

AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING/BUDGET COMMITTEE

August 14, 2024

Present: Venise McWard, Chairman, Tim Carlson, Linda Curtin, Ken Franklin and Vicki McMahon
Absent: None
Other Present: Bryan Sharp, Mary Barry, Betty Asmussen, Jim Baker, Kim Curl, Amy Winans, Lucas Domonousky, and Elizabeth Hile

The Audit/Finance/Purchasing/Budget Committee met on Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 6:00 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 Vicki McMahon and second by Linda Curtin to recommend to the full Board to approve the claims presented for August. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

BLACK DIMOND PROJECT SPECIAL USE EXTENSION

Chairman Sharp noted the special use permit issued for the Black Dimond project will expire in October/November of this year and they would like a 3 year extension that special use permit. This is a 1600 acre 299 megawatt project with 1 land owner. Building permits were paid in advance of the project. It was noted that our Zoning code only allows for consideration of 1 year extensions with 4 subsequent 6 month extensions. Chairman Sharp also highlighted a previous drainage agreement to be mindful of. At the Highway, Building and Grounds meeting, Dan Sheehan had provided a time line for the project with construction being underway in 2027.

FY25 BUDGET

Coroner Budget

Amy Winans presented the proposed budget for the coroner's office to the committee. The budget was created in conjunction with the probable new coroner.

Sheriff and 911

Chief Deputy Jim Baker highlighted various items in the sheriff's department budget and costs incurred with 911. Kim Curl was present to discuss 911 budget revisions and joint cost expenses with the sheriff's department.

Treasurer Asmussen gave an update on proposed budgets that we are waiting on, revisions received or expected and the need for further discussion on Capital Improvement Fund. She is hopeful that U of I Extension, 708 Mental Health and ROE will be able to present at the September meeting. Additionally she is hopes to get the preliminary budget numbers emailed in the next week or so.

REFERRALS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

Fill in Doors on North and East Side of former HD Building

Highway, Building and Grounds referred the matter of determining where costs for filling in doors on the north and east side of the former Health Department building would come from. As a review, the plan for using this building is for records storage. Chairman Sharp would like to fill in the doors on the north and east side of the building. The estimate cost from HD Exteriors is \$700 - \$1000. It was noted this expenditure was within the Chairman's spending abilities.

Motion by Venise McWard and second by Vicki McMahon to recommend to the full Board expend up to \$1500.00 for HD Exteriors to fill in doors on the north and east side of the former Health Department Building with the funds coming from Capital Improvement. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Vicki McMahon and second by Ken Franklin to go into Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity and all subject matters relating thereto and to include the following persons to be present during all or part of such executive session namely, Venise McWard, Tim Carlson, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon, Linda Curtin, Bryan Sharp, Mary Barry, Liz Hile and such other person or persons as the Chairperson or Committee may decide during this meeting and/or during such closed session. Roll call voted polled all ayes. Motion carried.

The Finance Committee moved into Closed Session at 7:23 p.m.

The Finance Committee moved back to Open Session at 7:57 p.m. Roll call polled Venise McWard, Tim Carlson, Ken Franklin, Vicki McMahon and Linda Curtin were all present.

OTHER MATTERS

Chairman Sharp noted he attended the HopeTrust Conference last week and found the conference to be very informative and well organized.

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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