Jefferson County Finance Committee Minutes June 11, 2009

Committee members: Kuhlman, Rick

Mode, Jim Molinaro, John

Rogers, Pamela (Chair) Schmeling, Sharon L.

Pam Rogers called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. All committee members were present. Also present were Dave Ehlinger, Terri Palm, Gary Petre, Phil Ristow and Earlene Ronk.

Gary Petre certified that the meeting complied with the open meetings law.

A motion was made by Mode/Molinaro to approve the minutes of 4/14/09 as amended. The motion passed 4-0 with Kuhlman abstaining due his absence at that meeting.

A motion was made by Molinaro/Schmeling to approve the minutes of 4/23/09. The motion passed 4-0 with Kuhlman abstaining due to his absence at that meeting.

A motion was made by Mode/Kuhlman to approve the minutes of 5/4/09. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Mode/Schmeling to approve the minutes of 5/14/09. The motion passed 4-0 with Kuhlman abstaining due his absence at that meeting.

A motion was made by Molinaro/Kuhlman to approve the minutes of 5/21/09. The motion passed 5-0.

Stacee Schuck informed the committee that the Child Support office will receive \$96,000 in federal stimulus funding for both 2009 and 2010. These funds must be used for additional items not already included in the budget. Stacee requested \$2,400 for a computer and related equipment purchase. A motion was made by Molinaro/Kuhlman to approve computer equipment purchases at \$2,400 for the Child Support office from federal stimulus funds. The motion passed 5-0.

Phil Ristow recapped for the committee the Indianford Dam contractual payment and the related appellate court activity to date. By consensus, the County will continue to pay the contracted payment amount.

Terri Palm reminded the committee that past committee action was to charge the 2% administrative allowance on COBRA premiums. The state will not allow that fee to be charged for health insurance under their plan. By consensus, the committee agreed to continue to charge the 2% administrative allowance on COBRA premiums.

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Dave Ehlinger indicated that the contingency account remains at \$436,540 with no activity since 4/14/09.

In regards to the impact on the proposed state budget on County finances, Gary Petre indicated that he has requested from each department an update by Friday, June 19th a listing affecting their department. Gary indicated that he would compile the results and report to the committee.

A motion was made by Molinaro/Schmeling to convene into closed session under Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(e) for consideration of possible labor contract addenda with any or all of the seven local bargaining units for 2009 and/or 2010. Kuhlman, Mode, Molinaro, Rogers, and Schmeling cast aye votes. There were no nay votes.

General conversation took place regarding <u>strategy for labor contracts</u> negotiations and their related <u>affect effect</u> on the upcoming referendum.

A motion was made by Molinaro/Kuhlman to return to open session. The motion passed 5-0.

By consensus, the next meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, July 6th to determine the language for the upcoming referendum.

A motion was made by Rogers/Kuhlman to pay bills in the amount of \$422,707.89. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Kuhlman/Rogers to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. The motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Kuhlman
Finance Committee Secretary
Jefferson County

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