



Budget & Finance Committee

Thursday, November 19, 2009 – 1:00 p.m.
Room 100 – Otsego County Building
225 West Main Gaylord, MI 49735

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Beachnau called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM.

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

Others present – Diann Axford, Rachel Frisch

Excused –Ken Glasser

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Bates to approve the minutes from the October 21, 2009 budget and finance committee meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. October 2009 Financial Reports

Ms. Frisch distributed the October 2009 financial reports.

B. Land Use Services Budget Amendment

Ms. Frisch presented a budget amendment to transfer residual payroll dollars from the staff reduction into contracted inspections.

Motion by Mr. Bates to recommend to the full board approving the budget amendment for Land Use Services. Motion passed unanimously.

C. Jail Budget Amendment

Ms. Frisch presented a budget amendment for the jail to ensure that the budget line items had sufficient dollars to get through the remainder of the year.

Motion by Ms. Backenstose to recommend to the full board approving the budget amendment for the jail. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Courts Budget Amendment

Ms. Frisch presented a budget amendment for the courts to correct budget misclassifications, underestimations, to ensure that the budget line items had sufficient dollars to get through the remainder of the year. The courts are requesting \$22,536 from general fund contingency.

Motion by Ms. Backenstose to recommend to the full board approving the budget amendment for the courts. Motion passed unanimously.

E. 2010 Budget Discussion

Ms. Frisch distributed the 2010 proposed appropriations act, including the detail budget. Mr. Burt informed the Committee that Equalization Director Bill Kerr is requesting to keep his staff person, who at this time has been eliminated from the 2010 budget, left at a part-time schedule. The Committee decided to leave that decision up to Mr. Burt, depending on if there are further reductions in the property tax values. Any changes would be made to the budget prior to adoption on December 15, 2009.

Motion by Mr. Bates to recommend to the full board approving the 2010 budget and appropriations act. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Beachnau adjourned the meeting at 2:00 PM.