

Berrien County Board of Commissioners

Finance Committee Minutes

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Kenneth L. Wendzel Conference Room

Finance Committee Attendance:

Commissioner Mamie L. Yarbrough–Chairperson	Present
Commissioner Jon Hinkelman – Vice-Chair	Present
Commissioner Ezra Scott	Present
Commissioner Teri Freehling	Present

Others Present: Administrator Brian Dissette, Chairman R. McKinley Elliott, Secretary Stephanie Carlson, and Financial Services Director Doug James.

Meeting was called to order at 9:28am

Public Comments: None

Q&A Administrator – Administrator Dissette briefly went over the broadband grant funding Resolutions F2204256 for Bainbridge Twp. and F2204257 for Oronoko Twp.

Appointments

Doug James handed out a draft copy of the Year-End Update for 2021 General Fund and briefly went over it. He said if nothing changes, we will end up \$26.6 million of Fund Balance. Next, Doug said he was there to get some feedback on modifying the bid process, that was discussed at last week’s Finance meeting. There was a brief discussion. Doug suggested having the bids opened on Thursday afternoons so that the departments would have a week to give their recommendation to the Finance Committee. Administrator Dissette asked to keep this on the agenda going forward until it is finalized.

Committee Business

Commissioner Scott motioned to approve the minutes from Thursday, April 14, 2022, supported by Commissioner Freehling. Motion carried.

Resolutions:

The following Resolutions were moved forward to the full Board:

F2204027 – Approval of Weekly Bills
F2204255 – Authorize broadband inventory survey vendor & associated funding
F2204256 – Approve Bainbridge Twp. broadband funding application
F2204257 – Approve Oronoko Twp. broadband funding application

Meeting Adjourned: 10:30