

**MACON COUNTY BOARD  
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

**August 2, 2021 5:15 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kevin Greenfield, Chair  
Ryan Kreke  
Jim Gresham  
Marcy Rood  
Linda Little (@ 5:22 p.m.)  
Helena Buckner (@ 5:19 p.m.)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Greg Mattingley

**COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT**

Sheriff Jim Root  
Mary Eaton, Recorder  
John Jackson, Treasurer  
Rocki Wilkerson, Workforce Investments  
Carol Reed, Auditor's Office  
Brandi Binkley, Health Department  
Kim Fowler, S of A  
Michelle Sanders, Public Defender  
Karl Coleman, County Board member  
Josh Tanner, County Clerk  
Debbie Wright, Workforce Investments  
Jeannie Durham, County Board Office

**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**

Mr. Gresham made a motion to approve minutes of the 6/28/2021 Finance Committee meeting, seconded by Mr. Kreke & the motion carried 4-0

**CLAIMS**

Ms. Rood made a motion to approve the claims, seconded by Mr. Gresham, and the motion carried 4-0.

**REPORTS**

**Audit Sub Committee –**

Ms. Reed reported that Audit reports had been distributed to members. The Audit Sub-Committee met on July 7<sup>th</sup>. Those present included Ms. Little & Chairman Greenfield. Ms. Buckner was not able to attend. The group went over the audit and some of the comments from the Management Discussion letter. The audit has been posted to the website under Macon County Financial Reports / Downloads. So, it is available for the public or anybody that might want to view it.

Ms. Mansur, MCK CPAs and Advisors, is present tonight to go over highlights and answer questions.

Ms. Mansur commented that they are happy to work with the County and provide services.

She explained that they had helped write the Financial Statements, the audit report and gave the “in relation to” opinion on the Comprehensive Yearend Financial Report that is required by GATA. A report has to be done on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards. A Data Collection form was prepared for submission with the Federal Audit Clearinghouse. MCK also helped with the AFR (Annual Financial Report) that is filed with the Comptroller. The Management Letter and Audit Committee letters along with the separate compliance audit of the Circuit Clerk which is required every year were prepared.

Ms. Mansur encouraged members to read the report, but highlighted several things such as the Certificate of Excellence and Financial Reporting which is issued by the Government Finance Officers Association and that is from the 2019 Audit Report. It takes about a year for them to tell us if the report meets their qualifications.

The Audit report being presented tonight is for the November 30, 2020. It takes quite a while to do an audit for an agency as large as Macon County.

The Independent Auditor’s Report is what the County pays MCK for. That says that the financial statements are presented in accordance with general accepted accounting principles. It also discusses the Internal Control report which is another report that is in the book as well as several of the other schedules mentioned earlier.

The Management’s Discussion and Analysis is something that the Auditor puts together. It is an overall view of what is in the rest of the book. It gives you the major funds, total assets and liabilities, capital assets, and all those things that come under the control of the County. Ms. Mansur highly recommended to members that they go over all of that as it gives an overview of what happened during the year and where the County ended up in the fund balances.

Some areas to focus on – page 20 starts the actual financial statements. This is a government wide financial statement so it really includes, totals up the entire county and adds the capital assets balances, the pension liabilities, accrued vacations – all of those things that don’t get reported in the internal financial statements. They all get rolled up into this. Those don’t normally get reported on in a fund statement because the funds are measured on a different basis than the government wide.

Government wide, you’ve got \$51 million of capital assets; \$8 million in net pension liability; these are some of the things that are not in the financial statements that you see each month, but that are associated with the County when you get it all rolled up.

Page 22 & 23, Statement of Activities also includes the entire county, everything, but is also changed for depreciation expense. That is something you do not see in your financial statements. This also includes the component units such as Mental Health Board & ETSB. Those all get rolled up into the actual financial statement.

Page 24 – Fund Statements which is probably what you are more used to seeing such as the General Fund, Health Fund & Lease Fund. Those are all the major funds. Other governmental

funds include Highway, IMRF and all those other funds which are in the back of the book (page 120). All of those are listed separately.

In the Fund Statements, the largest revenue source is from taxes including property and sales taxes, etc. Then the intergovernmental revenue like grants. The County gets roughly, 40 distinct grants from about 20 different federal, state & local grantors. There are a lot of different requirements that have to be met by all of the departments and agencies under the County's umbrella. They all have different year ends than the County. So, now there are two years worth of grants that are reported in the County's Audit.

