

**MACON COUNTY BOARD  
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

**October 4, 2021 5:15 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kevin Greenfield, Chair  
Ryan Kreke  
Jim Gresham  
Marcy Rood  
Helena Buckner (@ 5:30 p.m.)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Linda Little, Vice Chair  
Greg Mattingley

**COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT**

Debra Kraft, County Board Member  
Jeff Entler, County Board Member  
Karl Coleman, County Board Member  
Carol Reed, Auditor's Office  
Lisa Wallace, Auditor's Office  
Brandi Binkley, Health Department  
Sheree Zalanka, Health Department  
Sherry Doty, Circuit Clerk  
Kim Fowler, S of A  
Kris Thompson, Sheriff's Office  
Mike Baggett, State's Attorney's Office  
Scott Rueter, State's Attorney  
Jennifer Gunter, P&Z  
Jessie Smalley, HR  
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. Kreke made a motion to approve minutes of the 9/27/2021 Finance Committee Budget Hearing #5, seconded by Ms. Rood & the motion carried 4-0

**CLAIMS**

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

**CLOSED SESSION (Pursuant to Section 2c11 of the Open Meetings Act – Discussion of Pending Litigation wherein the County is a party)**

Chairman Greenfield announced he would be changing the order of the agenda. Discussion of a workman's comp issue has brought in an attorney that is on the payroll and he would like to do this first so the attorney can leave.

Mr. Kreke made the motion to go to closed session Pursuant to Section 2c11 of the Open Meetings Act – Discussion of Pending Litigation wherein the County is a party, seconded by Mr. Gresham and the motion carried 4-0.

## **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Motion was made in closed session to return to open session by Mr. Kreke, seconded by Mr. Gresham and the motion carried 4-0.

## **REPORTS**

### ***Audit Sub Committee –No Report***

#### ***Auditor – No Report***

#### ***Board of Review –***

Ms. Fowler reported that the 2021 assessments had been published October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The deadline to file an assessment appeal is November 1<sup>st</sup>. This is about one week earlier than last year. About 11,000 assessment notices went out. So far, there are about 70 appeals on file. This is pretty low for this time of year, but it is expected to increase closer to the deadline. This is typical. The publication can also be found on the County's website. There is a direct link to it on the homepage. It has all of the information that would be seen in the newspaper.

#### ***Supervisor of Assessments – No Report***

#### ***GIS – No Report***

#### ***Treasurer –***

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

Motion to approve forwarding on to the Full County Board's Consent Calendar for the October County Board meeting with recommendation to approve was made by Chairman Greenfield, seconded by Mr. Gresham and the motion carried 4-0.

## **CITIZEN'S REMARKS - *There was nobody present that wanted to speak***

## **OLD BUSINESS –**

### ***Macon County Board Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Metro Money to Incentivize Citizens to be Vaccinated***

Chairman Greenfield explained that this was the plan to distribute some of the government money that the county had. He asked if anybody had any suggestions about this.

Ms. Rood said that there had been some concerns raised on this at the board meeting. One had to do with the Metro Bucks themselves and the places where they could be used. She wasn't sure if there was additional information on that. The other question was if the money could be returned if it was not spent. Mr. Kreke said he thought that the money does not come back to the County once the metro money is purchased. If it doesn't get spent, it makes its way back to the Chamber.

Chairman Greenfield asked for other ways or things they could do. Ms. Rood said she still has concerns about the booster incentive. The people that have already gotten the vaccination are going to be highly motivated to get the booster and will not need to be incentivized to do it. We really want to incentivize those who have not received a vaccination. She said she is still concerned about that as well as if there is a way to cap it by giving 20% of the funds to people who are getting boosters. Originally, we said \$100 a person whether it was a booster or first vaccination. Mr. Kreke suggested that maybe she would be better with it if they went \$50 for a booster and \$100 for the first vaccine. He said he was just throwing out another idea. Ms. Rood said she thought maybe \$80,000 for first vaccinations and \$20,000 for boosters.

Mr. Greenfield said they could just put \$50,000 in and then see where they are in a month.

Mr. Gresham said he did not know why boosters would be included. We're really trying to get people to get the original, first vaccination.

