



Sawyer County

Agenda

Finance Committee Meeting
Thursday, January 12, 2023 @ 8:30 AM
Assembly Room/Virtual Meeting

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1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. To view or participate in the **virtual meeting** from a computer, iPad, or Android device please go to <https://zoom.us/j/92253884419>. You can also use the dial in at 1-312-626-6799 with the Webinar ID: 922 5388 4419. Use *9 to Raise/lower hand and *6 to Unmute/mute. If additional assistance is needed please contact the County Clerk's Office at 715-634-4866 prior to the meeting. If you are on a computer, click the "Raise Hand" button and wait to be recognized. If you are on a telephone, dial *9 and wait to be recognized.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

5. MEETING AGENDA

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a. At this time, members of the public will be given the opportunity to address the Committee. Please adhere to the following when addressing the Board:
 - Comments will be limited to 3 minutes or less per individual.
 - Comments should be directed to the Committee as a whole and not directed to individual Board members.
 - The Committee cannot respond to your comments during this time.
 - Please sign in and fill out a public comment sheet if you wish to speak on an item.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- a. [12.8.22 Finance Minutes DRAFT](#)

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8. TREASURER DEPARTMENT UPDATE

- a. [DOR Annual County Sales Tax Distribution](#)

9. FINANCE DEPARTMENT REPORT

- a. Budget Updates
- b. Capital Improvement Plan Update - Purchases

10. INVESTMENTS REVIEW AND UPDATE

11. CARBON CREDIT UPDATE

12. FINANCIAL AND FUND UPDATES

- a. ARPA Funds
- b. Opioid Funds
- c. LATCF
- d. Ambulance Financial Report
- e. Courthouse Expansion Financial Update

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

14. CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS FROM CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS

DISCLAIMER:

A quorum of the County Board of Supervisors or of any of its committees may be present at this meeting to listen and observe. Neither the Board nor any of the committees have established attendance at this meeting as an official function of the Board or committee(s) or otherwise made a determination that attendance at the meeting is necessary to carry out the Board or committee's function. The only purpose for other supervisors attending the meeting is to listen to the information presented. Neither the Board nor any committee (other than the committee providing this notice and agenda) will take any official action with respect to this noticed meeting.

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**Minutes of the December 8th meeting of the Sawyer County
Finance Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Assembly Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members (X) Present:

- Chair: **Ron Kinsley**
- Vice Chair, John Righeimer
- Stacey Hessel
- Tom Duffy
- Dale Schleeter

Others Present:

- Andy Albarado
- Lynn Fitch
- Mike Markgren
- Tweed Shuman
- Janeen Abric - Virtual
- Mike Stamp
- Ron Buckholtz
- Linda Zillmer

Call to Order –Chair Kinsley called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was met. Roll Call taken and quorum was met.

Meeting Agenda –

Public Comments – Linda Zillmer

Minutes of the previous meeting – A motion was made by Mr. Duffy to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2022, meeting; second by Ms. Hessel. Motion carried without negative vote.

Treasurer’s Report -- Ms. Aibrac advised that taxes are being printed and some have been mailed.

Ambulance Billing Summary Update -- A billing analysis was provided. Mr. Markgren advised that the recent six months were compared to previous similar periods. He reviewed the highlights of the findings; though our calls are down, the billing remained consistent. He believes we are doing a good job of billings now. The billings and collection are up overall, so while calls are down, we are doing a good job of collecting.

Second Courtroom Expense – Mr. Albarado advised that the expenses for the second courtroom resulted in an increase in cleaning cost and other ongoing costs. The timeline is still on track for a turnover on March 10th. Board members will be invited to tour the facility prior to the December board meeting.

2022 Budget Actual Update – A written presentation was provided. Mr. Markgren advised that we are on target for revenues and expenses year-to-date. We are currently at 85% of expenses and revenues are at 95%.

2023-2025 Banking Services – Our current relationship is expiring and five RFPs were submitted. Mr. Markgren advised that he also reviewed each banks’ community involvement level so each proposal was considered strong. He reviewed interest rates, anticipated balances, and reviewed their interest-bearing structure along with several other criteria. Based on the calculations made, Frandsen Bank met the most criteria. A motion was made by Ms. Hessel; second by Mr. Schleeter to use Frandsen Bank as the bank of services. Motion carried without negative vote.