Expenditures are reported by function. So, instead of seeing salaries and benefits, supplies, materials, etc, you see general control and administration, public safety, judiciary, etc. Those are the functions the County expenditures fall under.

Those are the funds that actually generate revenue and expense for the County. There are other funds that are maintained, but don't generate revenue. For example, the Collector has a lot of money that runs through it, but it is all collected in and then goes out to other governmental units. The same with the Circuit Clerk. You have fees generated throughout the system and then they go out to the City or County or State. There is about \$186 million of money flowing through all of these funds that don't show up anywhere in the accounting records, but that there are compliance requirements that have to be met to collect all of those.

All of the statements, all of the footnotes that lend a lot more background as to how the numbers arose throughout the report. Page 48 shows deposits and investments where there is about \$50 million worth shown. Each fund has a separate bank account. The Collector has a bunch of accounts. The Circuit Clerk has accounts. All of those rollup into what is under the umbrella of the County. That information is disclosed in the footnote for the report. It is the same with receivables. These types of balances will have references in the footnotes. There will also be pension information from IMRF as well as other post employment benefits that are offered as far as giving health insurance to retirees. All of that information is in the footnotes.

There are lots more statements in the back of the book that show budget to actual for each fund.

Ms. Mansur went on to point out some additional items.

Page 169 – starts the statistical section that gives 10 years worth of data of the fund balances, major revenue sources, some key performance indicators, statistics on the number of employees in the County, the number of vehicles in the County, that allow you to see where the expenditures go up or down, where more or less services are being provided and that type of thing.

Ms. Mansur encouraged members to look through the information and feel free to contact MCK, the Auditor, or the Treasurer with questions.

Chairman Greenfield asked if most of the issues in the Treasurer's Office have been worked out. Ms. Mansur said she has not done a re-audit and so could not answer that. Mr. Greenfield asked if that was something that needs to be done. Ms. Mansur said Mr. Jackson knows what

the areas were that suggestions had been made on with the previous Treasurer. Mr. Jackson said they have a to do list and most of the stuff previously found has been reconciled. All the key things noted when he came in have been addressed. Mr. Greenfield said he just wants to make sure that the Treasurer is starting off on a zero balance where we know that there is no corruption from the his start to where we are today. Ms. Mansur said they do not do a fraud audit. That is a whole different thing. With the turnover audit, it is not really an audit. It is more of a, this is what you want us to do, this is what we did, this is what we found. For example, the bank recs were not done for this month. She said she did not want to say that whatever they did would indicate that it was absolute. What they can do, is say this is what the accounts were on this date, and then go forward from there. Mr. Greenfield said he just wanted to make sure that if / when Mr. Jackson leaves, if an audit is done and they go back find things under the previous Treasurer that Mr. Jackson might be blamed for. If he does it, that is one thing, but if the previous Treasurer did it, that's another thing. He said he is not sure how they get to that zero balance other than just saying, from this day forward, here is where we go. Ms. Mansur said that when the signatures changed on the bank accounts even though that wasn't even done at the end of January. Mr. Jackson agreed that it was done in March. Mr. Greenfield said that he guessed that if Ms. Mansur and Mr. Jackson don't have a worry about it, then . . . Ms. Mansur said they also still do not have December and January bank recs completed or looked at. She said they had not issued a report on that yet.

Chairman Greenfield asked if there was anything in the audit that jumps out that they should be looking at. Ms. Mansur said a couple of things that are already on the agenda. The sheer volume of grants and that money that comes through the County. There is a lot of compliance and reporting requirements that go with all of that. It is difficult to reconcile that information to the accounting records. You need someone to be able to do that. The Auditor's office is not necessarily the place even though that is the main accounting department. Mr. Greenfield asked if each office should keep track of their own grant so that when MCK comes in for an audit . . . Ms. Mansur said that, for the most part, they do. But it is that other step of making sure it reconciles to the general ledger and that everything gets recorded at the right time. It is tough. Making sure all the requirements are met is the other key. Mr. Greenfield asked if the recommendations are in the report as to how to make it better.

Ms. Mansur said that as far as the audit report, there were three findings;  
One, is the significant audit adjustments which relate to the grant reporting as well as some of the cash balances, liabilities, etc. Some of those adjustments that MCK propose really change those numbers that are started with. Just having time to do those at the end of the year is important.

