

## **Buffalo County Minutes**

**Committee/Board:** Finance Committee  
**Date of Meeting:** Friday, August 9, 2019  
**Electronic and Hard Copy Filing Date:** Tuesday, August 13, 2019

Mr. Don Hillert called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

**Board Members Present:** Mr. Don Hillert, Mr. David Danzinger, Ms. Mary Anne McMillan Urell, Ms. Nettie Rosenow, and Mr. Larry Grisen.

**Others Present for All or Parts of the Meeting:** Ms. Roxann Halverson, Ms. Sonya Hansen, Ms. Renee Pronschinske, Mr. Jason Poser, and Mr. Bruce Fuerbringer.

**Public Comments Regarding Posted Agenda Items:** None.

### **Review/Discussion/Action regarding 2020 Budget Presentations:**

**Circuit Court:** Ms. Pronschinske presented the 2020 budget. Attorney Fees were raised from \$70 to \$100 per hour. Salaries increased and the CJCC budget was pulled out of this budget and put into their own.

**GIS/Land Information:** The two budgets were broken out separately to better see what was covered by grants and levy funds. The grants have not yet been set so this budget shows what was traditionally awarded. The Land Information budget does not use any levy funds.

The GIS budget shows revenue from mapping fees and expenses. Remonumentation was discussed as to what portion is done and what will be worked on in 2020.

**Surveyor:** The Surveyor requested the matching funds for the Towns of Waumandee and Glencoe to help finish the remonumentation in those areas. This budget covers office hours and supplies. Remonumentation expenses are shown in the Land Information budget.

**Emergency Management/Recycling/Local Emergency Planning:** Mr. Fuerbringer combined the Emergency Management and LEPC budget back into one budget. There is a larger EPCRA grant that can be applied for if the agreement with the Menomonie Fire Department is done to provide HAZMAT services. These grant funds would be used to purchase HAZMAT supplies for use by the Menomonie Fire Department and could be housed in our county. Currently the EPCRA grant only covers computers for this department.

Mr. Fuerbringer discussed the Recycling budget. Per capita fees were discussed as well as moving to single stream collection. A 10-year plan was discussed and how the per capita fee could help with replacement of the compactor, truck, and other supplies

necessary to keep the program going. Discussions will need to be had with UW-Extension to apply for grants and prepare for a Clean Sweep program for 2020.

**IT:** The IT contract was discussed as well as what is placed in this budget.

**Administration:** Ms. Hansen explained the part-time position was removed for 2020. She explained there is a need to look at staff for the Economic Development position and possibly a grant writer.

**County Board:** The pay was kept the same. Items to discuss would be the mileage rate and per diem.

**Economic Development:** This budget is a contracted position and therefore this budget has no changes.

**Library:** This budget is up. There was a new request from Colfax Library. When Ms. Hansen called on the bill it was explained that there is a Buffalo County resident up there for the summer using the library.

**Miscellaneous:** Sales tax was set at \$750,000, shared revenue amounts are not available yet, and interest on the fair loan will go back into the CAPX fund. Items to discuss would be HRA contributions or changes, Wellness Grants for the workout room, and placing money in the budget for intern work.

**Review/Discussion/Action regarding the 2020 Budget**

**Questions/Concerns/Recommendations:** Ms. Hansen will put together a spreadsheet showing the 2019 budget, the 2020 budget request, percent of change, and dollar amount of change. Services will also need to be looked at. If the service is not serving many citizens it may have to be discontinued.

Chair Hillert adjourned the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roxann Halverson  
County Clerk