

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
Special Meeting – Budget Hearing #2
August 23, 2022 @ 5:15 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kevin Greenfield (arrived at 6:00pm)
Linda Little
Ryan Kreke
Debra Kraft

MEMBERS ABSENT

Helena Buckner
Marcy Rood
Greg Mattingley

COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT

Matt Snyder, ROE
Jill Reedy, ROE
Tammy Wilcox, County Administrator
Carol Reed, Auditor
Crystal Hugger, County Board Office
Greg Collins, Veterans
Nathan Pierce, Historical Museum
Sherry Doty, Circuit Clerk
Shelly Eaton, Circuit Clerk
Lisa Wallace, Auditors Office
Jeannie Durham, County Board Office

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Vice Chairman Little at the Macon County Office Building. Quorum was not present at 5:15 p.m. Vice Chair Little called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. for discussion purpose only votes were not taken until Chairman Greenfield arrived to make quorum for the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Due to no quorum being present the minutes were not approved the August 15 budget hearing #1 minutes will be approved at the August 29th regular finance meeting.

FY 23 Proposed Budgets Presentation

Veteran's Assistance- Mr. Collins stated that he made some changes this year and we have needed more people for quite some time so I plan to add two new people next year. Part of the reason why a lot of VA has trouble keeping people are IDVA wait until we train them and they steal them from us, so were going to try and pay them as well, and I think we could use 3 VSO in this county we have 6,600 Veterans that we have have not done claims on literally State of Illinois is 52 in compensation benefits, and we are dead last and that's a problem are IVCA has decided that we are going to take action and make sure that happens so trying to add two people really is all I'm doing. What we're going to try and do is and our government all agreed that keeping everything the exact way it is. Other than that we are going to need a bigger office and I've talked to the county about it. We will be looking in to that.

On to the budget - I did add some lines because we will be training quite a bit more and I will have to pay for the new people to go to training as well. The new law the MVAA that passed actually says now we have we've done claims as long as I've been here to do claims for as long, but a lot of the counties don't do claims their VAC just handing out money. The new MVA says we have to do claims. We have to do appeals as well. Ao that makes it so that I have to go in CVA training so that I can sit with them on court of Veterans appeals claim which will be able to do in an office makes things a lot quicker too. I did put in there we have to buy some new computers and things is there any questions on that? Chair Little asked if he though there will

be any opportunities to find some grants to help curve this? Mr. Collins explained that there was research done for dental grant for \$50,000. This is a lot, doing claims, running vans, for only two people in the office. The only back up they have is charity. Ms. Little asked is if Veterans have their own line for property taxes. Mr. Collins confirmed. Ms. Little continued, saying that if this budget is approved, the board would only be increasing the levy. Mr. Collins explained that currently they are above the max of the levy of \$75000 is roll over fund, but they will be increasing their levy. Ms. Reed explained that the maximum rate was at .03 and they are currently at .013. Most are at .02. .02 is supposed to be the minimum but it is actually below of what they are asking for. Also, Mr. Collins said he would like to invite everyone to come down to the office to see what they are doing.

Historical Museum- Mr. Pierce stated that they are projected to receive thirty three thousand in property taxes, and the upkeep of the museum comes out of the the salary from donations, trust and so forth, nothing has changed.

Regional Office of Education- Mr. Snyder stated that the budget again is between Macon and Piatt County taking the EAV of each of the county and divide that out, and Macon County is 77.3% and Piatt County is 22.7% this year, and is asking for \$149,182 which we were getting about one hundred and seventy thousand five years ago. We run six or seven million dollars through are office and the money we get from the county is just for our office not for any employees outside our office, we have 88 employees in the program we are not adding, and not taking away. We do have a couple of retirements pending that will probably help in the salary department so it is basically the same as it's been. This is Jill Reedy who is currently the assistant in the office who hopefully will be assuming my role. I will be retiring at the end of September and Jill is running opposed to November, and that term is 4 years and starts in July 1 coincide with the school year, and our salary is state.

