

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2020

The meeting was held in the Rusk County Government Center, County Board Room.

Present: Tony Hauser, Randy Tatur, Michael Hraban, Thomas Hanson and David Willingham.
Also present: Kitzie Winters and Andy Albarado

Chair Tatur called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Motion by Hraban second by Hauser to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2020 Finance Meeting. Motion Carries.

April Anderson from Clifton Larson Allen was present virtually to discuss the 2019 Financial Statements.

Justin Fischer from R.W. Baird was present virtually to discuss new borrowing for 2021-2022 capital projects to take advantage of low interest rates. **Motion by Hraban second by Hauser to proceed with the R.W. Baird presentation for Debt Structure and recommend approval at the December County Board meeting. Motion Carries.**

The Committee discussed the Ayers & Associates proposal to assess the Library building. **Motion by Hauser second by Willingham to have Ayers & Associates evaluate the building up to \$4,800 with funds to be taken out of the Library fund balance. Motion Carries.**

Jeff Wallace was present to discuss a County Car fleet. He will be preparing a 5 year replacement plan for the Property meeting. It is the intention to maintain a County Car fleet with the squad cars included.

Wallace also discussed the Shop with a Cop program and staff using the County Credit Cards to assist with purchasing. This will be covered under the Finance Director's report.

Andy discussed the effect from COVID on the staffing levels and the increase in sick days being used.

The agenda item for setting wages on election recount workers does not need to be addressed since no recount is scheduled for Rusk County.

No Out of County Travel was provided to the Committee.

Motion by Hanson second by Hauser to approve the invoices paid from 2020-10-13 to 2020-11-16. Motion Carries.

Andy updated the Committee on the Personnel Committee meeting and Economic Development activities.

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The Committee reviewed the County Clerk's Report.

No Lighthouse Hot-line notifications were received to review year to date.

Kitzie Winters presented the Finance Director Report. She mentioned that more employees will be using the department credit cards to assist the Sheriff's Department with the Shop with a Cop program purchases.

The next Finance meeting will be held on Thursday December 17th, 2020 at 8:30 a.m. in the County Board Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:19 p.m. by consensus of the committee.

Kitzie Winters, Recording Secretary

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