

FINANCE
December 17th, 2025

Call to order

The Finance Committee meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Finance Chairman Gary Koch. Committee members Gerry Krachey, Greg Russell, Bruce Strnad, and Wayne Jerrett were present. Also present were Tom Cornford, County Board Chairman; Linda Redman, Register in Probate; Donna Steger, Child Support Director; Deanne Lutz, Treasurer; Holly Tanner, Clerk of Court, Nicole Asleson, Chief Deputy Clerk of Court; and Roberta Fisher, County Clerk.

Verify posting

The Finance Chairman verified that the meeting notice was properly posted at the Courthouse, Administration Building and on the county website.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Krachey, second by Jerrett to approve the minutes from the December 3rd Finance Committee meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Approval of Bills and Proposals

The Clerk presented invoices for approval today.

- Kraemer Brothers, Payment App #15 - \$1,424,382.11
- Aegis Insurance, 2026 Position Bonds - \$1,119.00

Motion by Strnad, second by Krachey to approve payment of the above invoices. The motion carried unanimously.

**CDA, Inc
CDBG Term
Paperwork**

The Wisconsin Department of Administration has announced the termination of 214 CDBG housing revolving loan programs in the state.

Once the program is terminated, the County is still responsible to service existing loans and once loans are repaid those proceeds along with a report will need to be submitted to DEHCR.

Community Development Alternatives, Inc proposes to assist with the termination process for a fee of \$5,000. \$2,500 upon execution of contract and \$2,500 upon completion of the termination process. This cost is to be paid from existing revolving loan funds.

CDA also proposes to assist with servicing of loans (subordination and satisfactions) for that amount which the state allocates for such services—presently understood to be \$250. Recording fees are in addition to this service fee. These costs are to be paid from repaid loan funds.

Motion by Krachey, second by Strnad to approve the CDA, Inc. proposal of servicing the termination of the CDBG loans. The motion carried unanimously.

2026 Property & APD/Liability Insurance Proposals

Wisconsin County Mutual provided a 2026 Property Insurance quote for approval. The total premium for property package coverage for the term 01/01/2026-01/01/2027 is \$71,697. This is with \$5,000 deductible.

Motion by Strnad, second by Russell to approve the 2026 Property Insurance proposal in the amount of \$71,697. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

WCM also provided the 2026 Liability Coverage proposal in the amount of \$140,866. This proposal is for both General Liability and the Automobile Liability coverage.

Motion by Krachey, second by Jerrett to approve the 2026 General and Automobile Liability coverage in the amount of \$140,866. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

2025 Fair Finance Report

Deanne Lutz, Treasurer, shared the 2024 and the 2025 Fair Financial Reports with the committee members today. Overall, the revenue was down about \$700 from the previous year.

911 Coordinator Credit Card Request

Angie Martin, 911 Coordinator, is requesting a credit card. Martin is replacing Julie Cipra as the new 911 Coordinator.

Motion by Krachey, second by Russell to approve Angie Martin's request for a credit card as the new department head. The motion carried unanimously.

County Treasurer Report

Lutz presented the Sales & Use and Wheel Tax report for review.

Sales Tax went down slightly by 8.9% from the 5-year average. The county has already met its goal of \$2,071,000 after the November update. Wheel Tax remained flat.

After today's approval of Kraemer Brothers Payment Ap #15, there are approximately \$4.2 million left in Phase 2 borrowing.

Report of Child Support

Donna Steger, Child Support Specialist, informed the committee today, that she would like to purchase a new shredder for her department. Per requirement, the shredder needs to be a Level P-7 crosscut.

Steger has a quote from Amazon for \$1,247.01. She does have enough

funds in her supplies and expense account.

Motion by Strnad, second by Krachey to approve Donna's request to purchase this new Level P-7 shredder in the amount of \$1,247.01. The motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting is January 14th; however, several committee members will be in LaCrosse attending a Highway meeting, and a quorum will not be present. The Clerk will work with the committee members and Carol Wirth to schedule the next meeting date.

Adjournment

Motion by Krachey; second by Strnad to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

Roberta A. Fisher, County Clerk