

## AUDIT/FINANCE/PURCHASING COMMITTEE

May 11, 2017

Present: Becky Edwards, Chairman-Aaron Allen-Vicki McMahon-Paul Schmitz-Matt Wells

Absent: none

Others present: Jeremy Travelstead, Tim Carlson, Julie Mayer, Amy Winans, Molly Alaria, Donna Hibbetts, Mike Havera, Bruce Engeling, Mike Frazier, Bob DeClerck, Mary Rhodes, Terri Parks, Rhonda Moma, Brian Wilbur, Seth McMillian, Stacey Turner, Cindy Drea and Jan Bland.

The Finance Committee met on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the County Board Meeting Room, second floor Christian County Courthouse, Taylorville, Illinois. The purpose of the meeting was to address agenda items and any other matters properly brought before the committee. Attendance was taken and Finance Chairman Becky Edwards noted a quorum. There were no public comments.

### HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER

The annual review and bids for health insurance was presented by Jeremy Travelstead, American Central Broker. He explained that for the past 10 years the County has been in good standing with Blue Cross with normal claim history. During that time the premiums have been maintaining an approximate equal cost to the County by changing deductibles and plans. This past year the claims were four times higher than the total annual premium. Due to the extreme claim history, only three carriers would bid. After evaluation of the bids, a plan with Health Alliance was selected that was substantially similar to the past and current coverage. There are some changes as generally occurs. Many of those changes are a plus to the employee and for the County.

- Health Alliance is more of a central Illinois plan for in-network benefits. Bigger hospitals in St. Louis and Chicago are available for in-network. Out of network benefits are offered as well.
- A prescription plan offers select drugs for maintenance at no cost.
- Medical transportation is offered at a co-pay.
- A fourth quarter carry over deductible/out-of-pocket (OOP) credit is included.
- All co-pays, including Rx apply to the deductible/OOP. [Co-pays are not reimbursable]
- The deductible/OOP is one amount--\$6,250 and covered with the HRA provided by the County.

The current premium of which the County pays approximately \$849,382 (The employee's percentage and dependent coverage has been deducted.) The BCBS renewal would cost approximately \$1,046,034.

The selected Health Alliance plan is approximately \$832,838 (\$16,544 less than the current BC plan).

Becky Edwards asked Bruce Engeling how the FOP feels about the new healthcare proposal. He responded that they understand the condition of the County and the plan is good and comparable.

Several AFSCME members were in attendance. Mary Rhodes also commented that their membership had a meeting and they don't believe the new plan is similar as it is a closed network; members had concerns that procedures might not be approved; due to the low salaries of the employees, the BC plan serves them best; and this year must have been an unusual year for claims.

Becky Edwards then asked Mary Rhodes the following questions:

- Are you aware that Christian County has been running a \$500,000 deficient for the last three years? Mary's response was yes.
- Are you aware that we have requested budget cuts of 5% across the board for fiscal 2018? Mary's response was yes.
- Are you aware that should the County keep BCBS it would cost the County an additional \$196,000.00? Mary's response was yes.

Jeremy Travelstead commented that Michelle in American Central Office is always available to assist employees with any claim issues. Additionally, HA offers "coordination of care" which allows a patient to continue care through a period of time.

After discussion, Becky Edwards commented that we have reviewed the contract and are confident Health Alliance meets all requirements of the union contracts. She made a motion that Christian County accept the terms of the healthcare policy known as Health Alliance for a period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and to also include the current dental, vision and life insurance providers (with no premium increases) or the period of July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. The motion was seconded by Matt Wells. A roll call vote polled all ayes and the motion carried.

#### BUDGET HEARING-STATES ATTORNEY

Mike Havera presented his FY 2018 budget proposal touching on reduction in costs from copy paper and supplies and by converting a full-time position to a part-time position after the retirement of one of his employees.

He explained an upcoming conversion required for the civil portion of the court system. This will help in paper reduction as well as overall effectiveness and time management. Also noted was the total dollars in his budget is staff, however, noting his salary has an 87% reimbursement from the State and costs the County \$21,000. The Victim Witness position also is reimbursed partially with a \$20,000 grant.

#### BUDGET HEARING-CIRCUIT CLERK

Julie Mayer began with the fact she has control of only 6% of her budget with the largest percentage being salaries and benefits. Her staff is not a seasonal office and included in the office duties, most of the time there are two staff in the courtrooms most of the day. When she was first elected, her part time/overtime line item was \$10,000 and is now zero. Last month she spoke to the committee about a vacancy, and explained that she did hire someone to fill the position. Several factors played into that decision as she explained. She projects by the next budget she will have additional opportunities to reduce her budget.

