

COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Joint Meeting-Executive/Finance, Tax, & Budget Committees
CHAIRPERSON: Steve Allendorf, Chairperson/John Schultz, Chairperson
DATE/TIME: April 13 @ 1:00 pm

PRESENT-EXECUTIVE:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Allendorf, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill Bingham	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LaDon Trost
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Toot, Vice-Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Hill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lucas Bourquin
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diane Gallagher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Lang	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Schultz

PRESENT-FINANCE:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Allendorf	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Schultz, Chair	<input type="checkbox"/> Staci Duerr
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Diane Gallagher	<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant	<input type="checkbox"/> Ron Smith
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Toot	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Lang	

A quorum was established for each committee.

Other Board Members: John Korth, Robert O'Connor, Robert Heurman, and Don Zillig.

Others: Angela Kaiser, Dan Reimer, John Hay, Laura Edmonds, and Melisa Hammer.

1. **Minutes Approval** – None.
2. **Citizens' Comments** – None.
3. **Unfinished Business** – None.
4. **New Business**
 - a. FINANCE: Discussion and possible action to accept the FY2019 Jo Daviess County Audit – Matt Schueler from Wipfli, LLC presented the FY2019 Jo Daviess County Financial Audit to the committee. He indicated the county had no compliance findings and ended the fiscal year in better financial shape than originally projected. **John Lang made a motion to move forward to the County Board a recommendation to accept the FY2019 Jo Daviess County Audit as presented. Seconded by John Schultz and motion carried.**
 - b. FINANCE: Discussion and possible action on a Resolution to Extend the 2020 Deadline for Filing Senior Freeze Exemption Applications – Supervisor of Assessments Laura Edmonds explained the need to extend the deadline for applying for this exemption. It is only for the 2020 Senior Freeze Exemptions. **Steve Allendorf made a motion to move forward to the County Board a recommendation to approve a Resolution to Extend the 2020 Deadline for Filing Senior Freeze Exemption Applications. Seconded by John Lang and motion carried.**
 - c. FINANCE: Discussion and possible action on a Resolution Postponing Delinquency Date Interest for the First Installment 2019 (Payable 2020) Property Tax Payments Pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/21-40(c)(1)(B) – County Treasurer Melisa Hammer explained the purpose behind the proposed resolution. It does not postpone the June 1st and September 1st due dates of the 2019 payable 2020 first and second installments of property tax, but rather, postpones the application of late penalty on the first installment, should property owners experience financial hardship related to the current COVID-19 pandemic event. If property owners do not pay their first installment by September 1, 2020, late penalty will be assessed retroactively to June 1, 2020. **Steve Allendorf made a motion to move forward to the County Board a recommendation to approve a Resolution Postponing Delinquency Date Interest for the**

First Installment 2019 (Payable 2020) Property Tax Payments Pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/21-40(c)(1)(B). Seconded by John Lang and motion carried.

- d. EXECUTIVE: Discussion and possible action to amend the Jo Daviess County Deferred Compensation Plan to allow Coronavirus Related Distributions and Loans per the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) – Dan Reimer suggested this item be referred back to the Deferred Compensation Committee for further review. Chairperson Allendorf agreed to postpone action on this item until a future meeting.
- e. EXECUTIVE: Review of the Jo Daviess County Employee Absence During a Catastrophic Public Health Emergency Policy (P2020-4) and possible action for setting a tentative end date for limiting hours and staffing during the current COVID-19 catastrophic public health emergency – John Hay reviewed the policy and proposed amendment. The original policy did not provide for a monthly review, so this language has been added. It will give the board the opportunity to reassess the ongoing situation as needed. **John Schultz made a motion to move forward to the County Board a recommendation to amend the Employee Absence During a Catastrophic Public Health Emergency Policy as presented. Seconded by Bill Bingham and motion carried.**
- f. EXECUTIVE: Consideration and possible action on a Families First Coronavirus Response Act (“FFCRA”) Emergency Family and Medical Leave (“EFML”) and Emergency Paid Sick Leave (“EPSL”) Policy – John Hay explained the resolution outlining the proposed policy. This resolution addressed the current federal mandates regarding sick leave related to the COVID-19 pandemic. There were a few items within the resolution that required board decisions, so Chairperson Allendorf recommended holding this item over to another meeting, so they could further discuss what decisions might be needed. He would be willing to call a special committee meeting for this purpose.
- g. EXECUTIVE: Discussion and possible action regarding a request by Sheriff Turner to hire a Corrections Officer to fill a future vacant position (per Category 2 hiring freeze policy, any new or vacant positions to be filled only with approval of the County Board) – Due to time restrictions, this item will be held over for full board consideration. The full county board meeting immediately follows this Joint Executive Committee & Finance, Tax, & Budget Meeting.
- h. EXECUTIVE: Discussion and possible action to approve a Letter of Support for ECIA’s BUILD Application to Improve Iowa/Illinois Port Facilities - Due to time restrictions, this item will be held over for full board consideration. The full county board meeting immediately follows this Joint Executive Committee & Finance, Tax, & Budget Meeting.

5. **Closed Session** – None.

6. **Possible action as a result of closed session** – None.

7. **Staff Reports** – None.

8. **Summary of Committee Activities** – None.

9. **Citizens Comments** – None.

10. **Board Member Concerns** – None.

The meeting adjourned at 2:03 p.m. following a motion made by John Schultz. Seconded by Don Hill and motion carried.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.