

MINUTES

Eau Claire County
Committee on Finance & Budget
Monday, March 7, 2022
4:30 p.m.
Webex Conference Call

Committee on Finance & Budget Members present: Supervisors Steve Chilson, Jim Dunning, Robin Leary, Stella Pagonis, Gerald Wilkie, Nick Smiar (ex-officio)
Staff present: Norb Kirk, Finance Director; Kathryn Schauf, County Administrator; Sharon McIlquham, Corporation Counsel; Amy Weiss, Senior Accounting Manager
Others present: Ryan Patterson, Leader Telegram

Chair Pagonis called the Committee on Finance & Budget to order at 4:30 pm and confirmed compliance with open meetings law.

The committee clerk took roll call. Members present are indicated above.

No members of the public wished to speak.

Proposed Resolution 21-22/091 “Disallowing the Claim of Jacinda West...”

Motion: Leary moved approval as presented

Vote: 5-0 via voice vote

Proposed Resolution 21-22/100 “Authorizing the Cancellation of Checks that are Over Two Years Old”

Motion: Dunning moved approval as presented

Vote: 5-0 via voice vote

Update on Forensic Audit Expenditures

Norb Kirk gave an update on the forensic audit.

2021 Purchasing Activity Review

Norb Kirk reviewed some 2021 purchasing metrics, including number of new vendors added, the number of bids and RFPs processed and facilitated, the pcard audit, asset sales, and purchasing accomplishments.

Procurement Local Preference Follow-up

The committee discussed options for local preference throughout the procurement process.

Moody’s Rating Call

Norb Kirk gave an update on the bond rating phone call with Moody’s. Norb does not expect the county’s bond rating (currently Aa1) to change.

2021 Sales Tax Report

The committee reviewed the final 2021 sales tax report. The county collected at total of \$12.9 million, which is \$2.4 million surplus for 2021. The 2022 budget is \$11.7 million.

Review of Meeting Minutes

Motion: Dunning moved approval of both sets of minutes as presented

Vote: 5-0 via voice vote

Future Meetings: March 15 at 6:30; April 4 at 4:30; both meetings to be in person

Agenda Items: finalize 2023 budget calendar, grant policy

The committee adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Amy Weiss
Committee Clerk