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FINANCE AUDIT AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

June 21, 2022

@ 2:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:	James Fennell – Chairperson; Rachel Reliford – Vice Chairperson (<i>via teleconference</i>), Jennifer Groves Allison, Eden Blair, Brandy Bryant, Linda Daley, James Dillon, Betty Duncan, Rob Reneau, Steve Rieker, Paul Rosenbohm, Phillip Salzer, Sharon Williams
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Kate Pastucha, Andrew Rand
STAFF PRESENT:	Scott Sorrel - County Administrator; Shauna Musselman – Asst. County Administrator; Jennie Cordis Boswell - State's Attorney's Office; Heather McCord – Chief Financial Officer; Julie Kusturin – Finance; Nicole Bjerke – Treasurer; Rachael Parker – County Clerk ; Brian Asbell, Randy Brunner – Sheriff's Office
VISITORS	

Call to Order

Chairperson Fennell called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

A motion to allow the participation of Ms. Reliford via teleconference was made by Mr. Rosenbohm and seconded by Dr. Blair. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of May 24, 2022 was made by Ms. Rosenbohm and seconded by Ms. Williams. The motion carried unanimously.

Informational

➤ Monthly Financial Report

Ms. Kusturin provided an overview of financial activity through April 30, 2022, representing 33.3% of the fiscal year. Highlights include:

- General Fund revenues to date are 36.1% of budget
- Income Tax revenue continues to trend higher than this time last year
- Sales Tax revenue continues to be affected by the impact of inflation
- The IMRF fund will be within fund balance policy after Property Tax revenue is received

➤ May 2022 Accounts Payable Review

Ms. McCord advised that the Finance Department has seen minimal issues with incoming invoices and continue to work with departments to correct any issues prior to inputting and posting to the system. She stated that an account guide is in development which will assist in consistency in coding, and which will be utilized in training when completed.

➤ Heddington Oaks Financial Report

Ms. McCord advised that financial details for the month ending April 30, 2022 and Accounts Receivable financial details for the month ending May 31, 2022 are included in the committee packet. She stated that the Medicare Cost Report has been filed and anticipate receiving approximately \$28,000.00 on Medicare on multiple accounts written off in 2021. She advised that staff continues to work with RSM on additional avenues to recoup additional Medicare account costs, and with the State's Attorney's Office on resolving hospice accounts.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Summary

Ms. McCord noted that Peoria County has been allocated \$34.8 million in funds to be directed toward eligible uses as outlined in the final rule of U.S. Department of the Treasury. She stated that the initial summary included in the committee packet includes the budgeted amount for this fiscal year and the amount spent to date. She noted that the Premium Pay bonus allocated to county employees will be included in the July report. She advised that the report also includes a 4-year recommended spending plan in each approved category.

Ms. McCord advised that the county is required to file a quarterly compliance report with the U.S. Department of the Treasury, adding that the first quarterly report was filed in April.

Mr. Rieker asked for an update on the capital projects budgeted for FY2022. Mr. Sorrel that many of the remaining projects are in bid preparation and he anticipates the projects going out for competitive procurement in the late summer or early fall, and slated for completion either late 2022 or early 2023.

Resolution

➤ Heddington Oaks Consultant Agreement

A motion to approve was made by Ms. Jennifer Groves Allison and seconded by Ms. Bryant.

Ms. McCord advised that outstanding Medicaid accounts related to Heddington Oaks Nursing Home require additional effort in communication and negotiation with the state, and staff has been advised by council to utilize the services of a consultant with expertise and understanding of the state's Medicaid system. Staff requests approval of a consulting contract with Matt Werner Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$42,000.00 for professional services to resolve outstanding Medicaid balances related to Heddington Oaks Nursing Home. She commented that the contract will include assistance with reimbursement methodologies and policies, developing strategies for improving reimbursements, advising on state and federal legislative and administrative issues, and communicating with state officials on the county's behalf.

The motion to approve carried unanimously (13-0).

Committee Action

➤ Review of Executive Session Minutes

A motion to accept the recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office was made by Ms. Duncan and seconded by Ms. Daley.

Ms. Cordis Boswell advised that it is the recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office that all previously held executive session minutes continue to be held closed as the need for confidentiality still exists, and to destroy executive session audio recordings more than two years old, except those that relate to pending litigation.

The motion carried unanimously (13-0).

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Fennell at 2:16 p.m.

Recorded & Transcribed by: Jan Kleffman