Circuit Clerk- Ms. Doty spoke on the General fund first and stated that the legal advertisement has gone sky high for Juvenile cases, and had to be increased. It is \$71 dollars per case. There was 23 in just 2 days. Postage there was taken from Clerk- ops and made a line from Carol because all the postage that is collected gets posted to the General county funds. We are hoping that it equals out itself and reduces the Clerk-ops. This includes dollar raise for all union employees for the contract that was opened up this year and three percent raise for her supervisors. Shelly had to work the last 6 weeks while she was gone due to her accident and did a heck of a job. It also shows a 2% raise in resolution for herself, one employee was hired and they are at full capacity. Two people who will be retiring soon and will not be replaced until enough money is made to cover everything as they are paid out. That is her top supervisor, accounting purposes, another union employee who has been there 25 years is retiring due to health problems so she will not be hiring until she knows everything will be taken care of.

The Jury budget process pays for itself but a 3% raise was added for the supervisor, she is one of the best jury manager they ever had, and for office supplies she didn't increase she uses what they have and print shop took care of a lot of stuff for them but she added that to the General, Clerk-ops, automation records and document storage to cover that.

The automation piece has gone down because there is no bonds and it will be worse come January so she is not looking forward to that and hopes that voting will change that. Ms. Doty

stated that she added in Judge Griffith for court technology in her budget for automation and that he gave him a 3.5 % raise.

Document storage, bonds that is how people pay their fines and less revenue for fewer bonds there are a few people that pay a document storage so it is a dollar raise for the contract, and added a five thousand dollar budget line for IT so we reduced it and added it to the equipment line. The scanners are needing to be replaced two was replaced last year, and a got some good deals from Pat Berter on two others that was traded and got them free big scanner cost five thousand dollars a piece and will probably will have to replace one in 5-8 months.

Clerk-ops we took money \$35,000 less that was budgeted for IT, and arranged and put it in the funeral funds to cover some of the things that Jeannie used to do for them & who will be missed, but that is where she took the thirty five thousand dollars from \$5000 was removed from IT budget line and added it to the equipment line and \$5000 to office supplies after getting some estimates.

E-Citation charge by dollar tickets that they get they haven't had to spend much on things she did add Maroa but she don't think they come through yet she had to have a certain amount from them it was budgeted for this years budget but haven't came up with their part of it so she hasn't heard from them and it has been placed on hold.

I want to tell the achievement of the county CCP, is credit collection is still continuing to collect past fines, fees and old child support maintenance fees. Comptroller which we call (IDROP) have collected over eight nine thousand dollars in a year it got slow for a while because of COVID they weren't collecting anything because people were still under the COVID stress and now they are starting to pick up and I had Jeannie run it to July 27, 2021 to July 28, 2022 reflective \$89,792.33 so that helped pays for fine and cost. Pilot county for e-filing of criminal and juvenile cases are doing great and I think they are going to add a few more options which will be DUI's I have continued to cross train in all departments and when I say cross train you're going to learn the whole departments, when I retire you got to have somebody there to look up old cases I am the only one you can depend on cause I'm 42 years and I can probably pull it out my hat. I do have a new record keeping manual and I have starting January 1st cases completely changed on how they are filed so I had a group session with attorneys their staff and judges the first week we had a few hiccups but we fixed them and went on it has been great they told me that they really appreciated it because it was going to be supreme court don't notify attorneys and they don't notify the judges they notify the clerks and the clerks are suppose to tell the judges so we went from there, on August 1st we started getting audio and video in three court rooms didn't cost the county a thing I sent Robert from IT to the Chief Judge we received \$128,000 to cover the expenses and we received \$8500 to update our website. We got two court rooms done getting and are ready to do the third one. That's for remote hearing if the judge allows it cause you have to go through that and you have to let the judge know that you want one like that some cases will never be that way because they want to see expression and their hand movements I have a few judges that really don't care for it but at least we have judges who can move around if they want to use that remote but it was going to cost us if we would have done it by ourselves it was going to be double that price. Our supreme court did a great job negotiating with these people and got it down to \$128,000 and it didn't cost us a darn thing. The website was going to cost about \$20,000 and Robert got it down to \$8500 and we got that covered also, come October the States Attorneys office is going to help me get orders we got

two full room of exhibits, and I'm talking exhibits from 1972 to the present date and how you get rid of exhibits one rule is that have to have their sentence done appeals done and things like that I think I can clear that out that is my goal to get done and my supervisor of criminal knows where everything is and that way she knows if I go to retire she knows were to find things. I can find a piece of lint the judges say so I just want them to know were everything is at. I would like to recognize my Chief Deputy she did a heck of a job while I was gone for 6 weeks.

