

**COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS**  
**BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**Meeting Minutes for Thursday, October 27, 2022**

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**Call to Order** – Chair Matt Kellogg called the Budget and Finance Committee to order at 5:15 p.m.

**Roll Call**

<b>Attendee</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>	<b>Left Meeting</b>
Amy Cesich	Present		
Brian DeBolt	Yes		
Scott Gengler	Here		
Scott Gryder	Absent		
Matt Kellogg	Here		

**Others Present** – Latreese Caldwell, Jennifer Karales, Scott Koeppel, States Attorney Eric Weis, Public Defender Jason Majer, Tracy Page

**Approval of Agenda** - Member DeBolt made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Member Cesich. **With four members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.**

**Approval of September 29, 2022, Minutes and October 13, 2022, Minutes** – Member Cesich made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from September 29, 2022, and October 13, 2022, second by Member Gengler. With four members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

**Approval to Forward Claims** – Chair Kellogg made a motion to forward the claims to the County Board for approval. **With four members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.**

**Items of Business**

- Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Discussion – Chair Kellogg opened the budget discussion with the committee’s approval of a 3% salary increase for FY23.

States Attorney Eric Weis reported that since his last budget presentation he has lost a second State’s Attorney who went elsewhere for a higher salary. Mr. Weis said compared to other collar county salaries we are at the low end, and he cannot compete with the numbers. His recommendation is to raise the entry level salary for new Assistant States’ Attorneys, and he is concerned if we don’t pay a competitive wage, he will continue to lose good employees.

Public Defender Jason Majer discussed his budget with the committee and has similar concerns as Mr. Weis. He reported under budget because he has very few applicants and has hiring difficulties because of the salary. He said juvenile cases are so high they are considering another afternoon for juvenile cases which leads his juvenile attorneys to work extra cases in addition to working their misdemeanor cases.

The committee asked questions and discussed comparable salaries and stipends. Mr. Kellogg mentioned their salary increase recommendations will be considered and reviewed before the upcoming final budget is approved.

The committee continued to discuss other budget items and fund balances, including whether or not to take the CPI. We will have to have the CPI discussion and show both sides of it.

- *Discussion and Approval of the Addendum to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Kane County for Juvenile Detention* – Information included in the packet was presented. Member Cesich made the motion. Member Gengler made a second. All members voted aye. The motion passed to send the Addendum to the IGA with Kane County for Juvenile Detention to the County Board.
- *Discussion and Approval of Adding Chicago Regional Economic Development Organization Dues to the FY2023 Budget* – Member Cesich made the motion. Member DeBolt made a second. All members voted aye. The motion passed to add 1 year dues for the Chicago Regional Economic Development Organization to the FY23 Budget. Member DeBolt stated, if it helps, we will continue, if it doesn't, we will cut it off.
- *Discussion of FY 2023 Capital Budget* – Member DeBolt mentioned there are various projects going on. He read the capital items budgeted for FY23. The big expenditures are roofs and mechanical systems.
- *FY 22-24 ARPA Budget Discussion* - Tracy Page, Emergency Management Agency presented a request on behalf of Roger Bonuchi, EMA Director asking for ARPA money to upgrade cameras inside and outside the mobile command bus. Costs and other details are presented on page 38 of the packet. Member Cesich suggested using the Public Safety Capital Fund. The committee decided to use ARPA funds. New ARPA requests came in for a \$3M Minooka Water System and, \$300,000 for the City of Sandwich. A Kendall Township water project is under legal review.
- *Discussion of Opioid Settlement* – Money coming in from the opioid settlement will be put in a separate fund that is traceable and trackable for the Federal Government. Administration will provide required federal reporting.

### **Old Business – none**

### **Department Head and Elected Official Reports – none**

**Public Comment** – none

**Questions from the Media** – none

**Review Board Action Item** – Claims, Approval of the Addendum to the Intergovernmental Agreement with Kane County for Juvenile Detention

**Adjournment** – Member Cesich made a motion to adjourn the Budget and Finance Committee meeting, second by Member DeBolt. **With four members present voting aye, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m. by a vote of 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Latreese Caldwell, Deputy County Administrator