

# **BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES**

**October 20th, 2015**

A budget workshop meeting of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioner's was held on Tuesday, October 20th, 2015 at the Chippewa County Building in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. Chairman Shackleton called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jim Martin, Scott Shackleton, Don McLean, Conor Egan and Rudy Johnson

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jim German, Dave martin, Lana Forrest, Christine Lundquist, Heidi Bailey, Dr. Joe Garlinghouse, Tina Love, Kristina Denison, Tom Ewing, Tami Beseau and Kelly Church

## **Public Comment**

No public comment was offered.

## **Budget meeting with Agencies**

### **Chippewa County EDC**

Tami Beseau and Tom Ewing spoke on behalf of the Chippewa County EDC, who is requesting a \$26,316 allocation; with the allocation the airport can levy a one million grant. A brief overview of the car testing, rental properties, airport departures and how the EDC revenue is utilized so that both the EDC and the Airport break even annually. A lengthy discussion took place regarding the proposed budget allocations including a 10% savings via Fund 692 the County's Insurance Fund.

## **Soil Conservation**

Kristina Denison and Tina Love spoke for the Soil Conservation District regarding the \$26,000 allocation request, which levies approximately \$750,000. Discussion followed regarding, timber sales, forestry, wild life and how that the Conservation District works with as many agencies as possible, and would be willing to meet with others.

## **Health Department**

Dr. Garlinghouse, David Martin and Christine Lundquist addressed the Committee regarding their FY16 request. Dr. Garlinghouse spoke first regarding his jobs as the medical Director and Medical Examiner, the FY16 budget includes a \$15,000 increase in the ME's salary, the Michigan Health Code was reviewed, as well as, the 24x7x365 required service time for the ME position. The Medical Director position was also reviewed, as everything crosses his desk for the home health, hospice, SHAC, policy and procedures for family health, etc. The Committee also asked about the SHAC services, and funding matches and in-kind contributions. Environmental Health fees in the FY16 budget request have a proposed 20% increase. The Health Department continues to monitor their cash closely, which various cost settlements from previous years currently helping them out.

## **Committee and Chairman's Comments**

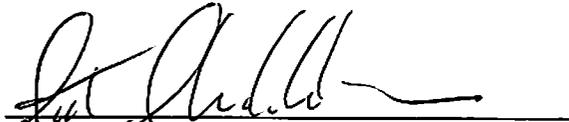
Follow-up conversation regarding the FY2016 budget, included Millages, revenue, dark stores, veteran's exemptions. The Finance Committee will be giving the proposed budget, with an approximate \$27,000 fund balance to the November meeting, with the Public Hearing, being held prior to the November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting, and for the Budget Resolution to be approved. The Finance Committee will have the opportunity to bring up any changes to be voted on during the Finance Meetings.

**Adjourn**

**It was moved by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner McLean, to adjourn the meeting.**

Chairman Shackleton declared the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

  
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Kelly J. Church, Recorder

  
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Scott Shackleton, Chairman