. All members were present.

No members of the public wished to comment.

Sean Lentz reviewed the refunding options for the 2011B general obligation bonds. The original issue was \$18M. Sean feels that the best option is to do the forward purchase, which would be a refunding of 2011B bonds prior to the call date. The committee requested a resolution to be on the next agenda.

Proposed Resolution 20-21/054 "Authorizing the County Clerk to Submit a County Elections Security Subgrant Agreement..."

Motion: Wilkie moved approval as presented, second by Dunning

Vote: 5-0, no negative vote via voice vote

Norb Kirk notified that the committee that the 2019 audit is final and financial reports have been issued.

Norb Kirk reviewed the 2nd quarter financial results. Reports can be found on the county website under Report Central.

Kathryn Schauf reviewed the 2021 budget priorities.

The committee is supportive of updating the 2020 budget survey for the 2021 budget development. The committee is interested in developing an ongoing satisfaction survey.

Motion: Leary moves to put together a budget survey based upon the 2020 budget survey

Vote: 5-0, no negative vote via voice vote

The committee reviewed the July 2020 sales tax report, which is for collections through May 2020.

The committee reviewed the July 13, 2020 regular meeting minutes.

Motion: Wilkie moved approval as amended Vote: 5-0, no negative vote via voice vote

Future Meeting: August 17; department budget review, advanced refunding resolution

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Amy Weiss, Committee Clerk