

ADAMS COUNTY BOARD FINANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Monday, February 8, 2021

The Adams County Board Finance Committee held their regular meeting scheduled in the ROE Conference room at 507 Vermont Street, Quincy, Illinois; however due to the poor weather conditions hosted the meeting via Zoom.

The following members were present:

Bret Austin, Chairman
David Hoskins
Dr. Robert Reich
Matt Obert
Taylor Rakers

Others present:

Kent Snider
Sue Hester
Ryan Niekamp
Anthony Foster
Bryden Cory
Todd Eyer

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Bret Austin.

Mr. Hoskins made a motion to approve the January 11, 2021 meeting minutes. Mr. Obert seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

The committee reviewed bills and stamped as "Checked."

Resolutions

- (a) Tax Sale Resolution for #23-5-0823-000-00 located in Quincy Township
- (b) Tax Sale Resolution for #23-5-0824-000-00 located in Quincy Township
 - a. Mr. Obert made a motion to approve the tax sale resolution. Mr. Rakers seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Transfer of Budget Appropriation

- a. Transfer of Budget Appropriation from Scott Graham – Coroner – in the amount of \$7,000 from line number 001-201-5105 – Coroner – Salary – Deputy – for a revised budget amount of \$688.00 to line number 001-201-5653 – Coroner – Morgue Supplies – for a revised budget amount of \$7,000.
 - a. Mr. Austin mentioned that he met with the Coroner and this request is budget neutral, just aligning accounts. Mr. Hoskins made a motion to approve the budget appropriation. Mr. Rakers seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Mr. Austin stated that we need to talk to our health insurance provider to see where we're at. City is having the same experience; aging workforce; good on the premium part it's the advanced claims and long term claims and more health conditions as the workforce ages. Mr. Hoskins noted the County is paying more until the deductible is met, but it is hard to predict how many illnesses the County will have. Mr. Austin and Mr. Hoskins will need to schedule a meeting with the County's health insurance broker to discuss the expenses to date.

Mr. Niekamp reported that the credit line for the County was exceeded last week. This brought him to look at the County Code, where the credit limit is \$1,500 which seems adequate under normal circumstances but recently the County needed more. He presented a spreadsheet and discussed potentially permanent increases in credit limits. Mr. Niekamp would like the committee to approve the credit increases.

Mr. Rakers made a motion to approve these credit changes to the new proposed credit limits. Dr. Reich seconded the motion. The motion carries.

Dr. Reich approved a new credit line for Derek Wells for \$300.00. Mr. Rakers seconded the motion. Mr. Obert asked Ryan if John Simon requested the credit limit. Mr. Niekamp stated that the request came from Jessica. The motion carries.

Mr. Cory shared with the committee a memo from the Comptroller's office to the Assessor's office regarding the Homestead properties and an apparent rebate that the tax payer is supposed to get on their tax bill. Mr. Cory just received information about this on Friday and is still researching it. Mrs. Zimmerman mentioned that there is no money in the fund. The Committee held a discussion about how this would look on the tax bill and how the logistics would be handled. Mr. Cory is bringing it to the committee's attention now and he will keep them posted.

Mr. Rakers apologized for missing January's meeting.

Mr. Hoskins replied back to a request from Mr. Farha asking if residents are covered under the County's insurance plan, and the response is yes they are, just as an inmate would be covered in the jail.

Mr. Niekamp stated that they received the first payment from QPD for about \$7,000 for utilizes. Mr. Austin said they will need to look back at the budget and expense \$20,000/year for maintenance and he will get with Mrs. Hester to show her where that is in the budget.

Mr. Hoskins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Reich seconded the motion. Mr. Austin adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Sue Hester, Director of Administrative Services, Adams County Board