

Finance and Economic Development Committee
March 26, 2015 at 9:00 am
County Board Room

Present: Matt MacKenzie, Rick Korpela, Jerry Teague

Excused: Frank Kempf, Pat Daoust

Others: Jeff Beirl, Lori Schmidt, Pete Russo, Heather Schutte, Dale Kupczyk

Matt MacKenzie called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Rick Korpela to approve the amended agenda for today's meeting. Motion carried. Motion by Rick Korpela, second by Jerry Teague to approve the February 27, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

No public comment at this time.

Dale Kupczyk was present today regarding the 1st quarter report for the RLF and to also request funding for the 2nd quarter. Discussion followed. Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Rick Korpela to accept the 1st quarter report for the RLF and to approve the 2nd quarter funding request. Motion carried.

Jeff Beirl discussed the flex benefits plan document and some plan changes that are to be amended annually basically for HIPA, affordable care requirements, etc. Motion by Rick Korpela, second by Pete Russo to officially adopt the document and for forward it on to the Board action. Motion carried.

Discussion regarding a credit card to be kept in the County Clerks office to be used by employee's, Board members for traveling followed. It was the consensus of the Finance Committee to approve the concept and move forward with this idea.

Jeff Beirl held discussion regarding the MOU with Bad River for the Gaming Funds. A draft for an extension of the 2014 MOU was sent to Bad River for action for the funds for 2015. Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Rick Korpela to move ahead with an extension for 2015 of the 2014 MOU if the Tribe is in agreement. Motion carried.

Financials for February 2015 were reviewed along with the sales tax report. Motion by Pete Russo, second by Rick Korpela to approve the financials as reported. Motion carried.

Vouchers were reviewed and discussed at this time. Motion by Jerry Teague, second by Rick Korpela to approve the vouchers for payment. Motion carried.

Jeff Beirl held discussion regarding a bill that was received for Superior Days. Last year we paid \$750.00 and have now been billed for \$1,000.00 for 2015. Motion by Pete Russo, second by Rick Korpela to reduce the bill for Superior Days from \$1,000.00 to \$750.00. Motion carried.

Jeff Beirl gave a brief overview of the Superfund Cleanup Site. A letter is to be sent to County Board Supervisors reminding them not to discuss anything regarding this to anyone representing Xcel due to the fact that we are going to trial.

The next meeting was scheduled for April 23, 2015 at 9:00 am. Motion by Jerry Teague second by Pete Russo to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:07 am.

Lori Schmidt, Administrative Assistant