States Attorney-

001 090 General fund - the meat of our annual budget there at the top in the revenue line in the deferred prosecution fees. We only budgeted \$13,000 in FY21 but brought in a little over \$20,000 so I have increased this years budget to reflect that. The SA salary reimbursement line that is the portion of the States Attorney salary that is paid by the state. The amount there is from the Department of Revenue letter and of course it was reflected in the county boards resolutions from the last two months.

In the collections fees line again we only budgeted \$3000 in FY21 but brought in closer to \$10,500 so I've increased next year budget to reflect what we anticipate to be more accurate amount on terms of revenue.

In the victim impact panel line we budgeted \$7000 last year but brought in \$8300 so I increased next year to reflect that increase. I will note that we have fully converted to offering our own VIP. This is something we do for DUI cases were anyone that receive any type of community based sentence under DUI case we for years which is mandated by law if not local rule one of the things that a DUI offender has to do is go through what's called a victim impact panel. They have to go and learn the type of impact driving under the influence can have even if their particular incident didn't result in anyone getting hurt obviously DUI frequently doesn't work out that way. We want to make sure that people who our fortunate to be able to walk away from their DUI understand that, that was merely more a grace of God kind of situation than it was anything else. So VIP is something we done for years. We use to do it through a panel we taught in a court room was done once a month or every couple of weeks. they would pay us a fee that would go to reimbursing for the cost we would bring in speakers, or have them watch presentation and that kind of thing with the retirement of our former victim coordinator we have transitioned to an online model were there is a vendor that we use that presents a more module based training. It is more standardized and there is a lot more science that goes into what we're actually presenting to people. Part of that is we increase the fee to cover the cost of the program while still bringing in revenue through the end of the general fund. We are very much on board with that. We do contract with that company. They receive half the fee and we receive the other half. We have a room with the computer set up in our office for those who don't have computers or internet connection at home so we do facilitate for those who can't do it from the comfort of their own house. It is going extremely well been very very happy with that solution.

Cell phone sales as the committee knows we have a history of selling our department cell phones annually using that to basically offset the cost of new cell phones. That way we always have the newest technology and we don't have to worry about things going out of date. Because of our corporate base pricing were frequently able to purchase our cell phones at less than the cost we are selling last years model. We have not sold any of our phones yet but we are anticipating that the new iPhone will go out beginning the hit the marketplace in September early September were going to be selling our products after that.

A new line item number is being developed but this is per the Auditor's request which is a request from the outside auditor this is a transfer of money from the building lease fund surplus. The building lease fund has been used to basically offset the cost of some of our operational and equipment type expenses the outside auditor wanted to see us basically show that within our own departmental budget as to oppose doing it all in the lease fund so this is the transfer line. \$31,100 is based on what we have spent in the past in addition to some other additional expenses that I am going to go into detail's on as we get into operational cost later.

All told increase revenue anticipated to be at in the neighborhood about \$49,000 in FY23

Salary expenses - the Assistant States Attorney line that \$38,000 increase reflects a 3% cola in salaries. It covers 8 attorneys with funding for two vacant positions at \$55,000 dollars each. \$55,000 is a little bit higher than our starting pay but we have found over the course of last several years that \$55,000 probably isn't even enough to cover what is expected in the market place right now for entry levels attorneys. It is exceedingly difficult these days to find new staff. I didn't say good staff I said new staff. Anyone who would like the experience to be a prosecutor the trials experience that comes with it which is invaluable and can certainly be transferred other type of private practice work. We've been posting positions since 2018-2019 we have had a few hires but we are right now I think we have 12 assistant which is down from full staff of 17. That does not include the States Attorney. Mr. Baggett said that when he started they had 23 assistants. Jay Scott was able to get us down to full operating staff at 17. But we to say that we're operating with a skeleton crew is an understatement but that is were we are. This does reflect the hope that we will be able to hire additional staff additional attorneys within the next year.