Second, the capital asset inventory is almost like needing a risk manager that keeps track of the capital assets and makes sure that the insurance coverage is provided and there is a rotation for disposing of the computer inventory, or whatever it is. Mr. Greenfield said they were going to call the County Administrator the Risk Manager too.

Third, is the internal control over preparing the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. The only reason that is a finding is because MCK cannot just prepare the reconciliation and then audit it. It needs to be given to MCK so it can be audited. With all the different moving parts

in all the different departments, it is hard for one department to oversee all of it unless that is what they do.

There are some other management type suggestions that were given in the Management Letter that were just for officeholders for efficiencies and things like that.

**Auditor –**

***Macon County Board Resolution Authorizing Plan for Use of Funds Received from the American Rescue Plan Act***

Mr. Tanner explained that part of the compliance with this is that the County Board has to submit a broad plan of where they intend to spend the money. This is the plan that a subset of the Board and some office holders developed. Like all plans, it can be changed or amended later if you find that the Treasury changes the rules or that a need arises. But, you have to submit a plan. It has to be done at the August Board meeting to make the deadline.

Ms. Little made a motion to approve forwarding the resolution as presented on to the full County Board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Kreke.

Ms. Little asked that since this is just to secure the funds, but as it goes on, is it the sub-committee that was put together that defines how the money is spent or who decides. Mr. Tanner said it depends on how the next resolution is voted on. Mr. Jackson agreed. Mr. Tanner said the intent was that the County Administrator would work in conjunction with the subset of the Board, whether it is Finance or whatever group that is come up with. The County Administrator would bring specific plans to the board for their consideration and approval.

Mr. Gresham asked about the category of essential county employees, whether it would include every county department. Mr. Tanner explained that it includes every employee of the county. As pointed out, there are other organizations within the county that may submit their budget to you, but are not County employees. Mr. Gresham asked about the Health Department. Mr. Tanner said they are not County employees. Mr. Gresham asked if they are then not included in this. Chairman Greenfield said they will be. Mr. Gresham said they are talking about people at the forefront of this pandemic. Mr. Greenfield said he had spoken with Ms. Binkley today and while it was thought that there might be enough money in her different grants and funds to cover this, she does not. Therefore, the County will cover it. It will fall under our umbrella and the Health Department will get just like everyone else. Mr. Greenfield said the resolution may have to be amended to include the Health Department. Mr. Gresham asked if that needed to be done right now. Mr. Greenfield confirmed. Ms. Little asked if they wouldn't fall under public health response. Mr. Tanner said they had moved on to a different resolution. This one is the general plan. Ms. Little clarified that it is just to secure the funds. Mr. Tanner confirmed, saying that they have to pass a general plan at the August board meeting. The specifics of what you do with that, what Mr. Gresham is referring to is a different resolution (the third one on the agenda) which is the premium pay. They are separate resolutions. The 3<sup>rd</sup> resolution is a specific plan within the general plan. So, you have to approve the general plan. You can move the numbers around within it to wherever you want them to be, but you have to approve a general plan before you can have anything specific within that. That is why the County

Administrator and the Premium Pay are listed as the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> resolutions. So, in the County Board meeting, if for some reason, the general plan does not pass, you will not be able to pass any of the specific plans either because the general plan is where the allocation of the big buckets of money are. Chairman Greenfield clarified that they have to vote on the general plan now. Mr. Tanner confirmed.

The motion carried 6-0.

