

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Monday, August 7, 2017 at 9:15 a.m.
Minutes



CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Kim Courts called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.



ROLL CALL

Roll Call.

Present: Nolden, Clack, Ellenburg, Courts, Young, Shapiro, Cousineau, Henry, Martin.



MINUTES – July 24, 2017

Motion: To approve the July 24, 2017 Finance committee minutes as presented

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Nolden, **Seconded by** Ellenburg.

Motion passed unanimously.



PUBLIC COMMENT TO COMMITTEE

None



COMMUNICATIONS

None



OLD BUSINESS

None



NEW BUSINESS

A. F080717VIIA: Circuit Court – Request approval to raise salary range for Judicial Advisory Assistants for Circuit and Probate Court from \$38,427 entry level and \$40,756 after the first year to \$42,500 entry level and \$45,000 after the first year – Attached

Motion: To approve raising salary range for Judicial Advisory Assistants for Circuit and Probate Court from \$38,427 entry level and \$40,756 after the first year to \$42,500 entry level and \$45,000 after the first year

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Nolden, **Seconded by** Young.

Commissioner Henry asked if this is really our decision. Chairperson Courts advised that this is our decision but the commissioners received information in their boxes from ASCME Local 496.00 she suggests that we postpone until further discussion.

Motion: To postpone for 2 weeks for discussions

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Henry, **Seconded by** Ellenburg.

Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Nolden asked if when this comes back in front of the Finance Committee if it can be done as a ROLL CALL VOTE.



F080717VIIB: Controller – Request authorization to explore opportunities to refinance the \$10,040,000 Brownfield Redevelopment Authority TIF Bonds – Attached

Motion: To authorize Controller to explore opportunities to refinance the \$10,040,000 Brownfield Redevelopment Authority TIF Bonds

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Henry, **Seconded by** Cousineau .

Motion passed unanimously.



C. F080717VIIC: Equalization – Request approval to create, post and fill Assistant Equalization Director position – Attached

Motion: Request approval to create, post and fill Assistant Equalization Director position

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Young, **Seconded by** Nolden

Commissioner Henry stated that he cannot support this. He feels that they are acting too fast on this and would like to postpone this for a couple weeks. He feels that a two year succession plan is necessary. He doesn't feel we need to spend a couple hundred thousand dollars.

Discussion ensued

Commissioner Ellenburg asked if this position was a two year or a one year trial program. Chairperson Courts asked Peggy Nolde, Equalization Director to come forward and explain what she is asking for.

Commissioner Young asked if Mr. Hemraj could come up and give his opinion.

Nerahoo Hemraj, Controller strongly recommends this position.

Commissioner Clack also agrees that we need to move forward on this. It makes sense to train someone

Commissioner Shapiro would like to call the question.

Chairperson Courts asked Peggy Nolde if it would really be a 2 years. Chairperson Courts uncomfortable with a 2 year training session, she feels that is really a long time.

Discussion ensued

Motion: To call the question

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Shapiro, **Seconded by** Martin.

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 6, No = 3, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Clack, Courts, Ellenburg, Martin, Nolden, Shapiro.

No: Cousineau, Henry, Young.

Motion To create, post and fill Assistant Equalization Director position

Vote: Motion passed (**summary:** Yes = 7, No = 2, Abstain = 0).

Yes: Clack, Courts, Ellenburg, Martin, Nolden, Shapiro, Young.

No: Cousineau, Henry.



D. F080717VIID: Medical Examiner – Request authorization to enter into negotiations with Kettering University to use Kettering undergraduate students as scribes in the new morgue facility - Attached

Motion: To authorize the Medical Examiner to enter into negotiations with Kettering University to use Kettering undergraduate students as scribes in the new morgue facility

Action: Approve, **Moved by** Nolden, **Seconded by** Henry.

Commissioner Clack asked Dr. Hunter what level of discussion you have had at this point for possible commitment to get these students

Dr. Hunter said there is a high level of commitment, he has spoken directly with Kettering and there is already a student that has been working with him on a voluntary basis who is interested in going into forensic pathology and she has committed to being one of the first applicants for this position. Kettering has already identified other students that would also be good applicants. Hurley is going to structure this so that it goes through them, they is the primary site for the scribes so we would be a client of Hurley's and they have found a pretty easy way to tack this on to our Epic Contract.

Commissioner Ellenburg asked for an opinion of the controller. Narahoo Hemraj stated that going thru 17-18 budget Dr. Hunters funds are being challenged. We will have to provide additional general fund for this if we cannot secure additional revenue from this.

Discussion ensued

Motion carried unanimously



OTHER BUSINESS

None



ADJOURNMENT

Motion: to Adjourn

Action: Adjourn, **Moved by** Young, **Seconded by** Ellenburg.

Motion passed unanimously.

Chairperson Courts adjourned the Finance Committee meeting at 10:33 a.m.

Transcribed by:
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