

Minutes approved 5.19.26



Finance Committee

James Carius Community Room
Tuesday, April 21, 2026 – 4:38 p.m.

Committee Members Present: Chairman Mike Harris, Joe Woodrow, Dave Mingus, Deene Milam, Kim Joesting, Eric Stahl, Russ Crawford, Nancy Proehl

Committee Members Absent: Vice Chairman Max Schneider, Eric Schmidgall

Others Attending: Mindy Darcy, County Administrator

MOTION **MOTION BY MEMBER MINGUS, SECOND BY MEMBER JOESTING** to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2026 meeting

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MOTION BY MEMBER JOESTING, SECOND BY MEMBER STAHL to recommend to approve the FY27 Budget Calendar

Member Hopkins stated that the VAC is in the process of changing superintendents. He questioned how we can help them with that process. Chairman Harris stated that one or two members on the committee will sit with each department and go over their budget, along with the Finance Director.

F-26-09 **MOTION BY MEMBER STAHL, SECOND BY MEMBER WOODROW** to recommend to Approve FY27 Budget Parameters

Administrator Mindy Darcy stated that they are asking that all departments and funds hold their commodity and contractual expense budgets flat for FY27 as compared to FY26. She stated that meetings will be scheduled again with one or two members of the finance committee, herself, and a member of the finance staff to talk through budgets.

Member Stahl voiced his appreciation for this process.

Member Crawford asked what the change would be this year. Administrator Darcy explained that in the past year or two, departments had been instructed that contractual commodities could be increased by an amount deemed necessary due to inflation. However, departments are being asked not to apply those increases this year.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

F-26-10 **MOTION BY MEMBER CRAWFORD, SECOND BY MEMBER STAHL** to recommend to Approve Purchase of a Three-Year Contract for VMware

Administrator Darcy stated that VMware is a virtual management tool that helps us not to have so many physical servers.

Chairman Harris questioned after the three years, does a new contract have to be initiated. Administrator Darcy stated that after three years, Heart stated that we could look for a server refresh and look for a similar but different solution.

Chairman Harris questioned if this saves money since it replaces servers. Administrator Darcy stated that we do save money for not having to purchase as many servers and also save money from maintaining the servers.

Member Hopkins questioned if we have been paying for this prior. Administrator Darcy stated that we have had VMware since 2024.

On voice vote, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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Chairman Harris recessed the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

(transcribed by S. Gullette)