

Finance Committee Meeting Report
303C, March 12, 2026, 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mark Burton, Dale Stiles, Rex Kiser, Lynn Sutton, Shannon Bumann, Kippy Breeden, and Ray Elliott Members Absent:

Others Present: Erin Knackstedt, Clerk Link, Treasurer Vincent, Circuit Clerk Motley, Assessor Vinavich

The meeting was called to order by Chair Burton at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Member Sutton moved to approve the agenda, Member Elliott seconded the agenda, all were in favor and the motion carried.

There were no guest introductions.

There was no public comment.

Member Elliott moved to approve the February 12, 2026 minutes, Member Kiser seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried.

The committee reviewed the report provided by Sheriff Verscheure which included public safety tax info, jail totals. The jail cost study will be presented in April.

The committee reviewed the report on the activities of Assessor Vinavich which included, BOR update, assessments, and the tax cycle is on schedule.

Clerk Link reported on the activities of County Clerk/Recorder which included Hillcrest time clock, elections, tax levy entry, audit, EAV's, end of quarter accounting, board minutes on website project, and economic interest forms going out.

Treasurer Vincent reported on the activities of the Treasurer's office which included taxes, interest, CD rates, and an overview of the new tax bill.

The Hillcrest financial report was reviewed.

The committee reviewed the Treasurer's Bank Balance Report and the County Clerk's Dept. report. Member Bumann moved to recommend the County Board place on file the Treasurer's monthly Bank Balance reports and monthly interest report, and the County Clerk's monthly Department report, Member Kiser seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried.

The committee reviewed the February 2026 Revenue and Expenditure Accumulated Transaction report and Budget Performance Reports.

Member Sutton moved to recommend the County Board approve the monthly County Accounts in the amount of \$2,893,589.98 Member Kiser seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Under old business the committee briefly discussed fund balances.

Under new business,

Member Stiles moved to approve the assessor salary resolution, and Member Kiser seconded, there was a roll call vote, all were in favor and the motion carried. Chair Burton reviewed a slide deck which included information on comps, average salaries, strategic thinking behind a phase in approach, the salary study, and percentage increases. The committee discussed performance reviews, comps, different salary phase in approaches, and initial percentage increases.

Member Kiser moved to approve the county clerk salary resolution, and Member Breeden seconded, there was a roll call vote, Member Bumann and Member Elliott voted no, all others were in favor and the motion carried. The committee discussed different phase in approaches, IMRF, and quantity of work for both offices.

Member Sutton moved to approve the circuit clerk salary resolution, and Member Stiles seconded, there was a roll call vote, Member Bumann and Member Elliott voted no, all others were in favor and the motion carried.

Member Sutton moved to approve the treasurer salary resolution, and Member Kiser seconded, there was a roll call vote, Member Bumann and Member Elliott voted no, all others were in favor and the motion carried.

Member Bumann moved to approve the deeds of conveyance, and Member Stiles seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried.

The next regular meeting was scheduled for Thursday, April 9, 2026 at 3:00 p.m., 303C conference room.

Member Bumann moved to adjourn, and Member Sutton seconded, all were in favor and the meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,
Erin Knackstedt, County Administrator