

FINANCE
June 4th, 2025

Call to order	<p>The Finance Committee meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Finance Chairman Gary Koch. Committee members Gerry Krachey, Bruce Strnad, Wayne Jerrett, and Greg Russell were present. Also present were Tom Cornford, County Board Chairman; Deanne Lutz, Treasurer via Zoom; Kailynn Friedline, ClearGov via Zoom; Hunter Burdick, ClearGov via Zoom; and Roberta Fisher, County Clerk.</p>
Verify posting	<p>The Finance Chairman verified that the meeting notice was properly posted at the Courthouse, Administration Building and on the county website.</p>
Approval of Minutes	<p>Motion by Krachey, second by Strnad to approve the minutes from the May 21st Finance Committee meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.</p>
ClearGov Budget Management Software	<p>Kailynn Friedline and Hunter Burdick gave a presentation to the Finance Committee today via Zoom.</p> <p>They introduced ClearGov's Budget Management software platform, which could help improve and streamline the way we currently manage our budget process.</p> <p>Key features of the platform include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Error Reduction: The software would help eliminate mistakes that often happen when using spreadsheets• Increased Transparency: It presents complex financial data using charts, dashboards, and images that are easier to understand.• Digital Budget Book: This tool automatically creates the structure of the budget book, including charts, tables, and pages. It can be shared online or as a PDF, saving time and improving how the budget is presented to the public.• Better Forecasting and Tracking: The platform allows us to compare historical data with actual numbers and instantly see the effects of any budget changes.• Full Budget Overview: Users can see all funds, make changes to line items and sub-line items, and save different versions of the budget as it develops.• Planning and Reporting Tools: The software helps with end-of-year projections, future planning, and creating customized reports for a full view of the budget. <p>The presentation highlighted how the ClearGov platform could make our budgeting process more accurate, efficient, and easy to communicate with both internal and public audiences.</p>

The Finance Committee members agreed that the ClearGov platform appears to be a useful tool that could streamline the current budgeting process. They expressed interest in possibly including the cost of the software in the 2026 budget for further consideration.

**Approval of Bills
and Proposals**

The Clerk presented the April invoice today from Klein McCarthy in the amount of \$21,469.25.

Motion by Strnad, second by Russell to approve payment of the Klein McCarthy April invoice. The motion carried unanimously.

**Set June Co
Board Agenda**

Francis Shelfhout of the WI DOT and Sherry Quamme of the WMRPC will appear before the County Board to discuss the amended resolution finalizing the interstate connection between the Iowa Mississippi River Trail and the Wisconsin MRT.

In addition, Sherry Quamme will provide an update on the Wisconsin Great River Road, highlighting its impact on tourism and its role in supporting economic development in Crawford County.

- Resolution to Support the Designation of the Mississippi River Trail Within the Limits of Crawford County
- Resolution Designating the Week of April 21st through April 25th, 2025, as “Workzone Safety Awareness Week” in Crawford County
- Resolution Confirming and Ratifying the Authority of Counsel for Crawford County to Add Additional Defendants to Opioid Litigation, Including MDL 2804
- Resolution to Amend Fixed Asset Policy
- Town of Clayton Assessor’s Plat – Gigi Collins
- County Line Festival Emergency Response Plan – Marc Myhre

Gerry Krachey has requested that a closed session be added to the County Board agenda to discuss the Gays Mills property and future Highway shop.

A Taco Bar will be provided immediately following the County Board meeting in recognition and appreciation of Crawford County employees.

Next meeting

June 18th, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

Motion by Russell, second by Krachey to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Roberta A. Fisher, County Clerk