

**MACON COUNTY BOARD
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MACON COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
COUNTY BOARD ROOM #514
121 S. MAIN STREET DECATUR, IL 62523
November 29, 2021 5:15 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

Helena Buckner

COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT

Rocki Wilkerson, Workforce Investments
Bruce Bird, Highway Engineer
Josh Tanner, County Clerk
John Jackson, Treasurer
Carol Reed, Auditor's Office
Brandi Binkley, Health Department
Sheriff Jim Root
Mike Baggett, State's Attorney's Office
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. Mattingley made a motion to approve minutes of the 11/01/2021 Finance Committee meeting, seconded by Ms. Little & the motion carried 6-0

CLAIMS

Ms. Little made a motion to approve the claims for Justice, EEHW & Finance, seconded by Mr. Mattingley, and the motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS

Audit Sub Committee

Ms. Reed reported that we are on year 2 of a 3 year commitment with May, Cocagne & King. Our year end is tomorrow, so, the audit is being planned for.

Auditor –

Macon County Board Resolution Accepting One Year Proposal from Midwest Employers Casualty for Workers Compensation Excess Liability Insurance Coverage

Ms. Reed explained that there are very few players in the game here. Our limits are \$500,000 for regular employees and \$750,000 (used to be \$600,000) for Law Enforcement employees. They've given us a little less coverage for about 15% more money. Ted Miller from Gallagher says that is pretty much what the market is doing. The proposal is for \$98,409 for excess Workers Comp.

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

Macon County Board Resolution Accepting a One Year Cyber Insurance Proposal Through Arthur J. Gallagher

Ms. Reed explained that last month she had reported that since we don't have multi-factor authentication, we can't get cyber insurance. CIRMA went back to a few of the providers on behalf of about 11 counties that did not have cyber and managed to get quotes for most of us. They did manage to obtain a quote for us for \$30,489 which, again, seems high since we paid \$7,250 last year. That is just kind of what it is. This is a stop gap to get us another year so that we can get the multi-factor authentication and everything going. We are still striving to get there, but we are partially there.

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

Board of Review –No Report

Supervisor of Assessments – No Report

GIS – No Report

Treasurer –

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

Mr. Jackson presented the resolution.

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

CITIZEN'S REMARKS - None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS –

County Clerk

Macon County Board Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Election Voting Equipment with ARPA Funds

Mr. Tanner explained that election equipment had been purchased in 2016. Those touch screen machines are about half way through their lifespan. There are some ARPA funds available and Mr. Tanner said he had asked the O&P committee members if they wanted to have a resolution put together to purchase new equipment while the funds are there. There is nothing particularly

wrong with the equipment we have although they have a new version which is lighter and more durable. Typically, the election equipment does not malfunction. It just gets damaged over time due to the transporting it to the polling places and back. This new equipment comes in its own case. So the system is built inside a rugged case. It is a little lighter and has an option which would hopefully reduce election judge error. On the current machines, the ballot style the voter needs to use has to be typed in. Sometimes judges make keying mistakes. The new ones come with a barcode scanner. Each polling place will be given a ring of cards that only has the ballot styles for their polling place. They will scan that and that will input the correct code. You can never eliminate human error, but this is an effort to reduce it.

Chairman Greenfield asked if this would help with some of the problems experienced in the recent Sheriff's race. Mr. Tanner said it will some. There were instances where . . . The machine you turn the ballot in to will reject any ballot that does not belong in that polling place, but polling places have multiple ballot styles. So, if you were given a ballot style that was valid in the polling place, but not your correct ballot style, that creates differences in the counts. That effects, typically, the smaller races such as precinct committeemen or potentially County Board members when there were 7 districts. Obviously, districts are a lot bigger now. There are some errors that this will solve. It still does not prevent someone from picking up the wrong barcode and scanning it. Again, you can only reduce human error, you cannot eliminate it.

Ms. Rood asked if the new machines would be used in all precincts. Mr. Tanner confirmed saying they would order 40. Currently there are only 29 polling places. Each polling place will have one. Some of the larger polling places, such as Maranatha & Mt. Zion, will have two. There will be two for early voting and 2 or 3 are kept on the shelf in case something goes wrong. We have 60 machines now. We will get a credit of \$500 apiece for the machines. That is probably just due to a long standing relationship with this vender. They will likely not ever be able to resell them or use them for parts. That is one of the benefits of having a long standing relationship with a vender.

