

Finance & Economic Development
October 15, 2020 at 9:00 am
County Board Room

Present: Laura Nagro, Pat Kinney, Ron Sztynдор, Martin Vitek

Excused: Mike Berlin

Others: Clark Schroeder, Lori Schmidt, Dick Pufall, Jim Hnath, Rick Olivo, Gary Mertig, Pat Daoust, Betsy Harries, Mary Jo Gingras, Tracey Hoglund, Matt Erickson, Jane Matthias, Mary Pardee, Rich Huber, Rob Ganschow, Jeff Dejnoi, Terri Barningham

Laura Nagro called the meeting to order at 9:02 am and roll call was taken. Motion by Ron Sztynдор to approve the agenda as presented, second by Laura Nagro. Motion carried.

Jane Matthias was present today representing the Aging Unit. Jane is encouraging the County to not cut their budget request for 2021, stating that it will create a reduction in a matching grant that they receive. Jane stated that they currently serve 160 homes in the County and do 2,300/meals per month.

Pat Daoust representing both BART and the Tri-County Corridor stated that a reduction in the County contribution to BART would be a lot deeper cut to them than seen due to grants that they receive and that they would have to cut services. Pat also stated that if the County cut their contribution by 50% that all other donating entities would probably do the same. Regarding the Tri-County Corrido, Pat stated that the former Director stole over \$200,000 and that a \$3,000 cut could drastically affect the maintenance of the trail, they have not hired another Director at this time and they are slowly recovering from this theft.

Motion by Martin Vitek to approve the September 24, 2020 meeting minutes as presented with a second by Ron Sztynдор. Motion carried.

Clark Schroeder asked if there were any questions regarding the investment report. Pat Kinney asked if Clark had looked at investing in other ways to maximize our money. Clark stated that he was not, that this would be something for the Treasurer to look into.

Clark Schroeder along with Rob Ganschow and Jeff Dejnoi (our auditors) gave a summery of the 2019 audit. Discussion followed.

Discussion followed regarding the Wisconsin County Utility tax association and the resolution presented. Motion to approve resolution R10-2020-1364 and to forward to the full Board for action by Martin Vitek with a second by Pat Kinney. Motion carried.

Clark Schroeder then presented two (2) proposed budgets for 2021 and discussion followed. Motion by Pat Kinney to remove the \$20,000 from the Fair for 2021, second by Ron Sztynдор. Motion carried.

Motion by Pat Kinney to approve version 2 of the 2021 proposed budget which includes restoring all money to the outside entities (less the Fair) and to reduce the debt levy to \$1.5 million or less and to move it forward to the full Board for action. Second by Ron Sztynдор. Roll call vote: Laura Nagro, yes, Pat Kinney, yes, Ron Sztynдор, yes, Martin Vitek, no. Motion carried on a 3 to 1 vote.

The next meeting was scheduled for December 17, 2020 at 9:00 am. Motion carried.

Motion by Ron Sztynдор, second by Pat Kinney to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:26 am.

Lori Schmidt,
Administrative Assistant