



FINANCE COMMITTEE
Minutes for March 21, 2019

Chairman Ole Yttri called the Finance Committee to order at 9:30 A.M. on Thursday, March 21, 2019 in Board Room of the Courthouse Annex. Members present were Ole Yttri, Mike Leis, Rod Ofte and Kevin Larson. Absent Adrian Amelse.

Others in attendance were Ron Hoff, Rachel Hanson, Diane McGinnis, Phil Hewitt, Tim Hundt, Sue Blanchard, Village of Ontario, Ron Johnson - KVR, Marcy West - KVR, Cheryl Purvis - Village of La Farge, Vickie Schneider - Readstown, Brad Steinmetz - La Farge, Beth Campbell - Viola, Roger Call – County Board Supervisor Visitor, Adam Sonntag - Hillsboro, Glenda Sullivan - County Board Supervisor, Ontario.

Affirmation of proper public notice was given.

Motion by Leis, 2nd by Ofte to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2019 meeting. Motion carried by all.

Yttri moved to Item #5 on the agenda, Rachel Hanson, Treasurer, Treasurer’s report.

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PAGE 1	BALANCE 3/20/2019	\$	20,432,028.91	
PAGE 2	2018 REAL ESTATE TAXES COLLECTED	\$	1,663,060.53	HO-CHUNK NATION SUMMARY
	INTEREST	\$	1,690.17	
	BALANCE TO COLLECT	\$	10,306,326.59	
PAGE 3	REDEMPTION TAXES COLLECTED	\$	41,048.00	HO-CHUNK NATION FUNDS
	TAX DEED - WRITE OFF	\$	-	DEPOSITS
	INTEREST	\$	9,625.14	POOL #6 \$ 1,310,887.30
	BALANCE TO COLLECT	\$	1,321,068.08	RIVER BANK \$ 600,000.00
				F & M BANK \$ 2,511.97
PAGE 4	SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENSES			PEOPLES STATE BANK \$ 1,217,853.39
	RECEIPTS			CITIZENS 1ST BANK \$ 1,711,055.31
	GENERAL RECEIPTS	\$	4,977,904.45	\$ 4,842,307.97
	CURRENT TAXES	\$	248,234.01	ACCOUNTS
	INTEREST	\$	1,703.50	2010 \$ 242,960.65
	REDEMPTION TAXES	\$	41,048.00	2011 \$ 139,129.48
	INTEREST	\$	9,625.14	2012 \$ 283,100.91
	TOTAL	\$	5,278,515.10	2013 \$ 373,944.62
				2014 \$ 279,689.19
	CASH FLOW			2015 \$ 290,850.17
	BEG. BALANCE	\$	18,893,745.70	2016 \$ 131,436.01
	RECEIPTS	\$	5,278,515.10	2017 \$ 723,927.05
	A-CHECKS	\$	(2,317,245.67)	2018 \$ 1,065,500.00
	C-CHECKS - PAYROLL	\$	(722,963.82)	2019 \$ 1,200,000.00
	ACH WITHDRAWALS	\$	(458,469.65)	INTEREST \$ 111,769.89
	BALANCE	\$	20,673,581.66	\$ 4,842,307.97
PAGE 5	SALES TAX	\$	158,443.76	PAID OUT IN FEB . 2019 \$ 39,859.50
	TOTAL AMOUNT IN Pool #3	\$	1,885,832.22	

Motion by Leis, 2nd by Ofte to approve Treasurer’s Report, Motion carried by all.

Yttri moved to Item #4 on the agenda, Resolution – 2019 Ho Chunk Funds for Flood Recovery, Diane McGinnis explained several repairs needed in different villages from flood damage. Marcy West discussed process of Ho Chunk Funds and time frame of pay outs and asked if we could pay out in near future, compared to late in year as has been done in previous years. Funds would be used for projects that are not FEMA eligible. Larson stated there are relocation cost grants available. \$178,000.00 have been requested in local grants per Christina Dollhausen. Ofte stated likes many parts of Resolution but is concerned about precedence in future years. Larson stated we did not help communities with the 2016 flood damage and could this jeopardize other funding. Adam Sonntag Administrator of Hillsboro, explained their community needs and EDA Grant matching funds need. Ofte stated to be fair we need to give every community equal help. Beth Campbell stated Viola losing 17 homes. Need a TIF District and relocate many homes, plus many other needs, including a levy. Cheryl Purvis La Farge stated the needs are many, but to relocate electrical substation is major. This will cost over one million dollars. Vicki Snyder Readstown, 15 homes that can't be lived in and need to be relocated. Our tax roll is dropping, the future of Readstown is bleak. Sue Blanchard Ontario, 20,000 canoers a year, tourism is a big part of resources. Large portion needs to be relocated. River cleanup is important. Gas stations and restaurants are closed and need to be relocated. The Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission Organization will help write grants. Motion by Ofte, 2nd by Leis to give all nine villages in county \$40,000.00 each, total of \$360,000.00 from Ho Chunk 2019 Funds and send Resolution to the April 16, 2019 County Board meeting for approval. Carried all.

Yttri moved to Item #6 on the agenda, Audience to visitors – None.

Yttri moved to Item #7 on the agenda, Diane McGinnis - Grants

DNR Grants-Current Grants – Ends 12/31/19 (\$637,046.73), Bloomingdale - Asbestos abated. Need to bid demolition and abandon wells this spring. Avalanche – Completed one buyout on Feb 20, 2019. This cabin has been awarded (received 3 bids) and to be removed by May 17th. Two potential buyouts yet to happen this year. **FEMA (2017)/DNR – new applications (5 buyouts) (\$629,248),** FEMA grant- now in Chicago for review (reprioritizing), DNR – Contracts in the process of being signed. **CDBG-EAP (Flood \$3,165,716),** Mailing to effected homes this spring, Rehabilitation – Continuous, De Soto public facility project - \$600,000 – Davis Bacon Prevailing Wage Project of 3 road repairs – Bids due 3/14/19 and will go to Village Board 3/21/19, Viola public facility project/Electrical – \$160,000 – Project to begin 3/18/19, 12 buyouts in the process and 1 completed (each buyout now must be submitted with justification for approval before moving projects forward), Participating in the regional Long Term Recovery Team (case managers should be hired now- we will receive referrals from them), Participating in Ontario, La Farge, Viola and Readstown long term planning sessions.

Revolving Loan Fund Committee, Closed February 1, 2019. **FEMA GRANT – 2018,** I am assisting Town of Forest and Town of Kickapoo with full FEMA application. Full application due March 29, 2019. **Other Grants, Snowflake** Ski Jump grant – (\$75,000) – Amending Contract, EDA – Continue work with the Economic Development Advisory Committee jointly meeting with the City of Viroqua - no update on funding commitment with Federal shutdown, Meeting with Drug Court to consider another grant.

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

The next Finance meeting is Thursday April 18, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Motion by Leis 2nd by Ofte to adjourn at 11:10 a.m. Motion carried by all.

Minutes respectively submitted by,

Ron Hoff
Vernon County Clerk