## COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS

#### **BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE**

# Meeting Minutes Thursday, February 11, 2016

#### Call to Order

The Budget and Finance Committee was called to order by Chair John Purcell at 5:29p.m.

Committee Members Present: Scott Gryder, John Purcell, Elizabeth Flowers

Chair Purcell appointed County Board Member Lynn Cullick to sit on the committee for this meeting to maintain a quorum, due to Mr. Gryder possibly leaving the meeting early.

Committee Members Absent: Bob Davidson, Matthew Prochaska

Others Present: Sheriff Dwight Baird, Jeff Wilkins

<u>Claims Review and Approval</u>—Member Gryder made a motion to forward for approval of the claims in an amount not to exceed \$621,610.57, and Grand Juror Claims in an amount not to exceed \$750.00, second by Member Cullick. **With all in agreement, the motion carried**.

**Department Heads and Elected Official Reports - None** 

**Items from Other Committees** - None

#### **Items of Business**

- ➤ Discussion on Bond Refunding Plans Chairman Purcell said that it was decided at the Forest Preserve Committee of the Whole to finance 10 million in bonds this year, with a savings of one million dollars, and then on the County side to refinance 5.5 million dollars this year, with a savings of approximately four hundred and forty thousand dollars. The County and Forest Preserve will review options for next year depending on the interest rates. The financing would not be extended in any way, but would simply give the County and Forest Preserve lower interest rates.
- ➤ IMRF Discussion Chairman Purcell stated that one of his concerns regarding IMRF is that although the Board is repeatedly told that IMRF is one of the better funded pension systems, the County is seeing a greater portion of tax dollars going toward retirement. Mr. Purcell said that his main question is whether IMRF is sustainable or not. Member Gryder asked if the committee could get a list of former employees/retirees that still receive county benefits.

Chairman Purcell asked that an IMRF representative attend the March 10, 2016 Committee of the Whole meeting to provide information and discussion to assist the Board in better understanding IMRF.

- ➤ Proposal for the Kendall County Police Chief Association Law Enforcement Memorial Chair Purcell briefed Member Flowers on the project that was presented at the Committee of the Whole meeting, and the request by the Kendall County Police Chief Association for a \$50,000 loan from Kendall County to the organization specifically for this project, to be paid back within 7 years. Discussion on using funds from the Public Safety Sales Tax Capital fund. There was consensus by the committee to use these funds for the project loan.
- ➤ Benefits Reimbursement Policy Item not discussed at this meeting

Other Business – None

**Public Comment** – None

**Questions from the Media** – None

### **Action Items for County Board**

➤ Approval of Claims in an amount not to exceed \$621,610.57, and Grand Juror Claims in an amount not to exceed \$750.00

**Items for Committee of the Whole** – None

**Executive Session** – Not needed

<u>Adjournment</u> – Member Flowers made a motion to adjourn the Budget and Finance Committee meeting, second by Member Gryder. <u>The meeting adjourned at 7:01p.m.</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Valarie A. McClain, Administrative Assistant/Recording Clerk