Jefferson County Finance Committee Minutes September 11, 2023

Committee members: Jones, Richard (Chair) Kutz, Russell Christensen, Walt Drayna, David

Jaeckel, George (Vice Chair)

1. Call to order – Finance Committee Chair Richard Jones called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

- 2. Roll call (establish a quorum) Finance Committee members present were Richard Jones, George Jaeckel, Russell Kutz, Walt Christensen and David Drayna. Other board members present were Joan Fitzgerald and Roger Lindl. Staff in attendance were County Administrator, Ben Wehmeier; Assistant to the County Administrator, Michael Luckey; Finance Director, Marc DeVries; Assistant Finance Director, Tammy Worzalla, Budget Analyst I, Morgan Toutant; Fair Park Director, Amy Listle; and Paralegal, Sarana Stolar. There were no members of the public present.
- **3. Certification of compliance with the Open Meetings Law** County Administrator Wehmeier certified compliance with the Open Meetings Law.
- **4. Approval of the agenda** –The agenda was approved.
- **5. Communications** none.
- 6. Public comment none.
- 7. **Presentation of budget overview** County Administrator Wehmeier presented an overview of his recommended budget for 2024. The recommended budget meets the State imposed levy limit, however, there are two departments with unfinished budgets, Fair Park and Register in Probate.
- 8. Department 2024 Budget Hearings 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. Sheriff
 - i. Paul Milbrath and Don Hunter
 - ii. No additional motion/information
 - iii. Motion by Kutz/Jaeckel to approve the recommended budget of \$19,616,756 (estimated levy amount \$16,397,529)
 - iv. Motion passed 5-0.
 - b. Child Support
 - i. Stacee Jensen
 - ii. No additional motion/information
 - iii. Motion by Drayna/Jaeckel to approve the recommended budget of \$1,310,868 (estimated levy amount \$124,210)

iv. Motion passed 5-0.

c. Central Services

- i. Ryan Hayes
- ii. No additional motion/information
- iii. Motion by Christensen/Drayna to approve the recommended budget of \$1,069,211 (estimated levy amount \$1,047,211)
- iv. Motion passed 5-0.

d. Economic Development

- i. Deb Reinbold
- ii. No additional motion/information
- iii. Motion by Jaeckel/Drayna to approve the recommended budget of \$933,742 (estimated levy amount \$0)
- iv. Motion passed 5-0.
- **9. Set future meeting schedule, next meeting date, and possible agenda items** The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 13th at 8:30 a.m.
- **10. Adjourn** A motion was made at 11:27 a.m. to recess until Wednesday, September 13th by Jones/Christensen. The motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Marc DeVries, Finance Director Jefferson County