

FINANCE COMMITTEE SUMMARY – AUGUST 21, 2014

1. Second reading of Ordinance 83, 2014, revised Fee Schedule in the Department of Corrections. Department of Corrections has examined the fees charged to inmates comparing it to other counties. They found Erie County fees to be low compared to like sized facilities. A list of changes can be found on **page 4** of your agenda. **Page 3**
2. First reading of an ordinance, Library Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$30,000 and waiver of Purchasing Code for Bookmobile repairs. Only two vendors offered actual bids on the repair of the Bookmobile. The administration prefers Cleveland Brothers who are certified to work on the CAT engine and offer a four-year warranty. The other vendor only offered a one-year warranty; thus, the need for a waiver. **Page 8**
3. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$30,000 to Library for repairs to the Bookmobile. This is a companion ordinance to the previous item representing the movement of dollars in the General Fund. **Page 18**
4. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$25,000 for County Coroner additional fees and services expenditures. Owing to a larger than expected number of deaths requiring services from the Coroner's Office this request comes for more funding. **Page 20**
5. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$8,000 for County Solicitor additional Professional Fees. This request for funding is needed in regards to the Bryant case. You might recall that a young man was put in foster care and abused by his caretaker. A settlement was reached last year. The complainant then decided afterward that it was not enough money. An original request for \$25,000 was made in 2013 but the case did not advance as expected. Solicitor Haller believes this will be enough money for legal expenses during 2014. **Page 23**
6. First reading of an ordinance, Public Safety Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of donated \$4,937 Datacard ID printer, camera and supplies from NWPAs Emergency Response Group. Donations are treated in the same manner as a funding supplemental. They must be approved by County Council. **Page 25**
7. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation for donation of \$4,990 Ballistic Barriers to the Sheriff Department from NW PA Emergency Response Group. **Page 28**
8. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation for donation of \$3,500 utility trailer to the Sheriff Department from Great Lakes Auto Sales and the Lake Erie Chapter of International Blue Knights. **Page 31**
9. Resolution approving the Erie County General Authority not to exceed \$2,300,000 Tax-Exempt Note for Erie Art Museum Project. Council must approve such borrowing by statute but the County is not liable in any way for the debt. The Art Museum project is a debt refinancing. Attorney Tupitza will be present to answer any questions about this and the following item. **Page 34**

10. Resolution approving the Erie County General Authority not to exceed \$8,500,000 Tax-Exempt Note for Presbyterian Homes in the Presbytery of Lake Erie Project. Council must approve such borrowing by statute but the County is not liable in any way for the debt. This project consists of the expansion and renovation of the institution's Manchester Commons Facility located on West Lake Road in Fairview. **Page 37**
11. Resolution combining the Corry Housing Authority and the Erie County Housing Authority. The administration working through the ECHA has come to an agreement with the CHA to combine authorities but to keep the office in Corry. The boards of both entities are in agreement with the action. There is no reason not to expect increased efficiencies from this consolidation. Mike McNierney will be present to answer questions. **Page 40**
12. Resolution approving tax exoneration of 2013 Real Estate Taxes on Multicultural Community Resource Center Parcels 15-20-26-127, 15-20-26-125 and 15-20-26-125.99. The other two municipal units have agreed to this exoneration already. **Page 47**
13. Resolution exonerating taxes on one abandoned trailer/property #04-018-049.0-017.50 in Conneaut Township and the Northwestern School District. All municipal units have agreed to this exoneration. **Page 55**
14. Resolution exonerating taxes on one abandoned trailer/property #13-003-007.0-003.50 in the Northwestern School District and Elk Creek Township. All municipal units have agreed to this exoneration. **Page 59**
15. Resolution exonerating taxes on one abandoned trailer/property #33-034-172.0-023.25 in Millcreek Township and the Millcreek Township School District. All municipal units have agreed to this exoneration. **Page 63**
16. Reappointment of Amy Danzer to the Erie County Human Relations Commission. Term expiration is 8-11-18. (County Council direct reappointment to represent Dr. Foust's District) **Page 68**
17. Sale of 5 parcels from the Erie County Repository.
 - Parcel 15-020-015.0-104.00, 259 E. 17th St. for \$250 to City of Erie Housing Authority.
 - 15-020-020.0-218.00, 336 E. 17th St. for \$250 to City of Erie Housing Authority.
 - 15-020-020.0-221.00, 344 E. 17th St. for \$250 to City of Erie Housing Authority.
 - 24-012-036.1-074.32, 157 Honeybrook Circle, TRL, for \$250 to Geothermal Homes LLC.
 - 28-002-002.3-005.39, 10384 W. Lake Rd., LT 208 TRL, for \$250 to Geothermal Homes LLC.**Page 69**
18. Analysis of General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance. **Page 95**

PERSONNEL SUMMARY – AUGUST 21, 2014

1. Second reading of Ordinance 92, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$10,756 for re-organization of Procurement, Facilities and Operations Departments. This ordinance separates the functions of facility management and procurement (purchasing). It also creates a Procurement Director position at a yearly salary of \$60,000. Start for an M-II is \$41,945. **Page 2**

2. First reading of an ordinance, Public Health Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$11,004 for Safe & Healthy Communities Bureau and reallocation for new position in Tobacco Grant Bureau. Increased funding in S&HC allowed for a reallocation of funding in that bureau and the creation of a full time position in the Tobacco Bureau. The continuance of the position in Tobacco in 2015 will be dependent upon continued grant funding. Melissa Lyon, Director of the Department of Health, will be present to answer questions. **Page 8**
3. First reading of an ordinance, General Fund Budget supplemental appropriation of \$20,769 for Court Administration, the elimination of a Part Time Court Reporter position, and the change of another to full time. The courts have been unable to fill the second part time position, so this change allows them to get more work out of the filled position. **Page 13**
4. Dr. Foust wishes to add a Library Board appointment to the Agenda today. Separate handouts will be available.

Regular Meeting is August 26, 2014, Northwestern High School, 200 Harthan Way, Albion, PA.