Mr. Coleman asked why this is being brought up again. It was sent back to the Finance Committee for review and alteration as necessary. This has not changed at all. The main concern is where the money can be spent. The main concern was us receiving the money back if it is not used. We want as many people as possible to receive the vaccines and we want this program to be as successful as possible, but if it is not, we obviously want to get the money back instead of just giving it to the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Greenfield suggested again that they cut down on the amount of money put into it. He said they could just cancel it too.

Ms. Rood said she would like to eliminate the booster. Mr. Greenfield asked if she would like to change the amount of money they put into it too. He commented that other places have done this, but he did not know how successful they were.

Mr. Kreke commented that someone he knows went and got the vaccine, not knowing about any incentives, but they got \$100. It wasn't this, but somehow they got \$100 for getting the vaccine. It wasn't the reason they went. They didn't know anything about it. If we are not advertising this, we're just giving free money away to someone that was going to go get the vaccine in the first place.

Mr. Greenfield asked if they felt that \$100 would entice people to go get it. Ms. Rood said they also do not want to pay people twice if there are other programs out there.

Ms. Buckner suggested they table it for now and revisit it

Mr. Kreke asked what the vaccination percentage is right now. Ms. Binkley said a little over 44%. Mr. Kreke commented that that is very low. Obviously, the ultimate goal is 100%, but what are we trying to achieve. Ms. Binkley said 70% to 80% would be great, but even over 50% would be wonderful right now. Mr. Kreke asked what the CDC expectations were for right now. Ms. Binkley said that would be the 70% to 80%.

Ms. Rood asked Ms. Binkley if there are other programs out there right now that incentivizes people. Ms. Binkley explained that there have been some local incentives. There was the State

Lottery. Dale's Pharmacy did something in partnership with the Community Foundation. Lucy's Loft just did something over the weekend, but it is not known yet how many people they ended up getting. They did a \$50 gift card. Dale's might have been \$50 as well. Some employers are offering incentives to their employees, some in the way of \$200 to \$250. There are definitely different places that are doing different types of incentives.

Ms. Binkley said she had heard on a call today with some of the community partners that they, as a courtesy, called some of the people that they had vaccinated earlier on that are over the age of 65 to let them know what date they would be eligible for their booster and they had some people giving feedback that they were not really wanting to get a booster and are wondering how often they are going to have to do this in order for this to be effective. We may be getting ready to face a situation where people do need a booster and are not keen about getting it. They are starting to see some of the early vaccinated people in breakthrough cases. Those are the people we would want to get a booster.

Ms. Rood asked how Ms. Binkley might publicize the program. Ms. Binkley said she has not been involved in these conversations and cannot answer what the plan is for that. The Health Department would be happy to help get information out, but they had talked to the Community Foundation early on about partnering with them to publicize something like a local lottery and they had been advised by the State's Attorney's office not to partner with that. She said she would seek their guidance on whether the Health Department should be involved in any way before she would do it. But, if they could do it, she would love to and maybe get a few more people that otherwise would not have been vaccinated.

Mr. Kreke said he agreed with Ms. Buckner in tabling. He said he would like to know what type of advertising would be done or how they would get the word out. He said he did not just want to give \$100,000 away for the sake of giving it away. He said he wants it to have an impact and a reason, justification behind it. Ms. Rood said she just felt there were too many unanswered questions.

Mr. Kreke made a motion to table the resolution, seconded by Ms. Rood and the motion carried 5-0

## **NEW BUSINESS –**

### **Sheriff's Office**

#### ***Macon County Board Resolution Granting Permission to Dispose of Surplus Equipment***

Mr. Thompson explained that they have different taser models, X26, is an older model that is no longer used by the department. It is no longer serviceable and batteries are no longer sold for them. Mt. Zion Police Department is still using the X26 and apparently they foresaw that taser was going to stop selling the batteries. They have a bunch of the batteries. To dispose of these, the Macon County Sheriff's Office would like to fulfill the Mt. Zion Police Department's request that we donate the old units that we no longer have a need for to them.

Mr. Kreke made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms. Rood and the motion carried 5-0

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving a Renewal and Amendment to the Contractual Agreement for Providing Healthcare Services to the Inmates of the Macon County Jail***

Mr. Thompson explained that a year ago a contract with QCHC was signed totaling approximately \$796,000. The new contract will total in excess of \$1.15 million. These are actual costs. They projected this year's medical expenses based directly off of last year's medical expenses. They make 15%. So, these are direct costs plus their 15%. Unfortunately, healthcare is very expensive and the need is great in the jail.