***Macon County Board Resolution to Establish the Position of County Administrator***

Mr. Tanner explained that this was presented to O&P. The original resolution was amended in O&P to read that the Board authorizes Workforce Investment Solutions to conduct a search for candidates and to bring the best three candidates before the Board for consideration. Originally, that said bring the best candidate. Ms. Little asked if that meant before all 21 members. Chairman Greenfield stated that he felt that would be a big mistake. Mr. Tanner said that they will not get a lot of candidates to apply if you have three people come before the board and you are going to choose one of the three on that night, you will not find a lot of applicants for that. Mr. Gresham said it needs to be redefined. Mr. Tanner said yes, they need to choose some very small group of people that are going to decide the one candidate to come before the board. When you are hiring for a position of this type, there is going to need to be a certain level of confidentiality or you will not get people to apply for the job. Ms. Little asked if there had been any effort on the part of the board to find a reasonable sub-committee to be the search committee. Mr. Tanner said the original concept was Workforce Investment Solutions who would post the job, receive the applications, interview and then bring the one candidate before O&P and then the Board. That was the original concept, but at O&P, this got amended to bringing three people. Ms. Little said she doesn't have a problem with bringing three good candidates before something, but not before the full board. She said if she were a fully qualified candidate, she would run away under those conditions. Mr. Tanner said that if you bring them before O&P, that is also a public meeting. Ms. Little asked Chairman Greenfield if he was comfortable with bringing three before 21, before O&P or a separate search committee that is balanced. Mr. Greenfield said his suggestion was to have Ms. Wilkerson pick a couple of candidates and then the committee would be Mr. Tanner, Ms. Reed and Ms. Wilkerson. That is a Democrat, a Republican and Workforce Investments. It takes the Chairman out of the equation. It takes politics out of the equation. Ms. Little Agreed. Mr. Greenfield continued saying that he thought Ms. Reed, Mr. Tanner, and Ms. Wilkerson know what they are looking for and he has all the faith in the world that they will pick the right person. Ms. Little asked if that sub-committee needs to be established before amending the resolution. Chairman Greenfield said yes, if the committee members are ok with it. Ms. Little said those three would be excellent non-partisan officeholders that know what this person is getting into from a different perspective than the Board members. She asked if this committee establishes that sub-committee. Chairman Greenfield said they could amend the resolution to that. Mr. Gresham said he liked that and was ok with those three people. All members indicated that they were good with those three people.

Chairman Greenfield said that the resolution would be . . . Ms. Little reminded that they need a motion and second before it could be amended.

Mr. Gresham so motioned, seconded by Mr. Kreke.

Ms. Little stated she wanted to make an amendment to the resolution as presented to the last sentence of the last paragraph to say, and bring the best three candidates before the committee consisting of Mr. Tanner, Ms. Reed, & Ms. Wilkerson for consideration, seconded by Mr. Gresham. The motion to amend carried 6-0.

Chairman said they now needed to vote on the resolution itself as amended. The motion carried 6-0.

***Macon County Board Resolution Authorizing Plan for Premium Pay for Essential Workers under the American Rescue Plan Act***

Mr. Tanner said this is a specific plan within the general plan. He said he may not be up to speed on who this encompasses. It was his understanding that it was for County employees which would be all of the departments that are directly under the control of the County Board and would exclude all of the other County entities like Mental Health and County Health. But, if that is not correct any longer –

Chairman Greenfield said they would need to pass a vote for the resolution, and then amend the resolution for the Health Department employees. Then, he said what he would ask, and Ms. Binkley and he had talked about it earlier in the day that if the Health Department gets some big, huge grant where they could pay their employees, then they could reimburse the County for what they paid out. If they don't, then it's not to be worried about. Ms. Little asked if that was the only independent taxing body that has been impacted by COVID. Has the 708 Board been reached out to to see what their impact has been, or any of the other taxing districts. Chairman Greenfield said he had not. He said he did not reach out to the Conservation District or the Health Department, but it kind of falls under our realm of things except for certain areas. Therefore, without question, they were in the thick of things. He repeated that he had not reached out to any of the others. Mr. Tanner said you could always have an additional resolution at some point in time. Ms. Little said it could also be amended on the Board floor. Ms. Reed said it could be amended to just take out the words County Board Office oversight. Without those four words, it would then include the Health Department. Ms. Reed said she thought the intent would be to give to everyone that Macon County pays as employees which includes the Health Department, but does not include the Mental Health Board or anyone else. Mr. Tanner cautioned to be careful about the wording because they are not technically on our payroll, they are using our payroll system. Ms. Reed said their W2 says Macon County. Mr. Tanner said that if he were wording it and wanted it to say what they are saying, he would put after the word oversight ,Or the Macon County Health Department because if you delete the four words, you are leaving it very open ended. You would be better off including specifically who you want to include. He said he was not saying any of those others should not get the money and Ms. Little said she was not saying any of them should get it. Mr. Tanner said that if what they are trying to do is include all of those that use the County payroll services, he would include either (, or) or (, and). Ms. Rood said it has to be employees that were actually working during the pandemic. Everyone agreed and Mr. Tanner said it is already included in the resolution.

Chairman Greenfield said they need a motion and second on the resolution. Mr. Kreke made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Gresham.

