

**MACON COUNTY BOARD  
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

**October 3, 2022,    5:15 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kevin Greenfield, Chair  
Ryan Kreke  
Greg Mattingley  
Marcy Rood  
Debra Kraft  
Linda Little

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Helena Buckner

**COUNTY PERSONNEL PRESENT**

Rocki Wilkerson, Workforce Investment  
John Jackson, Treasurer  
Jessie Smalley, HR  
Carol Reed, Auditor's Office  
Lisa Wallace, Auditor's Office  
Brandi Binkley, Health Department  
Tammy Schneider, EMA  
Tamara Wilcox, County Administrator  
Kim Fowler, S of A  
Jim Root, Sheriff's Office  
Crystal Hugger, 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**

Ms. Little made a motion to approve minutes of the 9/20/2022 Finance Committee Budget Hearing #5, seconded by Ms. Kraft & the motion carried 6-0

**CLAIMS**

Ms. Little made a motion to approve the claims, seconded by Ms. Kraft, and the motion carried 6-0.

**REPORTS**

***Audit Sub Committee –No Report***

***Auditor –***

***FY23 Budget Considerations – Auditor's Office, Retirement, SS, Ins, Self-Ins & misc other reviews/revisions & levy changes to consider- PREPARE FOR DISPLAY***

Ms. Reed stated that Ms. Schneider will be revising the EMA budget.

Ms. Schneider reported that there are no monetary changes and that the amount in the budget still stands. When putting together the mitigation budget the amount of the grant coming in and expenses are the professional services. Ms. Schneider states that she wanted it to be uniformed and standardized all the way across it. She said that they have done the same thing for the

FEMA grant 002-012 and the Revenue grant which is 002-211. Instead of those expenses falling under the EMA 210 sheet they are under 211. We are going to have equipment maintenance, radio maintenance, telephone, travel, and office supplies for the amount that is claimed against the grant. There will still be some in the 210 but to accurately move expenses that we spend out of grant funds they will now be reflected there. Under 212 there will be a small percentage of salaries.

Ms. Schneider states that for the building lease she wasn't sure of how it works and states that it was altogether under DPBC. It will be noted now to show on the budget sheet to be balanced according to the grant agreement and what they have. Office supplies in the grant is just supplies and it includes some fuel for the administrative vehicles. There are no actual changes to revenue or amounts of anything it is just simply moving things around so that it accurately reflects in the accounting procedures of what we have going against those grants. Ms. Schneider said that this is just to standardize the process.

***Motion to approve made by Ms. Kraft, seconded by Mr. Mattingley. Motioned carried 6-0***

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

Ms. Reed explained that a new item was transferred from DPBC, the Public Building Commission. The expenses were paid for software and accounting package out of the 042-000 fund. Ms. Reed said that what the auditors have told us is that what we really should do is transfer money from the lease fund to our department. I have put \$50,000 dollars in and \$50,000 dollars out for IT services. That should accurately reflect what is going on there. There are 6 employees and they each have raises. With the union ones they are at \$1.00 an hour and some of the other runs from 2% to just over 3.5%.

Motion to approve made by Mr. Mattingley, seconded by Ms. Rood. Motion carried 6-0

#### **Public Defender Automation 068-000**

Ms. Reed reported that this fund was just added three years ago, and it brings in \$2500 to \$3,000 dollars a year. We have failed to do a budget for it earlier with the Public Defender. I put a budget in there for \$2000 income and \$2000 budgeted for IT expenses. Nothing has been spent today and it is sitting with about \$7900 dollars total. We just wanted to get a budget for it. Chairman Greenfield asked can they use that to hire an attorney with. Ms. Reed replied that her guess is that it must be used for automation type things like new computers. Chairman Greenfield stated that you can take that \$7000 and put it with what you got because she is struggling. Could she borrow from it? Ms. Reed said she could probably borrow from it, but it will have to be repaid at some point.

