

MANITOWOC COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE
Heritage Center
November 2, 2020

The Finance Committee meeting for the purpose of public input and participation regarding the County's CDBG Close Program grant request:

Attendance: Chairperson Paul "Biff" Hansen, Supervisor Jamie Aulik, Supervisor Jim Baumann, Supervisor Mike Williams, and Supervisor Bonnie Shimulunas. Also in attendance: County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer, Comptroller Todd Reckelberg, Assistant Comptroller JJ Gutman, Public Works Director Gerry Neuser, Parks Director Tim Ryan, Human Services Director Patricia Dodge, Supervisors Jonathan Neils, Kevin Behnke, Rick Gerroll, Susie Maresh, and James Falkowski, and County Board Chairperson Jim Brey. Corporation Counsel Peter Conrad (via video conference).

Call to Order: Chairperson Hansen called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Public Comment: Chairperson Hansen declared public input open at 5:00 p.m.

Elizabeth Runge – City of Two Rivers Economic Development discussed the 24th St project which will cost an estimated \$1.7 million to complete and urged the county to contribute \$185K for the project.

No one else present wished to speak; subsequently Chairperson Hansen closed public input at 5:07 p.m.

Approve Resolution Authorizing Staff to Apply For and Accept CDBG-CLOSE Fund Grants for the Projects Listed: Chairperson Hansen stated that \$185k of funds should be used for the 24th St project to offset funds paid to county for Paragon property and asked for clarification on the status of property and funds paid to the County. County Executive Bob Ziegelbauer stated that the City of Two Rivers signed a contract with the County of Manitowoc for the Paragon Property. Peter Conrad stated that Two Rivers is in good position to recoup funds for this property with a future business enterprise. Supervisor Aulik circled discussion back to the projects listed and that he agrees with the project listing. Supervisor Williams stated he agreed with Supervisor Aulik and asked about recourse for funds owed to the City of Two Rivers from the developer.

Supervisor Baumann made a motion to approve the resolution with the list of items as presented, second by Supervisor Williams. Upon discussion and voice vote, the motion passed 4 ayes and 1 no.

A motion by Supervisor Aulik second by Supervisor Baumann to adjourn the public input/participation portion of the meeting. Motion carried.

Call to Order: Chairperson Hansen immediately called the regular Finance Committee meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Public Comment: Chairperson Hansen declared public input open at 5:30 p.m.

Maura Yost via video conference, Town of Centerville, encouraged good health practices to protect one another during the pandemic. Along with advocating for the half-cent sales tax to avoid future borrowing.

Sonja Vasquez 965 S. Manitowoc St, Manitowoc talked on behalf of Lakeshore Visionaries in that the board should be investing & encouraging education in the Human Services Department and what they provide the public.

No one else present wished to speak; subsequently Chairperson Hansen closed public input at 5:40 p.m.

Approve the minutes of the October 12, and 26th, 2020 Finance Committee meeting: Supervisor Williams moved to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Supervisor Baumann. Upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Approve vouchers for the month of October 2020 in the amount of \$2,118,177.08: Supervisor Aulik moved, seconded by Supervisor Baumann to approve the vouchers. Upon voice vote, the vouchers in the amount of \$2,118,177.08 were approved.

Ordinance Amending Manitowoc County Code to Change Title of Comptroller/Auditor to Finance Director – Supervisor Aulik moved to approve change, seconded by Supervisor Baumann, Upon vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Gerry Neuser, Public Works Director - Consideration and action on the following matters related to the Sale of Tax Deeded Property: Public Works Director Gerry Neuser discussed current properties held by the county and the value that is being asked for them. Notice will be placed in circulation and when bids are received, they will be brought to finance committee for approval. Supervisor Aulik moved to approve prices and class 3 notice, seconded by Supervisor Baumann, upon voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Authorize Resolution to Authorize Staff To Apply For And Accept CDBG-CLOSE Fund Grants for the Projects Listed: Supervisor Brey asked about approval of the project listing and Comptroller Reckelberg stated that he has received preliminary approval for the project list. Supervisor Baumann moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Aulik. Upon discussion and voice vote, the motion passed 4 ayes and 1 no.

Review and make recommendations to County Board regarding the Executive's 2021 Budget proposal – Discussion by Supervisor Aulik supporting budget, along with Supervisors Baumann and Williams supporting budget as presented. Chairperson Hansen stated he would not support budget as he felt the City of Manitowoc and Two Rivers were taken advantage of in their dealings with the County this past year. Supervisor Brey asked for clarification on Fund Balance summary. Supervisor Aulik moved to approve budget as presented by the County Executive, seconded by Supervisor Baumann. Upon discussion and voice vote, the motion passed 4 ayes and 1 no.

Communications: A copy of the following was provided in the committee's packet emailed with the agenda:

- Monthly/Daily Average Population Report for October 2020 – Manitowoc County Jail.
- Secure Detention Report from HSD for October 2020 would be emailed when available.

Adjournment: Supervisor Baumann moved to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Aulik. Motion passed unanimously. The committee adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
JJ. Gutman, Assistant Comptroller