Mr. Gresham made a motion to amend the resolution to say County Board officeholder oversight, or Macon County Health Board be inserted. Ms. Little asked if the Macon County Health Department receives general funds. Ms. Reed said no. Ms. Little said she is ok with that, but there are other people who have their own taxing levy who through their own business were impacted by COVID as well. She said what comes to her mind, because she is president of that board, is the Mental Health 708 Board. If anyone thinks that Mental Health has not been impacted by COVID, they are wrong. The Health Department does fall under County Board / Officeholder oversight to a little degree. They report to our monthly meetings and that sort of thing. Their budget gets approved by the County Board. So, if that is the oversight that qualifies them, and not saying they are not qualified, we need to make sure that we are not grabbing them because they're big and everybody knows about them. Mr. Gresham agreed, but said he thinks they are covered by the oversight and that was his interpretation initially, but apparently that was not the original intent. That is why he would like to see them included, just to make sure it is specific. As far as the 708 Board and other boards, they never come before us, do they? Ms. Reed said only for budgets. Ms. Little said she would defend them in that they used to come quarterly just to let the Board know what is going on but because nobody ever had any questions for them or wanted to know anything about them, it was stopped. Ms. Reed said the differentiation she would make is that we produce payroll for the Health Department but do not produce it for the 708 Board. They do their own payroll and accounting. We do the accounting and the payroll work for the Health Department. She said to her, those are County employees.

Chairman Greenfield said that if something changes prior to the board meeting, it could be amended there. Mr. Tanner added that they could always bring another premium pay package resolution. A certain amount of funds will be allocated in the first resolution and more could be allocated later if they so desired. There is nothing stopping you from determining at another point that another agency could received the premium pay from this and running a separate resolution through.

Ms. Little said she did not see a reason to make a specific statement to include the Macon County Health Department. Mr. Gresham said he is ok with that as long as they all agree that it is covered by oversight. Ms. Little said she would agree with that, but would not agree with adding them as a stated entity. Mr. Gresham asked to have the oversight issue resolved and asked if they were all in agreement that oversight covers the Health Department. Chairman Greenfield said yes. Ms. Reed said that if you take out the whole thing, who fall under County Board / Office Holder oversight which is how it was originally worded, it would just say, by providing full time employees as of a certain date. And, full time employees are those that we pay payroll to. She asked if they could just eliminate the rest of that sentence or if they thought it would be important to have it in there. She said that to her, full time employees are the people that we have in our employee count and that does include the Health Department.



Mr. Kreke said he felt it could be left as is if they are all saying that the County Health Department falls under County Board / Office Holder oversight, it can be left as is and they are covered.

Mr. Gresham reminded them that his motion is still on the floor with no second. Ms. Buckner seconded the amendment. The motion carried 4-2 with Ms. Little and Mr. Kreke voting nay.

Chairman Greenfield called for a vote on the motion as amended. Mr. Gresham so moved, seconded by Ms. Rood and the motion carried 6-0.

**Board of Review –**

Ms. Fowler had no report

**Supervisor of Assessments –**

Ms. Fowler reported that they are wrapping up the 2021 assessment work and photos in preparation for publication. That is coming soon and is right on target with previous years.

**GIS –**

Ms. Fowler reported that the parcel changes for 2021 have been posted to the website. That includes the splits, combinations, new parcels for 2021 that will go out on the assessment notices in the fall. Those can be found on the 2021 tentative layer that is available on the interactive map. That can be gotten to from the direct website.

**Treasurer –**

***Macon County Board Resolution to Execute Deed to Convey Property in Which Taxes were Delinquent***

Motion to approve forwarding on the Full County Board's Consent Calendar for the August County Board meeting with recommendation to approve was made by Ms. Little, seconded by Mr. Gresham and the motion carried 6-0.

**Citizen Remarks – Public Comment**

There were no comments made.

**NEW BUSINESS –**

**Sheriff's Department**

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving an Agreement with the Macon County Mental Health Board for Inmate Mental Health Services at the Macon County Jail for the term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022***

Sheriff Root explained that they could not find a previous resolution that had been passed, so since this is a grant from the Mental Health Board to provide mental health service reimbursements to the County. The revenue will be \$101,400. This is a voucher program where if we provide the services, they will send a check which gets deposited in the revenue line.

Ms. Little made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms. Rood and the motion carried 6-0

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving Agreement between the Public Safety Training Foundation and the County of Macon, Illinois Acting by and through the Office of the Sheriff, for use of the Grant Farm Law Enforcement Training Center and the Elwin Range***

Sheriff Root explained that this item is being pulled from the agenda and will not be discussed.