Motion to approve made by Ms. Kraft, seconded by Ms. Rood. Motion carried 6-0

#### **General Corporate Fund 001-000**

Ms. Reed reported that this fund receives all the tax levy, sales tax, and most everything that operates the general funds. The projected amount for next year is 7% higher than this year going from \$15.7 budgeted for 2022 to \$16.8 for next year. The biggest gain or biggest winner are the personal property tax which is projected from the state to be \$2.3 million. This year we

budgeted \$1.1 million, and it is going to come in about \$2 million which is very good. The sales tax is still strong, income tax is strong and between those things that is where all the increase comes from. Thirteen million of 16 million that we have in this fund comes from these first four items real estate tax, sales tax, etc. This is all the general revenues that we get.

Ms. Little asked why you expect next year to be less than what you are projecting this year to be. Ms. Reed replied that she was being cautious and that the names next to them are those people who has furnished the numbers. If they feel it is going to go down a little bit, it will. Ms. Little said that she knows in the court they all are expecting to take a hit. Ms. Reed responded that Circuit Clerks fees are estimated to go down with that, and that is one that decreased.

#### **General Accounts      001-020**

Ms. Reed states that this is the one that receives most of the income for health insurance for reimbursements. It pays out the health insurance premiums, audit fees, and everything that is part of the whole and not just to a specific unit. Reimbursements comes from health insurance and other funds that contributes to the general funds to pay for their health insurance. The employees kick in their 25%, and retirees kick in. The 6010-account group health insurance is \$5.9 million plus HRA's at 3.1 that is about \$6.2 million we expect to pay out for health insurance. The audit is locked in at \$100,000 and then there is actuary evaluations, circuit clerks, and other things that go with that. That one that is budgeted at \$ 122,000 is the other large thing. There is one salary that comes out of here that is for the network support for this building. Employees pay a hundred percent of dental.

Vision and retirees pay a hundred percent. Those are just numbers in and out.

#### **Retirement Fund      005-000**

Ms. Reed states that IRMF rates went down. The regular IRMF went down 2.45% and the SLEP rate went down 4.55%. Rates went down and overall salary. We are still coming out better on this one and I have reduced the levy on this and some for next year. We do have a fund balance of \$1.8 million that will give us a good cushion for next year.

#### **Social Security      006-000**

Ms. Reed reported that we are a little bit short in the fund balance area. We need to collect enough in July, August, and September from the real estate taxes to get us through until next July. This year and last year we have run a little short and we must end up borrowing a little bit until we get our taxes. I am trying to bump up the levy enough to give us a cushion but having said that also salaries went up and so social security rates are the same, but they went up on the amount. The levy does increase for this one but other than that it is standard.

#### **ARPA Fund      007-000**

Ms. Reed reported that there is a lot going on. As far as the budget the only thing we know about is for next year the County Administrator is coming out of this fund. The whole \$20 million sits out in the deferred revenue account. As we bring it into this fund, we bring it in and spend it so that it comes in and out of this fund. You are not going to see millions and millions of dollars here until you approve another project. Right now, we estimated that interest is going to be about \$200,000 that we are going to bring in. The deferred revenue we are going to transfer in for the administrator salary \$139,000. That \$139,000 you will see it coming out as a

transfer to other funds. That will go to the general funds to pay for the salary. The Shelby electric should be paid off by November 30<sup>th</sup> and there is nothing in here budgeted for payments on that.

Chairman Greenfield asked, in the deferred revenue we have how much? Ms. Reed replied that in the deferred revenue that she is pulling in \$139,000 which covers the manager salary, retirement, and social security. That is the only revenue item that there is on this budget. When another project gets approved then we will do a resolution and pull in more revenue and expense.

Chairman Greenfield asked if the ARPA is not booked as a revenue. Ms. Reed said not when we get it, it's just sitting in the pool until we decide that it is to be used.

Chairman Greenfield asked do you know what we have left. Ms. Reed replied about \$13.1 million. We paid out \$4.62 and there is some contingency on more of that to be paid like Reas Bridge so that brings it up to another \$8 million. Total as of 9/30 was \$13 million and 65% of it is committed. A lot of that is still sitting in our cash account.

