

**Finance Meeting  
October 25, 2023**

Attendees

Committee: Art Merrill, Wayne Marshfield, Jeff Taggart, Mark Tuthill, John Kosier,  
Wayland Gladstone, George Haynes, Tina Molé  
Staff: Bev Shields, Amy Merklen, Penny Bishop

Mr. Merrill called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.

On a motion by Mr. Gladstone, seconded by Mr. Taggart, the draft minutes of the October 11 meeting were unanimously approved.

The October 12 Sales Tax report was reviewed. The report indicates an increase in sales tax of 1.7570 percent compared to the same time period last year.

Clerk of the Board – Penny Bishop

Regarding Mr. Merrill's comments on the budget, Mrs. Bishop confirmed the new budget module is still being modified. In reply to Mr. Marshfield, she said USL Financials is working very hard to build the program to the county's requirements. David Richardson from USL and Nancy Stuligross from IT are working on it every day in order to have it ready for this budget season. Mrs. Bishop said she believes the module will be ready soon. In the meantime, the process is running in tandem with the manual budget process to verify accuracy and completeness of the new program.

Treasurer's Office – Beverly Shields

Mrs. Shields presented a not-prefiled resolution for a transfer of \$100,000 from contingency to pay the remaining community college invoices for the year. In reply to Mr. Merrill regarding foreclosure sales, she said the governor has yet to sign the new legislation.

Mr. Merrill presented two additional not-prefiled resolutions: Support for Operation Green Light and the audit resolution.

Upon a motion by Mr. Taggart, seconded by Mr. Marshfield, the Committee entered into executive session to discuss a number of staff salary modifications.

Committee reconvened in regular session.

Travel, equipment, and fill vacancy requests were approved as presented.

Upon a motion, the meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.