

Finance Committee

Minutes

September 18, 2020

The Finance Committee of the Piatt County Board met on Friday, September 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ray Spencer. Attending: Robert Murrell, Dale Lattz, Randy Shumard and Shannon Carroll. Also Doug Johnson and Dustin Harmon of Bellwether, and Keri Nusbaum.

Motion: Carroll made motion, seconded by Shumard to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2020 finance committee meeting. On voice vote, all in favor, and the motion carried.

Motion: Shumard made motion, seconded by Murrell to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2020 finance committee meeting. On voice vote, all in favor, and the motion carried.

Money from the state is reduced again. The budget presented today shows an approximate \$600,000 deficit. The goal is to have the draft budget ready to approve in October. Harmon reviewed options to close the gap, including a tort fund, and moving the PBC funds from the general fund. The differences between self-insurance, health insurance, and liability were discussed. Bellwether asked the board for direction to allow them to move forward with the draft budget. The board requested the draft budget to include a tort fund.

There will be cuts needed of approximately \$221,000. Harmon will send out a list of potential cuts to the board members. Lattz said he would like to see a break even budget and begin to stop the bleeding. Carroll would like to see a cleaned up draft before a motion and vote. Lattz asked for a comparison with similar counties for staff and department size. Spencer asked the board members to review the proposed cuts when they are received, and rate them in order.

Public Comments: None

Motion: Carroll made motion, seconded by Lattz to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, all in favor and the meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Nusbaum
Piatt County Zoning Officer