Sauk County Finance Committee Wednesday, September 13, 2023 Room 213, West Square Building, Baraboo

Members present: Tom Dorner, Lynn Eberl, Mike Flint, Marty Krueger, and Tim McCumber Others present: Lynn Horkan, Jessica Machovec, Brent Miller, Melissa Schlupp, Stefka Zomer

The meeting was called to order by Chair Krueger at 9:00 AM. Certification of open meeting compliance was given. Motion by Dorner, second by Eberl to adopt the agenda. Motion carried. Motion by Flint, second by Dorner to adopt the minutes of the previous meetings from August 2, 2023, and August 15, 2023. Motion carried.

<u>Public Comment:</u> None Communications: None

Resolution to Accept the USDA-NRCS Cooperative Conservation Agreement Grant, Authorize the Creation of a Full-Time Conservation Specialist and to Amend the 2023 Land Resources and Environment Budget. Schlupp informed the board that LRE was awarded a grant from USDA-NRCS to create one full time Conservation Specialist from Fall 2023 through end of 2027. The grant might be potentially extended. Discussion followed.

Motion by Flint, second by Eberl to Approve accepting the USDA-NRCS Cooperative Conservation Agreement Grant and authorize the creation of a Full time Conservation Specialist and to Amend the 2023 Land Resources and Environment Budget. Motion carried.

Resolution to Honor Elizabeth Geoghegan for over 18 Years of Service. Horkan presented the resolution. Motion by McCumber, second by Flint to approve the presented resolution to Honor Elizabeth Geoghegan for over 18 years of service. Motion carried.

Update on 2024 budget and process.

Miller noted cost of living increase currently planning on a 3% increase, health insurance increase is 6.5%. Comp and class study was approved by Personnel committee on 9/11/2023, wage projection is being updated. A few of the larger departments have reduced their requested budgets. A date for presentation of the budget for Finance Committee was discussed. Motion by Flint, second by Eberl to meet October 11th, 2023, for the review of the Administrator's budget and recommendation of the budget to the County Board. Motion carried.

Presentation of County financial reports.

Horkan reviewed the July reports and highlighted investments doing well, sales tax better than budgeted.

Treasurers Department Update.

Machovec reviewed departmental activities and financial reports. Motion by Flint, second by Dorner to approve invoices of \$158,794.13 and \$3, 547.17. Motion carried.

Accounting Department Update.

Horkan reviewed departmental activities and financial reports. Motion by McCumber, second by Eberl to pay invoices of \$35,302.00. Motion carried. Motion by McCumber, second by Dorner, to approve committee payments of \$15,593.45. Motion carried.

Next meeting(s):

Thursday, October 5, 2023, at 9:00 am. Wednesday, October 11, 2023, at 9:00 am

Motion by Flint, second by Eberl to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 am. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard "Mike" Flint, Finance Committee Secretary