

MINUTES
KENOSHA COUNTY
FINANCE/ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
Thursday, August 10, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Terry Rose, Ron Frederick, Edward Kubicki, Jeffrey Gentz, Rick Dodge, Daniel Esposito, and Greg Retzlaff, YIG Member Heller-Cavener, YIG Member Jin

PLACE: KCAB, Committee Conference Room

DATE: August 10, 2017

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Joe Cardinali, Garden of Eatin Executive Board member, noted he was in attendance regarding item #6 regarding the possible donation of tax deed property to their all-volunteer non-profit.

REPORTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

There were none.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE

There were none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (1:40)

Motion by Supervisor Frederick approve the minutes from July 13, 2017. Second by Supervisor Kubicki. All aye, motion carried, including YIG Members.

CLERK – TAX DEED DONATION (2:11)

Mary Kubicki, Kenosha County Clerk, presented this item. John Moyer, Corporation Counsel, explained the procedure relative to Chapter 75 of the State Statutes relative to a Class 1 notice offering the property for bid. The process would take about one week and the plan was to notice next Wednesday so the procedure would be completed by the following Wednesday. The County would not have to accept the highest bid with this procedure, rather the bid that was "most advantageous to the community." The item will be brought back to the committee after the Class 1 process has been completed.

SHERIFF – SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FLEET (19:24)

Sheriff David Beth presented information regarding the request to allow all Sheriff Personnel to take their squad cars home. He distributed information from the International association of Chiefs of Police regarding the Pros and Cons of this practice. He explained how it would especially benefit the west end of the county with less downtime or absence from having to go all the way east into the City of Kenosha to check in, get briefed, and then drive the squad cars back out the various districts they need to patrol. The plan would be to meet and exchange squads at the Kenosha County Center at the intersection of Hwy. 45 and Hwy 50 in Bristol rather than meeting at the Public Safety Center.

The vehicles can also be refueled at the County Center. Currently, personnel such as administration, traffic interdiction, K-9 unit, school resource personnel already take a vehicle home. Sheriff Beth noted that the program could also serve as an incentive for those personnel wanting to participate and that deserve the privilege as well.

The committee requested that the Sheriff return with information regarding a policy to be put into place to govern this procedure, financial information regarding the benefits this program will provide and costs of licensing and kitting of vehicles.

AUDIT OF BILLS (55:14)

REPORT FROM DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION (55:58)

Patricia Merrill, Director of Finance, distributed the Standard & Poor's (S&P) and Fitch bond rating reports. She noted the AA+ rating for Kenosha County was affirmed. Chairman Rose requested two items to be placed on the September agenda: Reserves 17% vs. 25% and debt ratio.

The team had received very positive feedback from the bonding firms, including a rare indication that given the County's current situation, and if the FoxConn deal came to fruition, it would greatly increase the possibility toward obtaining the AAA rating in the future.

It was noted that a special meeting of the committee will be held Tuesday, August 15, at 6:00 p.m., regarding two resolutions to award the bonds. These items will then be presented to the full County Board at their regular meeting at 7:30pm that evening.

Human Resources – None.

General Fund Balance Report – 2017 to date – presented by Barna Bencs, Financial Consultant.

Register of Deeds Report – July 2017 – presented.

County Clerk Report – July 2017 – presented.

Monthly Statement – August 8, 2017 – presented.

Budget Modification(s) – August 8, 2017 - presented.

Motion by Gentz to adjourn. Second by Esposito. All aye, motion carried, including YIG Members.

The Committee adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Recording of the minutes is available.

Prepared by: April Webb, Senior Administrative Assistant