Chairman Greenfield asked about a warranty. Mr. Tanner said they do have a warranty, but a warranty covers mechanical failure and not neglect. If it is dropped, it is not covered. If the machine fails in and of itself, it is covered. Typically, they don't fail from mechanical failure. It is usually damage to the machine. Screens break. They are heavy. Not all judges are physically capable and they do, occasionally get dropped and broken. The new cases are ruggedized, so hopefully that will prevent damage from a drop if that were to happen.

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

Transportation

Macon County Board Resolution Approving the 2022 Annual MFT Maintenance Program

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

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for the 2021 Drainage Improvement Project

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

Macon County Board Resolution Appropriating Funds for Salary of the County Engineer

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 6-0

Circuit Court

Macon County Board Resolution Approving Increase in Appropriations in the Circuit Court's FY21 Budget for Expenses Related to a Sexually Dangerous Person Petition

Mr. Baggett presented the resolution explaining that with these petitions, it has been the desire of the County Board in years past to appropriate for these on an ad hoc basis since they are required by Statute, but there is no knowledge at the beginning of any year as to how many petitions there will be and how much such expenses will amount to. There is now a petition in a case in the Circuit Court and money is needed to be appropriated to pay for the expert psychological examination of the defendant in that case. It is required by law to be borne by the County. It is being requested that the Circuit Court's budget be increased by \$3,515 so that the psychologist can be paid.

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

Sheriff

Macon County Board Resolution Approving Permission to Dispose of Junked Vehicles

Sheriff Root explained that there are two vehicles, one is a 2012 Chevy Impala and the second is a Ford Explorer that are currently being stored at the County Highway junkyard. Both are Sheriff's Department vehicles that have been wrecked many years ago. The State's Attorney's Office has approved the disposal.

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 6-0

Macon County Board Resolution Approving an Agreement with Homewav for Inmate Telephone and Video Visitation Services in the Macon County Jail for the Term of December 1, 2021 thru November 30, 2023

Sheriff Root explained that this the chosen vender. There is one expense line and one revenue line. This is a general fund revenue. The equipment line will be equipment for Sheriff's Department needs. The rest will go into the general fund and will be a total of \$350,000 a year for the next two years. It is a two year contract.

Ms. Little made a motion to forward the resolution on to the full board with recommendation to approve, seconded by Mr. Mattingley.

Mr. Greenfield asked if the vender is the same as the current one. Sheriff Root said no, they were unhappy with the previous vender and their response to downed equipment. This one seems to have good technology that could possibly help with inmate discipline.

Ms. Little asked how it compares in cost with the previous vender. Sheriff Root said it is relatively the same as far as the revenue lines as long as the average population of the jail is around 250. It will probably go over that, so there should be an amount that will be adjusted at the end of the year.

The motion carried 6-0

State's Attorney

Macon County Board Resolution Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property by the State's Attorney's Office

Mr. Baggett explained that the property is broken and / or obsolete and consists of keyboards, mice, etc. It is County property that they would like to get rid of.

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

Macon County Board Resolution Designating the Illinois State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor as its Agent to Administer the Operation of Appellate Offices and Process Appellate Cases for Macon County During FY2022

Mr. Baggett explained that this an annual resolution and noted that this is a decrease in terms of the contractual amount from last year's amount of \$28,000 to this year's \$27,000. This is an offset from the Appellate Prosecutor's office as a reflection of COVID. They indicated that it is probably a one time offset, but they did want to point out that they are reducing the amount for the County by \$1,000 for this year. We should expect it to go back up to \$28,000 after that. For the services they provide, all of the Appellate cases for the people, they are invaluable. If we were to try and match their services, hundreds of thousands of dollars would be necessary to pay the attorneys who could handle that kind of workload.

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

Health Department

Macon County Board Resolution Approving Increase in Appropriations in the FY21 and FY22 Health Fund Budget for Delta Dental of Illinois Foundation

Ms. Binkley explained that in previous meetings, they had talked about applying for this grant for the dental clinic and now they have gotten it. The increased revenue for FY21 is shown

along with the increased revenue and expenses for FY22. The increased expense will be used to cover additional staffing for the dental clinic that was lost during COVID.

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

Macon County Board Resolution Approving Fuse Agreement for Macon County Health Department Dental Division

Ms. Binkley explained that this dental software agreement is with Patterson Dental and is for the cloud software for the dental clinic. Mr. Baggett with the State's Attorney's office did review it and asked for a couple of minor changes which the company made. The cost of this software will be covered by the grant. It is something the Dental Clinic needs and approval is requested.

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

NEXT MEETING - 1/3/2022

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Greenfield adjourned the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jeannie Durham, County Board Office