FINANCE, FEES AND SALARIES COMMITTEE

The Finance, Fees and Salaries Committee met in the County Board Room on September 9, 2021 at 9:00am. Members present were Wayne Bollin, Chairman, Mark Menn, Mark Hanson, Janet Fleming, Harry Douglas, Tom Bergmeier, Gary Stansberry, and Delbert Kreps, Chairman of the Board.

Keith Krohe with the County Health Insurance entered the meeting and gave an update on the health 278,172 insurance claims to the end of August Thrup quite a bit from last year, but over all still isn't to bad. He will be here next month and have a better look at how things are going to be.

Rachel Mast, Sates Attorney, stated that the current Public Defender will stay at the rate as they were paid last year. Also, we did get one application for the Conflict Attorney and it is the same law firm as before but they have a new Attorney on Board that will handle the conflict cases. The firm is Lucie, Baugher and Associates and they are asking \$65,000.00 to do the job. After discussing this and the amount A motion was made by Mark Menn that we give Rachel permission to negotiate with them on the price and not to exceed \$65,000.00. Harry Douglas seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made to go into executive session by Mark Menn and Seconded by Janet Fleming.

After the members reconvened Holly did state we got the Receipt for the Van payment. She also got the Holiday Schedule resolution from the Court System. After reviewing a motion was made to present this Resolution to the full board by Mark Menn, to be approved with leaving off the June 19th, 2022 holiday that is listed. Mark Hanson seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. Motion carried.

Holly presented a Resolution for the Circuit Clerk Salary for the year of 2021-2022 at the sum of \$56,840.00 to be approved. A motion was made by Harry Douglas to pass this resolution to the full board to be passed and Mark Hanson seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Holly also presented a resolution for ten Tax Deeds that were sold to be approved by the full board. A motion was made by Mark Menn to pass this resolution on to the full board for approval and Janet Fleming seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Holly ask what was being done with ARPA funds and if she can't use for election, she will have to add this into her budget for the new year. Wayne stated he didn't think it could be and to go ahead and put it in her budget still we know for sure.

Kris Pilkington, County Treasurer entered the meeting and passed out the Budgetary Status report and also the Reimbursements from the State. She had made her final distribution but it doesn't show on these reports, it will show on next months.

Kris did an answer from MTC on claim for trip charge and they said to throw it out and not to pay it this time, as was part of setting up. Kris stated that she still has things to do for the Downstate Grant, has to get a Bank Statement from each place, showing the grant money was deposited to it. Kris does have funds from the Sheriffs office but has not ask John for his yet, and also thinks he needs two signatures

on his checks. She stated that Holly and her should both be on it, in case one is gone and can't sign. The committee told Kris to go ahead and talk to John and if nothing happens then they will have to talk to him.

Kris ask about paying their employees if they are quarantined at home for COVID: Do they still pay them or use sick time or vacation time? The members discussed and stated that it was up to the employer on how they handled this.

The committee reviewed the budget up to date with the Dustin the Bellwether representative and he did state as of right now we are about \$200,000.00 in the black on what they have done. He did have some questions and also stated needed to get with Finance Committee and Department Heads and review what is done. Kris Pilkington discussed she is wanting to change the software to CIC with the poards permission and the cost this year would be \$52,498. A motion was made by Mark Menn to allow Kris to go ahead and switch to CIC software for \$52,498.00 added in her 2021-2022 budgets. Harry Douglas seconded the budget. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The members will meet with Dustin on September 23, 2021 at 12:00p with the Finance Committee in the County Board Room and review the Department Heads budgets with the. They will try to do fifteen minutes and start with Mr. Meixner, Regional Supt. Of Schools and then at 12:15 will meet with Holly Wilde Tillman, County Clark. Betty will notify Mr. Meixner of his time to be here.

The members received a message from Rachel Mast, States Attorney that the Conflict attorney will do the job for \$60,000.00. A motion was made by Mark Menn to hire Lucie, Bougher and Assoc. as the conflict attorney for \$60,000.00. Harry Douglas seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The members reviewed fifty-five claims for payment and Harry Douglas made the motion to send them to the full board for payment. Tom Bergmeier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Having nothing further to discuss a motion was made by Mark Menn to recess until September 13, 2021 at 5:30pm. Tom Bergmeier seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Bollin, Chairman