Chairman Greenfield asked about reimbursement for the Federal prisoners. Mr. Thompson said that part of their per diem pays for the in house medical care that is provided through this contract. The feds directly pay for prescriptions for the federal inmates. Outside medical care is the same way. Mr. Greenfield clarified that if there are 50 federal inmates, then we are paying the medical for the 50 inmates. Mr. Thompson confirmed saying that of the \$67 per day per inmate per diem, part of that is allocated towards healthcare.

Mr. Greenfield commented that he had always been a big fan of the federal inmates because we were making millions, but maybe he was wrong due to the fact that they are costing us more in medical and possible lawsuits. Mr. Thompson said it is hard to put a number on what it costs in lawsuits, but of the million dollars in revenue, if the 50 federal inmates were gotten rid of, it would not make the medical budget go from \$1.15 million down to \$300,000. It could reduce it, but Mr. Thompson said he did not know how significant the reduction would be. He said they try not to accept very many inmates with very critical needs, but sometimes it happens.

Mr. Kreke asked about the ratio of federal to non-federal inmates. Mr. Thompson said they average about 50 federal inmates. Today's jail population is about 311. He said they try not to exceed 50 by too many just because it takes away from available bed space locally.

Mr. Greenfield asked, out of the 50 we have, are there any that have medical issues. Mr. Thompson said he is sure there are some. The biggest burden in federal inmates is from outside medical appointments. That burden falls on the overtime budget more than it does the in house medical expenses. Medications are expensive and we don't get a Medicaid insurance card for anyone. So, the federal government directly pays for medications for federal inmates. There is no cost there for us.

Chairman Greenfield asked if this had been underbid last time. Mr. Thompson said without a doubt. Not only did they underbid it, they also factored in a true up quarterly. So, we still paid this. The \$796,000 was billable in monthly breakdowns, and then quarterly, any overage was trued up. We will probably be back towards the end of November to do a bucket transfer to make this line up. It looks like \$796,000 vs \$1.2 million, but the truth is is that we will probably be at \$1.1 million this year. Just because the contract shows \$796,000, that does not mean that is what it is. Medical costs were greater because of a nationwide shortage. QCHC is paying contract nurses, LPNs a much greater amount than what they would have made 2 years ago. We directly pay for that. They are also having to bring them in from out of state, so we have to pay for housing, meals, mileage, etc. Those are unavoidable for us right now.

Mr. Kreke asked if, for some reason, we did not spend this much, do we get that back. Mr. Thompson said that the True up would come to our favor. It works both ways.

Mr. Kreke made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms.Rood and the motion carried 5-0

#### **Circuit Clerk**

#### ***Macon County Board Resolution Increasing IT Services Line in the Circuit Clerk E-Citation Fund for Fiscal Year 2021***

Ms. Doty explained that this is for \$6,013 which is our portion and is for the software to be able to download the tickets when they put them on and also to add the users. This is half the cost. The other half gets paid by the Maroa PD. It is a great asset. No mistakes are made. It is downloaded and processed. We wish all the police departments would do this.

Mr. Gresham made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms.Rood and the motion carried 5-0

#### **Environmental Management**

#### ***Macon County Board Resolution Approving the Macon County Environmental Management Department Vehicle Purchase from Host Fee Account***

Chairman Greenfield explained that Ms. Sumpter could not be present tonight so he would be presenting this resolution.

He explained that they would be taking the two cars they currently have and trade them in on one newer vehicle. The car being used is a 2009.

Mr. Gresham made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Ms.Rood and the motion carried 5-0

#### **PREPARE FOR BUDGET DISPLAY FOR FY22:**

#### **FINAL BUDGET PRESENTATIONS:**

#### **County Board / P&Z**

Chairman Greenfield explained that they plan to leave some of the details up to the County Administrator when one is hired.

He said he would like to bump up the Executive Secretary line back to where it was, \$50,581.

The main thing is, in talking with Ms. Reed, was whether the County Administrator would fall under this budget or have their own. At the end of the day, they will probably fall under the County Board. Ms. Reed said she had put the County Administrator into this budget. Once that is squared away, the County Administrator can do what they want. That is really the only change made.

