



FINANCE COMMITTEE  
Minutes for July 18, 2019

Chairman Ole Yttri called the Finance Committee to order at 9:30 A.M. on Thursday, July 18, 2019 in Room 309 of the Courthouse Annex. Members present were Ole Yttri, Rod Ofte, Mike Leis, Kevin Larson and Adrian Amelse.

Others in attendance were Ron Hoff, Rachel Hanson, Diane McGinnis, Christina Dollhausen, Roger Call, Pam Eitland, Adam Sontag, and Phil Hewitt.

Affirmation of proper public notice was given.

Motion by Leis 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ofte to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2019 meeting. Motion carried by all.

**Yttri moved to Item #4 on the agenda, Rachel Hanson, Treasurer, Treasurer's report.**

FINANCE MEETING				
JULY 18TH, 2019				
PAGE 1	BALANCE 6/17/2019	\$ 17,960,387.03		
			HO-CHUNK NATION SUMMARY	
PAGE 2	REDEMPTION TAXES COLLECTED	\$ 26,128.92		
	INTEREST	\$ 7,610.80		
	BALANCE TO COLLECT	\$ 1,162,870.68		
PAGE 3	2018 REAL ESTATE TAXES COLLECTED	\$ 705,191.55		HO-CHUNK NATION FUNDS
	INTEREST	\$ 1,903.41		<u>DEPOSITS</u>
	BALANCE TO COLLECT	\$ 8,927,481.08		POOL #6 \$ 811,295.39
				F & M BANK \$ 2,511.97
PAGE 4	SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENSES			PEOPLES STATE BANK \$ -
	RECEIPTS			CITIZENS 1ST BANK \$ 1,742,947.20
	GENERAL RECEIPTS	\$ 1,734,881.44		OWE TO GENERAL FUNDS \$ -
	CURRENT TAXES	\$ 705,191.55		<b>\$ 2,556,754.56</b>
	INTEREST	\$ 1,903.41		
	REDEMPTION TAXES	\$ 26,128.92		
	INTEREST	\$ 7,610.80		<u>ACCOUNTS</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 2,475,716.12		2010 \$ -
				2011
	CASH FLOW			2012 \$ 240.00
	BEG. BALANCE	\$ 16,405,491.54		2013 \$ 17,533.00
	RECEIPTS	\$ 2,475,716.12		2014 \$ 2,767.74
	A-CHECKS	\$ (1,923,338.84)		2015 \$ 80,735.80
	C-CHECKS - PAYROLL	\$ (718,086.15)		2016 \$ 128,437.06
	ACH WITHDRAWALS	\$ (447,305.81)		2017 \$ 208,756.38
		\$ 15,792,476.86		2018 \$ 734,764.13
				2019 \$ 1,200,000.00
				INTEREST \$ 183,520.45
				<b>\$ 2,556,754.56</b>
PAGE 5	SALES TAX	\$ 150,338.80		<b>PAID OUT IN JUNE \$ 39,946.63</b>
	TOTAL AMOUNT IN Pool #3	\$ 557,076.19		

Motion by Amelse, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ofte to approve Treasurer's Report. Motion carried by all.

Yttri moved to Item #5 on the agenda, Audience to Visitors – Roger Call asked what the Finance Committee wanted for details from the Executive Committee. Let’s look at 2020 expenses first, then a two to five year plan and prioritize. Roger Call will present at the August 15, 2019 Finance meeting.

Yttri moved to Item #6 on the agenda, Melanie Lendosky, Johnson & Block – Audit Exit report, presentation postponed till a later date.

Yttri moved to Item #7 on the agenda, Resolution # 2019 - 20  
Title: DOT and GTA

**WHEREAS**, Transportation funding continues to decrease; and  
**WHEREAS**, the increasing cost of material and equipment has hampered the highway department’s ability to maintain Vernon County’s infrastructure; and  
**WHEREAS**, Vernon County highways have sustained \$1,000,000 in flood damage the last three years; and  
**WHEREAS**, the severity of the 2018/2019 winter has already exceeded winter maintenance budget; and  
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Vernon County Highway Department Request to exceed its budget by \$500,000 for 2019 with funds coming from the ~~Ho Chunk Infrastructure Fund~~ or General Fund.  
Dated June 13, 2019

Submitted by the Highway Committee, Jo Ann Nickelatti, Chair  
Tabled resolution from the July 2, 2019 County Board meeting sent to Finance.  
Hewitt explained thirty miles of roads are in bad repair. We will do 2.1 miles in 2019 and thirty miles in the next five years is recommend. Cost of 3.7 million, hot mix plant is in Vernon County now. Three miles in Timber Coulee is first priority. There is 285 miles of County roads in Vernon County. Three miles would cost approximately \$375, 000. We have \$510,000 left in Ho Chunk. Yttri feels this is a good option to give \$510,000 to highway. Amelse feels a large portion of Ho Chunk funds should go to Infrastructure – Roads in the future.