#### ***Insurance Fund      011-000***

Ms. Reed reported that this is a tricky one this time of year. We don't know what our liability insurance for next year is going to be and it is due December 1<sup>st</sup>. We should be getting it anytime, but we have not. Last year it went up \$200,000 for our liability insurance. I can only project that it might go up that much again. I budgeted a \$1,400,000 for general liability and we paid \$1,200,000 last year. The insurance fund doesn't really pull in enough real estate tax revenue to get us through to the next year because we don't have a big fund balance. We are trying to build that up. I have built into it \$161,000 profit for the year basically. At this point I am just not sure what the insurance is going to be for next year, but I budgeted accordingly so we should be good.

#### ***Self-Insurance Fund      013-000***

Ms. Reed reported that this one gets its income from the insurance fund, and we pay out claim losses and things like that from it. This one is budgeted to be a break-even that is part of the insurance fund.

#### ***Capital Project Revolving Fund      016-000***

Ms. Reed reported that we used to have several people use this to buy copiers, etc. We are now funding those with building commission lease funds excess funds. There have not been too many people who use that. We are just throwing in an estimate of \$20,000 for somebody that wants to use it. The purpose of it was to steer people away from buying a copier on lease payments. This will enable them to buy it and pay us back slowly.

#### ***PEG Fee Fund      017-000***

Ms. Reed states that this is a fee we collect from the cable companies to provide public education in governmental access channels. It must be used to provide media resources to PEG institution. We have \$100,000 in that fund and we have not spent any of it. That will be something to look into next year so maybe we can use it for something. We estimate that we

will bring in about \$11,000 because we have been bringing in \$11,000 for the last eight to ten years. It does have its own fund and we have segregated it. We record what comes in each month. Ms. Reed said that she does have an example she can provide that can explain what the fees are for.

#### ***Capital Vehicle Revolving Fund 018-000***

Ms. Reed reported that this was like the equipment fund for someone who wanted to buy a vehicle and do not have the full money up front. This fund has money in it to purchase the vehicle and you payback this fund. It is not being used right now and most people are not buying cars.

#### ***DPBC Lease Fund 042-000***

Ms. Reed report that this one we pay our rent income to the building commission. There is an attachment that outlines everything that are costs. She only levied exactly enough for what they must pay to the building commission. There is other incomes and expense. We get income back from Mental Health board and CASA who we also rent to. She included that to lower the amount we need to pay our rent. We need \$5.874 million for next year and the actual lease payment is \$5.9 million. Along with that, \$400,000 was budgeted for equipment and, \$150,000 for transferring to other funds. For instance, transferring to the auditor's fund to pay for software is built into the \$150,000 expense. The \$400,000 for equipment we are looking at a new phone system. That will be an expense that we hope to charge to the lease fund.

Chairman Greenfield asked why we would show the \$550,000 deficit there if we are levying for what our expenses are. Ms. Reed said we are levying for what are lease expense is for what we must pay the building commission. We also have got additional expenses budget in there \$550,000 which will come from the excess funds. We have a big buildup of excess funds from the last 6 years. Ms. Little said so we can only levy for what our lease is. Ms. Reed responded we probably can levy for what our lease payment to them is but I 've taken out our lease income against that to make it less.

Chairman Greenfield asked how we can show that were it is, is not a deficit. Ms. Reed responded that it is only a deficit by the \$550,000, which is the amount that I show we are going to bring from the surplus funds. Chairman said you can't show the surplus funds as revenue. Ms. Reed responded no we have already gotten those. They are all sitting in our bank account. Our fund balance is \$11.5 million, and we will pay out about \$6 million, and we will still have a fund balance of \$5.9 million. That is where the \$550,000 comes from and if it all gets spent. Ms. Reed explained that it is not a deficit but an accounting thing and that we may want to spend money out of our surplus that we don't budget for anywhere else. The current tax number is the amount that we need to fund our rent payment. Chairman Greenfield replied that the only thing he is looking at is if somebody who really don't understand looks at the general fund and all these budgets. It looks like we got a \$2.9 million dollar deficit. Ms. Reed asked in what fund? Was it all the funds together? Chairman said that highway is \$2.9 million dollars. Ms. Reed said budget expenses never really get totally spent and revenue doesn't always come in either, but it generally does look that way. Ms. Reed said if you look at the General fund 001-000 it is showing a profit this year. In the budget it generally shows a negative.

