

**Finance Committee Meeting
March 26, 2025**

Attendees

Committee: Art Merrill, Wayne Marshfield, Wayland Gladstone, George Haynes, Joe Cetta,
Eric Wilson, Tina Molé
Absent: John Kosier
Supervisor Maya Boukai
Staff: Amy Merklen, Penny Bishop

Mr. Merrill called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

On a motion by Mr. Haynes, seconded by Mr. Marshfield, the March 12 committee meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

The year-end contingency report was reviewed. The balance is \$1,223,827 after final transfers and the addition of \$2M from sales tax revenue. Mr. Cetta noted there will be a resolution before the Board today to transfer approximately \$90,000 from contingency for behavioral health and this is likely to continue. Mr. Marshfield said it would be helpful if the contingency report included department subtotals. Mr. Merrill agreed and said this report is very important at budget time and subtotals would be beneficial. He said the report shows that we have a very tight budget, and it would be good if they could keep it tight without adding to the tax burden. The Clerk referred to the last entry on the contingency report which was a transfer for a prescription drug benefit. She stated there had been an RX benefit surplus for a number of years which is now exhausted.

The March 12 Sales Tax report was reviewed which shows the two most recent deposits are down from last year, but overall, sales tax is up slightly at a 2.8330% increase for the year.

In reply to Mr. Marshfield, the Clerk said the auditors would be here in June.

Mr. Cetta made a motion to enter executive session for salary negotiations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wilson and unanimously carried.

Committee reconvened in regular session.

There are three not-prefiled resolutions: Legislative Approval for Continuation of Sales Tax Levy, Recognize April 7 through 13 as National Public Health Week, and Payment of Audit.

Ms. Molé said Emergency Services Director Steve Hood and Deputy Director Maggie Wilson would be presenting on the ambulance service at the Board Meeting today.

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

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.