

AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING/BUDGET COMMITTEE

February 14, 2024

Present: Venise McWard, Chairman, Tim Carlson, Linda Curtin, and Ken Franklin
Absent: Vicki McMahan
Other Present: Elizabeth Hile

The Audit/Finance/Purchasing/Budget Committee met on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Christian County Courthouse, Taylorville, Illinois. The purpose of the meeting was to address agenda items and any other matters properly brought before the committee. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum.

CLAIMS

Motion by Linda Curtin and second by Tim Carlson to recommend to the full Board to approve the claims presented for February. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

STATE OF ILLINOIS CHANGE IN HOW STIPEND PAY IS RECEIVED BY ELECTED OFFICIALS

Committee Chair McWard noted this agenda item is basically informational in respect to an email from the Treasurer advising of a change in how elected officials will receive their stipend pay as mandated by the State. New information received by the Treasurer since her email is this change impacts eligible elected officials except the Circuit Clerk and County Clerk as they are not paid through Department of Revenue. No action is needed.

ESPY SERVICES

Chair McWard would like to table this item in order for the Treasurer to reach out for more information.

Motion by Venise McWard and second by Ken Franklin to table Espy Services. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

REFERRALS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

Highway, Building and Grounds had two (2) referrals. The 1st referral was for Finance to make a determination on what line item would be used for the purchase of office equipment from ULine not to exceed \$5,000.00 when LSW/Zoning moves to the former ROE office and to make a recommendation to the full Board.

Motion by Venise McWard and second by Linda Curtin to recommend to the full Board to approve the purchase of office equipment, for LSW/Zoning as a result of moving to the former ROE office, not to exceed \$5,000.00 from ULine with the costs coming from ARPA Funds Ordinance O2023 CB 024. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.

The second referral was related to the purchase of office equipment for the Treasurer as part of her renovations budgeted for in FY24. The committee may remember during the FY24 budget process it was decided, a \$500,000.00 CD in the General Obligation which was redeemed in January would be transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund/Renovations. The recommendation from the Treasurer is to take the cost of office equipment from this line item. She would like to purchase the office equipment quoted by Striglos.

Motion by Ken Franklin and second by Tim Carlson to recommend to the full Board to approve the cost of up to \$6,000.00 for office equipment from Striglos for the Treasurer's Office with the expenditure coming from the Capital Improvement/Renovation line item. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.

There was one (1) referral from Executive, Personnel in regard to a request of \$50,000.00 for ARPA funds for capital and startup expenses for the Assumption Community Childcare Center, a mission of Kemmerer Village, which will be a licensed childcare facility.

Motion by Tim Carlson and second by Linda Curtin to recommend to the full Board to approve Ordinance O2024 CB 002 for ARPA funds in the amount of \$50,000.00 for capital and startup expenses for the Assumption Community Childcare Center, a mission of Kemmerer Village and to approve amending Ordinance O2023 CB 024 to reflect the available balance of \$403,555.10. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.

OTHER MATTERS

Liz Hile advised the County has received 2 accelerated payment notices from IMRF. The notices were for \$29,415.51 and \$5,399.14. The notice for \$29,415.51 has been submitted as a qualifying exemption which she feels should be approved. Information to submit an exemption is being compiled for the \$5,399.14 claim but on this claim not all of the amount may qualify for an exemption. We will just have to wait and see what IMRF determines.

Motion by Tim Carlson and second by Ken Franklin to adjourn. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Venise McWard
Finance/Audit/Purchasing/Budget Committee
Chairwoman
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