#### BUDGET HEARING-CORONER

Amy Winans began with the dilemmas of unclaimed bodies and the work and costs involved to find family members. She receives grant money from IDPH for specific items in her budget. The largest and most unpredictable expense is autopsies. She commended all of her coroner deputies for the time they put in even with all the time she spends. The purchase of the coroner's car has been a tremendous savings to the County. She noted last year her budget was \$113,000 but only had to spend \$108,000.

Committee members have copies of the departments' proposals for review. Budget hearings will continue May 22 and May 24.

#### MOBILE HOME RESOLUTIONS

Two resolutions were presented for approval for the sale of Tax Certificates of mobile homes:

83 Hillcrest MH Park-17-13-26-HI-083 to Brad Tullis. A motion was made by Matt Wells and seconded by Paul Schmitz to adopt the resolution R2017 TR 010. The motion carried

26 Hillcrest MH Park-17-13-26-HI-026 to Brandon Hamell. A motion was made by Aaron Allen and seconded by Matt Wells to adopt the resolution R2017 TR 011. The motion carried.

#### CLAIMS FOR MAY APPROVED

All claims were signed by committee members, and a motion was made by Paul Schmitz and seconded by Vicki McMahon to approve the claims submitted for May 2017. The motion carried.

#### COUNTY CLERK FEE STUDY

Laurie Mense presented the current, proposed, allowed and comparison fees generated from her office. The last fee study was completed in 2003, accordingly the fees have not been increased by the County for about 15 years. She explained the various fees and made suggestions not to increase to the maximum amount for some. Increases can be made any time after the study, but just cannot exceed the study's amount. A projected

income as result of the fee increase is about \$98,000. An ordinance is required along with an attached fee schedule. A motion was made by Matt Wells and seconded by Becky Edwards to approve the recommended fee increases, prepare the ordinance for the full Board meeting with an effective date of June 1, 2017. The motion carried.

The fees are as follows:

<u>Fees</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Macon</u>	<u>Mont.</u>	<u>Sang.</u>	<u>Shelby</u>
Land	\$60.00	<b>\$75.00</b>	\$60.00	\$75.00	\$39.00	\$56.00
Non-Land	\$58.00	<b>\$66.00</b>	\$50.00	\$66.00	\$29.00	\$34-\$56
Plat	\$98.00	<b>\$95.00</b>	\$98.00	\$106.00	\$74.00	\$100.00
Tax Reds	\$25.00	<b>\$94.00</b>	\$103.00	\$94.00	\$26.00	\$100.00
Birth	\$9.00	<b>\$18.00</b>	\$23.00	\$19.00	\$25.00	\$17.00
Add'l	\$4.00	<b>\$6.00</b>	\$10.00	\$6.00	\$7.00	\$4.00
Marriage	\$9.00	<b>\$18.00</b>	\$23.00	\$19.00	\$25.00	\$17.00
Add'l	\$4.00	<b>\$6.00</b>	\$10.00	\$6.00	\$7.00	\$4.00
ML/CU	\$50.00	<b>\$75.00</b>	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00	\$75.00
Death	\$19.00	<b>\$22.00</b>	\$27.00	\$23.00	\$29.00	\$21.00
Add'l	\$8.00	<b>\$10.00</b>	\$14.00	\$10.00	\$11.00	\$8.00
Search	\$9.00	<b>\$10.00</b>		CERT	CERT	\$10.00
Notary	\$5.00	<b>\$17.00</b>	\$14.00	\$17.00	\$5.00	\$5.00
Mail	\$10.00	<b>\$17.00</b>	\$23.00	\$17.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
DBA	\$5.00	<b>\$30.00</b>	\$42.00	\$32.00	\$11.00	\$50.00
Chgs	\$1.50	<b>\$10.00</b>	\$18.00	\$32.00	\$1.50	\$1.50

### ICIT RECAPITALIZATON

As reported last month, the former liability carrier has now invoiced each county their share of the necessary assessment to providing funds for each of the two Illinois County Insurance Trust groups—2001 and 2009.

ICIT 09—our county’s percentage due of \$355,000 is 19.71% or \$69,970.50.

ICIT 01—our county’s percentage due of \$300,000 is 9.40% or \$28,200.00.

A claim for ICIT 01 for \$28,200 is reported in the claims report under the appropriate line item. The additional invoice for ICIT 09 has also been filed for \$69,970.50. It is the desire of the committee to pay both under the appropriate line item and allow it to overflow by \$23,170.50 [ $\$69,970.50 + \$28,200 = \$98,170.50 - \$75,000 = \$23,170.50$  overflow.] A motion was made by Paul Schmitz and seconded by Becky Edwards to approve the \$98,170.50 to the ICIT assessment line item. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Aaron Allen and seconded by Vicki McMahon to adjourn. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Edwards  
Finance Committee Chairwoman  
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