Ms. Reed explained that to the sheet sent out to everybody on the Finance Committee on Friday, she has now added the County Administrator and an Administrative person for him or her in the amount of \$40,000. That line is now \$50,000. Those are the only changes that were made.

Mr. Gresham made a motion to approve the proposed budget and forward on for display, seconded by Mr. Kreke, and the motion carried 5-0..

## **County Board**

### ***Macon County Board Resolution Approving Amendment to the Decatur Macon County Enterprise Zone Intergovernmental Agreement***

Chairman Greenfield explained he had skipped over this and will now go back to it.

Ms. Bateman from the EDC had called everybody with some changes they wanted to make to make it more contractor friendly for mostly things like bigger apartment buildings to make them so they'd qualify for the Enterprise Zone. She called the Stakeholders and everybody was in agreement. This just allows, for 5 years with it going from 80 to 60 to 40 to 20 to 0.

Mr. Kreke made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Gresham and the motion carried 5-0

## **Health Department**

Ms. Binkley reported that in follow up to the last budget hearing where they initially brought their budget, they met with Mr. Entler and went over the summary report of budget line items for all Health Department. Documents have been updated and another summary page has been added to the information. The Board of Health met again and reviewed, but decided not to vote on it again since they had already voted and approved it.

Going over the summary, Ms. Binkley reported that Health department revenues are at \$6.8 million with expenses being at \$6.9 million which has them set for a bit of a negative. This is the first negative that has been presented in a budget in at least 11 years. The plan is not to continue that. They do think that additional funding will be received which will very quickly put it into the positive. Because they do not currently have that information, as well as no guarantee of the funding, it could not be put in yet. There is a lot more detail on the pieces that could change that would put it into the positive. She offered to answer questions or go over it with anyone that would like for her to. Some information was received today from the state that they did confirm that they are going to give additional funding for mass vaccination and contact tracing. No numbers yet, but knowing that and knowing that there are other grant funding that will be coming through, they should get into the positive very quickly.

Referring to the IT upgrade section, new software has been implemented included, but not limited to, Salesforce, a new phone system, the EWS as part of the MIP accounting software to be used for the HR side of that. A fiber internet implementation is being worked on. In addition to that, because of all the technology upgrades, staff has been able to do everything remotely, the board meetings have been held remotely and even after the Executive Order

expired that was allowing for only virtual meetings, they have continued to live stream those for full transparency to the public.

Dental Clinic software is being looked into. It is in the grant budget for the grant applied for. Digital Environmental Health Software, which has been talked about for a couple of years, is also being looked into. ARP funds were requested since it is for the benefit of the health of the entire county. The hope is that approval of ARP funds will come through, but if not numbers are being put together for presentation to their Board of Health and will then be brought forward via resolution to the BOH, County committees and full County Board.

Grant Section – Some changes were made. Ms. Binkley offered to answer questions.

Staffing – A salary assessment was done. It is not the high level salary assessment that was done in 2014 because a same or comparable company could not be located. It was done in partnership with some other administrators in the Illinois Association of Public Health Administrators and came up with something. It is not apples to apples. Health Departments are all very different from one another, not only in population served but also in programs and services offered. Not all administrators responded to the survey. That was presented to the BOH.

A 2% increase to the base is included in the budget. The base includes the people that are coming in as new employees. That is an attempt to help with recruitment and getting people on boarded. A raise of up to 4% is included for current staff. That is cost of living plus merit. They do have to score on their annual evaluation to determine what percent raise they get.

The Health Fund balance is at \$5.3 million as of 8/31/2021. The FY22 budget shows an average of \$582,468 in expenses per month which indicates that an appropriate operational fund balance should average between \$1.75 and \$2.3 million. Fluctuation naturally occurs due to property tax payment schedule. It can be seen, that the Health Department is in good shape there. The desire is to keep it that way. That would assist with anything that would have to come out of that negative in order to keep moving the Health Department forward.

Mr. Gresham made a motion to approve the proposed budget and forward on for display, seconded by Ms. Rood, and the motion carried 5-0.