The office manager line reflects a 2.5% cost of living increase that is contract amount with their collective bargaining agreement the investigators line reflects a 2.9% cost of living that's an estimate we are currently approaching the end of their three year contract that will lapse in November 30 we are beginning the process of negotiating our next CBA with them. We don't know what they will be able to negotiate for. Obviously inflation is way beyond 2.9% and we expect that to be an issue at the negotiating table but 2.9 is what the State had mandated for the States Attorney cost of living so that is kind of what we used as a base line. We will see were it goes the support staff line below that reflects a 2.5% cost of living again that is what is mandated by their contract it also reflects the fact that we will need to hire within the next year a fulltime IT Administrator. As some of you may know prior to about I want to say 2018 we had an investigator who was very tech savvy he did all of our IT work did a very good job. He left to pursue other projects I took over for well over a year maybe close to two years and very much considered going else where to find a job. I am not - I have some technical abilities but it is not what I was trained to do and certainly not what I am educated in. I was barely able to hold it together in the time I did it we were very fortunate to have a staff member step up she is a support staff member administrative staff we hired her as entry level secretary back in 2019 but she has an aptitude for this. We've paid for some training for her to take this on. We have been paying her peanuts for what she has become capable to do. She has really out shown me what I was able to do in the years I was doing it but unfortunately as so happens when you get that good other people come and ask for your services. We expect she will be leaving the office in a couple of months to go work for the State. We will need to replace her. I can't replace her with myself, I can't replace her with someone who doesn't know as much as me which isn't saying a lot but it is saying a little bit. I have included tentatively somewhere in the

neighborhood about a \$55,000 dollar salary an IT person. I don't expect that IT person to be extraordinaire experience. I don't expect a long resume and maybe not a lot of credentials but I certainly need to find somebody to handle the daily workload. We do contract a consultant to handle the really high level stuff we are talking network administration, integration, and between our system and circuit clerk system and the sheriff system very high levels of stuff which a current person is very much learning but I anticipate keeping him on at least time being He has a high level of familiarity with our operating system and so any new person we hire will need to work with him but the hope is we hire somebody that can take on a lot of that on their own and that can be part of their salary oppose than paying a consultant but we will talk more about that as we get further down in the contractual expenses. I do want to note that the cost of living for the support staff and investigators that is 2.5%. It's what contracted. I know various departments over the course of the past several months has come to board and ask for mid-contract increases based on the fact that inflation is out of control right now and because Macon County salaries are sometimes lower than comparable positions than other counties. I am bringing that to committees attention in hopes that if you see it appropriate we might actually go above and beyond 2.5% which is the mandated amount but I think that our staff is certainly worth it. They have definitely gone to hell and back to provide us their services and operating at a skeleton staff as we have been for the last several years and through COVID everyone has taken on additional share of work. So, if that is something that the committee or county board is willing to entertain I didn't want to presume and but I am asking on their behalf if that is something that can be considered than I very much appreciate it.

The elective official obviously with the States Attorney salary is is set by statute that does reflect his salary is is not in the resolution but it does include an extra day of pay in FY23 that the reason them numbers don't quite line up. With the health insurance between moving employees between general and judgment funds and eliminating attorney positions in favor of support position we are not asking to increase our health insurance cost this reflects 25 full time employees in the general fund. We do account for some of our attorney expenses in the judgment funds as well as some support staff. Even with this being an increase asked over the last years amount it still reflects the elimination two full time attorney positions because frankly we have 5 vacancy and we've had four for years we haven't been able to hire them, I am not asking to fund something that is not going to happen but at least at the time being this is where we are at.

Telephone expenses - I am just basing that increase amount on what we have spent to date in FY22 and just multiplying that by 2 to get a good round figure in terms of postage. I am asking for more there because postage cost increases. Note that the county only pays for half of the States Attorney postage. The drug forfeiture pays the other half we spend a lot of money on postage complying with the forfeiture statutes. I am asking for more in IT service. This is that consultant that contract line we budgeted \$6,600 there about for this year and at our midway mark we had spend proximately 60% of that budget. We don't use him unless we need him Unfortunately staying update and making sure that our systems operating at efficiency we ended up using him more than we anticipated so I'm just basing that on expenses they projected through the end of the year again if we do if we are able to hire for an IT person who can handle more of the higher tier stuff my anticipation goal is we will use the consultant obviously a lot less.

I have added an internet line I think that's just an annual oversight on my part I've been doing the budget now for a long time for the States Attorney office this is an expense that we've been paying for years. We pay a pro rata portion of the cost of the internet services for the county court house. The Sheriff pays a bunch, the probation office pays a bunch, PD office pays it, circuit clerk pays it. This is our portion. It is fairly consistent but I want it to reflect it in our budget as oppose to trying to find a place to pay it from every year. I also added an IT subscriptions line that reflects recurring licensing cost that the States Attorney office has. We have been charging that to the lease funds but as noted we are going to be showing that expense in our budget going forward. I've also increased the law library cost based on present projections. I will note that our VIP contractual services line is showing very small amounts being charged. I would anticipate that will being higher and I 'm going to have to get with Carol but I'm wondering if some of these have been missed numbered when sending over a payment that is my suspicion. If that is the case the money that I am asking for in law library maybe better suited to be split between law library and VIP contractual services.

