

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

**August 16, 2023**

Present: Venise McWard, Chairman, Ken Franklin, Linda Curtin, Vicki McMahon  
Absent: Tim Carlson  
Others present: Betty Asmussen, Christy Moore, Mike Specha, Jodie Badman, Dwanna Kelmel, Blake Tarr, Amy Winans, Amanda Cole and Lucas Domonousky.

The Audit/Finance/Purchasing/Budget Committee met on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at 5:30 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.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

### **BUDGET HEARINGS**

The committee heard budget presentations from Coroner, Animal Control, County Clerk, U of I Extension Levy and Zoning for FY 2024.

Each department highlighted increases and decreases from their respective budgets for consideration. The highlighted items included:

- Coroner the need for a Chief Deputy.
- Animal Control stated that the cost of janitorial supplies and animal food will be going up as the nonprofit that funded these items was dissolving.
- County Clerk – there will be two elections to fund in FY24.
- Zoning – Added a new line item for Court Reporter, increased postage.
- U of I Extension Levy stayed the same as FY23.

### **REFERRALS**

Discussion was had referencing a referral from the Highway, Building and Grounds committee from the August 7, 2023 meeting regarding the bids received for the HVAC and window replacement projects that were over the original bid amount.

Ken Franklin made a motion, second by Vicki McMahon, to recommend to the full Board to use the previously allotted ARPA funds for the HVAC (\$588,000.00) and the window replacement (\$482,640.00) projects with the remaining balance from each project to come from the FY24 Budget. A roll call vote polled all ayes. Motion carried.

### **OTHER MATTERS**

Mike Specha spoke to the committee regarding a possible need in the future for a policy on how to handle reserved funds.

Motion by Ken Franklin and second by Linda Curtin to adjourn. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Venise McWard  
Finance/Audit/Purchasing/Budget Committee  
Chairwoman  
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