WEXFORD COUNTY FINANCE & APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES March 22, 2023

The Finance and Appropriations Committee regular meeting was called to order by Commissioner Brian Potter at 4:00 p.m., in the Commissioners' Room, Third Floor, Historic Courthouse, 437 E. Division St. Cadillac, Michigan.

Members Present:

Brian Potter, Gary Taylor, and Julie Theobald

Members Absent:

Michael Musta

Also Present:

Jami Bigger, Deputy County Administrator/HR Director; Ashley Hackert, Deputy Clerk; Megan Kujawa, Sr. Executive Assistant; Lt. Mike McDaniel, Sheriff's Office; Kristi Nottingham, Treasurer; and Joe Porterfield, County Administrator/Equalization

Director.

ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

ADDED: G.3. Resolution 23-10 Opiate Litigation Settlement and Agreements

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Comm. Theobald and supported by Comm. Taylor to approve the agenda, as amended. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 3-0.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Comm. Theobald and supported by Comm. Taylor to approve the March 09, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

AGENDA ITEMS

G.1. Approval of Claims

A motion was made by Comm. Theobald and supported by Comm. Taylor to approve paying the bills in the amount of \$359,706.85. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 3-0.

G.2. Purchase Request for Activation of Jail Radios

A motion was made by Comm. Theobald and supported by Comm. Taylor to forward a recommendation to the full board to approve the purchase of the activation fees for the jail radios from the State of Michigan in the amount of \$6500.00. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 3-0.

G.3. Resolution 23-10 Opiate Litigation Settlement and Agreements

A motion was made by Comm. Theobald and supported by Comm. Taylor to forward a recommendation to the full board to approve Resolution 23-10 Opiate Settlement and the corresponding agreements. A vote was called, all in favor. Motion passed, 3-0.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

County Administrator, Mr. Porterfield informed the committee that the added agenda item was sent to him late last week and he was informed that all the documents needed to be signed and turned in by the 18th of April which is why it was added so that it could get to the full board in time. With this particular settlement there will be a total of \$820k over the course of 13 years.

Mr. Porterfield working with Madame Nottingham to ensure the reporting is right for the use of the SLFRF funds. There aren't many expectations to the use of the funds besides it cannot be used to hire lobbyists. Lastly, Mr. Porterfield stated that he is investigating if there is a deadline of when the funds need to be used by.

Deputy County Administrator, Ms. Bigger informed the committee that tomorrow at the Opiate committee meeting they will be discussing proposals on the use of funds.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

None.

CHAIR COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Comm. Taylor and supported by Comm. Theobald to adjourn the meeting at 4:06 p.m.

Brian Potter, Commissioner District #9

Megan Kujawa, Recording Secretary