

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE OF MEETING: May 11, 2021 at 5:04 p.m. County Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Melonie Tilley – Chair, David Newberg, Terry Ferguson, Dan Matthews, and Nate Ennis. Also, present Dee Rentmeister, County Administrator.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION:

- No one was present/requested to speak to the committee.
- Motion by Ennis, 2nd by Newberg to approve last month's minutes. Voice vote, motion carried.
- Tim Holl, Public Defender, was present to request the recreation of his legal secretary position. His current legal secretary has tendered her resignation. Rate of pay would be \$13.60/hour. Motion by Ferguson, 2nd by Matthews to recreate the legal secretary position in the public defender's office at a rate of pay of \$13.60/hour. Voice vote, motion carried.
- Mike Johnson from BPA was present to go over renewal rates for the health insurance plan. Health Alliance rates will go up 7%. Current rate is \$538 for single coverage and will go to \$576. The county pays \$480.00 with the employee paying \$58.00. Discussion on possibly changing the county contribution. Motion by Ennis, 2nd by Newberg to recommend to the full board to renew the county health insurance with Health Alliance and the county continue to pay \$480.00 per month for single coverage with the employee paying \$96.00 per month. Voice vote, motion carried.
- Motion by Ferguson, 2nd by Matthews to approve the claims. Voice vote, motion carried.
- Motion by Newberg, 2nd by Ennis to approve a travel request for Sandy Schlosser at a cost of \$255.00 for registration. (Attached to minutes) Voice vote, motion carried.
- Discussion on the number of county board districts and number of members per district. Motion by Matthews, 2nd by Ferguson to recommend to the full board to have 4 county board districts made of three members each for the upcoming 10-year cycle. Voice vote, motion carried.
- Discussion on the per diem/salary for the board members for the next 10 years. Motion by Newberg, 2nd by Matthews to recommend to the full board to set the salary for county board chair at \$5,000/yr and members at \$1,000/yr and \$87.00 per diem/per meeting attended for the period covering 12-1-2022 thru 11-30-2032. Voice vote, motion carried.
- Discussion on sending a letter and passing a resolution opposing reductions to the Local Government Distributive Fund. Will address this at the full board meeting this month.
- General discussion on the federal monies allocated to the County from the American Rescue Plan.
- Motion by Ennis, 2nd by Ferguson to adjourn at 5:59 p.m. Voice vote, motion carried.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Approve last month's minutes.

Recreate the legal secretary position in the public defender's office at a rate of pay of \$13.60/hour.

Recommend to the full board to renew the county health insurance with Health Alliance and the county continue to pay \$480.00 per month for single coverage with the employee paying \$96.00 per month.

Approve a travel request for Sandy Schlosser at a cost of \$255.00 for registration.

Approve the claims.

Recommend to the full board to have 4 county board districts made of three members each for the upcoming 10-year cycle.

Recommend to the full board to set the salary for county board chair at \$5,000/yr and members at \$1,000/yr and \$87.00 per diem/per meeting attended for the period covering 12-1-2022 thru 11-30-2032.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO FULL BOARD:

Recommend to the full board to renew the county health insurance with Health Alliance and the county continue to pay \$480.00 per month for single coverage with the employee paying \$96.00 per month.

Recommend to the full board to have 4 county board districts made of three members each for the upcoming 10-year cycle.

Recommend to the full board to set the salary for county board chair at \$5,000/yr and members at \$1,000/yr and \$87.00 per diem/per meeting attended for the period covering 12-1-2022 thru 11-30-2032.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: June 21, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

**AGENDA
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Date and Time of Meeting: May 11, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. County Building

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Persons Wishing to Address the Committee (If requesting action, also list below in section three)
 - a.
 - b.
3. Items for Discussion and Possible Action
 - a. Approve last month's minutes
 - b. Approve claims
 - c. Health insurance renewal
 - d. County Board salary/per diem for the period covering 12-1-2022 thru 11-30-2032
 - e. County Board election terms in each district for the period covering 12-1-2022 thru 11-30-2032
 - f. Travel request – Sandy Schlosser
 - g. Recreate legal secretary position in Public Defender's office
 - h.
4. Items for Discussion Only (No Action Requested)
 - a.
 - b.
5. Executive Session
 - a.
6. Motion to adjourn

Posted: May 6, 2021 at 4:35 p.m.

By: Dee Dee Rentmeister



Exhibit C

Proposal Rates for: Dewitt County

POS 2500 NS1 RX340

Effective Period: 07/01/2021 through 06/30/2022

Premium Rates:	
EMPLOYEE:	\$576.00
EMPLOYEE + 1:	\$1,151.00
EMPLOYEE + 2 OR MORE:	\$1,541.00

"Primary Medicare Eligible" Rates:	
SINGLE (with "Primary Medicare Eligibility"):	\$374.00
TWO-PERSON (both with "Primary Medicare Eligibility"):	\$747.00
TWO-PERSON (one with "Primary Medicare Eligibility"):	\$949.00
FAMILY 3+ (one with "Primary Medicare Eligibility"):	\$1,339.00

Approved by: _____
(Benefits Administrator)

Date Approved: _____

Health Alliance Officer: _____
Andrew Weintraub

Date: _____

Please Note: These rates assume that Health Alliance Medical Plans, Inc. is not offered alongside other health insurance options. Health Alliance requires no more than 50% out of service area membership for. In the event that membership changes by 20% or more during the contract year Health Alliance reserves the right to review and/or, revise this offer. Please see last page for Medicare eligibility rules.