Copy machine expense is slightly more over last year's budget again. This is based on projection honestly I don't know whether that is accurate request given the fact that the print shop not going to be in operation anymore. I don't know how that is going to affect our copy machine expenses and without kind of a trial year I really don't know how to anticipate what we are going to need never had the need to pay for our labels and our creation of our envelopes the creation of our triplicate forms and stuff we use a lot of those. We file somewhere in the neighborhood of 10-12,000 cases a year everyone of them has to have a file and a jacket created for that file. So those our expenses we are going to be responsible for now. I'll know more next year about how much that's going to cost.

Appellate services that's the contract amount the appellate office that is fairly consist amount year to year. We don't anticipate that going up. I suppose last year it did decrease by a thousand as a COVID gift, but we don't expect that to happen again.

On investigation I have asked for \$2500 dollars instead of about \$1000 which is what I asked for in last years budget, and the reason why you can see that at the half way mark this year we spent almost the entire budget. Those investigation cost those are cost that we use for payment of hotel cost for witnesses we might have to bring from out of county, or out of state, plane tickets, bus tickets. We don't know what that's going to be there is no real way to anticipate that but we budget for it and use it as we need finally court cost and appeals this is something that we use for various things most of that is transcript related we have to pay court reporters when we ask for transcripts again. I am asking for a substantial amount over what we budgeted last yea. Part of that is just based on what we can see what we spent in FY21 but also again I anticipate some of our court cost is going to be print shop type things we're going to be now responsible for.

Overall in the operational cost. I asked for just about \$31,500 more than was budgeted for last year.

Office supplies - I am asking for \$8500 that is less than what we actually spent last year. I do know that we tried to split our office supplies as much as possible between the General funds and our automation line. Our automation line has a fund balance right now of about 12-13 thousand dollars so we do have a fairly decent amount there. I'm still asking for quite a bit more

this year versus last just because again of the increase anticipated increase in office supply printing cost and that kind of thing related to the print shop.

On the equipment line this is where I really earn my money folks. I am asking for \$15,000 here's what it would pay for 7 new computers to replace machine that are end of life and also for a new hires as they come in 2 new backup servers one would be the main server and one would be a redundant server. That's the bare minimum you can have to be considered up to code it's not quite the right term but it conveys what I'm trying to say. That would replace the new back up server would replace what were currently doing with which is a subscription based model where we pay them either annually or every three years. This would be a one time cost so we would actually own the machines and wouldn't have to pay them to maintain the machines. This would be something we would do in-house at a substantial discount from what were currently paying. It would include one perpetual license for the new back up system, 7 new monitors to replace obsolete monitors and monitors for new computers that we purchased, 7 new Microsoft office licenses because of Microsoft their policies but the county no longer has a volume licensing agreement anymore where the county has paid Microsoft a bunch of money has a lot of licenses they can just give out willy nilly. Now Microsoft has ended that program we have to buy license as needed from them they are about \$350 per. So that would include 7 new MS licenses and it would also include 2 new server operating systems they are Window, but Window server operating system that would replace existing system that are 2012 Windows server versions. Those are going to be reaching end of life by 2023 we will be upgrading to 2016 which should be good through 2026-2027 at which point we will need to upgrade to 2019 or later than that. All told those expenses are estimated to be in the neighborhood of about \$15,000 dollars and based on present market prices.

Overall we are asking for just under \$89,000 more on our General fund line than we had last year.

I can go on to our judgment or I can take any questions you might have at this point. Ms. Kraft said she would like to go back and talk about the investigator, and support staff. What would you like to see there, they're at 2.5 but 3%? Mr. Baggett agreed that 3% would match but I've budgeted for the attorneys it would match that in a perfect world I would ask to match inflation but I don't think we can afford 9%. 3% would certainly be equal to what I am asking for. I know that higher numbers have been brought before the committee and approved by the committee. If 3% is what you're comfortable with I'm happy to take it. If we want to have equity with other departments I wouldn't say no to that either but I do appreciate that other departments are smaller and so any 10th of a percent cost more when you're talking about my office versus one of the smaller departments.

Chair Little asked how that works when there is a union contract involved. Mr. Baggett explained that we can't give them less than there's nothing that says we can't give them more

Chairman Greenfield has now entered the meeting.

