

Finance (FY 2016 Budget) Minutes

August 25, 2015

The Finance Committee of the Piatt County Board met on Tuesday, August 25, 2015, at 8:30 a.m. in Room 104 of the Courthouse. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Randy Keith. Attending were: Tom Dobson, Randy Keith, Renee Fruendt, Al Manint, Randy Shumard, Ray Spencer, Colleen Kidd, Linda Leach, and Keri Nusbaum.

MOTION: Al Manint made motion, seconded by Randy Shumard, to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2015 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Randy Keith took a few moments to brief the new board members on how the meetings would run, that the budget approvals taking place would be tentative until the final County budget was assembled, and based upon whatever State budget gets passed. Linda Leach explained how the budget folders were organized.

Highway Department

Eric Seibring presented budgets for County Highway levy of \$425,000.00, County Matching of \$212,000 and County Bridge of \$212,000.00. Salary increases requested are 3%. Eric stated he had included increases anticipating overtime.

MOTION: Dobson moved, Shumard seconded to accept Eric's budgets as requested. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Sheriff

David Hunt presented the Sheriff's budget for FY '16 totaling \$2,224,407, which is a 2% overall increase. Costs of covering a disaster are figured in. In the past, the Sheriff has always returned a portion of his budget.

MOTION: Fruendt moved, seconded by Manint to approve the sheriff's budget. Roll call vote. All in favor.

EMA

Jim Donaldson requested that his job be made three quarter time, rather than half time, with an increase of \$6736.00 to cover that. Keith suggested the \$5000 in the budget for an assistant be eliminated, and those funds used to cover the increase in salary to Jim.

MOTION: Dobson moved, seconded by Manint to approve Jim's budget. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Veterans Assistance

Ray Lawrence is asking for \$15,700.00. Ray has received certification training which allowed him to aide a veteran in getting \$67,000, and a monthly stipend.

MOTION: Dobson moved, seconded by Manint to approve \$15,700. Dobson amended the motion to approve with a salary increase at a later date, and the second was amended to reflect that as well. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Monticello Airport

MOTION: Manint made motion, seconded by Dobson to approve \$2000 to the airport. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Births and Deaths

Colleen said the fund is mandated. The amount of \$500 is the same as last year.

MOTION: Shumard made motion, seconded by Fruendt, to approve the \$500.00. Roll call vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Audit

The contract for the audit from May, Cocagne and King totals \$43,250. \$38,625 for the county, The remainder, \$4625 is the audit for the circuit clerk.

MOTION: Spencer moved, seconded by Shumard to approve the audit bid of \$43,250. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

Piatt County Animal Shelter

The animal shelter presented their budget with a request of \$2500 from the County. This is an increase of \$500, which would cover 3 months of their rent.

MOTION: Dobson moved, seconded by Shumard to approve \$2,500 for the animal shelter. Roll was called, All in favor, motion carried.

County Board

MOTION: Dobson moved, seconded by Manint to approve budget of \$81,900 for County Board. Roll was called, all in favor, motion carried. This was the same amount as last year.

Tax Computing

Colleen would like to keep \$50,000 in this budget. Paula said they have changed vendors resulting in a savings.

MOTION: Manint made motion, Dobson seconded to approve a \$40,000 budget for tax computing. Roll Call vote, all in favor, motion carried.

Macon-Piatt Regional Office of Education

Matt Snyder asked for \$43,319, and Piatt's EAV has increased to \$414,958,579 which is 20.9%.

MOTION: Dobson moved, seconded by Manint to approve the \$43,319 request. Roll was called, all in favor, motion carried.

Piatt-Dewitt County Health Department

The levy request and the TB request of \$15,746.00 have stayed the same. They will be reviewing some of their fees to see if they could or should be raised.

MOTION: Manint made motion, Spencer seconded to approve the request for TB fund of \$15,746.00 Roll was called, and all in favor, motioned carried.

Probation

Kyle Reynolds presented the budget for FY'16. The net budget is \$2250 less than last year. The budget totals \$93,350.00

MOTION: Spencer made motion, Manint seconded to approve the budget as presented. Roll was called, all in favor, motion passed.

Circuit Clerk

Charlie Barre submitted a budget of \$299,722.00 for the Circuit Clerk office. Expenses were the same, it reflects a 3% salary increase for staff.

MOTION: Dobson made motion, Shumard seconded to tentatively approve the budget as submitted. Roll was called. All in favor, motion carried.

Jury Commission

The budget request was \$700.00

MOTION: Manint made motion, Fruendt seconded to tentatively approve the budget. Roll Call vote, all were in favor, Motion carried.

911

Jim Cripes and Gary Shaffer presented the budget. They explained the changes taking place in the 911 system. Consumers are required to pay less for the 911 fee on their landline. Systems are being required to upgrade to NextGen by 2020.

MOTION: Dobson made motion, seconded by Spencer to tentatively approve the operating budget as presented for \$276,824. Roll Call vote, all in favor, motion carried.

MOTION: Dobson moved, seconded by Manint to recess at 11:52 am. All in favor, motion carried. Recessed until 9:00am, Wednesday, August 26, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Nusbaum
Piatt County Zoning Officer