

FINANCE, CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

October 8th, 2015

A regular meeting of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners' Finance, Claims and Accounts Committee was held on Thursday, October 8th, 2015 at the Chippewa County Building in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Chairman Martin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Martin, Scott Shackleton, Don McLean, Conor Egan and Rudy Johnson

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim German, Scott Brand, Kevin Kalchik, Robert Savoie and Kelly Church

Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner Egan, to approve the agenda as amended with the addendum and changed. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Public Comment

No public comment was offered.

Correspondence and Informational Items

The Committee received the Treasurer's Investment reports, monthly travel report and the September Visa billing statement.

AGENDA ITEMS

War Memorial Hospital/Chippewa County – First Addendum and Restated Hospital Facilities Lease Agreement

The Committee was given an Amended and Restated Hospital Facilities Lease Agreement held by and between the County of Chippewa and the Chippewa County War Memorial Hospital, which is being updated to clarify that hospital services are provided to all, including low income (indigent), uninsured and underinsured patients, the change objective is to strengthen the obligations of the Hospital's services to all residents.

It was moved by Commissioner Johnson, supported by Commissioner McLean, to approve the First Addendum and Restated Hospital Lease Agreement by and between Chippewa County and Chippewa County War Memorial Hospital as presented. On a voice vote, the motion was CARRIED.

The Committee also held a discussion on Veterans medical services provided through War Memorial Hospital, and the authorization that is needed prior to the services being rendered, and the difficulty the Veterans are having. War Memorial is working on educating the local veterans on utilizing services that can be provided locally as the hospital is PC3 (Choice) valid. Discussion and ideas for getting the information out to the Veterans was discussed. No action was taken.

Child Care Budget Summary

The Committee reviewed the October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016 Child Care Budget Summary with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services for Chippewa County with a total expenditure \$614,108.27.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Egan, to approve the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services budget summary with total expenditures of \$614,108.27 for the period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. On a voice vote, the motion was CARRIED.

44North – Health Coverage Renewal

The Committee reviewed the Health Care renewal from 44 North for 2016 – the aggregate increase for the 214 contracts is 5.79%. A brief review of the services provided by 44 North, including them doing the leg work for the renewal including comparisons for traditional vs. self-funded; as well as, new software (Navigator) that is going to be provided by 44 North to the County; which is a program to monitor and help provide reporting of ACA, at no cost to the County. Teledoc information was also provided for review, the County needs to encourage its employees to utilize this benefit.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioners Egan, to approve the Chippewa County January 2016 Renewal for health care through 44 North, at an aggregate increase of 5.79% for the January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 period. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Storm Drain Repair (from Committee meeting on 9/23/2015)

The Committee reviewed a quote from Albert Heating and Cooling to repair a damaged drain, where via camera inspection the pipe is crushed. The quote is for \$7,825.00 plus \$88.00 per foot if additional trenching and repairs are needed. Administrator German estimated the worst case scenario the repairs would cost \$14,000.00, the repairs will be paid from Fund 226 Maintenance (monies from the Annex sale).

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to approve the quote from Albert Heating & Cooling in the amount of \$7,825.00 plus an additional \$88.00 per foot, if necessary, with the repairs to be paid from Fund 226. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

GIS w/EUP Regional Planning for all townships (from Committee meeting on 9/23/2015)

The Committee reviewed proposals from Amalgam LLC to develop parcel data for Chippewa County, as well as, notes from prior meeting on August 11, 2015 regarding Geographic Information System(GIS), development of a county-wide digital parcel mapping including distance dimensions and all original unadjusted linework at \$5.25 per parcel. The Committee discussed this project as an investment to add infrastructure to the County, with 27,388 parcels the project would cost \$143,787, to be paid from the County's fund balance.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Egan, to approve the proposal from Amalgam LLC to map all parcels in Chippewa County, resulting in a seamless parcel layer for use in GIS or equalization software, final costs are estimated at \$143,787 but are dependent on the total number of parcels mapped. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Simplex Grinnell Quote – 4 new camera

The Committee reviewed a quote from the 2015 budget to provide four new cameras for the Chippewa County Jail at a price of \$9,680.00 which is budgeted. The purchasing policy cannot be used since Simplex Grinnell has propriety of the system.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Egan, to approve the purchase of four new cameras for the Chippewa County Jail, at the price of \$9,680.00 from Simplex Grinnell, no additional quotes necessary due to the propriety of the system. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Policy No. 314 – Retiree Health Funding Vehicle (MERS)