Ms. Reed reported that she wanted to discuss the levies and the change. The General fund is maxed at \$ 4.2 million and that will not change. Retirement rates went down and was reduced by \$400,000. Social Security salaries went up and was increased by \$200,000. Insurance line increased by \$364,000 to make up what we think insurance might be and to catch up on our fund balance a little bit. Those are our three big ones. The other one of the building commission leases is just a little bit less than last year and that depends on how the rent goes. The Veteran's commission you did vote to increase theirs by \$50,000. The county itself \$114,405 is what we are estimating. Additional tax money we are requesting. The Mental Health board added \$100,000 and \$214,000 is the increase overall to the tax levy and that is 1.71%.

Ms. Little asked if the increase to Mental Health was just an increase in request or that they have not requested a change in their levy. Ms. Reed responded that when they presented their budget, they did request it. Ms. Little said at a higher dollar amount, but it is not increasing the rate. The rate did not change this just allows them to capture any additional funds. Ms. Reed said the levy is one of the important things that you are deciding on here and that they tried to hold it close to zero as they could.

Chairman Greenfield asked, we are raising it how much? Ms. Reed said if you include the Mental Health board \$214,000 that represents a 1.7 – 1% increase from last year. Chairman asked can you use ARPA funds to offset that \$214,000. He stated that he guesses it would not be the full \$214,000 it would be half of that because we are not going to offset it. Ms. Reed responded the Mental Health board. She said how can we justify using ARPA funds and that we can pull them into the General fund. Mr. Jackson replied we pulled \$10 million in General funds right now. Ms. Reed asked how that helps retirement and social security.

Mr. Jackson said you can use it in that aspect now for just General funds being spent. He said that there was a new guidance thing. Ms. Wilcox responded that it was just general county operations that you can use it on. It is the same as revenue already received. You are not going to see it really. Ms. Kraft said it is not tied to hardship. Chairman said I don't know how we are going to explain we got \$20 million dollars given to us and we are still increasing your levy a little bit. Ms. Wilcox replied because it is restricted. Ms. Reed said I suppose you could reduce your general fund levy to cover it and pull ARPA funds into general funds because you can.

Ms. Wilcox said in the county board original plan they were going to have \$4 million for replacement reserved that can be used like that. Ms. Reed said we could pull in \$114,405 but we are going to affect one of these levies if you want it to be zero. Mr. Mattingley stated that apart from the Mental Health board where the \$100,000 reflects the dollar amount, they may be entitled to receive but not changing the percentage that they levy. On our other increases are we increasing the percentage that we levy? Ms. Reed replied that we usually put in a dollar amount, and I don't know how that translate back to the levy rate. We put in the dollar amount that we ask for. If Josh was here, he would be able to tell us how that translate back.

Mr. Jackson said. I would say it is reflected in what you would do in a budget. It just changes the levy, but it does not take a resolution to vote on it. It is like talking to Greg in the VA they can do up to 2% of are General fund budget he is less than one and the State passed that

recently. Ms. Reed said she is certain that she can lower what they are asking for in the General fund and make the change go away. Chairman said he does not know about the rest of the committee, but he would like to see us have a zero increase in tax especially when we were given \$20 million dollars. Ms. Reed replied that the other option is to take it from the building commission lease since we have a large reserve. There is \$100,000 there also.

Ms. Little asked if that is something that can be done if we change the General fund line. Ms. Reed said that the General fund request proposed a levy. Ms. Little replied yes, change that so there is no deficit in this, and could those funds be earmarked. As we go through the year if they are needed, we have got them set aside to drop from there. Is that something we would have to say okay this much ARPA money is going into our general fund. Ms. Reed responded I think we have to say at some point that this much ARPA fund is going into our general fund. We will specifically move ARPA money into the General fund to cover revenue losses.