DeWitt County
SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSEMENTS
DeWitt County Courthouse
sschlosser@dewittcountyill.com



SANDY SCHLOSSER
SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS

OFFICE
935-7800

April 29, 2021

Melonie Tilley
DeWitt County
Finance Committee Chairman
201 W. Washington St
Clinton, IL 61727

Dear Chairman Tilley:

I am respectfully requesting to travel to Collinsville, IL to take the Valuation of Manufactured Housing course October 7, 2021.

The cost with travel request will be:

Registration \$255.00

I am not requesting mileage for this travel.

Thank you for your consideration with this request.

Sincerely,

Sandy Schlosser
DeWitt County
Supervisor of Assessments

Resolution No. _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE DEWITT COUNTY BOARD, ILLINOIS
FOR APPORTIONMENT & SALARIES OF COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS**

(County of DeWitt
(STATE OF ILLINOIS

WHEREAS, the County Board determines the amount of districts and the number of members to be elected from each district pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/2-3003; and

WHEREAS, the County Board has determined that the County of DeWitt shall remain comprised of four districts with three members per district until the next time of reapportionment pursuant to Illinois law; and

WHEREAS, the County Board pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/2-3008 shall determine the salary to be paid to board members at the time the county is reapportioned; and

WHEREAS, the adjustments to salary may not take effect during the term of the incumbent board; and

WHEREAS, the salary of the County Board shall be set from December 1, 2022 to November 30, 2032 at \$1,000 per year for regular members and \$5,000 per year for the board chair and \$87 per diem for meetings.

NOW BE IT DECLARED that the County Board of DeWitt County apportions the County of DeWitt to consist of four districts with three members per district and the salary for board members shall be \$1,000 per year for regular members and \$5,000 per year for the board chair and \$87 per diem for meetings until the time of reapportionment pursuant to Illinois law, to take effect on December 1, 2022.

Pursuant to a roll-call vote of _____ ayes and _____ nays, such vote being a majority of the members of the DeWitt County Board in attendance and such vote having the required majority of members in attendance voting in favor, this resolution is hereby passed on this _____ day of _____, 2021.

_____ Carter	_____ Pruser	_____ Wickenhauser	_____ Ennis
_____ Kammeyer	_____ Houser	_____ Newberg	_____ Tilley
_____ Prestegaard	_____ Ferguson	_____ Myers	_____ Matthews

County Board Chairman: _____
Terry Ferguson

Subscribed and sworn to me this _____ day of _____, 2021

County Clerk: _____

Resolution Opposing Reductions to LGDF Revenue

WHEREAS, counties provide fundamental and important services to their residents including, but not limited to, justice and public safety services, transportation infrastructure, community health services, human services, parks and recreation opportunities and election administration; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has a long-standing tradition of helping to support these local services through the collection and distribution of tax revenues on behalf of counties; and

WHEREAS, counties rely on these shared revenues in order to invest in services that residents cannot, nor should not, do without; and

WHEREAS, these shared revenues are the result of a good faith historical partnership between the state and county governments in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, since the State Income Tax was adopted in 1969, the state has shared a percentage of total income tax collections through the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) with counties and municipalities in recognition that local governments are essential service providers for Illinois residents who live, work and play at the local level; and

WHEREAS, Governor JB Pritzker has proposed that the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2022 State Budget include a 10% reduction in the amount of LGDF revenue distributed to counties; and

WHEREAS, this revenue reduction is being proposed at a time when counties are already expending additional funds on the COVID-19 emergency response.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that DeWitt County urges the General Assembly and the Governor to protect and preserve existing levels of LGDF revenue and any other state-collected local government revenues that are shared with counties to provide appropriate levels of service to their residents.

Pursuant to a roll-call vote of _____ ayes and _____ nays, such vote being a majority of the members of the DeWitt County Board in attendance and such vote having the required majority of members in attendance voting in favor, this

resolution is hereby passed on this ____ day of _____.

County Board Chairman: _____
Terry Ferguson

Subscribed and sworn to me this ____ day of _____, 2021

County Clerk: _____

May 20, 2021

The Honorable JB Pritzker
Governor
207 State House
Springfield, IL 62706

Dear Governor Pritzker:

I write to you on behalf of DeWitt County to express our opposition to your proposal to divert revenues from the Local Government Distributive Fund (LGDF) to resolve the State's budget deficit.

Since its establishment as part of the enactment of the state income tax in 1969, LGDF represents a successful and critical state and local partnership for funding essential programs and services relied upon by Illinois residents.

Maintaining the full amount of these funds is of particular importance during a time when local budgets are facing additional demands to provide public health and safety services directly connected to the COVID-19 emergency response.

A review of the history of LGDF distributions shows that the local percentage share of the state income tax distributed through LGDF funding has already been reduced over the years. This has prevented local governments throughout the state from receiving billions of dollars in shared revenue.

Until January 2011, counties and municipalities received 10% of total state income tax revenues through LGDF. Following a temporary increase in state income tax rates in 2011, the percentage of tax revenue allocated to LGDF for distribution to local counties and municipalities declined to 6%.

In January 2015, the local share of the state income tax increased to 8% when the higher income tax rates declined according to a predetermined schedule established by law.

The state income tax was permanently increased in 2017 and the local government share was reduced to 5.45% for individual income tax collections and 6.16% for corporate income tax collections for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2018.

The LGDF share was slightly increased within the SFY 2021 state budget and is presently 6.06% for individual income tax collections and 6.845% for corporate income tax collections. This is significantly below the 10% share received by counties and municipalities prior to January 2011.

Once again, DeWitt County opposes any reduction to the existing LGDF share and supports a restoration of the full 10% of income tax collections shared with local governments prior to January 2011.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

Terry Ferguson, Chairman