

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
FINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF JANUARY 2, 2024

Committee Chair Marty Fannin called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Committee Room of the Historic Courthouse.

Present: Marty Fannin, Gerald Earing, Michael Haag, Steven Lovell and Bill Mays

Absent: Paul Ritter and Seth Welch

Also Present: Executive Director Alina Hartley, Executive Assistant Jordan Uselding, Finance Director Diane Schwahn, County Treasurer M. Nikki Meier, County Clerk Kristy Masching and County Board Chair James Carley

Fannin called for any additions or corrections to the agenda with none requested. *Motion by Haag, second by Earing to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the December 4, 2023 meeting. *Motion by Lovell, second by Mays to approve the minutes as submitted. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

Tort Judgement Loan from Working Cash – The Committee reviewed a resolution requesting the transfer of \$400,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the Tort Judgement and Insurance Liability Fund, which will be reimbursed upon receipt of the final distribution of taxes. Fannin noted that this is done annually. *Motion by Haag, second by Lovell to recommend approval of the resolution authorizing a Working Cash loan to Tort. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

Trustee Resolutions for 2 Parcels (10-10-10-160-039 & 18-18-26-201-011) – Meier reported that parcel 10-10-10-160-039 is located in Odell. It is a small triangle shaped empty lot that sits behind the mobile home on E. Deer Street along the creek. Meier indicated that the last year it was billed for taxes was in 2003 and the property is landlocked. Meier reported that parcel 18-18-26-201-011 is a grassy 25X150 strip of land on Cleveland Street in Cullom between two homes owned by Amy Crouch. Meier indicated that the last year it was billed for taxes was in 2006 and in 2008 the County took the deed, noting that it has been available since in the sealed bid auction. Discussion took place. *Motion by Earing, second by Mays to recommend approval of both trustee resolutions. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

DEVNET Inc. Services Agreement– Masching reported that the County has utilized DEVNET’s online property inquiry Software System since 2003 and this would be the third 5-year contract extension. Masching stated the costs have increased by 10%, but are split between the Treasurer’s, Assessor’s and County Clerk’s Office. *Motion by Haag, second by Lovell to recommend approval of the services agreement with DEVNET Inc. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

Finance Report – The Committee reviewed a copy of the monthly finance report. Schwahn reported that the Boards received their first pay of the fiscal year in December. Schwahn reported that the general fund had a surplus of 1.4 million and a handful of departments went over their budget. Schwahn reported that the Jail went over due to medical expenses, the Public Defender’s Office went over because they started paying more on legal fees, and the Regional Planning Office went over due to a large payout to the former Regional Planning & Zoning Director. *Motion by Haag, second by Mays to approve the financial report as submitted.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Review & Approval of Bills – The Committee reviewed the bills submitted. *Motion by Earing, second by Lovell to approve the bills as submitted.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

The floor was opened for public comment.

Motion by Mays, second by Haag to adjourn. **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Jordan Uselding
Executive Assistant