

Jefferson County  
Finance Committee Minutes  
July 6, 2009

Committee members: Kuhlman, Rick  
Mode, Jim  
Molinaro, John  
Rogers, Pamela (Chair)  
Schmeling, Sharon L.

Sharon Schmeling called the joint meeting with the Human Resources to order at 8:32 a.m. All committee members were present. Also present were Jim Braughler, Dave Ehlinger, Barb Frank, Carol Ward Knox, Terri Palm, Gary Petre, and Phil Ristow.

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

A motion was made by Kuhlman/Rogers to move into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute § 19.85(1)(e) regarding union negotiations. A roll call vote was taken and all members voted "yes" to move into closed session.

General discussion took place regarding union negotiations.

A motion was made by Molinaro/Mode to reconvene in open session. The motion passed 5-0.

The committee was advised about various options given the expansion of the 2009 levy (payable 2010) limit by an additional \$1.3 million in the state budget adopted last week. A motion was made by Molinaro/Rogers to recommend a referendum requesting public approval of the amount necessary to set the property tax levy in an amount equal to a 2% increase plus \$3.5 million (which includes the \$1.3 million allowed under the look-back provision of the current Wisconsin Statutes) for a total of four years. The motion passed 5-0.

Barb Frank and Phil Ristow explained that because another company purchased our current workers compensation third-party administrator (TPA) and operations are being moved to Texas, the recommendation from staff is to sign the proposed contract with Cannon Cochran Management Services, Inc. (CCMSI) for TPA services including loss control recommendations. A motion was made by Molinaro/Kuhlman to allow staff to sign the contract with CCMSI. The motion passed 5-0.

Barb Frank explained her request to become a DNR agent for registering ATVs, boats, and snowmobiles, along with the related revenues. A motion was made by Molinaro/Mode to approve becoming a DNR agent for registering ATVs, boats, and snowmobiles. The motion passed 5-0.

Barb Frank updated the committee regarding the statutory fees for domestic partnership licenses. The committee took no action.

Barb Frank informed the committee that the revised Wisconsin Statutes allow for the increase in marriage license waiver fees from \$10 to \$25. A motion was made by Molinaro/Kuhlman to (a) increase the marriage license waiver fees to \$25, and (b) allow the discretion of the County Clerk to set the marriage license waiver fees at \$10 or \$25 for situations where one person is being stationed elsewhere for military service. The motion passed 5-0.

A motion was made by Molinaro/Rogers to adjourn at 11:30 a.m. The motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Kuhlman  
Finance Committee Secretary  
Jefferson County

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