Jefferson County Finance Committee Minutes August 25, 2009

Committee members: Kuhlman, Rick

Mode, Jim Molinaro, John

Rogers, Pamela (Chair) Schmeling, Sharon L.

Pam Rogers called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. All committee members were present. Also present were Dave Ehlinger, Gary Petre, and Phil Ristow.

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

The department heads from the various departments listed below presented their preliminary budget requests for 2010. General discussion took place, but no specific directives were given to any of the departments.

- Sheriff
- Human Services
- Health
- Countryside Home
- Parks
- Clerk of Courts

Highway did not present their preliminary budget request for 2010, as Bill Kern was not available to be present for the meeting.

A motion was made by Schmeling/Kuhlman to convene in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute §19.85(1)(e) for consideration of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's offer to purchase Highway 26 access rights adjacent to Bicentennial Dog Park. By a roll call vote, all committee members voted "yes."

General discussion took place regarding the offer to purchase access rights.

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

A motion was made by Molinaro/Kuhlman to (a) appeal the offer to purchase Highway 26 access rights adjacent to Bicentennial Dog Park, and (b) hire independent counsel on a contingency basis to handle the appeal. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Schmeling/mode to adjourn at 12:29 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Kuhlman Finance Committee Secretary Jefferson County

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