



Finance and Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 9th, 2023 8:30 AM

The Finance and Personnel Committee of the Rock Island County Board met at the above date and time in the Board Chambers on the third floor of the County Office Building, 1504 Third Avenue, Rock Island. Minutes as follow:

Call to order and roll call

Chairman Moreno called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM

Members Present: Chairman L. Moreno, B. Vyncke, K. Swanson, R. Simmer ,

Members Absent: E. Sowards, B. Perkins

Others Present: Chairman Brunk, J. Grafton, M. Meyers, K. Fisher, N. Camlin, A. Palmer, K. Davis, C. Przybyla

Public Comment

Chairma Moreno made three calls for public comment; There were no request for public comment.

Approval of the Minutes from the April 2023 Meeting

Second Simmer

A roll call was taken: Vyncke, Swanson, Simmer—YES

Motion carried

Mr. Swanson noted as the committees were meeting in person, that it was recommended that voice votes could be used moving forward.

Reports to the Committee

Auditor Ms. Palmer updated the committee on the progress of the audit. She stated they were about a week behind, but she was still hoping to present the audit to the Board in the July meeting cycles.

Treasurer Mr. Camlin stated that tax bills should start arriving in mailboxes today. He also distributed the annual pie chart of tax distribution monies. He presented a comparison from the previous year and noted that the taxes were down.

Consider Ordinance Increasing Recorder Fees for Rental Housing Support Program to align with State Statute

Ms. Fisher presented this as a state legislation but pointed out that when the housing 50 cents would go to general fund and 50 cents would go to automation fund. The ordinance would be an extra \$9 for the affordable housing program.

Chairman Moreno asked about the Recorder's digitization project; Ms. Fisher stated it was going well and most everything was available online. She stated June 1st, a online billing process would be available as well.

Chairman Moreno thanked Ms. Fisher for her leadership. Ms. Fisher thanked all the construction crews working in the County Office building on their cleanliness, and efficacy and the project was looking good.

Motion to approve Simmer Seconded Vyncke
Voice vote
Motion carried

Consider Design Services for County Office Furniture with Paragon Interiors

Motion to approve Simmer Seconded Vyncke
Voice Vote
Motion carried

Consider ARPA Request from GIS for Updated Aerial Photography for allocation in FY23-24 budget

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Motion to approve Vyncke Seconded Swanson
Voice vote
Motion carried

Consider ARPA Request from Sheriff's Office for COVID related facility expenses

Motion to approve Vyncke Seconded Simmer
Voice vote
Motion carried

Dr. Simmer asked about what expenses were left; Dr. Moreno clarified that they were wellness upgrades. Chairman Brunk stated all the specific projects qualified for specific covid categories for the use of ARPA dollars to allow the monies to remain in the public building commission fund for justice center upgrades.

Mr. Berger clarified that these were a lump sum allocation to narrow it down to specific projects, and as the ARPA reporting continued, specific projects would be looked at.

Consider Audio Visual Equipment Bids for County Board Chambers

Motion to approve Swanson Seconded Vyncke
Voice vote
Motion carried

Consider Highway Items

- a. Review and Award of Bids Received Friday, May 4th, 2023
 - i. Coal Valley Road District Section 23-06000-01 GM

Motion to approve Vyncke Second Swanson
Voice vote
Motion carried

Dr. Simmer asked if the cost was a concern, as it was higher than the estimate. Mr. Swanson stated that some concerns had been raised about the track record of the low bidder and asked for clarification.

Chairman Brunk stated the questions had been brought up about the contractor; he stated he had consulted with the states attorney's office and didn't want to risk losing motor fuel tax dollars. State's Attorney Villarreal stated she was aware of some concerns on the low bidder for the project; she stated the County was required to follow a responsible bidder ordinance which had specific provisions for highway projects using motor fuel tax dollars and following DOT regulations. She stated IDOT had reviewed Brandt Construction to be a responsible bidder with specific exceptions. She stated DOT regulations did allow for rejection of bids if such bids would be in the County's best interest for the following reasons;

- 1) Where all of the bids exceed the amount budgeted for the project
- 2) Where none of the bids can meet the requirements of the project as set forth in the bid documents
- 3) Where the bidder had failed to complete County projects in the past.

She did not know if there were any issues with projects in the past, but noted there were concerns. Mr. Vyncke asked if Ms. Villarreal would be available at the Committee of the Whole meeting for further discussion as a full board. She stated she would be in attendance.

Chairman Brunk made the recommendation that the committee forward to the committee of the whole for further discussion, not offering a recommendation. Mr. Swanson stated that the third exception did not qualify and was concerned about risk exposure to the County.

Original Motion(s) by Vyncke and Swanson withdrawn.

Motion to forward the item for further discussion Simmer Seconded Vyncke

Voice vote

Motion carried

ii. Cordova Road District Section 23-08000-01 GM

Motion to approve Swanson Seconded Simmer

Voice vote

Motion carried

iii. Pipe Culvert Letting

Motion to approve Swanson Seconded Simmer

Voice vote

Motion carried

iv. Crack Seal Material Letting

Estimate of \$16875 with Sherwin Industries at \$13,556.25

Motion to approve Simmer Seconded Vyncke

Voice vote

Motion carried

Consider Delinquent Tax Resolutions

a. Permanent Parcel #0736339004; Tax Payor ID 09 3966; Rock Island Township

Motion to approve Simmer Seconded Swanson
Voice vote
Motion carried

Consider Transfers of Appropriations

Motion to approve Simmer Seconded Vyncke
Voice vote
Motion carried

Consider Appropriation Resolutions for Funds

Motion to approve Simmer Seconded Swanson
Voice vote
Motion carried

Consider Claims

Motion to approve Simmer Seconded Vyncke
Voice vote
Motion carried

Consider Treasurer Disbursements

Motion to approve Simmer Seconded Vyncke
Voice vote
Motion carried

Consider Board Member Per Diem/Mileage Report

Motion to approve Vyncke Seconded Simmer
Voice vote
Motion carried

Closed Session

There were no items for closed session review; no action necessary.

Committee member opportunity for brief comment (no decisions will be made)

Mr. Vyncke congratulated Ms. Palmer on her election as president of the Auditor's Association. Chairman Moreno stated it was Teacher Appreciation Month, and thanked all the teachers.

Adjourn

With no further business, the committee adjourned at 9:10 AM.