Ms. Little asked will it have to be done in this budget to be put on display or can that be done throughout the year as it becomes apparent that we need it. Ms. Reed replied you are going to have to decide what the levies are going to be. You can always see how things go in the General fund by how much you want to pull in from ARPA. Ms. Kraft said before she decides about that she would like to see the new regulations or stipulations on what just came out and would like to study that before she makes a comment on that. Mr. Jackson said that it was vague, and it just say the \$10 million can be used for revenue replacement.

Chairman asked can you save any of it before it had to be spent. Mr. Jackson said yes, but it has to be spent by 2024. Ms. Little said to make it a zero at the bottom of the page you are going to have to take an extra \$100,000 out of somewhere else because Mental Health is not changing our stance on that. Ms. Little asked do we have a surplus in the lease fund. Ms. Reed said yes, on the lease fund sheet there is an attachment there that shows how much we have gotten back and how much we have. We have \$5.7 million that has been returned to us that we are using to do other little things with like phone systems and things like that.

Chairman asked is that on top of the \$5.9 million that we have. Ms. Reed said that what we are levying for yes. We have \$5.7 million in the bank in fund balance. Chairman replied we got a fund balance right now of \$5.7 million plus the \$13.1 million in ARPA funds. Ms. Reed said they are two separate funds but yes. Ms. Little replied \$5.7 million is the lease. Chairman said that we got \$18.8 million of deferred revenue. Ms. Reed said it is not deferred revenue some of it is just sitting in fund balance and it is left over from prior years. The ARPA funds we have are sitting there in the pool. They are both available for use. I do not know what your long-term goals are for the lease fund and the money sitting there. I know there is some renovations that maybe in the future are going to happen in this building.

Chairman asked how you will get it to zero. Ms. Reed replied that she would reduce the lease fund levy or the General fund levy by about \$215,000. Ms. Little said she can support reducing the lease fund by the \$215,000. Chairman asked does that need to be in motion. Ms. Reed replied that no when you approve your levy you would just approve it at that. If I reduce the lease fund levy by \$215,000 that would make it slightly close to zero. Chairman responded that if we take away the highway which is just more of a calendar issue with grants then money is

there. We got \$5.7 million dollar set aside. Ms. Reed said \$5.7 million is in the lease fund that can only be used for maintaining and equipping buildings. Most other funds have a fund balance also just some are higher than others.

Chairman asked by looking at last year's budget and knowing what the expenditures are do you have any idea of what our carry over might be? Ms. Reed said no but she thinks it will be positive. Sales tax and personal property tax have all come in higher than what we budgeted. I think we are going to see a million dollars excess. Chairman said if we take out highway, we can be looking at \$1-1.5million in the black. Ms. Reed explained that some of those on that list of all the funds are grant funds and that they are in and out and are zero. Things may not happen the way we think they are going to happen it could be either way. Ms. Reed said if you want her to reduce the lease fund by \$215,000 than that will make our overall request for next year slightly less.

Motion made to approve by Ms. Little, seconded by Ms. Kraft with the changes made to levy on the lease.

Ms. Little made a comment regarding the Health Department levy, and she is not asking the committee to take any action. It has been brought to my attention that they have about \$7 million dollars in reserve which is higher than any percentage ever recommended by Gatsby or anybody for operating expenses to have on hand. That concerns me however I am not recommending we cut their levy at this time or anything like that I just wanted to bring it to the attention of the committee.

Motion carried 6-0

### **Board of Review –**

Ms. Fowler reported that the 2022 assessments are set to be published on October 15<sup>th</sup> with a deadline to file an appeal with the Board of Review on November 14<sup>th</sup>. That is 30 days from the date of publication. We will be sending out about 13,000 notices which is about close to what we sent out last year. Right now, we have about 62 appeals on file that is typical for this time of year. Most of them come in right at the deadline and we will get quite a few later. We will post the publication to our county website, and we will have a direct link from the homepage to that publication. You will be able to see word for word what is in the newspaper in bigger font that makes it a lot easier to read. We also sent out a public service announcement to all our local newspaper letting the taxpayers know that the notices will be going out. We try to do that every year to give everyone a little bit of heads up that way if they are looking for a notice or they have done an improvement or something they can get in contact with us.