***Proposal by Sheriff to amend Sheriff's Budget to Allow for Addition of Correctional Officers***

Sheriff Root explained that they had taken a look at the number of officers employed over the course of several years. In 1988, there were 70 officers. In 1998, there were 182 inmates with a capacity of 204 and there were 72 officers. In 2008, during the IDOC inspections, there were 245 inmates out of a capacity of 252 with only 75 Correctional staff. In 2021, the IDOC inspection said there were 306 inmates out of a capacity of 405. Currently, the staff is at 74 although it is not up to full staff, the budget is for 74. The population is in the 320's to 340's.

Going back and looking at the overtime costs. The majority of the overtime is associated with the transportation of federal inmates. Some of that is reimbursed, but it is not reimbursed at the rate being paid out. In 2019, there was \$136,475 spent on federal transports. Federal Transports is just a small number of things done outside of the office. In 2020, there were \$63,559 in federal transport overtime. That was during COVID. When COVID started, ZOOMS started and it cut down on the amount being spent. This year, there are some restrictions on transportation from the federal courts, but are already at \$41,333 in federal transport overtime. The overtime budget went from \$370,000 in 2019 to \$285,000 in 2020 and already this year, it is at \$206,000 in overtime. The overtime is caused from shortages and having to sit on inmates in hospitals, taking them to appointments outside the facility which is not provided by the medical contract.

Sheriff Root said he is asking for 5 additional officers to be put on as transport. They will specifically do transports of federal inmates to court in addition to transporting not just federal, but regular inmates to doctor appointments as needed as well as, if there is availability to sit on those inmates that are in the hospitals. The cost for this year is around \$53,000. With the federal inmate numbers as high as they are, the revenue lines will be well above that \$53,000. Sheriff Root said he did not think he could staff it quickly enough. Finding qualified candidates and getting it staffed will probably take until the end of October or into November and the next budget cycle before it can be implemented. He said he is asking for the authority to hire the additional five officers at this point.

Ms. Little said she does not see a resolution. Sheriff Root said there will not be a resolution. He is just asking to hire 5 additional people. He said he is just letting them know up front that if he hired them September 1<sup>st</sup>, it would cost you \$53,000 for full package with benefits. Ms. Little asked if he was comfortable that the budget he would be bringing to them in a few weeks for next year will be able to sustain these employees or do they know they might be temporary. Sheriff Root said there should be enough revenue in the Federal Inmate line. If not, he would transfer some funds out of the general fund into the LEST to be able to do that. Ms. Little asked

if the Justice Committee was good with it. Mr. Gresham said the Justice Committee was very receptive to it after asking a lot of questions.

Sheriff Root said that he had presented it because when it was first brought to his attention the amount spent in overtime and the problems being experienced with staffing levels, he wanted to make sure to start on it now because he knows the approval process takes time. The hiring process takes even more time. He said he is asking for the ability to hire 5 additional people and in the event that it does not work, through attrition, they can be gotten rid of pretty quickly.

Chairman Greenfield asked for a motion. Ms. Little so moved, but asked if it needed a motion. Chairman Greenfield said they could just nod their heads too. Sheriff Root said he had put it on the agenda because he knew that previously, they had to get authority to hire additional staff. Ms. Little said if a resolution is done, it has to go to the full board, so she thinks a smile and nod is sufficient. Chairman Greenfield said he felt that the six of them is good.

### **State's Attorney's Office**

#### ***Macon County Board Resolution Setting the Salaries for the Offices of State's Attorney and Public Defender Effective July 1, 2021***

Chairman Greenfield explained that this resolution sets the salaries with a 2 ½% raise for both the State's Attorney and the Public Defender.

Ms. Little made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Gresham and the motion carried 6-0

### **CLOSED SESSION *None needed***

### **NEXT MEETINGS -**

8/9/2021 - Budget Hearing #1  
8/16/2021 – Budget Hearing #2  
8/30/2021 – Regular Finance Committee meeting

9/7/2021 – Budget Hearing #3  
9/13/2021 – Budget Hearing #4  
9/21/2021 – Budget Hearing #5

10/4/2021 – Regular Finance Committee meeting / Prepare for Display of Budget

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Little & seconded by Mr. Gresham and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jeannie Durham, County Board Office