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FINANCE AUDIT AND LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

January 5, 2021

@ 2:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:	James Fennell – Chairperson; Rachel Reliford – Vice-Chairperson, Jennifer Groves Allison, Eden Blair, Brandy Bryant, Linda Daley, James Dillon, Betty Duncan, Kate Pastucha, Andrew Rand, Rob Reneau, Steve Rieker, Paul Rosenbohm, Phillip Salzer, Sharon Williams
MEMBERS ABSENT:	
STAFF PRESENT:	Scott Sorrel - County Administrator; Shauna Musselman – Assistant County Administrator; Jennie Cordis Boswell - State's Attorney's Office; Randy Brunner – Chief Financial Officer; Julie Kusturin, Paul Letcher – Finance; Nicole Bjerke – Treasurer; Rachael Parker – County Clerk; Monica Hendrickson – Health Department; Mark Little – Chief Information Officer; Doug Gaa, Chris Watkins – Sheriff's Office; Jessica Thomas – County Auditor; Mark Bronke – Juvenile Probation; Jamie Harwood – County Coroner
VISITORS	

Call to Order

Chairperson Fennell called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the joint minutes of December 2, 2020 was made by Ms. Duncan and seconded by Ms. Reliford. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously (14-0). Mr. Rosenbohm absent for vote

Informational

➤ Monthly Financial Report

Ms. Ciesla summarized financial activity for the period ending October 31, 2020, representing 83% of the fiscal year. Highlights include:

- Income Tax trending to budget
- Local use Tax trending higher than budgeted
- Sales Tax has seen an increase
- Supplemental Sales Tax and Public Safety Sales Tax are trending below projections but are improving
- In All Funds, Property Tax have come in slightly higher than projected

➤ Heddington Oaks Financial Report

Mr. Letcher summarized financial activity for the period ending October 31, 2020. He noted that contractals were slightly higher in October due to \$46,000.00 in referendum campaign advertising costs. He stated that staff continues to work on the accounts receivable debts. Ms. Daley reiterated her offer to assist with Medicaid cases.

Mr. Sorrel advised that B100, the Medicare Wing of Heddington Oaks, is being utilized as a closed pod vaccine clinic for non-hospital healthcare workers, and will eventually transition into a clinic for other essential workers in the community.

Mr. Sorrel advised that staff has received responses to the RFP for commercial real estate broker services, and interviews with respondents will take place via video conference tomorrow. He

requested scheduling a special meeting of the committee prior to the January 14th County Board Meeting in order to consider staff's final recommendation.

Resolution

➤ FY 2021 Legislative Initiatives

A motion to approve was made by Mr. Salzer and seconded by Ms. Reliford. Mr. Sorrel commented that the Legislative Agenda is presented jointly by the Peoria County Board, Peoria City Council and Peoria City/County Health Department. He noted that the City has not yet finalized their list of requests and advised that he would report the City's specific initiatives to the committee upon receipt of same. He summarized County and anticipated Joint requests for Direct Sponsorship, Position Support, Vertical Capital Projects, and Horizontal Capital Projects, as well as the Health Department requests for Position Support.

After discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Pastucha to amend the Legislative Agenda by removing the Joint Request for Position Support to Broaden the Tax Base, and adding a County Horizontal Capital Request to secure funding for the Jail Ring Road Project. The motion to amend was seconded by Ms. Daley.

A roll call vote was taken, and the motion to amend carried unanimously (15-0).

A roll call vote was taken, and the motion to approve as amended carried unanimously (15-0).

Committee Action

➤ Review of Executive Session Minutes

Ms. Cordis Boswell advised that it is the recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office that all previously held executive session minutes continue to be held as the need for confidentiality still exists, and to destroy executive session audio recordings more than two years old, except those that relate to pending litigation.

A motion to approve the recommendation of the State's Attorney's Office was made by Ms. Reliford and seconded by Dr. Blair. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried unanimously (15-0).

Miscellaneous

Mr. Brunner advised that of the \$1.527 million in CURES Funding received, \$1,035,000.00 has been paid, \$386,000.00 has been submitted and approved, and the final \$105,000.00 was submitted today. He stated that nearly \$1.2 million of the \$1.527 million will be a reimbursement to the General Fund.

Ms. Hendrickson thanked the County Board for allowing the Health Department to utilize Heddington Oaks for the COVID-19 vaccine clinic. She stated that 72 individuals were vaccinated during the initial clinic held yesterday.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Fennell at 2:50 p.m.