



MINUTES
Committee on Finance & Budget

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

3:30 p.m.

Courthouse – Room #3312

721 Oxford Ave, Eau Claire, WI

Members Present: Supervisors Jim Dunning, Stella Pagonis, Jim Schumacher, Bob Swanson, Dane Zook, Nancy Coffey (ex-officio)

Other Supervisors: Connie Russell, Nick Smiar

Staff Present In-Person: Jason Szymanski, Finance Director; Amy Weiss, Senior Accounting Manager; Kathryn Schauf, County Administrator; Rick Eaton, Assistant Corporation Counsel; Glenda Lyons, Treasurer

Staff Present Online: Samantha Kraegenbrink, Assistant to the County Administrator; Terri Bohl, DHS Operations Administrator; Jake Harris, Internal Control Specialist; Jennifer Porzondek, Fiscal Associate III; Wendy Sue Johnson, Family Court Commissioner

Chair pro tempore Zook called the Committee on Finance & Budget to order at 3:30 pm and confirmed compliance with open meetings law.

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

Election of Chair

Nomination: Dunning nominated Pagonis, Pagonis accepted

No other nominations

Vote: 4-0, one abstention (Zook)

Election of Vice Chair

Nomination: Schumacher nominated Dunning

No other nominations

Vote: 5-0 via voice

No members of the public were present or wished to speak.

Review of Meeting Minutes

Motion: Zook moved approval as presented

Vote: 5-0 via voice vote

Proposed Resolution 24-25/031 “Awarding Bid for the Spring 2024 In Rem Sale of Tax Delinquent Property...”

Motion: Zook moved approval as presented

Vote: 5-0 via voice vote

Proposed Resolution 24-25/032 “Awarding Bid for the Spring 2024 In Rem Sale of Tax Delinquent Property...”

Motion: Dunning moved approval as presented

Vote: 5-0 via voice vote

Proposed Resolution 24-25/033 “Awarding Bid for the Spring 2024 In Rem Sale of Tax Delinquent Property...”

Motion: Schumacher moved approval as presented

Vote: 5-0 via voice vote

Proposed Ordinance 24-25/034 “To Repeal Section 4.35.300 of the code: Public Electric Vehicle Charging Port Fee”

Motion: Swanson moved approval as presented

Vote: 5-0 via voice vote

County Funding Review

Stella Pagonis briefly reviewed the county funding summary and how it pertains to the Committee’s responsibilities.



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Sales Tax Report

The committee reviewed the April sales tax report.

ARPA Project Review

Jason Szymanski reviewed ongoing and completed projects funded by ARPA dollars. Departments have been allowed to manage their projects while remaining within approved funding overall. Some projects that have had funding allocated to them will not be completed due to changes in scope and material cost on other projects.

Budget Calendar

Jason Szymanski gave an overview of the budget process. Stella Pagonis offered historical information surrounding how departments put their budgets together. Pagonis provided the county code to the new members.

Finance Department Update

Jason Szymanski provided an update on current events in Finance: audit field work, budget capital requests, carryforward preparation.

Future Meetings: second Thursday of the month at 4:00 p.m.

Agenda Items: carryforward, referred ordinance amendments, investment policy update, 2025 capital budget review

The committee adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Amy Weiss
Committee Clerk