Consider County Investment Policy – Mr. Albarado advised that we currently have an investment policy and with interest rates changing, we want to review better options for investments. A Resolution Establishing a County Investment Policy was presented by Mr. Albarado outlining a recommended policy. The proposed policy was shared. This resolution would authorize the County to establish an investment committee to oversee investments and report back to committees and board on a regular basis. A motion was made by Mr. Righeimer; second by Ms. Hessel to approve the Resolution Establishing a County Investment Policy and forward to the County Board. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-0 with “yes” votes from Kinsley, Righeimer, Hessel, Duffy and Schleeter.

Native American Property Taxation – Treaty of 1854 Update – US Court of Appeals Decision – Mr. Albarado provided an overview of the court case. We may now have properties that will no longer be taxable but we do not know what that figure is yet.

ARPA Funds – We got a request from Norvado for the funds of one completed project.

Opioid Funds – We received our second disbursement and have approximately \$65,000 to-date.

LATCF – Local Area and Tribal Consistency Fund is a new grant and we will receive \$755,463. There are no restrictions on use of the funds and it can be treated as general revenue.

Closed session – 2023 Wages & Collective Bargaining Update -- A motion was made by Ms. Hessel; second by Mr. Duffy to enter closed session for deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. In addition, the committee will be discussing collective bargaining strategy and thus is excluded from open session requirements under statute 19.82(1). A roll call vote was taken at 9:32 am and passed 5-0 with “yes” votes from Kinsley, Hessel, Duffy, Righeimer and Schleeter. Mr. Ron Buckholtz was in attendance.

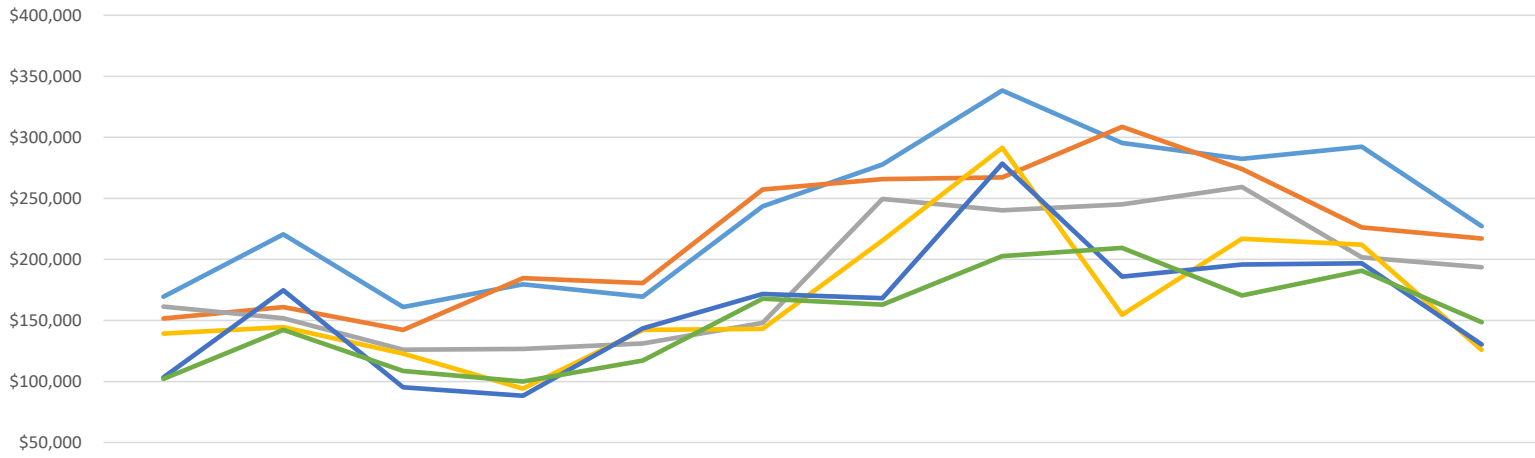
At 9:51 am, a motion was made by Mr. Duffy; second by Ms. Hessel to return to open session. Motion carried without negative vote.

Open Session – A motion was made to give staff a 2% raise in January and 1% in July by Ms. Hessel; second by Mr. Righeimer and forward to full Board. A roll call vote was taken and passed 5-0 with “yes” votes from Hessel, Righeimer, Duffy, Kinsley and Schleeter.

Meeting Date/Time – The next meeting of the Finance Committee will be Thursday, January 12, at 8:30 am in the Assembly Room.