Collective bargaining agreement our the bare minimum they require the bare minimum they don't require exact compliance with the terms any terms of compensation it also does not create a obligation or reasonable expectations by the parties as to what may be done in the future.

Chair Little asked Ms. Kraft if she was making a motion to amend. Ms. Kraft commented that she feels they are well deserving thinks we should entertain a 3 ½ % increase. The office manager is apart of the support staff bargaining unit. Mr. Baggett explained that if we are going beyond 3 he would ask that the attorneys be considered. He said it won't take anything to plug these numbers in and get them over to Carol. Mr. Kreke explained that the attorneys would go up \$6,400 roughly. So, for the whole bunch, you're talking \$12,800. Ms. Kraft said she would like to do that. Mr. Baggett said he couldn't say other than I am very appreciative of any consideration. Ms. Little said we going to do this like we did last week just say those numbers has changed rather than vote an amend and all that. Mr. Baggett said he will get the numbers to Carol. He thanked everyone on behalf of himself and all Scott Reeder's employees.

Judgement fund - with the current taxes the interest etc.. I plug those numbers in from last year those are place holders, and I don't want to invade Carol's province but I put those in as place holders to defer to the auditors to what we actually need to budget in terms of revenue. So I don't want that to be miss construed to any final number from me. I just want make sure the math kind of look normal on this if I zero it out it would look really really bad.

Going down to the expenses you will see that it does reflect a decrease in the Assistant States Attorney salaries. I will note that if we are making the adjustment I will ask that we carry over that 3.5% to these two line items as well. The decrease in the Attorneys is just because I reallocated some of our expenses between attorneys and support staff and which is why you see an increase fairly substantial increase of the support staff line. Can I put 3.5 and I get that to Carol as well? Chair Little confirmed, saying yes.

Group health insurance - same number of employees total would be employed under the judgement fund. Social security goes up a little bit and then IMRF goes way down because for whatever reason the IMRF is cutting us a break this year. That will be noticeable a lot more on our grant here in a few moments

On contractual I'm asking again for \$300,000. This pay's for our outside counsel the county itself insured on any complex litigation. We do employ outside counsel because I am the only civil attorney in the States attorneys office and I can't do I can't handle the major jail cases where we have multi-million dollar exposure on my own. So we have very, very good outside counsel we have been using for years. We are currently working with a new firm out of Springfield that's carrying on some of our new contract work. They have done incredible job They are representing us in the Shelby County electric case. They won at the temporary retraining order stage. They are going to represent us. They are not cheap but they are very very good. I am asking for \$300,000. That is I think a good cushion in terms of what we spent last year. What we spent in years past. We are self insured up to \$100,000 on all of our cases so the first \$100,000 is attorneys fee on every case comes out of the County's pocket. I think that is a good number to keep using. In terms of payment of judgements, I budgeted \$300,000. That's a number that is a place holder. It will be less of what we spend on payments and judgements or a lot more it just depend on how much we are able to settle cases for or how much was ordered by a judge to pay or jury for that matter. When and if that ever comes up if it goes pass the \$300,000 then I will be back but I'll be here with a court order saying we have to do it anyway.

Any questions on the judgement funds (judgement funds has about almost in a million dollars fund balance so the levy would probably be the same) it is pretty solid we got it pretty consistent for years and I think it seems to be working really well.

Automation fund - again as I mentioned we are anticipating somewhere in the neighborhood of \$5000 dollars in revenue that is just based on what we brought in last year. These are \$2 dollars per case that we get on criminal case through the circuit clerks office we can't really know for sure how much we get but this is ball park. We do have a fund balance In the neighborhood of \$12-13,000 right now so I am just asking right now to be able to be given the authority to spend as needed on office supplies.

Teen court - and we are finally in our grants for the States Attorney office - these are all money in money out. The county doesn't contribute anything out of pocket. This one we are anticipating \$17,000 dollars in revenue. That's based on last years revenue and then we have a contract with Milliken. Basically we pay certain operational cost and then they get the lump sum that remains. If their expenses exceed what we pay them in the lump sum they can come back and petition us for more. Teen court has a fund balance I think it's in it may be in excess of 6 figures (not quite any more?) they have a substantial fund balance I don't know that Milliken has ever actual had an occasion and come back and ask for it but it's there so but our contract with them says that we only have to pay them whatever we bring in.

