

# **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

## **September 14, 2022**

The Finance Committee budget meeting was held on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, Law Library. Committee members present were Chair Travis Hiel, Vice Chair Larry Aurelio, Letha Clark, Dave Cortelyou, Joe Erlandson, and Dave Nissen. Member Mike Cox was absent. Others in attendance included Vicky Kipling, Judge Poncin, Judge Benson, Kerri Allen, Stephanie Hilton, Erica Thurman, Gina Bickers, Tim Bledsoe, Jodi Mahony, Maggie Brook, Leona Willey, Bill Nelson, Deborah Cousins, Chad Wilson, County Chair Scott Schwerer, and County Clerk Gretchen DeJaynes.

Chair Hiel called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

### **New Business**

#### **Judge Poncin -Circuit Judge**

Judge Poncin along with Judge Benson submitted their budget, a discussion was held and questions were answered.

#### **Kerri Allen – Health Department**

Kerri Allen submitted her budget request, a discussion was held and questions were answered.

#### **Stephanie Hilton – Public Defender**

Stephanie Hilton submitted her budget request, a discussion was held and questions were answered. She changed her budget to reflect a 5% salary increase.

#### **Erica Thurman – Probation**

Erica Thurman submitted her budget request, a discussion was held and questions were answered.

#### **Tim Bledsoe/Gina Bickers – The Elms**

Tim Bledsoe and Gina Bickers submitted their budget request, a discussion was held and questions were answered.

#### **Letha Clark – Animal Control**

Letha Clark submitted her budget request, a discussion was held and questions were answered.

#### **Jodi Mahony/Maggie Brook/Leona Willey/Bill Nelson – 708 Mental Health Board**

Jodi Mahony, Maggie Brook, Leona Willy, and Bill Nelson submitted their budget request, a discussion was held and questions were answered.

#### **Deborah Cousins – Assessor**

Deborah Cousins submitted her budget request, a discussion was held and questions were answered.

#### **Chad Wilson – Maintenance.**

Chad Wilson submitted his budget request, a discussion was held and questions were answered.

#### **Other**

All departments requested a 5% salary increase.

#### **Adjourn**

Member Clarke moved with a second by Member Cortelyou to adjourn the meeting at 5:05 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.