

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
FINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2014

Committee Chair Tim Shafer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the committee meeting room within the Livingston County Historic Courthouse.

Present: Shafer, Bullard, Campbell, Cohlman, Mays, Runyon, Vietti

Absent:

Also Present: Marty Fannin, Alina Hartley, June Slagel, John Yoder, Earl Rients, Carl Borngasser, Kathy Arbogast, Lt. Glowacki, Chief Childress, Sup. Cox, Kristy Masching, Barb Sear, Carolyn Gerwin, June Slagel
Adam Dontz

Chairman Shafer requested the agenda be amended to move item b. to item a.. Shafer then called for any additional changes to the agenda with none being requested. *Motion by Runyon, second by Mays to approve the agenda as amended.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the September 3rd regular session, September 3rd joint session and the September 24th special meeting. *Motion by Cohlman, second Campbell to approve the minutes as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

GLCEDC Economic Development Grant Request – Adam Dontz was present to request that an additional \$500,000 be allocated to the GLCEDC for economic development. Dontz stated that the initial request was approved in 2009 for the GLCEDC to draw upon which resulted in 108 jobs. Dontz stated that since he came on board, they have looked at other options with less risk, including workforce training and a property tax abatement package. Dontz stated that as part of the \$500,000 he is not looking for a blank check, just for the funds to be allocated. Dontz stated that he is willing to come back on a case by case basis for approval. Discussion took place. *Motion by Cohlman, second by Bullard to allocate \$500,000 to the GLCEDC from the Enterprise Zone for FY 2015.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

County Trustee – Delinquent Tax Resolutions – Barb Sear was present to request approval of resolutions authorizing the transfer of deed for multiple homes and one mobile home per the sealed bid auction. Sear stated that there was also home listed on the sealed bid auction, that the property owned came in and paid the taxes. Sear stated that she is also seeking approval of a resolution to release the lien.

Sheriff's Fleet Proposal – Chief Childress distributed a copy of the Sheriff's fleet proposal for the Committees consideration once again. Childress stated that the fleet is

the most vital component of the department and with 11 vehicles currently over 100,000 miles, he does not feel that it is safe for the officers or the public.

Childress stated that the cost for vehicle maintenance is approximately \$4,000 per month or over \$16,000 per month with fuel. Childress stated that the annual budget for vehicle maintenance is \$200,000. Childress stated that the current practice is to replace three vehicles a year, with there being four vehicles budgeted for replacement this year. Childress stated that there is also an issue when vehicles are damaged as the insurance funds are deposited into the general fund and the vehicle is not replaced. Childress stated that they are asking that 50% of the fees that are collected by the Sheriff's department be allocated to fleet management. Discussion took place. Slagel stated that if the Committee is interested in looking at this type of plan, they should not do it as part of this budget, but should work towards it and take the time to plan for it. Further discussion took place. Consensus of the Committee was to add an additional \$160,000 to the capital budget for the purchase of four additional four vehicles.

FY 2015 Levy – Slagel distributed copies of the proposed levies for the Committees review. Slagel stated that the proposal leaves the total levy the same. Slagel stated that she subtracted all the levy requests submitted by others and distributed the remaining funds amongst the general fund, IMRF, Tort, Social Security, and Unemployment Insurance. Slagel stated that there was a significant increase in the Tort fund since it was adjusted last year. Slagel stated that Mental Health requested a 2% increase and SELCAS has increased as well with a Truth in Taxation hearing being held. *Motion by Mays, second by Cohlman to forward the levies to the full board for approval.*

MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

FY 2015 Appropriations – Slagel reviewed the capital requests with the Committee. Slagel stated that she had hoped to receive a breakdown of the \$3 million request from ETSB. \$900,000 of the request is for the CAD system and the remaining portion is for communications. Cohlman stated that she is interested in moving forward with the \$900,000 CAD system and not the communication. Discussion took place regarding current communications issues and the need for additional information. *Motion by Mays, second by Campbell to allocate \$900,000 for CAD.* **MOTION CARRIED ON VOICE VOTE.**

Cohlman noted that the IT request for video conferencing can also be taken out as the system was already fixed. Cohlman stated that the IT committee also felt that the Risk Assessment should be down after the completion of the server consolidation and was of low importance at this time. Cohlman recommended that the risk assessment be taken out of this years' budget. Slagel stated that the total capital budget will total \$2,122,193. Slagel then reviewed the end of year general fund balance based on what has been presented for approval. Discussion took place. *Motion by Cohlman, second by Campbell to forward the appropriations to the full board for approval.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Approval of Bills – The Committee reviewed the bills submitted. *Motion by Cohlman, second by Runyon to approve the bills.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Motion by Mays, second by Vietti to adjourn. **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.** Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Alina Hartley
Administrative Resource Specialist