



Minutes approved 05-17-11

Finance Committee

Justice Center Community Room
Tuesday, April 19, 2011 – 3:30 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Vice Chair Jim Carius, Dean Grimm, Mike Harris, Linc Hobson, Carroll Imig, Darrell Meisinger, Jerry Vanderheydt, Terry Von Boeckman

Absent Committee Members: Chairman Neuhauser, Russ Crawford Jim Donahue

Others: County Administrator David Jones

MOTION **MOTION BY IMIG, SECOND BY MEISINGER** to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2011 meeting.

On voice vote, motion carried.

MOTION
F-11-04 **MOTION BY IMIG, SECOND BY HARRIS** to recommend to County Board to approve transfer for the Emergency Management Agency.

On voice vote, motion carried.

MOTION
F-11-05 **MOTION BY IMIG, SECOND BY HARRIS** to recommend to County Board to approve transfer for Tri-County Regional Planning Commission.

On voice vote, motion carried.

MOTION
F-11-06 **MOTION BY IMIG, SECOND BY HARRIS** to recommend to County Board to approve transfers for County Board.

On voice vote, motion carried.

MOTION
F-11-07 **MOTION BY IMIG, SECOND BY HARRIS** to recommend to County Board to approved transfer for the Law Library Fund.

On voice vote, motion carried.

MOTION

MOTION BY CARIUS, SECOND BY VANDERHEYDT to approve training request from Community Development.

Administrator Jones explained that there is information on this request in the packet. This is for Kristal Deininger and one staff member to attend a conference in East Peoria. Training was budgeted.

On voice vote, motion carried.

Administrator Jones reported on the Revenue Update. The State is still behind in their income tax payments. A handout was provided to show the State has made some progress but is still three months behind. The handout will show that for February, March and April 2011 they owe \$498,885.26 to Tazewell County.

Jones reported that Treasurer Burress report on Public Safety Sales Tax will show that we continue to see some economic recovery. Revenue for April 2011 was \$756,011.00 which is 7.3% higher than last year.

Personal Property Replacement Taxes will reflect 13.8% higher than last year. We received \$263,392.00 in April 2011. We continue to keep a watchful eye.

Member Harris had requested a discussion on fees. He questioned what the county policy was on fees and how it is done.

Administrator Jones explained that the County Board policy on fees is that to the extent that special services can be funded with fees, then that is the goal. The policy dates back to 2003 or 2004. It is a driving force that management looks at before starting the budget process. Fees are not set to capture 100% of the cost of services.

Some fee funds have very specific guidelines and others do not. Some require fee studies. For the budget process, if a fee fund is accumulating a substantial amount of carryover then there is discussion with the elected official to see if any other costs could appropriately be taken from that fund. If a fee fund becomes too large where the revenue is exceeding the expenditures with no lawful way to spend it, that would be an opportunity to look at reducing the fee. Each fund is

different. Generally speaking, if an expenditure is not paid by a fee fund the cost would come out of the General Fund.

MOTION

MOTION BY GRIMM, SECOND BY IMIG to recommend to County Board to pay bills as presented.

On voice vote, motion carried.

Vice Chairman Carius recessed the meeting at 4:36 p.m.

(Transcribed by S. Beeney)