

CHAMPAIGN COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

**Special Finance Committee of the Whole – FY2017 Budget
Thursday, September 29, 2016
Lyle Shields Meeting Room**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Christopher Alix, Astrid Berkson, Lorraine Cowart, Stan Harper, Shana Harrison, Josh Hartke, Matt Hiser, Gary Maxwell, Jim McGuire, Diane Michaels, Patti Petrie, James Quisenberry, Rachael Schwartz, C. Pius Weibel

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jack Anderson, Lloyd Carter, Aaron Esry, John Jay, Max Mitchell, Jon Rector, Giraldo Rosales, Jon Schroeder

OTHERS PRESENT: John Hall (Planning & Zoning Director), Gordy Hulten (County Clerk), Tami Ogden (Deputy County Administrator/Finance), Kay Rhodes (Administrative Assistant), Rick Snider (County Administrator)

CALL TO ORDER

Petrie called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Rhodes called the roll. Alix, Berkson, Cowart, Harrison, Hartke, Hiser, Maxwell, McGuire, Michaels, Petrie, Quisenberry, Schwartz, and Weibel were present at the time of roll call, establishing the presence of a quorum.

Harper entered the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDENDA

MOTION by Quisenberry to approve the Agenda/Addenda; seconded by Hiser. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

David Sutton addressed the committee regarding the proposed ¼ Cent Sales Tax Referendum and the needs at the jail.

COMMUNICATIONS

Michaels explained that Anderson could not attend the meeting due to a prior engagement.

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FINANCE

Direction to County Administrator for Finalization of FY2017 Budget

Ogden explained that there were two areas in the FY2017 Budget pending final direction from the committee in order to finalize the budget, listed below.

GENERAL CORPORATE FUND

Revenue \$36,270,066

Expenditure \$36,403,296

Revenue to Expenditure -\$133,230

The FY2017 Budget includes \$150,000 in Capital for ADA expenditures required for compliance with the county's Settlement Agreement with the Department of Justice. County financial policies state that a budget ordinance is balanced when the sum of estimated net revenues and appropriated fund balances equal appropriations.

Decision Points:

1. Authorize appropriation of the Fund Balance in the amount of \$133,230, for capital expenditures associated with ADA improvements.
2. Authorize appropriation of the Fund Balance in the amount of \$150,000 for capital expenditures associated with ADA improvements, and increase appropriations to Planning and Zoning in the amount of \$16,770 for Temporary Wages in order to assist with IEPA MS4 requirements.

MOTION by Weibel to Authorize appropriation of the Fund Balance in the amount of \$150,000 for capital expenditures associated with ADA improvements, and increase appropriations to Planning and Zoning in the amount of \$16,770 for Temporary Wages in order to assist with IEPA MS4 requirements; seconded by Berkson.

Quisenberry would like the County Clerk's request for funding to be addressed because it would cost the County more in the long run.

Motion carried with unanimous support.

NURSING HOME FUND

Revenue \$14,461,291

Expenditure \$14,621,992

Revenue to Expenditure -\$160,701

At its August 8, 2016 meeting, the Nursing Home Board of Directors approved its FY2017 budget with budgeted revenues reflecting a census of 180, and an increase in appropriations for Contract Nursing from \$110,000 to \$332,000. The budget does not meet the county's requirements for a balanced budget. Additionally, the Nursing Home does not have a Fund Balance and the budget does not include any appropriation for capital. Therefore, there are limited options to balance the FY2017 Budget.

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Decision Points:

1. Decrease Contract Nursing appropriation from \$332,000 to \$171,299.
2. Increase census to reflect an increase in revenue that would eliminate the budget deficit.

Schwartz stated that although she did not feel comfortable increasing the census, she also did not want to decrease the contract nursing line item in case it is needed. This way the funds are there without further need of vote from the County Board. Quisenberry agreed.

Michaels asked if the nursing home budget included the repayment of the funds loaned for boiler replacement. Ogden said it was not included.

Weibel agreed with Schwartz because the nursing home business is unpredictable. Michaels disagreed with inflating the census just to make the budget balance. Hartke agreed with Schwartz.

MOTION by Hartke to increase census to reflect an increase in revenue that would eliminate the budget deficit; seconded by Quisenberry. **Motion carried.**

MOTION by Harper to adjourn; seconded by Michaels. **Motion carried with unanimous support.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Rhodes,
Administrative Assistant

Please note the minutes reflect the order of the agenda and may not necessarily reflect the order of business conducted at the meeting.