

LINCOLN COUNTY FINANCE & INSURANCE COMMITTEE

Friday, March 7, 2025 - 7:30 AM

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Depasse at 7:30 a.m.

Members Present: DePasse, Cummings, Ashbeck, Anderson-Malm and Simon

Department Heads: Gigl, Marheine, Gierl and Krueger

Others Virtually: Boisvert

2. Public Comment

None

3. Approval of the Minutes

a. Approve February 7, 2025 Minutes

M/S Norbert Ashbeck/Lori Anderson-Malm to approve the minutes as presented. Motion Passed by a voice vote.

4. Treasurer

a. YTD Budget - February

Gigl reported having no real worries and gave a heads up on advertisement. Gigl believes she will go over budget due to unclaimed funds advertising for 2025 but that any overages should be covered by items under budget.

b. Account Balance Reports

Gigl reported LGIP down to 4.39, others ranging from 3.56 to 3.35

c. 2024 YTD Budget Report and Approval of 2024 Budget Modification & Contingency Request

M/S Angela Cummings/Lori Anderson-Malm to approve the 2024 YTD Treasurer budget modification and contingency request as presented. Motion Passed by a voice vote.

5. County Clerk

a. YTD Budget - February

Marlow stated no concerns at this time.

b. Activity Report

Marlow reported there may be a potential liability claim coming soon.

c. 2024 YTD Budget Report and Approval of 2024 Budget Modification

M/S Eugene Simon/Lori Anderson-Malm to approve the 2024 Clerk budget modification as presented. Motion Passed by a voice vote.

6. County Board

a. YTD Budget - February

Marheine explained the items coming in will be allocated out.

b. 2024 YTD Budget Report and Approval of 2024 Budget Modification

M/S Angela Cummings/Norbert Ashbeck made the motion to approve the 2024 County Board budget modification as presented. Motion Passed by a voice vote.

7. Finance

a. YTD Budget - February

Marheine explained the Fringes are high due to an expected retirement payout in January.

b. Finance Director Timesheet Approval

M/S Norbert Ashbeck/Lori Anderson-Malm to approve and sign timesheets as presented. Motion Passed by a voice vote.

c. 2024 YTD Budget report and Approval of 2024 Budget Modification

M/S Lori Anderson-Malm/Norbert Ashbeck to approve the 2024 Finance budget modification as presented. Motion Passed by a voice vote.

d. Approval for Replacement of Authorized Position and Training of New Hire - Ambulance Biller

M/S Lori Anderson-Malm/Eugene Simon to approve the replacement of authorized position and training a new Ambulance Biller. Motion Passed by a voice vote.

8. Discussion and Possible Action - 911 Center HVAC Project - Pat Gierl

Gierl explained how the 911 Center project is progressing and that now is the time to work on the HVAC portion. Gierl is requesting to move funding from the roof CIP project to the HVAC project. **M/S** Lori Anderson-Malm/Eugene Simon to approve moving funding into the HVAC project from the roof project as requested. Motion Passed by a voice vote.

9. Discussion and Possible Action of 2024 Budget Modifications and Contingency Requests

a. Veterans, Information Technology, Corporation Counsel, Administration

M/S Angela Cummings/Lori Anderson-Malm to approve and sign the Veterans Budget Modification as presented. Motion Passed by a voice vote. **M/S** Angela Cummings/Eugene Simon to approve and sign the Information Technology Budget Modification as presented. Motion Passed by a voice vote. **M/S** Angela Cummings/Lori Anderson-Malm to approve and sign the Corporation Counsel Budget Modification as presented. Motion Passed by a voice vote. **M/S** Norbert Ashbeck/Eugene Simon to approve and sign the Administration Budget Modification as presented. Motion Passed by a voice vote.

10. Resolution 2025-# Addition of a Conservation Specialist to the Lincoln County Land Services Department

a. Resolution 2025-# Addition of a Conservation Specialist to the Lincoln County Land Services Department

Boisvert summarized the need for this position and how it would be paid for. Extra state funds will match federal funding to pay for benefits, computers, mileage, etc. Ashbeck voiced concerns regarding the 2-year grant ending. Tom stated either the position will go away or further grant funding will be applied for. Discussed the impact of adding new positions to the County. **M/S** Eugene Simon/Norbert Ashbeck to approve the Resolution to add a Conservation Specialist and forward to the County Board. Motion Passed by a voice vote.

11. YTD County Budget Report

a. YTD EXPENDITURE REPORT

DePasse questioned various line items, Marheine explained the expenses have yet to be allocated to other departments.

b. YTD REVENUE W/O TAX LEVY OR INTERDEPARTMENT TRANSFERS

No budgetary concerns for 2025 at this time.

c. YTD REVENUE REPORT

12. 2026 Budget Timeline , Strategy and Goals

a. 2026 Budget Strategy and Goals

The 2026 Budget Strategy document was presented and discussed The COLA will start at 1.5% and a health insurance premium increase of 10%. The document will be updated and presented to the County Board.

13. North Central Health Care Financials

a. January NCHC Financials

Reports were in the packet and discussed.

14. Cash Report

a. January Cash Report

Report was in the packet and discussed.

15. Sales Tax Report

a. February Sales Tax

We are down 16% for the first two months, mainly due to the lack of snow again this year.

16. Humane Society Reports - January

a. January Humane Society Reports

Report was in the packet and discussed.

17. Health Insurance Fund Report

a. January Health Insurance Report

There was a gain of \$61,164 for January.

18. Review Correspondence/Communications

None

19. Review County Voucher Listing

Reviewed by DePasse.

20. Set Next Meeting Date

April 4, 2025 at 7:30 a.m.

21. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 a.m.