

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

November 2, 2015

5:15 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jay Dunn
Tim Dudley
Kevin Greenfield
Patty Cox (arrived @ 5:19 p.m.)
Greg Mattingley

MEMBERS ABSENT

Linda Little
Keith Ashby

COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT

Rodney Forbes, Public Defender
Mike Baggett, State's Attorney's Office
Kim Fowler, S of A
Pat Berter, Probation
Lt. Butts, Sheriff's Dept
Carol Reed, Auditor
Sheriff Schneider
Ed Yoder, Treasurer
Mike Day, Coroner
Bruce Bird, County Engineer
Jeannie Durham, County Board Office

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dunn, at the Macon County Office Building.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes of prior meeting, October 7, 2015, was made by Mr. Greenfield, seconded by Mr. Mattingley and motion carried 4-0.

CLAIMS

Motion to approve the report of the claims as presented made by Mr. Greenfield, seconded by Mr. Dudley and motion carried 4-0.

REPORTS –

Audit Sub Committee –

Ms. Reed had no report

Auditor –

Macon County Board Resolution Accepting a One Year Insurance Renewal Proposal through Arthur J. Gallagher

Ms. Reed explained that this is for the General Liability insurance which includes crime, public entity, employment benefit plans, law enforcement liability, auto liability and umbrella. Ms. Reed explained that she does not have an exact quote yet. She will have it later this week. It will not exceed \$500,000. That is what is in the resolution. Before it goes to the board, the actual number will be inserted. It is expected to be in the upper \$490,000's.

Mr. Mattingley made a motion for approve forwarding the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Dudley and the motion carried 4-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Approving a Two Year Agreement with Go Self Insured, LLC for Worker's Compensation Third Party Administration Services

Ms. Reed explained that the services are \$13,860 a year. That is the same as the prior 2 year agreement with them.

Mr. Dudley made a motion for approve forwarding the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Mattingley and the motion carried 4-0.

Ms. Reed reported that payments have not been received from the State for the Adult Redeploy and Juvenile Redeploy. Mr. Baggett is preparing a letter to be sent out to vendors. Mr. Baggett said the letter will be short and to the point. Right now, we are experiencing a situation where the state is not reimbursing or paying for the claims that are being submitted pursuant to the grant contract. The state's grant contracts have a provision in them that say that it is subject to appropriation by the General Assembly. He said that after meetings with Chairman Greenfield and Finance Chair Dunn, a letter would be sent to the state advising them that the county cannot take on these costs up front with the hopes that they would be paid at some unknown future date and that if there is no assurance from the state of forthcoming funds by November 30th, we will have to temporarily suspend our obligations under the grant contracts. Letters will be sent out to the vendors and contractors associated with those grants to let them know that as of December 1, if there has been no change in our current situation, then we will be temporarily suspending the ARI and Juvenile Redeploy subject to the state budget impasse being solved and those monies becoming available again.

Ms. Reed reported that the cash in the general fund keeps diminishing. It is caused by several things, one of which is that the levy is not where it was 3 years ago. It has been decreased by one million over the last 3 years. Also payments have been slow. We get reimbursed for the Public Defender's salary and the State's Attorney's salary, but we've not gotten anything in the new fiscal year. They are behind by about \$500,000. That, coupled with several other things, is causing the cash balance to go down. She said that she is preparing a resolution to tap into the economic financial stabilization fund. It has about \$1.6 million in it. We don't need it just yet, but will soon. It is getting that close. That is the rainy day fund. It requires a 2/3 majority vote of the board. She said she is preparing a resolution for the board to be presented next week at the November 12 county board meeting. Mr. Dunn said he wanted to let all the finance committee members know that there will be a resolution ready for the board meeting so that the rainy day fund can be tapped into and then paid back at the next tax cycle. He said it might not be a one-time deal, but about \$4 million of the reserves has been spent down and the state is not paying on grant funding and salaries to the tune of \$500,000 to one million dollars. We have to be able to do something so the Auditor can have access to money to make payroll. He said he would probably be talking about more of this at the board meeting when the budget is discussed.

Board of Review –

Ms. Fowler had no report.

Supervisor of Assessments –

Ms. Fowler had no report.

GIS –

Ms. Fowler had no report.

(Ms. Cox is now present)

Treasurer

Macon County Board Resolution to Execute Deeds to Convey Property on which Taxes were Delinquent

Mr. Greenfield made the motion to approve forwarding to the Consent Calendar with recommendation for approval, seconded by Ms. Cox and motion carried 5-0.

CITIZEN REMARKS – PUBLIC COMMENT - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Sheriff's Department

Macon County Board Resolution Approving Needed Services for the Macon County Sheriff's Office, Mental Health, Juvenile Monitoring and Detention, and Drug Dependency Counseling

Lt. Butts explained that the sheriff's office has received a generous donation from the Howard G. Buffett Foundation in the amount of up to \$2.5 million for the purpose of combatting mental health issues, juvenile detention monitoring issues, illegal drug dependency, and counseling issues. He asked that the Finance Committee recommend to the full board that the restricted funds from the HGB Foundation be accepted so funding could be appropriated when the program is initiated.

