

Finance Committee

Minutes

August 15, 2018

The Finance Committee of the Piatt County Board met on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 104 of the Courthouse. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Albert Manint. Attending were: Randy Shumard, Ray Spencer, Robert Murrell, Dale Lattz, Linda Leach, Jennifer Harper, Keri Nusbaum. Not in attendance was committee member Renee Freundt.

Judge Hugh Finson went over the court budget. Total budget is down, however, the Guardian Ad Litum and court psychological exam costs are up.

Coroner Troy Dunn presented his budget. There were minor changes in his budget, which is increased by \$2218.00. This department will need a solution for transportation in the near future.

Laurie Birch went over the Circuit Clerk's budget. The only increase in her budget was the 2% salary increase.

Piatt County Animal shelter asks \$3500 the same amount as last year.

Emily Zelhart presented the budget for the Piatt County Museum. They are gathering updated bids to complete the museum building. The county gave them \$2500 last year and they would like that amount this year.

The committee went over some of the miscellaneous budgets. Postage, statutes, and IT Support will stay the same. 911 Tower lease, pre-employment physicals, abandoned property assistance, and Employee appreciation will be reduced.

Piatt County Soil and Water asked for \$20,000 towards their budget.

There was no line item for legal fees this year, but \$5000 was incurred. After this year, the State's attorney's office will take over negotiations, and that line item should not be necessary.

Piatt County Senior Nutrition, represented by Shirley Turner requested \$1500 from the county for their program this year.

Doug Winder, acting for the maintenance department, requested pay increases for the employees and an increase in the reimbursement for private phones. He said there has been a lot of data use on their personal plans due to the notifications when there is a system problem.

The Diaper Pantry asked for no money, but requests to continue using the space at the Piatt County Office building free of charge.

Kyle Reynolds had no changes in his Probation department budget. Detention is over budget, those things cannot be predicted.

Teresa Camfield from animal control asked for an increase in compensation. She took on additional duties a few years ago when the Full time animal control officer left.

MOTION: Murrell made motion, seconded by Manint to recess until Thursday.
All in favor and the motion carried. The committee went into recess at 11:50 a.m. until 10 a.m.
Thursday, August 16.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Nusbaum
Piatt County Zoning Officer