Yttri moved to Item #8 on the agenda, Public Private Partnership with City of Hillsboro and Land O Lakes,

**RESOLUTION # 2019 - 22**  
Title: Public-Private Partnership with City Of Hillsboro,  
Land O’Lakes and Vernon County

**WHEREAS**, Vernon County, the City of Hillsboro, a municipal corporation located in Vernon County, Wisconsin and Land O’Lakes, Inc., (LOL) a Minnesota cooperative corporation with manufacturing plant in Vernon County, have authorized the drafting of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to form a Public-Private Partnership for the cost sharing agreement of the hydraulic capacity improvement for the CTH FF bridge over W Branch Baraboo River in Vernon County; and  
**WHEREAS**, LOL is engaged in the business of manufacturing butter and related products at the real property and facilities located at 186 East Madison Street, Hillsboro, WI 54634; and  
**WHEREAS**, the CTH FF bridge over W Branch Baraboo River in the City is near the Property and flooding from the W Branch Baraboo River has contributed to flooding at the Property as well as other businesses and residents; and  
**WHEREAS**, the Bridge Project is a priority of the City and County and all parties have a common interest in the improvement of the Bridge, which will provide a public benefit and improvement of flooding; and  
**WHEREAS**, LOL has committed to privately fund a portion of the Bridge Project; and  
**WHEREAS**, the City of Hillsboro has committed to fund a portion of the Bridge Project; and  
**WHEREAS**, Vernon County has committed to fund a portion of the Bridge Project.  
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by Vernon County Board of Supervisors authorizing up to \$160,000 to be committed from 2019 Ho Chunk Funds and authorizes the drafting of a formal MOU, which will establish the terms for the County, LOL and the City of Hillsboro and create a public-private partnership for financing extension of the CTH FF Bridge.  
Dated: July 18, 2019

Submitted by the Vernon County Finance Committee, Ole Yttri Chair

Adam Suntag, Hillsboro Administrator and Christina Dollhausen explained the project. Land O Lakes would like to expand their plant at a cost of approximately \$7 million. \$1.4 million would be used for flood protection. We plan to expand the bridge thirty five feet.

Discussion on the total of \$910,000. \$510,000 from Ho Chunk and \$400,000 from General Fund and Hillsboro Bridge, pay a portion of the project from Ho Chunk funds.

Resolution 2019-20 DOT & GTA amended to a total of \$660,000. Motion by Leis \$160,000 from 2019 Ho Chunk funds, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larson for Hillsboro project. Carried all.

Resolution – DOT & GTA, \$350,000 from Ho Chunk and \$150,000 from General Fund for County roads. Motion by Leis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Amelse. Carried all.

Yttri moved to Item #9 on the agenda, Diane McGinnis – Report on Grants,

DNR Grants & Current Grants – Ends 12/31/19 (\$637,046.73). All projects completed to date. Waiting to see if offers to purchase are needed in Avalanche.

FEMA (2017)/DNR – new applications (5 buyouts) (\$629,248), FEMA grant- Work plan in signature stage.

Offers to follow shortly. Duplication of benefits being reviewed.

DNR – Contracts Signed and ready.

CDBG-EAP (Flood \$3,165,716) 25-30 applications were sent out following May postcard mailing and 2 applications were returned. Rehabilitation – Slowing down substantially. De Soto public facility project (Road Repair) - \$600,000 – Pre-conference 6/28/19. Project to begin in August. Viola public facility project/Electrical – \$160,000 – Project to be completed in July. Buyouts – 6 in the process now (additional buyouts will happen once FEMA awards grants from August 2018 event). These are delayed due to Environmental Review. Participating in the regional Long Term Recovery Team.

Revolving Loan Fund Committee, Rules of the Board changes coming to County Board 7/23/19 for new committee appointment. Rachel and I will be working on the closeout report next week.

FEMA GRANT – 2018, Submitted this application on 7/17/19. Ho-Chunk Assistance for Village and City of Hillsboro, Working on this with Legal Counsel.

Other Grants, Snowflake Ski Jump grant – (\$75,000) – Received first payment, EDA – Continue work with the Economic Development Advisory Committee jointly meeting with the City of Viroqua, Drug Court Grant – Working on budget amendment.

Schedules, Mark's hours may be adjusted at end of August/early September

Legal Fees partly get funded by Grants Administration Funds. For the 2020 budget McGinnis salary may be more funded by tax levy. \$45,000 increase for Dollhausen position as contracted employee. Motion by Leis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larson for grant report. Carried all.

Excuse Ofte at 11:22 am. Motion by Leis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Amelse.

Yttri moved to Item #10 on the agenda, Review computer printout of monthly bills and authorize payment.

Motion by Amelse, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larson to approve the monthly bills. Motion carried by all.

The next Finance meeting is Thursday August 15, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Motion by Amelse, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larson to adjourn at 11:38 a.m. Carried all.

Minutes respectively submitted by,

Ron Hoff

Vernon County Clerk