

MANITOWOC COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE
Communications and Technology Building
June 10, 2024

Attendance: Chairperson Hansen, Supervisor Brey, Supervisor Hacker, Supervisor Lillibridge, and Supervisor Shimulunas. Also in attendance: County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer, Public Works Director Gerry Neuser, Corporation Counsel Peter Conrad, County Board Chairman Martell, Supervisors Behnke, Falkowski, Klein, Naidl, and Schiesl.

Call to Order: Chairperson Hansen called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Public Comment: Chairperson Hansen declared public input open at 4:30 p.m. Jeff Bell, City of Manitowoc, was against raising taxes to fund the County deficit. He would like the County to cutting expenses instead.

Loren Barnard, City of Manitowoc, would like to know what would happen with the sales tax after five years when the deficit has been taken care of.

Todd Goedeke, Village of Valders, wanted the County to cut expenses.

Randy Bonde, Town of Meeme, does not want to see another tax and believes the County needs to have a better handle on spending.

No one else present wished to speak, subsequently Chairperson Hansen closed public input at 4:40 p.m.

Approve the minutes of the May 13, 2024 Finance Committee meeting: Supervisor Brey moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Supervisor Shimulunas. Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Approve vouchers for the following month in the following amount – May 2024 - \$4,194,410.83: Supervisor Hacker moved, seconded by Supervisor Shimulunas to approve the vouchers. Upon vote, the vouchers in the amount of \$4,194,410.83 were approved.

Consideration and action on the following matters related to the Sale of Tax Deeded Property: Public Works Director Gerry Neuser reported there were no properties to bid on.

Update on county finances and/or budget: County Executive Ziegelbauer reported the 2023 final numbers for Human Services Department were lower than anticipated. He also provided another option of a 12.5% levy increase, which would generate \$4,000,000 in lieu of the sales tax. Discussion was held regarding the deficit and how to move forward. Chairperson Hansen informed they will need to make a decision as to what route to take at the July finance meeting.

Adjournment: Supervisor Brey moved to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Hacker. Motion passed unanimously. The committee adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Backus, County Clerk