### **Supervisor of Assessments –**

Ms. Fowler reported that they just recently sent out about 2400 post cards to the seniors that have had the senior freeze the prior year and have not renewed it for this year. What that does is to help cut down on the certificate of errors. It gets the exemptions in the computer before the tax bills go out and increases traffic and phone calls. Before we do those mailings, we do a public service announcement to try and keep that postage down.



## **GIS – No Report**

### **Treasurer –**

Mr. Jackson reported that he would like to present

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

Motion to approve made by Ms. Kraft, seconded by Mr. Mattingley. Motion carried 6-0

Mr. Jackson made a comment that he provided a presentation for review of the office to date. They did invest \$27 million dollars in savings, and they got the money market at 2%. The Sheriff was the big spender he committed \$3 million to the money market of 2% and \$2 million at 3.75% for a two-year CD. If you have any questions, call him, or stop by. Chairman Greenfield asked do you have any idea of what extra revenue that will entail. Do we have any projection? Mr. Jackson replied if you say 2% of the year \$560,000 and then with \$2 million that \$3.75, we are pretty good of \$640,000.

### **CITIZEN'S REMARKS - No citizens**

### **OLD BUSINESS – Possible Discussion of and Possible Action on ARPA Funds**

### **NEW BUSINESS –**

#### **Highway-**

Chairman Greenfield reported that Bruce could not be here because of being tied up in Peoria. Mr. Kreke will go through the resolutions.

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving and Appropriating Funds For the 2022 CH 61 Storm Sewer Project***

Mr. Kreke was not sure as to which this one is, and Chairman Greenfield said this is the one down by Grove Road on Franklin.

Motion approved by Ms. Kraft, seconded by Ms. Little. Motion carried 6-0

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving and Appropriating Funds for the CH 27 Damery Road Bridge Project***

Mr. Kreke said this was self-explanatory and made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Kraft. Motion carried 6-0

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving an Agreement for a Jurisdictional Transfer with Mt. Zion Township***

Mr. Kreke reported that this is the one where we had to give them so they can spend their money on Andrew Street for 3.2 miles. They are giving it back to us now after they have done their work.

Motion approved by Ms. Kraft, seconded by Ms. Rood. Motion carried 6-0

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving and Appropriating Funds for a ROW Survey for the 85<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge Replacement Project***

Mr. Kreke reported that you have to split the remaining property between the landowners, so we have to do a survey to appropriate it correctly.

Mr. Kreke made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Kraft. Motion carried 6-0

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving and Appropriating Funds for Additional Engineering Expenses on the TR 30 Strawn Road Bridge Replacement Project in Austin Township***

Mr. Kreke reported that there was some addition to this project and could not recall the exact figures.

Mr. Kreke made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Rood.

Ms. Little asked what the additional reason was. Chairman replied that it was due to some right-of-way.

Motion carried 6-0

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving and Appropriating Funds for Phase III Construction Engineering on the Reas Bridge Road Bridges Replacement Project***

Mr. Kreke reported that this was the construction onsite engineering the next project whenever it does occur. I believe that our portion of that is 20% of \$1.9 million if he could remember. Chairman said yes. Mr. Kreke replied somewhere in \$300,000 and some thousand-dollar range.

