



**Yttri moved to Item #5 on the agenda,** Rachel Hanson, Review Investment Policy – Review past policies, there is \$250,000.00 Federal insurance on deposits and have \$400,000.00 public deposit guarantee. Motion by Beitlich, 2nd by Leis to approve the policy. Carried all.

**Yttri moved to Item #6 on the agenda,** Jim Young, Veterans Service Officer – Exceed room rate limit, \$114.00 for Jim and \$159.00 for Crystal, room rates are for the June conference in San Diego. Motion by Leis, 2nd by Larson to exceed room rate by \$2,469.68 for the June 9-16, 2017 conference. Carried all.

**Yttri moved to Item #7 on the agenda,** report on Grants, Diane McGinnis, FEMA, Nothing to Report, DNR Grants, We received a contract extension until December 31, 2018. We are waiting till July 31, 2017 to see if any of the remaining 3 properties in Avalanche take the buyout. We will then know exactly what we have available for Bloomingdale.

CDBG-IKE (Bloomingdale Acquisition and Tally Dam)

- Vernon County was monitored on March 14, 2017. We received our monitoring letter with 2 concerns:
  - Labor Standards
  - Second public meeting – I will schedule this before the Finance meeting next month
- Contract extension and additional funding for the Tally Dam is being routed at the state for signatures.
- Bloomingdale Buyouts: Only 1 additional application for CDBG and they were over income. We are exploring one additional option for consideration for this funding, otherwise we will be returning the housing portion of this grant to the state.

CDBG-EAP (Flood)

- We have not received very many new applications this last month. We will be doing a press release with public meeting information sessions in May to ensure residents know about this opportunity.
- De Soto mobile home park – The first 3 new mobile homes will be coming into the De Soto mobile home park likely next week. Frost piers were poured for the third 3 this week.
- We have ordered a total of 5 mobile homes for the De Soto mobile home park and are waiting to order 2 more.
- The family that was living in the shop in Viola has been assisted with a house purchase in La Farge. Due to the housing market there were not many homes to choice from. Therefore the property we helped them purchase is going to need rehabilitation. We will be sending that bid out in the next week.
- We have expended \$251,312.26 in hard costs to date. This does not include salaries, postage, and other soft costs.
- We have received 2 requests to assist with public facility projects including De Soto sewer repairs and bridge repair/replacement on JJ from the Highway Commissioner
- We have bids out on 4 rehabilitation projects that are due early May

Revolving Loan Fund Committee, We have had quite a bit of interest in this funding opportunity in the last couple months and I have been working with 4 interested parties in future funding opportunities.

Tourism, Promotion and Economic Development Committee, This Committee has been very busy with the process to contract with a Consultant to develop an Economic Development Plan.

Other Grants, I am reviewing the Packer Foundation for possible opportunities for grants for Vernon County. 2017 focuses are elderly, homelessness, human services, and hunger

Dan Meyer, Vernon Manor Administration gave update on possible future building of Assisted Living Units.

**Yttri moved to Item #8 on the agenda,** Review computer printout of monthly bills and authorize payment. Motion by Leis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larson to approve the monthly bills. Carried all.

The next Finance meeting is Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. **Motion by Larson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Leis to adjourn at 11:22a.m. All in favor, Motion carried by all.**

Minutes respectively submitted by,

Ronald Hoff  
Vernon County Clerk

