

**MACON COUNTY BOARD
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MACON COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
COUNTY BOARD ROOM #514
121 S. MAIN STREET DECATUR, IL 62523**

March 29, 2021 5:15 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kevin Greenfield, Chair
Jim Gresham
Greg Mattingley
Linda Little
Marcy Rood
Ryan Kreke

COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT

Jessie Smalley, HR
John Jackson, Treasurer
Rocki Wilkerson, Workforce Investments
Carol Reed, Auditor's Office
Chief Deputy Adam Walter
Scott Rueter, State's Attorney
Bruce Bird, Co Highway Engineer
Jeannie Durham, County Board Office

Via Teleconference:

Helena Buckner

Brandi Binkley, Health Dept

MEMBERS ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Greenfield at the Macon County Office Building.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETING

Ms. Little made a motion to approve minutes of the 3/1/2021 Finance Committee meeting, seconded by Mr. Mattingley & roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0

CLAIMS

Mr. Gresham made a motion to approve the claims, seconded by Mr. Mattingley, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

REPORTS

Audit Sub Committee –

Ms. Reed reported that the audit is still ongoing. There are a few things they have to wrap up and then come back. They are also doing a few things in the Treasurer's office like looking at bank recs and things that they still have to come back and finish up.

Auditor –

Ms. Reed explained that the County will be getting a receipt of \$20 million in the next year with half of it coming in the next 45 days probably and the rest of it in a year from now.

There are a lot of unknowns about it, but the first thing we want to do is get it invested somewhere. Tomorrow, Ms. Reed said they (she & the Treasurer) were going to meet with one of the bankers to see what they can offer and how we can do it. There are always the Illinois Funds, which is the pooled investment fund with the state which is paying about .047% right now. Treasurer Jackson said he had met last week with First Mid last week and will be meeting with them again tomorrow, but at that point in time the interest rate was 18 points, probably about half of what Ms. Reed just said, so it was phenomenal. That will be addressed tomorrow.

Ms. Reed said the first thing is to get the money invested and then decide how to use it and what can be done with it. She distributed a summary of the Act. There are allowable uses for it, but we don't know the details yet. She read from the summary, respond to mitigate public health emergency in respect to COVID, provide governmental services to the extent of a reduction in revenue, make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure, state & local governments can transfer funds to a private non-profit or a special unit purpose of state and local government, or you can respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 emergency which means you can give premium pay or bonuses to people up to \$25000. Those are the broad uses of it, but again, we don't know the details.

Ms. Reed suggested that a plan as to how it is going to be done be formulated and it is going to be a big undertaking. She said she thinks that we are going to need someone to be in charge of it. Maybe this is the time to hire a County Administrator. That is on the table too.

We need a plan. Maybe we need a committee with some board members and some elected officials. The money is going to need to be spent. If it is not spent, it is to be sent back.

Mr. Jackson said they have already formed a committee and would welcome some board members. Ms. Reed added that she, the Treasurer and the County Clerk have volunteered to be on the committee to see what can be outlined and gotten going.

Ms. Reed said that Ms. Esposito in the EMA office has received inquiries from a couple of Fire Protection Districts as well. Other small units of governments that don't get direct benefit like we do might be another option to help out.

Mr. Gresham asked about how much of the original \$600,000 from earlier and how much has been spent. Ms. Reed said that \$150,000 to \$200,000 has been spent, but that money was a reimbursement for officers / deputies salaries. That money is ours and is income to us. We had to prove that by showing timecards and other details. This money will have to be accounted for too as to how it is being spent. Mr. Gresham said we need to look at supporting our local Health Department with some of this money because they have ongoing mass vaccination clinics and things. We are their oversight and we need to make sure the vaccinations are done as soon as possible. Ms. Reed agreed, but said they get a lot of money already, so the gaps would need to be looked into. Mr. Gresham agreed, but said there are some gaps.

Board of Review – No report

Supervisor of Assessments –No report

GIS- no report

Treasurer –

Macon County Board Resolution Approving Increase in Appropriations in the Treasurer's Office

Mr. Jackson explained that this is a clean up from 2017 through 2020 sick time, comp time, vacation time accrued but not paid or taken. It is a clean up of the previous past 4 years. Ms. Little asked if his anticipation was that this would be paid out or ??? Mr. Jackson said this is money that is owed now. We have to pay it. Chairman Greenfield asked if Mr. Jackson had checked the timecards. Mr. Jackson confirmed and said they thought they'd find some excessive overtime, but there was not. It worked out. It might have been within \$300 or so, but it was a lot of time reconciling. Chairman Greenfield said he believed the contract says they can carry 80 hours, so he would assume that from this point forward, you will follow that on a regular basis. Mr. Jackson confirmed saying that it actually had been followed, but it was a can kicker. Mr. Greenfield said he had not expected a \$30,000 bill right out of the gate, but if we owe it to them, we owe it to them. It is a shame that the past Treasurer did not take care of it from year to year like it should have been. He asked if they should expect any more time bombs. Mr. Jackson said he hoped not, but everytime you turn around, there seems to be something else.

Ms. Little made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Mattingley, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Citizen Remarks – No citizen's remarks were submitted via email by the deadline for today's meeting. No citizens were present that wanted to address the committee members.

NEW BUSINESS –

Transportation Department

Macon County Board Resolution Awarding the 2021 Sign Bid

Mr. Mattingley made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Gresham, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Awarding the 2021 Sign Blank Bid

Mr. Bird explained that these are the aluminum blanks that are used to make signs in the shop as opposed to ready made signs.

Mr. Mattingley made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Gresham, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Awarding the 2021 Non-MFT Culvert Bid

Mr. Gresham made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Kreke, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Awarding the 2021 MFT Culvert Bid

Mr. Mattingley made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Kreke, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Approving the Purchase of Three 2021 One Ton 4x4 3500 Crew Cab Pickups

Mr. Gresham made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms. Rood. Mr. Mattingley asked if these are going to be replacing ones that are end life and are to be disposed of. Mr. Bird confirmed, saying that it is one Ford and 2 Chevies that are being disposed of and all of them have around 170,000 miles on them. The ones being purchased are Dodges. Roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Approving the Disposal of Equipment

Mr. Bird explained that this is for the disposal of the three trucks that are being replaced.

Mr. Kreke made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Mattingley, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Approving a Jurisdictional Transfer with Mt. Zion Township

Mr. Bird explained that the next three resolutions are all intertwined. The bonded money we receive from the state has certain strings attached for anything received above a certain amount. That amount has to go towards a bonded project and not maintenance. Chip seal work is considered maintenance. All of the townships, except one, are below that threshold. Mt. Zion is above that threshold. So, they have to spend it on asphalt or something like that. We are performing a temporary jurisdictional swap of the road so that the township can do the chip seal work. This is the best bang for the buck for the taxpayers and we get a road resurfaced.

Ms. Little made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Kreke, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with Mt. Zion Township

Mr. Kreke made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Mattingley, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Mt. Zion Township Chip Seal Project

Mr. Mattingley made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Kreke, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Bearsdale Road Township Bridge Replacement Project

Mr. Gresham made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Mattingley, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Oakley Road CIR (cold in place resurfacing) Resurfacing Project

Mr. Kreke made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Gresham, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Reas Bridge Road Widening and Resurfacing Project

Mr. Kreke made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms. Little, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Andrews Street Resurfacing Project

Ms. Little made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms. Rood, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Lincoln Memorial Parkway Bridge Repair Project

Mr. Kreke made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Gresham and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Strawn Road Township Bridge Replacement Project

Ms. Little made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Mattingley, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Approving an Engineering Agreement on the Elwin Road Bridge Replacement Project

Mr. Mattingley made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms. Rood. Chairman Greenfield asked who the Engineering firm was. Mr. Bird said Chastain. Mr. Greenfield said he hopes they do a lot better than what they have been doing. Roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Approving an Engineering Agreement on the Walmsley Road Bridge Replacement Project

Mr. Mattingley made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Kreke. Chairman Greenfield asked who the Engineering Company was on this one. Mr. Bird said it is WHKS. Roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Purchase of Right of Way Parcels 001 & 001TE for a Bridge on School Road in Austin Township

Mr. Kreke made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Mattingley, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the Purchase of Right of Way Parcels 002 & 002TE for a Bridge on School Road in Austin Township

Mr. Mattingley made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms. Little, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the TR 5 School Road Bridge Replacement Project

Ms. Little made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Mattingley. Chairman Greenfield asked Mr. Bird for an explanation. Mr. Bird explained that this is for construction monies for a township bridge where the county has a percentage split on the cost of the bridge with Austin Township. It was originally set up to be split with federal and township funds. By doing that, you get 80% of the project paid for with federal funds and then you can have 80% of the remaining 20% paid for with Township Bridge funds which would leave a 2% split for both the County and the Township. Because of not being able to access the Township funds that would be needed for about another 3 years and

the bridge currently having a 5 ton weight limit on it, they are going ahead with the local funds available allowing the County to pay 98% and keeping the original 2% deal with the township on construction expenses. It is a relatively small bridge and is affordable for the County to do this. The percentage split is unusual, but if we don't, we will be closing the bridge before it can be replaced. The desire is to get it replaced before it has to be closed. Roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the County Highway Office 365 Email Migration

Mr. Gresham made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Kreke. Chairman Greenfield asked for an explanation. Mr. Bird explained that there has been a ransomware virus that has been floating around for about 3 weeks or so. It originated from some hackers in China and unfortunately, the Legacy Email Server was impacted by this. There were several patches put out by Microsoft, but they failed day after day. This process will allow the email server to be taken off of the Legacy on sight server and put into the Cloud. It will be better protected. The system was not impacted. Roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Health Department

Macon County Board Resolution Approving Contract and Increase in Appropriations in the FY21 Health Fund Budget for Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation Services

Ms. Binkley explained that the resolution is a cover for a new contract within the grant. The contract has been reviewed by the State's Attorney's Office. This is just a change in who provides the mental health consultation services within the existing grant.

Ms. Little made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Mattingley, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

Macon County Board Resolution Authorizing Disposal Of Surplus Property By The Macon County Health Department

Ms. Binkley explained that this is a request to dispose of expired CPR kits. They are expired and cannot be safely used by anyone which is why they will be disposed of.

Ms. Little made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Kreke, and roll call vote showed the motion carried 7-0.

CLOSED SESSION None needed

NEXT MEETING - 5/3/2021

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Little & seconded by Mr. Mattingley & Chairman Greenfield adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jeannie Durham, County Board Office