

Jefferson County
Finance Committee Minutes
September 19, 2016

Committee members: Jones, Richard (Chair)
Hanneman, Jennifer, (Vice Chair) (Absent)
Smith, Timothy (Secretary) (Absent)
Jaeckel, George
Rinard, Amy

1. **Call to Order** – Dick Jones called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. **Roll Call (establish a quorum)** - All committee members were present except for Tim Smith and Jennifer Hanneman. Other County Board members present was Russell Kutz. Staff members present were Ben Wehmeier, Brian Lamers, and Tammy Worzalla. Others present were Alexa Zoellner from the Jefferson Daily Union and Steven Sharpe from Watertown Daily Times.
3. **Certification of compliance with the Open Meetings Law** – Ben Wehmeier certified that the meeting was in compliance with the Open Meetings Law.
4. **Approval of the agenda**- No Changes
5. **Communications**-None
6. **Public Comment**-None
7. **Review budget hearing schedule and possible budget updates.** A new schedule along with some new pages to add/replace in the binder that the Finance Committee members had received last Tuesday has been passed out.
8. **Presentation of budget overview.** Wehmeier presented an overview of his recommended budget for 2017. The recommended budget meets the State imposed levy limit.
9. **Budget hearings for 2017** – The Finance Committee considered the recommended budgets for each department listed below and motions were made to tentatively accept the recommended budget figures for each department, unless otherwise noted. *[The format for each department lists (i) budget presenters in addition to Ben Wehmeier, (ii) any other information specific to the department budget, (iii) who moved/seconded to tentatively accept the recommended budget figure, unless otherwise noted, along with the amount, and (iv) the voting record.]*
 - a. **MIS**
 - i. John Rageth, Roland Welsh
 - ii. No additional motion/information
 - iii. Motion by Jones/Jaeckel to approve the recommended budget (allocated to all other departments)
 - iv. Motion passed 3-0.
 - b. **Land Information**
 - i. Andy Erdman
 - ii. No additional motions/information
 - iii. Motion by Jaeckel/Rinard to approve the recommended budget with a property tax levy of \$370,986.
 - iv. Motion passed 3-0.
 - c. **Register of Deeds**

- i. Staci Hoffman
 - ii. No additional motions/information
 - iii. Motion by Rinard/Jaeckel to approve the recommended budget with a property tax reduction of \$155,762.
 - iv. Motion passed 3-0.
- d. District Attorney**
- i. Susan Happ, Leigh Ann Scherer
 - ii. No additional motions/information
 - iii. Motion by Jones/Jaeckel to approve the recommended budget with a property tax levy of \$697,769.
 - iv. Motion passed 3-0.
- e. Economic Development**
- i. Vicki Pratt
 - ii. No additional motions/information
 - iii. Motion by Jaeckel/Rinard to approve the recommended budget with a property tax levy of \$0.
 - iv. Motion passed 3-0.

10. Set future meeting schedule, next meeting date, and possible agenda items –

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 21th at 8:30 a.m.

- 11. Adjourn –** A motion was made at 11:00 a.m. to recess until Wednesday, September 21th by Jones/Jaeckel. The motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Rinard
Finance Committee Secretary
Jefferson County
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