#### **Auditor / Retirement / SS / Insurance / Self Insurance**

Ms. Reed explained the **General Corporate Fund (general revenue) Fund 001-000**

This is where it is determined what the revenues are for the year. We are maxed out on the levy on the General Fund, so at \$4.2 million is where it stays.

Some of the others go up and down. Sales Tax was pretty good and it is thought that it will continue at least for a little longer. That was upped to \$3.6 million.

Total on the revenue is projected at \$15.7 million. Last year, the budget was \$13.4 million. Due to the increased sales tax and some other COVID money and things that came in, we might



actually hit about \$16 million in revenue for the year. This looks a lot better than it has in prior years partly due to COVID.

The very last item, American Plan Rescue Act, \$800,000 has been allowed for whatever may be decided on this year. It is a placeholder for what we have.

### **General Accounts (for the General Fund) 001-020**

This is for the ins and outs for the collection of health insurance from employees, reimbursements from other offices, IT services, supplies, postage and things that are centrally paid that may be reimbursed from other funds. Reimbursement from employees for insurance, due to having a few less employees on the insurance right now, is down a bit. There is only one employee on this. That is network support, the IT support person for this building. That has a 2.5% increase for next year.

### **Auditor's 001-160**

This is one of the few that showed an increase in the budget. The office is down one person due to a retirement. There are no salary increases budgeted except for the Elected Official that was done by County Board Resolution. Once the contract is approved, it will be adjusted. By the time the new salaries are added in, it won't be below last year's.

The Chief Deputy is not in the union, but gets the same amount of raise as the contract people will get.

The HR manager salary is 1/3 in this budget and the rest comes out of the County Board and the Insurance Fund. That is a slightly different approach and explains why an increase is shown.

### **Retirement Fund 005-**

There is a tax levy on that. The IMRF rates went down this year, but there is an increase in wages overall, so the levy was taken up a little. The fund balance is \$2.2 million. It is showing a loss of \$708,000 which can go against the fund balance. So, the levy was not raised by much – only \$150,000. This is calculated on the wages we have. It is fairly cut and dry.

### **SS 006-000 Fund 6**

This fund has less of a fund balance. The beginning fund balance is \$768,000. If this year's loss is projected, it will have an ending fund balance of \$500,000 which is pretty low. The problem with the SS fund & Retirement fund is that money is only received once a year when taxes come in. There has to be enough money on hand to get it through until next July when more tax money comes in. The levy is being increased by \$300,000 for that reason. This is just a matter of multiplying tax rate times the wages. The wages are up a little bit.

### **American Rescue Plan Act Fund 7**

This fund has \$10 million in the bank and the decision as to what to provide for it for next year has to be made. As a ballpark number, \$5 million was brought in in revenues and \$5 million in expense. If it happens, fine. If not, that is fine too. The allowance is there for it. The only other thing coming in & out is interest and / or service charges. Chairman Greenfield asked about service charges. Ms. Reed explained that there is a \$10 bank charge and she had put \$150

total into that line for expenses like maybe checks or something. She said she does not expect much in service charges. The hope that the interest on \$10 million will outweigh those expenses.

### **Insurance Fund Fund 11**

This is a tough one to estimate. Last year came up a little short. The fund balance was eaten into. We are used to having about \$838,000. This year, it is expected that it will end up at about \$681,000. There is still some there, but, again, we have to levy enough to get it through to next July. The only salary coming out of there is part of the Workers Comp Administrator, which is Jessie Smalley. This salary is down a little bit.

Fund 11 is the one that funds the general liability insurance coverage including automobile & everything, the workers comp, anything that we get a bill for. A 10% increase was allowed for. The hope is that that is all it is. If it's a little more than that, then the fund balance will be dipped into or it will be borrowed from somewhere else.

A question was asked about the transfer from Highway line. Ms. Reed explained that highway pays for part of their insurance because they have a lot of equipment. They reimburse \$61,000 a year for their portion of it. It is revenue to that fund.

### **Fund 13 – Self – Insurance (a subset of Fund 11)**

This is funded from the Insurance fund and it goes to pay our workers comp claims, fitness for duty expense, any little claims received on a monthly basis from the insurance carrier. The other one pays the premiums while this one pays the expenses for the self-insurance. The only people that come out of there is the Public Safety Officer, which is the sheriff and anyone that would be on workers comp or total, temporary disability. There is no levy. This fund only gets money from the insurance fund.