Mr. Kreke made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Rood. Motion carried 6-0

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving and Appropriating Funds for the Engineering Expenses on the CH 7 Reconstruction Project***

Mr. Kreke reported that this was self-explanatory

Mr. Kreke made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Kraft. Motion carried 6-0

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving Intergovernmental Agreement for the Sharing of Certain Costs Related to Improvement of that Portion of TR 200 Christmas Tree Road in Whitmore Township, Macon County, Illinois between the Whitmore Township Road District and the County of Macon, Illinois***

Mr. Kreke made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Rood. Motion carried 6-0

**Sheriff's Office-**

***Macon County Board Resolution Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Decatur for Task Force***

Sheriff Root reported that this is an Intergovernmental agreement that they are already using but it is called a Narcotics Task Force. We are changing it to Street Crime to encompass other crimes other than narcotics. There is one clause in there for indemnification where the city indemnifies us. We indemnify the city for any wrongdoing by anything that will occur from our employees.

Chairman Greenfield asked is this a tactical task force. Sheriff Root said no, our street crime unit now is called a Narcotics Task Force they are just changing the parameter so that they will be able to encompass burglaries and other street crimes involving gun violence and things of that nature. They are not just strictly handling drugs anymore.

Motion to approve made by Mr. Mattingley, seconded by Mr. Kreke. Motion carried 6-0

***Macon County Board County Board Resolution Approving Acceptance of JAG Grant***

Sheriff Root reported that we have received two of these grants. Last year we did a resolution for grant money, and this is for the 2022 Burn assistance grant. This is an Intergovernmental agreement with the City of Decatur where they received the money and allot the money to us to be able to spend it and it is used specifically for combat and violent crime and specifically gun crimes.

Motion made to approve by Ms. Kraft, seconded by Ms. Little. Motion carried 6-0

***Sheriff Root states that he has two budget items needing to be amended from his previous presented budget.***

The first one is LEST 002-200 Public Safety Fund 7112- Radio Fees.

This is our Starcom radio fees, and this went up from \$36 dollars to \$52 dollars. This is to amend that portion so that it will reflect the actual cost of what it cost to run those radios.

Motion made to approve by Ms. Little, seconded by Ms. Kraft. Motion carried 6-0

Sheriff Root states that the second amendment is 093-565 Personal Patrol Vehicle.

Sheriff Root said that this was originally set up as a grant and that he did not have an expense line in there. He has ordered two squad cars and the amount for the squad cars and the equipment would be \$135,332. Ms. Little said the money is in there you're just adding them. Sheriff Root said the money is in there and I have ordered them. I don't know if I will get them before this budget expires but that way I don't have to come back for a resolution.

Motion made to approve by Ms. Kraft, seconded by Mr. Mattingley. Motion carried 6-0

***Child First Center-***

Nobody there to represent and Chairman Greenfield stated that they wanted to amend their budget. Ms. Wilcox said that she was amending her budget she thought from carrying over grant fund she didn't spend until next fiscal year. Ms. Reed agreed that yes, she wanted to amend her FY22 budget.

Motion to approve by Ms. Kraft, seconded by Ms. Little. Motion carried 6-0

***County Board -***

***Discussion Item Macon County Sheriff's Pay***

Ms. Wilcox reported that this is not a resolution or anything that needs to be voted on, but we owe Sheriff Root back pay from when he was deemed to be the sheriff from the election. He was owed \$25,664.46 which was the difference in his based pay salary and what the sheriff made. We talked to Mike Baggett about this, and it was his opinion it does not need to be voted on that. It is back pay that is owed and should be paid out of the judgement. Ms. Wilcox stated that this was just informative to let the committee know because it was discussed in a budget hearing.

***Macon County Board Ordinance Granting a Non-Exclusive Franchise to Comcast of Illinois/Indiana/Ohio, LLC, To Construct, Operate, and Maintain a Cable Communications System in Macon County, Illinois, and Further Approving the Associated Franchise Agreement***

Ms. Wilcox reported that the Comcast Franchise agreement is up, and Mike Baggett has gone over that and have sent it back to them. There were only minor changes, and I think I have a phone call tomorrow about that PEG which I knew nothing about. It is good to know that there is not a reserve and that this is what it can be spent on. I will learn more about that tomorrow.

**NEXT MEETINGS -**

10/31/2022 – Regular Finance Committee meeting

**ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Kraft made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Little, the motion carried 6-0 and Chairman Greenfield adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Crystal Hugger, County Board Office