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 am
Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk

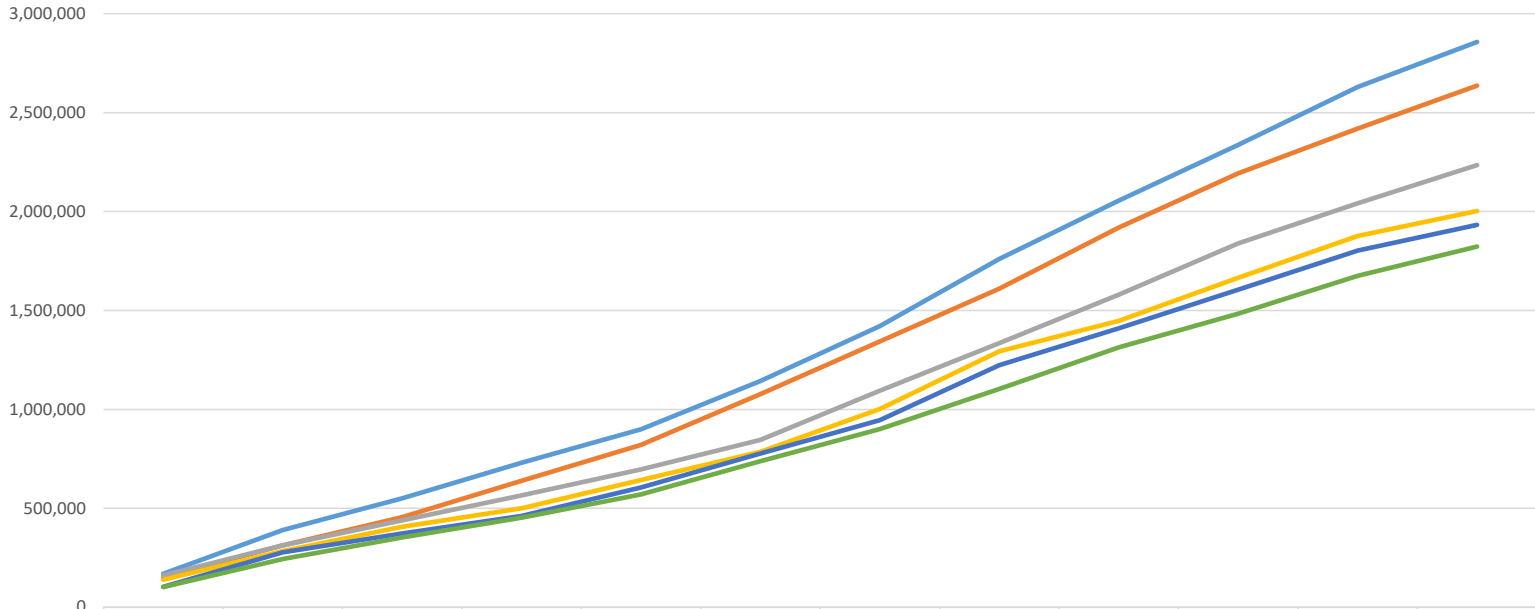
Sawyer County Sales Tax - Monthly



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2022	169,407	220,504	161,008	179,589	169,445	243,473	277,796	338,392	295,423	282,416	292,345	227,311
2021	151,646	160,903	142,260	184,720	180,576	257,182	265,808	267,126	308,640	274,157	226,158	217,112
2020	161,382	151,846	126,061	126,683	131,194	147,924	249,469	240,248	245,188	259,373	201,664	193,515
2019	139,231	144,565	122,883	94,196	142,225	143,146	215,464	291,426	154,752	216,861	212,000	125,937
2018	103,446	174,653	95,347	88,314	143,492	171,736	168,256	278,501	185,990	195,858	196,754	130,326
2017	102,121	142,279	108,572	100,016	117,132	167,876	163,086	202,824	209,457	170,421	190,735	148,514

2022 2021 2020 2019 2018 2017

Sawyer County Sales Tax - Cumulative
2022 Budget \$2,200,000



	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
2022	169,407	389,910	550,918	730,507	899,952	1,143,425	1,421,221	1,759,613	2,055,036	2,337,452	2,629,797	2,857,108
2021	151,646	312,549	454,809	639,529	820,105	1,077,288	1,343,096	1,610,222	1,918,862	2,193,019	2,419,177	2,636,289
2020	161,382	313,228	439,289	565,972	697,166	845,089	1,094,559	1,334,807	1,579,995	1,839,368	2,041,032	2,234,546
2019	139,231	283,795	406,678	500,874	643,099	786,245	1,001,709	1,293,136	1,447,888	1,664,749	1,876,749	2,002,686
2018	103,446	278,099	373,445	461,760	605,252	776,988	945,244	1,223,745	1,409,734	1,605,593	1,802,347	1,932,673
2017	102,121	244,401	352,973	452,989	570,121	737,997	901,083	1,103,908	1,313,364	1,483,785	1,674,520	1,823,034