### **Capital Project Revolving Fund 16**

No one has been using this fund lately. There is \$100,000 set aside with \$20,000 budgeted to use. Any office that wants to buy a copier or anything such as a car or other equipment and does not have the money in their budget can purchase it from this fund and then pay this fund back monthly or annually.

### **PEG FEES Fund 17**

This is the first time this has ever been budgeted for. It is a fee we receive from Comcast & Cable One. It comes to about \$11,000 a year and it has been accumulating for several years. It is up to \$96,000 in the fund. The decision was made to budget for it starting next year at about \$11,000 a year. At any point, it can be used for certain things.

### **Capital Vehicle Revolving Fund 18**

Like the equipment, this one is for vehicles. \$80,000 is budgeted. There is \$200,000 available. No one has used this for a year or two.

## **Decatur Building Commission Lease Fund 42**

This is budgeted per the terms of the lease with them. This year, we will be paying about \$6 million less any income received. We sub-lease to the Mental Health Board and to CASA. The Mental Health Board is \$36,000 a year and CASA is \$11,175. Taking that out, the levy needed for next year is \$5,974,449. For the past several years, the surplus funds have been going back to this fund and they are available for our use. From this, software licenses, \$200,000 for equipment for the Circuit Clerk which may be done this year or partly next year, Copiers for the State's Attorney's office. That is \$200,000 budgeted. If it is used, fine. If not, fine too. There are also a few software licenses and IT services monthly payments. The Auditor's office has IT services at about \$700 per month for assistance with W2's at the end of the year, 1099's, etc. This is where that will be charged to. For next year, there may be new phone purchases or more copiers, etc. The excess funds are available here.

Ms. Rood made a motion to approve the proposed budget and forward on for display, seconded by Mr. Kreke and the motion carried 5-0.

Ms. Reed continued explaining the adopted and amended levies sheet that shows the FY22 proposed levies compared to FY21 and the change. The change in total is \$840,000. That is made up of the Retirement and SS which are going up a little because of wages. The Insurance Fund because it was a little short last year.

It also shows the Lease fund. The increase of \$840,000 plus the Mental Health Board's \$200,000 is about \$1 million. Under the Truth in Taxation at 5%, we are just under that 5% mark at 4.91%. The thing about this levy is that as soon as we know year end numbers from the Building Commission, we would purport to use that excess money and reduce this levy. We have not done that for several years, but this year might be the time to do it. Hopefully, to get a net effect of zero on our taxes. The public should like that. There is quite a bit in the lease fund that we could forego the refund. Chairman Greenfield asked when we do that. Ms. Reed said we will know the number shortly after November 30<sup>th</sup>. She said she will be bringing back a resolution for that amount to reduce our tax levy. It should be about \$1 million, at least \$800,000. The last few years, it has been - \$1 million last year, \$552,000 the year before, FY18 only \$68,000, but in FY16 & FY17 it was \$1 million. Chances are that it will be a million or so. We pay our fees to the Building Commission on a set lease amount, but if they don't use that amount and their expenses are less, then they refund the excess to us. That resolution will probably come in December and the tax bills can be prepared from that.

Mr. Gresham made a motion approve the levy as presented by Ms. Reed, seconded by Ms. Rood and the motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Greenfield said that marks the end of the FY22 budget presentations. Ms. Reed said it will go on display by the end of this week. It has to be on display for 30 days prior to approval at the full County Board meeting in November.

Chairman Greenfield asked the Auditor if she had an idea of where they are since they've not really said no to anybody. Ms. Reed referred to the sheet she had distributed and said that on all funds combined, last year the budgeted amount was a negative \$3.8 million. This year it is \$4.5

million. The general fund, alone, last year had a budget of a loss of \$737,000 and this year it is \$616,000. That figure is not usually hit. It could end up being a profit. It is real close to prior years. We are in better shape because of COVID money and increased sales tax than we have been in several years.

Chairman Greenfield thanked committee members and everyone for their work and cooperation. This is one of the few years that they were able to be nice.

**NEXT MEETINGS -**

11/1/2021 – Regular Finance Committee meeting

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Kreke made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Buckner, the motion carried 5-0 and Chairman Greenfield adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jeannie Durham, County Board Office