COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes for Thursday, August 15, 2019

Call to Order

Committee Vice Chair Matt Kellogg called the Budget and Finance Committee to order at 5:00p.m.

Roll Call

Attendee	Status	Arrived	Left Meeting
Amy Cesich	EXCUSED		
Scott Gryder	Here		
Audra Hendrix	ABSENT		
Matt Kellogg	Here		
Matthew Prochaska	Here		

Staff Members Present: Latreese Caldwell, Scott Koeppel

<u>Approval of Agenda</u> – Member Prochaska made a motion to approve the agenda with the amendment to move the first New Business item to follow the Approval of Claims, Member Gryder seconded the motion. <u>With three members present voting aye, motion passed by a vote of 3-0</u>.

Items of Business Part 1

Discussion of FY20 IMRF Contribution Rate – County Treasurer Jill Ferko explained that IMRF is increasing their rates, which impacts the County. IMRF has provided a phase-in rate that Counties can choose to go through, reducing the impact on the budget. Ms. Ferko stated that using the lower phase-in rate, will eventually catch up to us, and we would pay more money over time. Ms. Ferko stated that our current rate is 7.89, the regular rate recommendation is 9.3, and the phase-in rate is 8.68, which would be a difference of approximately \$60,000. There was consensus by the Committee to pay the 9.3 percent rate. Ms. Ferko stated that the SLEP and ECHO rates will increase.

<u>Approval of Claims</u> – Member Prochaska made a motion and Member Gryder seconded the motion to forward for Approval, Claims in an amount not to exceed \$666,369.85 and July 2019 Petit Juror Claims in an amount not to exceed \$666.68, to the County Board. <u>With three</u> members voting aye, the claims were approved to forward to the County Board for final approval by a vote of 3-0.

Department Head and Elected Official Reports - None

Items from Other Committees – None

Items of Business - Part 2

- Discussion of FY20 Budget
 - Increase Senior Services Levy Member Kellogg stated that there are increased requests from organizations that apply for Senior Levy funds, and the County has been unable to provide additional funds due to the amount of the Senior Levy. Mr., Kellogg stated that there hasn't been an increase in the Senior Levy in quite a while, and that an increase of 15 percent would help fund most of the additional requests. Mr. Kellogg said that the senior population is growing, and the County needs to distribute funds accordingly. There was consensus by the Committee to increase the Senior Levy by 15 percent.

Executive Session – Not needed

<u>Questions from the Media</u> – Jim Wyman, WSPY questioned if the 15 percent increase would apply to only new applicants, or to the regular applicants. Member Kellogg explained the application process, the applicant presentations to the Finance Committee, and resource of the senior levy funds, which come from property taxes established by referenda.

Items for the County Board

Approval of Claims in an amount not to exceed \$666,369.85 and July 2019 Petit Juror Claims in an amount not to exceed \$666.68

<u>Adjournment</u> – Member Prochaska made a motion to adjourn the Budget and Finance Committee meeting, Member Gryder seconded the motion. <u>The meeting was adjourned at 5:26p.m. by a 3-</u><u>0 vote.</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Valarie McClain Administrative Assistant and Recording Secretary