

FINANCE
June 22, 2022

- Call to order** The Finance Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Gary Koch at 9:00 a.m. Committee members present were Geri Kozelka, Gerry Krachey, and Greg Russell. Wayne Jerrett was absent. Also present were Kyle Kozelka, Hwy Commissioner; Jim Hackett, Emergency Management; Linda Redman, RIP; Roby Fuller, ADRC Director; Deanne Lutz, County Treasurer; Tom Cornford, County Board Chairman; Nancy Dowling, Clerk of Courts; Dale Klemme, CDA; Carol Roth, DDI; Tammie Katsung; Main Street Development Coordinator and Roberta Fisher, County Clerk.
- Verify posting** The meeting was verified as being properly posted.
- Approval of Minutes** Russell moved; Kozelka second to approve the minutes from the June 8th Finance meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.
- Approval of Bills** There were no bills to present.
- ARPA Project Requests** Carol Roth, DDI, appeared at the request of the Finance Committee for further clarification and discussion regarding the project request that was submitted. DDI is requesting \$180,000 in ARPA funds to help cover salaries for the next three years.
- Dale Klemme, CDA, appeared at the request of the Finance Committee for further clarification and discussion regarding the project requests that were submitted. CDA has submitted two project requests. The first request is in the amount of \$300,000. This money would be set aside for the County Housing Committee to make available as interest deferred loans to individuals to help aid in the cost of replacing their failing septic systems.
- The second request is in the amount \$350,000 to set aside as potential match of funds for a possible future grant application for broadband expansion in the last unserved area in Crawford County.

Echo Bristol, Executive Director at the Soldiers Grove Nursing Home, appeared at the request of the Finance Committee. Echo submitted a request for \$70,000 to purchase a new lift van for elderly transportation.

Roby Fuller, ADRC Director, updated the committee regarding her project request. Roby is requesting \$130,000 to help with the cost of air conditioning installation in order to house the congregate meal site at Hoffman Hall year-round. The city is willing to work together with the county to cover the cost of having a/c installed throughout the whole building. In return, the city will allow the ADRC use of free space for 10 years.

Jim Hackett, Emergency Management, distributed some quotes from Baycom for two tower projects. The first project would consist of adding the Highway Department communications to the existing county simulcast radio system. The estimate for this project is \$300,000. Kyle Kozelka, Hwy Commissioner, would like to utilize the funds as a loan, and repay the county back.

The second part of the tower project request is to either lease space on an existing tower or add an additional tower to extend coverage for emergency services in the northwest part of the county. The cost to add a 5th tower is \$1,212,600 and the cost to lease space on an existing site is \$645,500.

Closed Session: Krachey moved; Russell second to move into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) to review and rank qualified county-wide ARPA project requests. The motion carried unanimously upon call of the roll.

Open Session: Krachey moved; Russell second to move into open session pursuant to Section 19.85(2). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion after Closed Session: Motion by Krachey, second by Koch to approve the following ARPA project requests:

1. DDI was approved for \$60,000 of the requested \$180,000.
2. ADRC was approved \$130,000 for the cost of air conditioning installation at Hoffman Hall to house the congregate meal site, **CONTINGENT upon the settling of a previous city/county agreement.**

3. CDA was approved to set aside \$350,000 match for a possible future broadband grant application.
4. The county will set aside \$64,500 to build a new county website
5. Dr. Walker, Fennimore Medical Clinic, was approved for \$16,000 to help cover deficit due to Covid
6. Soldiers Grove Health Services was approved for up to \$70,000 towards the purchase of a new lift transport van for the elderly and handicapped
7. The County will set aside \$100,000 to cover the cost of ARPA paid medical leave for Crawford County employees
8. The County will set aside \$300,000 for employee wages and benefits

Treasurer's Report

Deanne Lutz, Treasurer, distributed her monthly updated Sales & Use and Wheel Tax report.

Next Meeting

July 20th, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

Krachey moved, Kozelka second to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast, and the meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Roberta A. Fisher, County Clerk