Adult redeploy Illinois, a State Contract, this years contract amount we do have a signed contract enforced right now for state FY23 it is \$397,000. The amounts that are reflected there are setout in the grant contract so the only reason that it's a little off in terms of zeroing out is because of IMRF. Chairman Greenfield asked who follows that grant money? Mr. Baggett explained that the Auditor's off ice along with himself to a degree. He said he signs off on the claims that are submitted cause most of it's contractual staff. The states attorney does has 2 part-time, we pay an attorney and we pay a support staff member part of their salary comes out of this grant and than there is 1.8 of a probation officer that is paid out of this grant. That is handled by Pat Berter's staff so I don't actually see the probation officer aspect of it. Laura in Carol's office handles everything with the fringes and with the monthly auditing and reporting to the states and than with the contract actual expenses are granted administrators I think heritage behavior with have a contract with their contract is probably half dozen or more including a public defender contractor that does the day to day work of the grant and that were the \$245 thousand of the grant goes to pay so all most all of it goes to the contract people and without getting to far in the nuts and bolts of it I know what some of your concerns Kevin with it I will say I share some of your concerns on were the money ultimately goes and how much of it goes. At the same time this is what we apply for with the state that's what the state approves. It is what it is. If the states going to pay for it it is a service that ultimately in the long run is going to pay off.

This is a new grant. We have not had this grant approved yet. We have applied for it. We anticipate it will be approved by the state because they have a significant amount of money they are trying to dole out. This part of restoring justice programs that the governor administration is engaged in they have almost a blank checkbook and trying to find a way to spend it. A large part of this grant is about expunging cases. When someone, a few years back they amended expungement statute to make it people who have criminal records after a certain period of time come to the courts and ask that their records be destroyed or sealed. That made it very very

easy for that to happen and that is part of restorative justice they pay their debt to society don't necessarily need to keep paying with records that follow them long after their case is over. So they get their record case expunged or sealed. When that order is entered the sheriff's office or police department that arrested the offender and the state police all have an obligation to find the record seal them and destroy them. The Circuit clerk has the same obligation. It costs a lot of money to go through these records. My administrator assistant use to do the expunging for the sheriff and she said that one case alone can take 4 hours sometimes and that's just finding where it is hiding in the various systems over the years. So it is a tedious process this grant is suppose to pay for a specialist to be brought in and trained and do it on current. We do have a obligation to do it and if we ever don't do it and it causes someone problems we could have liability exposure as the result on a civil rights issue. That's the money in money out again the difference the reason it doesn't zero out is simply because of the IMRF being lower than what we anticipated when we applied for the grant. If the grant does not get approved than even if you pass this it won't be implemented. We do anticipate that the grant decision will be made by the time it comes up for final passage in the fall.

The mental health board grant that is money in money out it pays for part of the salary one of our assistant states attorney who handles mental health cases and it just pays part of her salary. It doesn't pay part of the fringes.

The last we have is a grant through the Attorneys General office it pays part of a substantial part of in fact more than half of our victim witness coordinator salary that is money in money out again that pays part of her salary no fringes.

Mr. Kreke made a motion to approve the State's Attorney's budget, seconded by Chairman Greenfield, and the motion carried 4-0.

Chair Little asked if committee members would like to consider having the Circuit Clerk to amend her budget to reflect similar salary increases as the other departments. Ms. Doty explained that the contract is already done. This would just be for her supervisors and Chief Deputy. She said she'd like to see 3 ½%. There are only five of them. Mr. Kreke said he would like to abstain from the vote. Ms. Kraft made a motion to approve the budget proposal with the salary line change, seconded by Mr. Greenfield. Mr. Kreke Abstained. The motion carried 3-0 with 1 abstention.

Ms. Kraft made a motion to approve the Regional Office of Education budget proposal, seconded by Mr. Kreke and the motion carried 4-0.

Ms. Kraft made a motion to approve the budget proposal for the Historical Museum, seconded by Mr. Kreke and the motion carried 4-0.

Chair Little called for a motion on the Veteran's Assistance proposed budget which was made by Mr. Kreke second by Ms. Kraft and the motion carried 4-0

CITIZEN REMARKS – PUBLIC COMMENT - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

CLOSED SESSION - None

NEXT MEETING -

August 29 – regular finance committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT - Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Little, seconded by Mr. Mattingley, and the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Jeannie Durham / Crystal Hugger, Macon County Board Office