FORD COUNTY BOARD SPECIFICALLY FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023

The Finance Committee met on Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 9:00 A.M. in the Small Courtroom in the Courthouse. Roll Call showed the following in attendance: Mrs. Smith, Mr. Ferguson, Mrs. C. Ihrke and Mr. May. Also in attendance were Sheriff Johnson, Chief Probation Officer Anderson, EMA Whitebird, Circuit Clerk Johnson Anderson and Clerk & Recorder Frederick. Mr. Aubry was not present.

Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to approve the Agenda. Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Voice Vote - Carried

After the committee reviewed the submitted Finance claims, Mr. Ferguson made the motion to remove one claim turned in by the EMA Coordinator and then to pass the other submitted Finance claims to the full board for approval. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

After the committee reviewed the submitted ARPA claims, Mr. Ferguson made the motion to pass all submitted ARPA claims to the full board for approval. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

The committee briefly discussed the Sheriff purchasing new vehicles and to not use the Longevity Chart for FY 24.

Mr. May made the motion to pass onto the full board for consideration a Resolution setting Salaries for the Hourly Employees for FY 2024. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Ferguson made the motion onto pass onto the full board for consideration a Resolution setting the Salary for the Circuit Clerk for FY 2024. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

Mrs. C. Ihrke made a motion to pass onto the full board for consideration a Resolution to Re-Appoint Terry Whitebird as the Ford Co. EMA Coordinator. Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pass onto the full board for consideration an Agreement for Hazard Mitigation.

Mr. May seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pass onto the full board for consideration a Resolution allowing EMA to destroy certain equipment. Mr. May seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pass onto the full board for consideration a Resolution setting the County Board Meetings for FY 2024. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to amend the Resolution setting the County Holidays by removing Election Day November 5, 2024 as a holiday listed and then to pass onto the full board for consideration the amended Resolution setting the County Holiday Schedule for FY 2024. Mrs. C. Ihrke seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

The committee discussed the Levy for FY 2024 and plan to submit the levy to the County Board Members for consideration in December 2023.

Mrs. C. Ihrke made the motion to pass onto the full board for consideration a Resolution increasing the pay for Election Judges. Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Ferguson made a motion to pass onto the full board for consideration a Resolution appointing D. Dunahee to the Big Four Drainage Dist. Mr. May seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

(1 - Nay)

Circuit Clerk Johnson Anderson passed out an Entity Enrollment Guide. Chairman Smith advised the Circuit Clerk to look into her dedicated funds in her current budget as she is negative in Salaries for her office.

Sheriff Johnson briefly discussed Solar fees with the committee.

Sheriff Johnson updated the committee on the security wall in the Courthouse and he gave an update on the new phone system project.

Mr. May made the motion to pass onto the full board for consideration the FY 2024 Budget that has been laying in the Clerk & Recorder Frederick's Office since October 9, 2023. Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Roll Call – Unanimous

Mrs. C. Ihrke moved to adjourn, Mr. May seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 10:38 A.M.

Voice Vote - Carried

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Frederick Ford County Clerk & Recorder