

**Minutes of the November 4th meeting of the Sawyer County
Finance Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Assembly Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members (X) Present:

- Chair: **Bruce Paulsen**
- Ron Kinsley, Vice Chair
- Dawn Petit – Virtual
- Tom Duffy
- Stacey Hessel

Others Present:

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| Tom Hoff | Sheldon Johnson |
| Lynn Fitch | Ron Buckholtz |
| Mike Coleson | Tweed Shuman @ 8:35am |
| Mike Keefe | Linda Zillmer |
| Dianne Ince - Virtual | Sherry Machones |
| Donna Knuckey | Molly Lank-Jones |

Call to Order –Chair Bruce Paulsen 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 October 14, 2021, meeting; second by Mr. Kinsley. Motion carried without negative vote.

CDGB Land Sale #10-SC0-27 – Mr. Johnson presented a request for a short-sale of CDGB Land agreement #10-SC-27 for the remaining loan amount of \$20,000 plus two years of back tax payments. The current renter has made the offer. A motion was made by Mr. Kinsley; second by Mr. Duffy to accept this offer and forward it to County Board for final approval. Motion carried without negative vote.

ARPA Funding Update – Mr. Hoff advised that the County is still awaiting final rules on ARPA fund use guidelines. He noted that a motion was made at the November Economic Development/UW-Extension meeting to fund the proposed \$40,000 HLVCB budget amount with APA funds. Two broadband projects that were applied for have been approved as well as the cost of the Sheriff's Department body scanner committed through ARPA funds.

2022 Budget Discussion – Public comment was heard from Molly Lank-Jones, Donna Knuckey and Sherry Machones. Mr. Paulsen made a motion to accept County Administrator's budget with the Resolution to adopt the 2022 Sawyer County Budget and the 2021 Property Tax Levy to be Collected in 2022, the 2022 Compensation Plan, the 2022 Authorized Employees, the 2022 Fee Schedule and the 2022 Capital Improvement Plan and forward to the County Board for approval; second by Mr. Kinsley. The motion passed 4 -1 with "nay" vote from Ms. Hessel. Public comment made by Linda Zillmer.

Future Agenda Items – Review of plans for the vacated space at the Oasis building.

Meeting Date/Time – The next meeting of the Finance Committee will be Thursday, December 9, at 8:30 am in the Assembly Room.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 am
Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk