

## **AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING/BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**June 12, 2024**

Present: Venise McWard, Chairman, Tim Carlson, Linda Curtin, and Ken Franklin  
Absent: Vicki McMahon  
Other Present: Bryan Sharp, Mary Barry, Erica Nation, Betty Asmussen, Lucas Domonousky,  
and Elizabeth Hile

The Audit/Finance/Purchasing/Budget Committee met on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Christian County Courthouse, Taylorville, Illinois. The purpose of the meeting was to address agenda items and any other matters properly brought before the committee. Roll call was taken and there was a quorum.

### **CLAIMS**

Motion by Linda Curtin and second by Tim Carlson to recommend to the full Board to approve the claims presented for June. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

### **VCVA GRANT FY JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2024**

Erica Nation the Victim Advocate for the States Attorney's office advised the office had received notice that the VCVA Grant for FY25 was increased to \$28,000.00. This grant runs from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

### **REFERRALS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES**

None

### **OTHER MATTERS**

Treasurer Asmussen discussed the upcoming budget process indicating she would like to follow a similar process that Bellwether used last year where at least 2 members from Finance spend a whole day meeting and discussing budgets with elected officials and department heads. Betty would be available any time after July 19th if a date could be established. This matter will also be on the Board agenda next week.

Treasurer Asmussen also noted that she hasn't received official documents but has received word that the State established COLA increase for the States Attorney will likely be 4.7%. This increase trickles down to the Public Defender and Sheriff's salary. These increases are effective on 7.1.2024. A motion will be required of the full Board. This matter will be on the June Board agenda.

Chairman Sharp briefly highlighted new federal overtime rules and future need to have discussions with elected officials and department heads.

The IMRF authorized agent agenda item from the Executive and Personnel committee was briefly discussed with the need for the Board, in the near future, by resolution establish a new IMRF authorized agent.

Chairman Sharp reminded members of the Open House at the new Health Department location this Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. until Noon.

Ken Franklin provided a report on the last 911 meeting in regard to an approved tower project on the Shelby side for improved communications. While this project won't likely happen until the end of 2024,

he did remind the 911 committee of the budget and how funding works, lack of funding in the FY 24 budget with need to ensure funding is budgeted in upcoming budget(s). A comment was made to continue work on 911 Christian/Shelby Agreement.

Motion by Tim Carlson and second by Ken Franklin to adjourn. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Venise McWard  
Finance/Audit/Purchasing/Budget Committee  
Chairwoman  
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