The meeting was held in the Rusk County Government Center third floor conference room.

Present: Pete Boss, Randy Tatur, Karl Fisher, Tony Hauser, and Mike Hraban. Also present: Denise Wetzel and Rosemary Schmit.

Chair Tatur called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Tatur accepted nominations for Chair. Fisher nominated Boss. Tatur called for other nominations three times. **Motion by Hraban, second by Fisher to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Pete Boss for Chair. Motion carried.**

Chair Boss accepted nominations for Vice-Chair. Hraban nominated Randy Tatur. Boss called for other nominations three times. **Motion by Fisher, second by Hauser to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Randy Tatur for Vice-Chair. Motion carried.**

**Motion by Hraban, second by Fisher to approve the March 15, 2016, minutes. Motion carried.**

Sheriff Jeff Wallace, Ted East, Phil Schneider, Chris Kammerud, and Mark Schmitt were present to discuss jail meals and senior meals. East explained the proposed per meal cost under two different scenarios with County staff preparing the meals at the Senior/Youth Building. **Motion by Hraban, second by Fisher to proceed with the proposed jail and senior meal plan on a one-year trial basis. Motion carried.**

Schneider was present to discuss the resolution to use $10,000 of Power Line funds to assist in paving the road up to Community Park. There was no action taken on the resolution.

Schneider, Marty Huhn, Stacy VanHeesch, Kitzie Nelson, and Angie Harvey were present to discuss the Ambulance line item transfer and to discuss using Alliance Collection Agency for collections. Discussion followed on the write off of old accounts and the Emergency Services Committee increasing the write off percentage to 44 percent due to the type of pay sources. The Committee recommended adjusting the reserve for write offs to 44 percent to show a more realistic picture and review the Ambulance line item transfers at next month’s Finance meeting. **Motion by Fisher, second by Tatur to allow the Finance department to negotiate with Alliance Collection Agency for Ambulance collections. Motion carried.**

Bobby Biettiger, John Pratt, and Verna Nielsen were present to discuss purchasing the old Glen Flora School. **Motion by Hraban, second by Hauser to direct Verna Nielsen to have legal counsel draft an agreement for John Pratt and Bobby Biettiger to make payments on the back taxes of the Glen Flora School in the next year. Motion carried.**

Nielsen presented the Treasurer’s report which included an update of bank balances.

Paul Teska was present to check on the status of the Power Line resolution.
Mike Naczas was present to discuss the milk house replacement at the Fairgrounds. **Motion by Hraban, second by Tatur to allow Terry Dusell and volunteers proceed with the milk house replacement project. Motion carried.**

Tatur informed the Committee that the Library Board is looking into security cameras for the library.

Fisher gave an update on Personnel issues.

Invoices paid April 1, 2016, to April 19, 2016, were reviewed, discussed, and signed. Invoices to be paid after Finance approval were reviewed, discussed, and signed. **Motion by Hraban, second by Hauser to approve paying the bills. Motion carried.**

Line item transfers were reviewed as follows: Medical Examiner with $1,584.90 needed from contingency, IT, Finance with $1,572.26 needed from contingency, Ambulance, Ambulance Grant, LEPC, LEPC Equipment Grant, Emergency Government, County Clerk, County Board, Tax Deed, Legal Fees/HR with $2,470.96 from contingency, Dog License Trust, Animal Shelter, Animal Shelter Building Fund, District Attorney, Crime Victim Witness Coordinator, Economic Development, Tourism, Joint Management, Courthouse with $41,912.57 from contingency, Airport Expansion with $80.74 from contingency, Airport, Jail Maintenance with $1,114.15 from contingency, Fairgrounds, Trails End with $4,240.85 from contingency, Vending Machine, Other County Property, Senior/Youth Operations with $1,276.51 from contingency, Junior Fair, UW-Extension, WNEP, Recycling, LCDD-Land Records Division, LCDD-Zoning Division, LCDD-Land and Water Conservation Division, Circuit Court, Register of Deeds with $27,303.14 from contingency, Parks, ATV, Land Acquisition, Road Aids, Forestry, State Aid Forestry, Sheriff, Jail, Conservation Officer, EDGE, BRDEU, Click It or Ticket, Victim Service Specialist, Sheriff ATV, Water Patrol, Snow Patrol, BRDEU Meth, Shop with a Cop, and Unfunded Equipment Grant. **Motion by Hauser, second by Hraban to approve the line item transfers and contingency fund requests as presented and forward those needing County Board approval to the Board. Motion carried.** The Committee will review the Ambulance resolution at its next meeting.

The Committee reviewed the Economic Development report which included an update of buildings and projects.

Wetzel presented the Clerk’s report which included an update of marriage licenses, elections, personnel issues, and dog licenses.

Schmit presented the Finance Director’s report which included an update of back taxes, sales tax, insurance, and county cars.

The next regular Finance meeting is Wednesday, April 20, 2016, at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned 12:56 p.m.

Rosemary Schmit, Recording Secretary