The Committee received and reviewed a letter from Treasurer Hank, with regards to following Policy 314 – which established an annual transfer from the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund to the OPEB Health Care Retirement Fund, the annual transfer for 2015 is \$757,375.29, plus an additional budgeted expenditure of \$50,000 from the County's general fund. Discussion followed, and several questions were discussed.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Egan, to approve the transfer to the OPEB Health Care Retirement Fund as presented, with \$757,375.29 from the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund and the additional \$50,000 from the general fund. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Request for Bids – IBM Power System 7+

The Committee reviewed the request for bids, replacing the System 8 in the original Finance packet, with System 7+, that was included in the addendum, as the 7+ will be more economical for the County. Discussion also included establishment of debt service fund for information systems technology.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to release the request for bids for the IBM Power System 7+, to be paid out of Fund 226; and to establish a debt service fund for information technology. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Community Correction Proposal

The Committee reviewed a letter from Sheriff Savoie regarding Community Services and the change/loss of the PA511 Grant, without the grant, which was utilized to reduce the prison commitments and improve jail utilization through increasing support for community based sanctions. Discussion followed with regards to the different funds and how they are utilized, with tether and community service running through the same fund, with tether revenue exceeding tether expenses, and will be utilized to continue the Community Service program for, as long as possible.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to continue the Community Services programming via the tether revenues. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Retiree Health Funding Vehicle Investment Request per Investment Committee Recommendation

The Committee received and reviewed the minutes of the Investment Committee from October 8, 2015 – which passed a motion after receiving additional MERS information and options as follows: “To recommend to the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners to change the investments of the Retiree Healthcare Funding Vehicle to 50% in each the MERS Total Market Portfolio and the MERS Capital Appreciation Portfolio.” These changes will affect both future contributions and current account balances. Discussion followed.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Johnson, to approve the Retiree Health Funding Vehicle Investment Request, as presented, with 50% in each the MERS Total Market Portfolio and the MERS Capital Appreciation Portfolio, affecting both future contributions and current account balances. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Small Cities – MSHDA Grant

The Chippewa County Home Improvement Small Cities Committee met and passed a motion as follows: “to submit an application for a new CDBG program”, the new monies will be utilized in the targeted area already established by the Board, program income funds that are available from the Grant will be utilized to hopefully finish a couple of requests that were not able to be extended at the end of the prior grant. Also, it was noted the future early payoffs of home owner loans will no longer go directly back into the grant, but will now be going directly to MSHDA.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Johnson, to approve the application process for a new CDBG Program grant through MSHDA, with the grant serving the targeted area, which is Sault Ste. Marie. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

FINANCE

Claims and Accounts

The Committee reviewed the bills and payroll presented for approval.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner McLean, to recommend the approval of August bills and payroll as follow: the general claims totaling \$167,845.79, other fund claims \$126,571.98, payroll \$469,176.60 Health Department claims \$498,919.93 and total claims \$1,262,514.30 and vouchers H-1 through H-246. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Budget Amendment

The Committee reviewed a budget amendment request for \$1,000.00 for Family Support Coordinator, which will be 100% reimbursement to the County from the CPR contract (MGT) billing. This increase is due to case load size being larger.

It was moved by Commissioner Shackleton, supported by Commissioner McLean, to approve the \$1,000 budget amendment for Family Support Coordinator, which is 100% reimbursable through the CRP contract, as presented. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Apportionment of 2015 Millage (to full Board)

The Committee received and reviewed Resolution 15-23 Apportionment of 2015 Millages and the tentative millage report, it was noted by Equalization Director Sharon Kennedy that the Millages will change due to the election and final reviews by all the taxing entities.

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Shackleton, to approve to forward Resolution 15-23 Apportionment of 2015 Millages and the millage report, to the full Board for consideration, with final reporting due after the elections. On a voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

Committee and Chairman's Comments

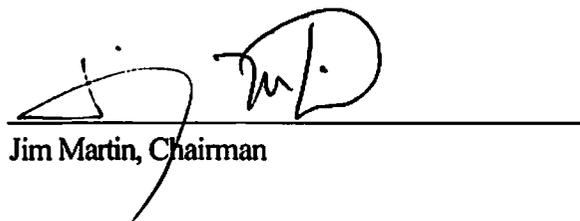
No additional comments were offered.

Adjourn

It was moved by Commissioner McLean, supported by Commissioner Johnson, to adjourn the meeting.

Chairman Shackleton declared the meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.


Kelly J. Church, Recorder


Jim Martin, Chairman