

**Lincoln County**  
**Finance and Insurance Committee**  
**Social Services Third Floor Conference Room**  
**Friday November 2, 2007**  
**7:30 a.m.**

**1. Meeting called to order** by Chairman Lee at 7:30 a.m.

**Members Present:** Robert Lee, Gene Simon, Richard Berndt, Robert Lussow & Robert Weaver

**Visitors:** Dan Leydet, John Mulder, Curtis Powell, Randy Schultz, Dave Reiff, Jay Tlusty, Glen Hartley, members of Humane Society

**2. Minutes of October 5, 2007** were approved as printed by Motion/Second M/S Lussow/Berndt– all voting aye.

**3. Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer's Financial Report was not available due to date of meeting, Year-to-date Budget Report was review and placed on file by M/S Simon/Weaver all voting aye.

**4. 2008 Family Court Commissioner's Budget** – Judge Hartley, Judge Tlusty, Attorney Reiff all spoke in opposition to the 50% 2008 budget reduction in the Family Court Commissioner's Budget and requested the original amount be reinstated. Chairman Lee asked the committee to take the issue under advisement and County Staff to again review reduction and report back to committee.

**5. Humane Society Quarterly Statements** – Finance Director Leydet reported that all financial reporting had been received and is current. Members of the Humane Society appeared and verbally reported on progress at the Humane Society Animal Shelter and requested that the original budget request be restored for 2008. Chairman Lee asked the committee take the issue under advisement and County Staff again review reduction and report back to committee.

**6. 2008 Budget Developments** – Finance Director Leydet reported on what is known about the recently passed Wisconsin State Budget . Much of the information and interpretation at the State level is not complete. It was reported that the State maximum county levy limit will be 3.86% for 2008 and 2% for 2009 and that ambulance services and library service may be exempt for the levy calculation. County staff reviewed the implication of increasing the Lincoln County budget levy increase form 2% to 3.86% and the possible exemption of ambulance services and library service from the levy calculation. The Lincoln County Budget Book has gone to the printer with a 2% levy increase and will need to be amended if the County Board elects to levy the new maximum 3.86%. By consensus the committee requested that Finance Director Leydet prepare amending Lincoln County Budget Book Sheets which indicates the maximum 3.86% levy increase and that ambulance and library service be exempt from the budget calculation if approved at the State level. These sheets will be made available at the formal Budget Hearing on November 13, 2007. Further, Finance Director Leydet to prepare amending Budget Book Sheets increasing the Pine Crest Budget by \$60,000 and the remaining difference between 2% and 3.86% designated for contingency account. M/S Lussow/Simon to strongly recommend to the Lincoln County Board that the 2008 budget be amended to levy the maximum allowable by the State. All voting aye.

**7. Resolution 2007-11-53 Approving the 2008 Budget and Providing for Tax Levy –** M/S Lussow/Weaver to forward to the County Board and recommend approval – all voting aye.

**8. County Clerk's Year-to-Date Budget Report –** Report distributed and placed on file

**9. Job Description and Departmental Agreement for Highway and Financial Manager/Accountant –** M/S Simon/Lee to forward to Administrative and Legislative Committee and recommend approval. All voting aye

**10. Building Project Purchase Order and Year-to-Date Expenditure Update –** The committee reviewed summary of purchase and expenditure document. M/S Lee/Lussow to place on file – all voting aye.

**11. Budget for additional Building Cost –** Finance Director Leydet provided the committee with a list of building program issues that need to be assigned to someone or committee. M/S Lee/Simon to refer issue list to Building Committee and Government Services Work Group – all voting aye.

**12. October Year-to-Date Budget Report –** Report reviewed by committee

**13. Budget Modifications –** Finance Director reviewed and explained Budget Modification for Commission on Aging (four increases - \$416, \$416, \$716, \$716); UW Extension (two increase \$1498.70, \$1498.70); Sheriff's Department (three increases \$29,871, \$28,541,\$1330), Highway (Numerous changes all on budget modification form dated 4-12-07) – M/S Lussow/Simon to approve all budget modifications – all voting aye.

**14. Finance Director's Report – a. Year-to-Date Budget Report –** Place on file, no significant issues.

**15. Review Correspondence/Communications –** none

**16. Review County Voucher Listing –** Listing made available for review.

**18. Set Next Meeting Date –** December 7, 2007, January 4, 2008 both at 7:30 a.m.

**19. Adjourn –** M/S Simon/Lee to adjourn at 10:00 a.m. – all voting aye.

Submitted by,

Robert Weaver  
Secretary