Chair Dunn asked if this would be in conjunction with Mental Health & Drug Court or if it would be totally separate. Lt. Butts said it would be separate.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Mr. Mattingley, seconded by Ms. Cox and the motion carried 5-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Approving Increase in Appropriations in the Sheriff's FY2016 Budget

Lt. Butts explained that the board has entered into an agreement with the Correctional Officers and Corporals which will be effective retroactively from December 1, 2014 thru November 30, 2017. These increases are to be included in the Sheriff's FY16 budget: \$171,866.31 for Correctional Officers; \$13,761.05 for Correctional Officer Corporals; \$11,669.21 for retroactive Holiday Pay; and \$30,000 for uniform coats for the officers.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Mattingley and the motion carried 5-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Approving “Me Too Clause” for Correctional Officer Sergeants Increase in Appropriations in the Sheriff’s FY2016 Budget

Lt. Butts explained that this is an increase to be added to their current base which will be equal to the pay increases received by the deputies union ratification FOP contract retroactive also to December 1, 2014. These increases include the FY16 budget for the sergeant’s line, correctional officer sergeant’s line in the amount of \$4,656.22.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Mr. Mattingley, seconded by Ms. Cox. Mr. Greenfield asked which bargaining unit negotiations that he had sat in on that indicated that they were going to hold off on the “Me Too” clause. Sheriff Schneider said that was the Command Association. That is a separate bargaining unit. The motion carried 5-0

Coroner

Macon County Board Resolution Approving Increase in Appropriations in the FY15 Coroner’s Budget

Mr. Day explained that all of his lines are in disarray. There have been quite a few autopsies, transportation and related issues. He said they try to be as frugal as possible, but the office has no control as to what and how many cases they will be a party to. He said the resolution would move into the autopsy line via some budget transfers. The increased revenue of \$10,000 will come from additional fees out of the coroner’s fees line and also \$14,013.20 from the restricted fund balance for coroner’s fees. That was established by public act when they raised the coroner’s statutory fees a couple of years ago. This is the residual sum that is for special projects, etc... He said he is asking to have \$24,013.20 shifted and that will zero out the restricted fund balance.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Mattingley and the motion carried 5-0

Transportation

Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for design engineering of Section 14-00268-03-EG, the Reas Bridge Road Lake Decatur Bridges Replacement Project (Beltway).

Mr. Bird explained that the total amount of the appropriation is \$1,089,945 with 100% reimbursement from the State of Illinois.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Mattingley and the motion carried 5-0

Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for design engineering of Section 14-00268-02-EG, the Brush College Road South Connection Realignment Project (Beltway).

Mr. Bird explained that the total amount of the appropriation is \$430,382 and is 100% reimbursement from the State of Illinois.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Mr. Dudley, seconded by Ms. Cox and the motion carried 5-0

Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for construction expenses on Section 15-00269-00-PV, the Argenta Concrete Pavement Project.

Mr. Bird explained that the total amount of this appropriation is \$85,924.24.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Mr. Dudley, seconded by Mr. Mattingley and the motion carried 5-0

Macon County Board Resolution appropriating additional funds for construction expenses on Section 15-00273-00-SM, the 2015 Farm Progress Patching Project.

Mr. Bird explained that the amount of this appropriation is \$29,963.87. This is an additional amount done and is 100% reimbursed by Richland Community College.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Mr. Dudley, seconded by Ms. Cox and the motion carried 5-0

Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for construction expenses on Section 11-00241-00-BR, the CH 29 Boody Road Bridge Replacement Project.

Mr. Bird explained that the total amount is \$57,875.46. This is our match money to the federal funds that pay for 80% of the cost of the project.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Mr. Dudley, seconded by Ms. Cox and the motion carried 5-0

Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for construction expenses on Section 07-14123-00-BR, a bridge on Kosseick Road in Pleasant View Township.

Mr. Bird explained that this total amount is \$44,408. This is a 20% match with 50% of that being reimbursed by Pleasant View Township.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Mattingley and the motion carried 5-0

Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for construction expenses on Section 13-06119-00-PV, the Spacemark Road Construction Project.

Mr. Bird explained that this total amount is \$87,787.07.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Mattingley and the motion carried 5-0

Macon County Board Resolution appropriating funds for the 2016 Annual MFT Maintenance Program.

Mr. Bird explained that this is done every year to set up the spending program for the motor fuel tax dollars. Since July 1st, we have not been receiving those dollars. A program is still being set up, but there are quite a few things that are not in it that are normally included. The amount that is being appropriated is less than what is on hand in the bank. There is still a cushion of about \$350,000. If and when there is a budget put together, those items can be added back in, if necessary. Until then they will be left out. The total amount is \$1,660,600.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Ms. Cox, seconded by Mr. Mattingley. Chair Dunn asked if there would be enough money to buy salt for the winter. Mr. Bird said yes, this year's is already on hand. The motion carried 5-0

State's Attorney

Macon County Board Resolution Amending State's Attorney's FY2015 Budget for Equipment

Mr. Baggett explained that he had spoken with Justice Committee Chairman Mattingley last week advising him that notification on the pricing of the phones was received the day after the Justice Committee meeting. He agreed to allow this resolution be brought directly to the Finance Committee.

This resolution will appropriate funds in revenue and expense lines for the purchase of new cell phones for those employees that have them in the State's Attorney's office. The phones were replaced at a cost of approximately \$1,400. The phones that were replaced were sold for \$1,850 for a return of about \$450.

Motion made to forward the resolution to the full board with recommendation to approve by Mr. Mattingley, seconded by Mr. Greenfield, and the motion carried 5-0

CLOSED SESSION - None

NEXT MEETING – Mon, November 30, 2015

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Mattingley seconded by Mr. Greenfield the motion carried 5-0, and meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jeannie Durham, Macon County Board Office