

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD  
FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MARCH 4, 2015

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, Heath, Bunting, Cohlman, Gerwin, Ingles Mays

Absent:

Also Present: Marty Fannin, Alina Hartley, Sheriff Childress, Sup. Cox,  
John Clemmer, Duane Kiesewetter, Jan Girard,

Shafer called for any additions or corrections to the agenda with none being requested. *Motion by Gerwin, second by Mays to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the February 19, 2015 meeting. It was note that on the second page, the motion to approve a resolution appropriating funds for attorneys fees was seconded by Cohlman as opposed to Gerwin. *Motion by Bunting, second by Heath to approve the minutes as amended. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

**Sheriff's Department Use of Insurance Proceeds** – Sheriff Childress reported that the former Sheriff's vehicle, driven by former Sheriff Lindsey, was totaled after it was rear ended by a pizza delivery driver. Childress stated that the insurance proceeds were turned into Treasurer Sear and a replacement vehicle was ordered. Childress stated that he also received a grant from Enbridge in the amount of \$1,000 that can be used at the department's discretion. Childress requested authorization to use those proceeds totaling \$23,929. *Motion by Ingles; second by Cohlman to authorize the Sheriff to use up \$23,929. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.* This authorization will be formalized as part of the year end transfers done annually.

**Request for 2015 County Flyover** – Duane Kiesewetter and Jan Girard were present to discuss doing a flyover for the GIS system this spring. Kiesewetter stated that the time frame is short as they would need to complete the flyover this month while there are no leaves on the trees. Kiesewetter noted that this expenditure was not included in the 2015 budget. Girard reviewed the pricing and funding schedule with the Committee. Discussion took place regarding issues with authorizing an expenditure that was not included within the budget. A list of unexpected items for the first quarter of 2015 was also distributed by Hartley for the Committees review. *Motion by Cohlman, second by Gerwin to hold off on the flyover and budget for the expense in FY 2016. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

**FY 2015 Expenditure Reductions** – Mays suggested that the Committee look at implementing the penny plan where one penny out of every dollar spent would be reduced. Mays stated that he felt it would be a start to reducing expenditures. Shafer stated that in reality the only place where an effect can be made at this point is within the Sheriff’s department and jail. Ingles stated that the Sheriff’s department accounts for the largest portion of the county budget and the county could meet statute without providing patrol. Discussion took place regarding the possibility of eliminating services that are not required by statute.

**Inmate Housing Fund** – Mays stated that he would like the Committee to consider segregating the inmate housing funds. Mays stated that he felt it would be easier and beneficial to show where those funds are going. Discussion took place. Some members felt that it would be too difficult to allocate the expenses between the jail and the housing funds.

**Finance Report** – Clemmer distributed the year to date financial summary. Clemmer stated that the only expense out of the ordinary was the payout for Slagel. Clemmer stated that the auditors were on site and completed their field work. Clemmer stated that they hope to have a draft to the committee in April.

**Approval of Bills** – The Committee reviewed the bills submitted. *Motion by Heath, second by Ingles to approve the bills.* **MOTION CARRIED ON VOICE VOTE.**

*Motion by Cohlman, second by Bunting to adjourn.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.** Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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