Call to Order
The Budget and Finance Committee was called to order by Chair John Purcell at 5:34p.m.

Committee Members Present: Scott Gryder - here, John Purcell - present, Bob Davidson - here, Matthew Prochaska – present

Elizabeth Flowers arrived at 6:28p.m.

Others Present: Latreese Caldwell, Dan Koukol, John A. Shaw, Jeff Wilkins

Claims Review and Approval – Member Prochaska made a motion to forward for approval in an amount not to exceed $1,405,329.89, approval of additional claims in an amount not to exceed $13,397.14 and approval of Petit and Grand Juror Claims in an amount not to exceed $2,675.00, second by Member Gryder. With all in agreement, the motion carried.

Department Heads and Elected Official Reports – None

Items from Other Committees - None

Items of Business

Recommends Approval of Fiscal Year 2016 Renewal with IL Counties Risk Management Trust for Property, Liability and Worker’s Compensation coverage with self insurance retention in an amount not to exceed $250,000 for worker’s compensation - Member Gryder made a motion to forward to the County Board for approval, second by Member Prochaska.

Discussion on the savings per year by switching to $250,000 versus $100,000 premium; previous claims over $100,000; and the Forest Preserve District claims for the past eight years.

Member Gryder made a motion to forward the approval of Fiscal Year 2016 Renewal with IL Counties Risk Management Trust for Property, Liability and Worker’s Compensation coverage with self insurance retention in an amount not to exceed $250,000 for worker’s compensation, with separate inter-governemental agreement with the Forest Preserve District of Kendall County, and explore entering into an intergovernmental agreement with KenCom, keeping them as a rider on the County policy at $100,000, and agreeing that the County would cover any of their worker’s comp claims between $100,000 and $250,000.

With Members Gryder, Prochaska and Purcell voting aye, and Member Davidson voting nay, the motion carried by a 3-1 vote.
Benefits Reimbursement Policy – Member Purcell explained his reasoning for including this item on the agenda by saying that the County Board needs to look at the sustainability of staff being hired, whether as ongoing staff or through grants, and as part of sustainability of how are the benefits being funded for any position hired through grants or outside funds, that somehow the general fund or IMRF and Social Security funds get reimbursed a portion or all of those benefits associated with all of those staff positions.

Member Prochaska supplied information showing that the five counties higher and five counties lower than Kendall County in population Health Departments reimburse their counties for health insurance, ranging in amounts between $82,000 and $1,600,000. Kendall County is the only one in all of those counties that does not receive any form of reimbursement from their County Health Department for IMRF, Social Security or health benefits. When talking about Tax Levy dollars for all of those counties, Kendall County is in the middle. Member Prochaska said there isn’t a large ram up in the levies for them to be reimbursing.

Member Gryder said that in his reviewing of Kendall County Board minutes from the early 1970’s when they decided to go to a referendum, that it was implied and intended that the County would not continue to pay for the Health Department benefits out of the general fund, but that benefits should be paid out of the Health Levy. Member Gryder said that when the finances of the County were good, it was easier for the County to pay more toward the Health Department benefits than in years that are not as financially sound.

Member Purcell stated that a benefits reimbursement policy might establish what percentage of benefits or what types of benefits are covered for all departments or offices within the county. Member Purcell said that some offices that have received grant funding have ensured that the grant would pay for the salary and the benefits of those positions. Member Gryder stated that having a policy would make it more clear to everyone in the county.

Member Davidson made a motion to refer to the next Finance Committee for discussion a Benefits Reimbursement Policy that any office or department that receives a tax levy and/or any outside grant funding will be billed and pay for their employee IMRF, Health Insurance and Social Security, and that funds from those grants would be used to pay for those benefits, second by Member Gryder. The motion carried by a 3-1 vote.

Recommend Approval of Kendall County Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Combined Annual Budgets and Appropriations Ordinance for all funds in an amount not to exceed $77,000,000 –

Member Davidson made a motion to change the budget to have the Health Department pay all of their employees IMRF, Social Security and Health Insurance benefits in an amount not to exceed $985,000, second by Member Gryder.
**Voice Vote Roll Call:** Member Flowers – no, Member Gryder – yes, Member Prochaska – no, Member Purcell – no, Member Davidson – yes. **With a vote of 2-3, the motion failed.**

Member Prochaska made a motion to forward the approval of the Kendall County Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Combined Annual Budgets and Appropriations Ordinance for all funds in an amount not to exceed $77,000,000 to the County Board for approval, second by Member Gryder.

Chair Purcell called for a roll call for approval of the original motion of recommending for approval of the Kendall County Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Combined Annual Budgets and Appropriations Ordinance for all funds in an amount not to exceed $77,000,000.

**Roll Call:** Member Prochaska – aye, Member Purcell - yes, Member Davidson – yes, Member Flowers – no, Member Gryder – yes. **With Members Prochaska, Purcell, Davidson and Gryder voting yes, and Member Flowers voting no, the motion passed with a 4-1 vote.**

**Other Business** – Member Gryder briefed the committee that at the last Planning, Building and Zoning committee meeting, the Health Department attended, and they proposed an increase in building project site evaluations and demolition site evaluations. They have been doing this in conjunction with the County Code Official for the last two years. The Code Official raised concerns because the County Board has never passed the fee, and therefore he isn’t authorized to collect the fee. The Health Department wanted to do this collaboratively, and hold up the building permit process in order to get those site evaluations back. It was discussed at the PBZ meeting that they would discuss creation of an ordinance regarding this fee at a future meeting. Mr. Gryder said they received an email today that the Health Department has already begun charging that fee.

Member Prochaska presented a proposed Kendall County Board Oversight Restoration Ordinance that would regulate private sewage disposal systems, the construction, alteration, or repair of such systems; and requiring an annual registration certificate for private sewage disposal installers and pumpers; and regulating water supplies, the construction and modification of water wells, construction of closed loop geothermal wells; the sealing abandoned wells, and the inspection of water supplies and their components; and the establishment of requirements for food sold in retail stores, food equipment and utensils, food service personal, food protection and food service establishments by regulating the inspection of food operations and providing for the enforcement of this ordinance; in Kendall County, Illinois.

Member Prochaska said that the statutes of the State of Illinois grant the Kendall County board the power to enact such ordinances to protect the public health of the citizens. Discussion on the Health Department charging the fee for the building project site evaluations and demolition site evaluations. **There was consensus by the committee that the proposed ordinance should go to the Judicial Legislative Committee for review, discussion and action.**
Public Comment – None

Questions from the Media – None

Action Items for County Board

- Approval of Claims in an amount not to exceed $1,405,329.89, approval of additional claims in an amount not to exceed $13,397.14 and approval of Petit and Grand Juror Claims in an amount not to exceed $2,675.00

- Recommend Approval of Fiscal Year 2016 Renewal with IL Counties Risk Management Trust for Property, Liability and Worker’s Compensation coverage with self insurance retention in an amount not to exceed $250,000 for worker’s compensation

- Approval of Kendall County Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Combined Annual Budgets and Appropriations Ordinance for all funds in an amount not to exceed $77,000,000

Items for Committee of the Whole – None

Executive Session – None needed

Adjournment – Member Prochaska made a motion to adjourn the Budget and Finance Committee meeting, second by Member Flowers. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Administrative Assistant/Recording Clerk