

**PRICE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Date: September 7, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101; 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI 54555

Call to Order and Roll Call. Meeting called to order by Alan Barkstrom, Committee Chairperson at 9:00 a.m. Present: Alan Barkstrom, Brian Ernst, Jeff Hallstrand, Paula Houdek, Larry Palecek. Also present: Nick Trimner, Carrie Kyle, Lynn Neeck

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Public Comment and Communications: None.
 2. Meeting minutes August 1 and August 15, 2023: Motion Houdek/Hallstrand to approve the minutes from the August 1 and August 15, 2023 meetings. Motion carried.
 3. Resolution – Approve Free Searches and Copies of Vital Records to All Price County Agencies: Motion Houdek/Palecek to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board for their consideration. Motion carried.
 4. Treasurer Report – Lynn Neeck
 - a. Monthly reports: Discussed. Sales tax and property tax collections going very well.
 - b. Delinquent Taxes and In Rem: 809 certificates issued for 2022 delinquent property taxes in the amount of \$765,7058. September 26 court date for 10 parcels for 2019 delinquent taxes. Discussion with Land Use / UW-Extension Committee regarding the new land sale legislation and involvement needed by the Executive Committee. Village of Catawba is interested in two parcels.
 5. County Administrator – Nick Trimner
 - a. 2022 Audited Financial Statements: Discussed findings. Will have presentation at September 12th County Board meeting.
 - b. 2023 Executive Financial: Discussed over and under amounts. Current budget issue with housing 14 animals for a pending court case. Stumpage revenue doing well. Currently below budget for high-cost placements. Tracking self-funded health insurance fund.
 6. 2024 Budget
 - a. Preliminary Budget Packet: \$300,000 for wage schedule. \$448,172 in new Shared Revenue. Planning for staff restructuring in several departments that are lacking. 0% health insurance increase. Debt Service increase of \$378,099. Library Service decrease of \$26,507. Reviewed Capital Improvement Fund and borrowing projects. Reviewed municipal apportionment.
 - b. Net New Construction: Came in at .93%. Motion Ernst/Hallstrand to approve using the Net New Construction for the 2024 budget in the amount of \$71,725. Motion carried.
 - c. Equalized Value: Discussed.
 - d. Highway Department – 2024 Road Construction, Equipment and Facilities Plans: Discussed.
 - e. Resolution – 2024 Price County Highway Department Road Construction Projects to be Financed with Short-Term Debt: Motion Palecek/Houdek to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board for their consideration. Motion carried.
 - f. Resolution – 2024 Price County Capital Projects and Highway Department Road Constructions Projects to be Financed with Short-term Debt: Motion Palecek/Hallstrand to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board for their consideration. Motion carried.
 7. Resolution – 2022 Transfer into Capital Improvement Fund: Motion Ernst/Hallstrand to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board for their consideration. Motion carried.
 8. Resolution – Approve Transfer to Offset 2022 Budget Overages: Motion Palecek/Houdek to approve the resolution and forward to the County Board for their consideration. Motion carried.
 9. Monthly Vouchers: Motion Houdek/Palecek to approve the accounts payable and payroll for the month of August in the amount of \$4,084,106.47 and voucher in the amount of \$5,149,641.13. Motion carried.
 10. Date of Next Meeting: October 12, November 9.
 11. Meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.
- Respectfully Submitted by Jean Gottwald, County