

Finance (FY 2017 Budget) Minutes

August 23, 2016

The Finance Committee of the Piatt County Board met on Tuesday, August 23, 2016, at 8:50 a.m. in Room 104 of the Courthouse. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Randy Keith. Attending were: Tom Dobson, Randy Keith, Renee Fruendt, Al Manint, Randy Shumard, Ray Spencer, Colleen Kidd, Linda Leach, and Keri Nusbaum.

Circuit Clerk

Charlie Barre along with Garel Spainhour submitted a budget of \$270,738.00 for the Circuit Clerk's office. It reflects a 2.5% salary increase for staff.

Keith explained that rather than making a motion to approve each budget, the board would look at the whole after all budgets were proposed.

Jury Commission

It was raised from \$700 to \$900.

Highway Department

Eric Seibring presented budgets for County Highway levy of \$ 936,000, County Matching of \$1,256,900.00 and County Bridge of \$1,424,200.

Sheriff

David Hunt presented the Sheriff's budget for FY '17 totaling \$2,230,682.00. The operating budget is \$346,800.00 which is a \$16,000 reduction.

Veterans Assistance

Ray Lawrence is asking for \$15,700.00 for Veterans Assistance. This is the same amount as last year. They have been assisting veterans with their rent and other needs.

Piatt County Transportation

Christina Smith presented the budget for Piattran with a total of \$900,308.00. Grant monies have increased.

Piatt County Mental Health

Tony Kirkham and Darlene Baker presented the budget for FY '17. The total is \$1,501.977. It includes the addition of one employee for a client who has been approved for one on one services. They have not received any news back on the psychiatric leadership capacity grant. The state has not funded that grant for two years, and the center has had to absorb the cost (approximately \$65,000). They need to carpet and repaint the facility soon.

Audit

The audit contract will go up next year to \$44,500.00 per contract. \$39,750 is for the county audit, and the circuit clerks is the remaining \$4750.

Births and Deaths Budget kept at \$500.

Health Insurance The amount budgeted is the worst case scenario. \$1,125,000.

911

Jim Cripes and Sheriff Dave Hunt presented the budget. He said the loan to the county will be paid off in FY 17. Operating revenue from the state may be slightly better than anticipated. The equipment is aging. They have budgeted for the probability of additional maintenance, and have added a contingency fund line item. Next Generation 911 is required in the state of Illinois by July

1, 2020. All phone services will need to be via internet. There is a line item for \$20,000 toward that system.

Piatt-Dewitt County Health Department

David Remmert presented the Health Department budget. They are asking for the same amount of \$204,793.00. They have reduced their overall budget. The TB fund budget is \$102,033.00 with a levy request of \$15,746.00. They are increasingly concerned about antibiotic resistant tuberculosis which can cost up to \$200,000 for treatment.

Diaper Pantry

Chris SanAntonio asked the board for \$1000. There has never been a request for assistance before. They give out approximately 1000 per week, and is manned by volunteers. They also provided 300 children with back to school supplies. They are housed at Piatt Co Office Building. IN the course of discussion, it was determined that they have no phone line. Chris has been using her cell phone. Randy Shumard will follow up on installing a phone for the diaper pantry.

MONTICELLO AIRPORT sent a letter requesting \$2,000 as in years past.

STATUTES It is a mandate that these books are provided. Cost is approximately \$2000.00

Tax Computing There is a contract in place. 35,000 budgeted for 2017.

IT SUPPORT This is the website administration. The request is for \$6,000.

Abandoned Property Assistance Kept the same amount of \$15,000

PIATT COUNTY MUSEUM Emily Zelhart gave an update on the status of the museum. They will be receiving some funds from an estate. They will get a grant as well. They have some contractors lined up. Their request is \$5,000.

MOTION: Al Manint made motion to go into executive session, seconded by Renee Fruendt. All in favor, motion carried. The committee went into executive session at 11:40 a.m.

MOTION: Shumard made motion to return to regular meeting, seconded by Dobson. The committee returned to open session at 11:44 a.m.

The meeting was recessed at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Nusbaum
Piatt County Zoning Officer