



Budget & Finance Committee

Wednesday, September 18, 2013 – 9:30 a.m.
Room 212 – Otsego County Building
225 West Main Gaylord, MI 49735

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Beachnau called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Roll call – Present: Paul Beachnau, John Burt, Erma Backenstose

Excused – Lee Olsen, Ken Borton

Others Present –Suzanne Burnette

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Borton to approve the minutes from the August 21, 2013 Budget and Finance Committee meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Tribunal Chargeback Summary

Burt distributed a spreadsheet showing the amount of tax tribunal chargebacks by taxing entity per year for 2007 to date. The amounts hit a high in 2010 and have greatly leveled off since then.

B. CERT Equipment Funding

The County is interested in purchasing equipment for their newly formed CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) through the Homeland Security Grant. The County would fund the purchase up front, and be 100% reimbursed. Motion by Borton to “recommend to the full Board of Commissioners to advance \$15,000 from the 9-1-1 Services Fund (Fund 261) to the Homeland Security Grant Fund (Fund 262) at zero interest to be repaid by the close of the FY 2011 and FY 2012 grant cycles. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Animal Control Vehicle

Burt has released a request for proposals for the purchase of a new vehicle to replace their oldest truck. Bids are due on September 27.

D. Police Vehicle Purchase

Burt relayed that the Sheriff would like to solicit bids for a new vehicle. He would like to have the department solicit bids for a Ford Interceptor AWD vehicle, specifically. It makes sense from an equipment purchase standpoint to be uniform in the type of vehicle used. The Committee directed Burt to draft and release a request for proposals.

E. Credit Card Expenditures

Burt presented the latest credit card statements to the Committee members, at the request of Ms. Backenstose.

F. August Financial Reports

Mr. Burt distributed and discussed the August reports.

Mr. Beachnau adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.