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DeKalb County Government
Sycamore, Illinois

**Finance Committee Minutes
October 3, 2018**

The Finance Committee of the DeKalb County Board met on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, in the Administration Building's Conference Room East. Chairman Stoddard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those Members present were Mr. Cribben, Ms. Leifheit, Mr. Luebke, Ms. Polanco, Mr. Reid, and Chairman Stoddard. Mr. Frieders was absent. A quorum was established with six Members present and one absent. *Mr. Frieders arrived at 7:05 p.m.*

Others that were present included Gary Hanson, Pete Stefan, Christine Johnson, Jim Scheffers, Sheila Santos, Jim Hutcheson, Greg Millburg, Karen Cribben, Liliana Orozco, and Katie Finlon.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Mr. Luebke, seconded by Mr. Cribben and it was carried unanimously by voice vote to approve the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Ms. Polanco, seconded by Mr. Reid and it was carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2018 Finance Committee Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

PROPERTY TAX SALE RESOLUTIONS

Ms. Christine Johnson, DeKalb County Treasurer reiterated that unpaid property taxes are sold annually at the County's tax sale. Those taxes that do not receive a bid default to the County as trustee for the taxing body and the County then acts as the tax buyer. After 3 years, the County can take deed to the parcels and sell them. Ms. Johnson requested the approval of five property tax sale resolution (summary attached) as well as provided background for each parcel while the Committee viewed aerials of their locations and surroundings.

It was moved by Mr. Cribben, seconded by Mr. Luebke and approved unanimously to forward the five resolutions to the full County Board recommending their approval.

AUTHORIZED DEPOSITORIES RESOLUTION

Ms. Johnson presented a housekeeping resolution that lists the recommended financial institutions to serve as depositories of public funds in the custody of the DeKalb County Treasurer. Ms. Johnson reviewed a few changes that had been made to the list and added that all of the listed institutions also collect real estate taxes for the County, which provides a convenient option for citizens.

It was moved by Ms. Leifheit, seconded by Ms. Polanco and was approved unanimously to forward the resolution to the full County Board recommending its approval.

FY 2019 BUDGET HEARING

Chairman Stoddard opened the FY 2019 Budget Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Hearing no comments, Chairman Stoddard closed the FY 2019 Budget Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m.

FY 2019 BUDGET

a. Committee's Questions & Review of Departments' FY 2019 Budget Requests

Mr. Reid shared that he personally felt that the Public Defender's Office should have been awarded either their new staffing request or staffing upgrade.

Ms. Leifheit reviewed that the Law & Justice Committee heard Mr. McCulloch's appeal for two personnel changes. One was for an additional Level Two Attorney at a cost of \$120,000 (with full benefits) and the other was an upgrade from a Level One Attorney to a Level Two Attorney at a cost of \$35,800 (with applicable benefits). No additional funding was identified besides General Fund reserves. Neither appeal was forwarded out of the Law & Justice Committee.

Discussion ensued regarding the staffing levels of the Public Defender's Office verses the State's Attorney's Office and their caseload comparison.

b. FY 2019 Budget Appeals, if any

Mr. Stefan noted that there were only two budget appeals for the entire FY 2019 Budget and that Ms. Leifheit had already reviewed that neither were successful coming out of the Law & Justice Committee.

Mr. Reid reiterated that he thinks the Public Defender's Office may not be as valued as he thinks they should be or so he has noticed over the years. He believes that the office should have at least been able to get the upgrade they requested.

Mr. Hanson suggested that maybe what they need to do in early 2019 is to sit down and rebalance what the salary goals are within the Public Defender's Office. He also suggested adding a paragraph to the Budget Narrative stating the County will conduct some type of study and recommendation to the staffing and salary levels within the Public Defender's Office in 2019. The Committee agreed with the addition of that recommendation in the FY 2019 Budget Narrative.

c. Dental Insurance Renewal for 2019

Mr. Stefan reviewed that the decision at last month's meeting was to move health and life over to the IPBC and to keep the County's dental plan where it was at. Staff began that process and they started meeting with the folks at the IPBC and what came to light after conducting an analysis on the dental plan was that by moving the dental to the IPBC the network utilization rate would increase to 61% (currently 45% in network and 55% out of network). Another benefit of also moving dental to the IPBC would be that COBRA Administration would cover the paperwork of the plan and there would be savings in administrative costs. After further consideration, Mr. Stefan suggested moving the County's dental plan to the IPBC and asked for the Committee's authorization to do so.

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It was moved by Mr. Frieders, seconded by Mr. Luebke and it was approved unanimously to authorize Administration to move the County's dental plan to the Intergovernmental Personnel Benefit Cooperative (IPBC).

d. Final FY 2019 Budget Reconciliation

Mr. Stefan summarized the final budget reconciliations for the FY 2019 Budget including reclassifications and transfers that will be made to the budget, the refinements of certain estimates, making any necessary clarifications or additions to portion of the budget and narrative in order to clarify existing language, and correcting any typos.

It was moved by Mr. Luebke, seconded by Mr. Cribben and it was approved unanimously to forward the FY 2019 Budget to the October County Board Meeting recommending its approval.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Luebke, seconded by Ms. Polanco, and it was carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Stoddard, Chairman

Tasha Sims, Recording Secretary

RESOLUTIONS
Summary Sheet

	Township	Parcel Number	Bidder	Total Paid by Purchaser
1.	DeKalb Township	08-23-203-013	City of DeKalb	\$815.00
2.	Kingston Township	02-22-100-005	Lamp Rd. LLC, Attn: Michelle Work	\$950.00
3.	DeKalb Township	08-23-309-005	Ricardo Franco	\$2,500.00
4.	Cortland Township	09-29-252-009	Lamp Rd. LLC, Attn: Michelle Work	\$2,500.00
5.	Cortland Township	09-29-252-011	Lamp Rd. LLC, Attn: Michelle Work	\$2,500.00

RESOLUTION
R2018-xx

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Treasurer has come before the Finance Committee seeking County Board approval of an updated list of banks and credit unions as depositories of public funds, and

WHEREAS, the institutions listed below were recommended for approval by the Finance Committee:

Associated Bank	Crystal Lake, IL
Fifth Third Bank	Hinckley, IL
First Midwest Bank	Sycamore, IL
First National Bank	DeKalb, IL
First State Bank	Shabbona, IL
Heartland Bank & Trust	Genoa, IL
Illinois Community Credit Union	Sycamore, IL
Illinois National Bank-Illinois Funds	Springfield, IL
MB Financial Bank	Lemont, IL
Midland States Bank	Sandwich, IL
Old Second Bank	Sycamore, IL
Pioneer State Bank	Earlville, IL
Resource Bank	DeKalb, IL
Waterman State Bank	Waterman, IL

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the DeKalb County Board does approve the banks and credit unions listed above as depositories of public funds in the custody of the DeKalb County Treasurer.

PASSED BY THE DEKALB COUNTY BOARD AT SYCAMORE, ILLINOIS THIS
17TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2018.

ATTEST:

SIGNED:

Douglas J. Johnson
DeKalb County Clerk

Mark Pietrowski, Jr., Chairman
DeKalb County Board