The meeting was held in the Law Enforcement Center meeting room.


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

Doug Pavlik was present to review the Hazmat budgets.

256—Hazmat—Reduce line 340 Equipment by $800.44 to $1,699.56. Skogen/Platteter made a motion to tentatively approve the Hazmat budget subject to further review. Motion carried.

Aliesha Crowe, Kayla Olmstead, and Charmaine Johnson were present for the Extension budget review.

514—Trails End Youth Camp—No changes at the present time.
515—University Extension—No changes at the present time.
516—University Extension Meeting Fund—No changes at the present time.
518—WNEP—No changes at the present time.
356—Recycling Grant—No changes at the present time. Platteter/Skogen made a motion to tentatively approve the Extension budgets subject to further review. Motion carried.

Joanne Phetteplace was present to review the Treasurer’s budgets.

119—Treasurer—Reduce line 311 Postage by $3,650.00 to $3,650.00. Eliminate mailing receipts unless requested. Skogen suggested recovering some of the bank fees from the Hospital. Reduce 319 Office Supplies by $1,000.00 to $5,000.00.

120—Other Tax Collections—Increase 41150 Forest Crop Tax by $10,000.00 to $40,000.00. Increase 43574 Forest Mill Tax by $5,000.00 to $35,000.00.

121—Plat Book Fund—No changes at the present time.

Phetteplace distributed a draft of a banking RFP for the Committee to review. Platteter/Skogen made a motion to approve the banking RFP with the Treasurer, Auditor, and Deputy Auditor II reviewing proposals with Committee action at the September 25, 2008, Finance meeting at 9:30 a.m. Motion Carried.

Platteter/Skogen made a motion to tentatively approve the Treasurer budgets subject to further review. Motion carried.

Nancy Hahn was present to review the Crime Victim Witness Coordinator budget.
111—Crime Victim Witness Coordinator—Hahn received notification that the estimated reimbursement from the State could be budgeted at 52 percent in 2009 instead of 50 percent. Increase the estimated reimbursement to 52 percent. This would increase revenue line 43580 by $569.11 to $14,796.90.

Skogen/Platteter made a motion to tentatively approve the Crime Victim Witness Coordinator budget subject to further review. Motion carried.

Paul Teska was present to review the Forestry budgets.

610—County Forest Operations—Change the 2008 estimate of Gross Stumpage Revenue from $1,000,000.00 to $1,300,000.00. This also adjusts the 10 percent Severance tax from $100,000.00 to $130,000.00. The estimated levy reduction in 2008 was changed from $562,655.10 to $832,655.10.

611—State Aid Forestry Operations—No changes at the present time.

612—County Forest Road Aids Program—No changes at the present time.

613—Land Acquisition Fund—No budget for 2009.

614—County Conservation Aids Program—No changes at the present time.

615—Snowmobile Trails Maintenance Grant—No changes at the present time.

616—Development of Habitat—No changes at the present time.

617—ATV Trail Grant—Teska said it doesn’t look like Rusk County is going to receive the ATV grants, but he didn’t want them removed from the proposed budget at the present time. He plans to continue to pursue this grant.

620—County Parks and Recreation—The Committee discussed the request of $10,000.00 of Powerline funds and following the procedure for requesting these funds that was approved by the County Board.

621—County Owned Dam Repairs—No budget for 2009.

623—Park Development Fund—No changes at the present time.

624—Boat Landing Repairs—The Committee discussed the request for $2,000.00 for Powerline funds. This request

652—Parks Improvement Projects—Remove the request of $35,623.50 from Powerline funds and have the Forestry Committee work on doing the blacktop at Josie in 2008 out of excess stumpage revenue. The Powerline funds requested in the other two budgets will be revisited at a later date.

Skogen/Platteter made a motion to tentatively approve the Forestry budgets subject to further review. Motion carried.

John Pohlman and Carolyn Forde were present to review the Library budget.

510—Library Operations—No changes at the present time. Platteter/Skogen made a motion to tentatively approve the Library budget subject to further review. Motion carried.

Rich Summerfield was present to review the Corporation Counsel budget.
112—Corporation Counsel—No changes at the present time.  
Skogen/Platteter made a motion to tentatively approve the Corporation Counsel budget subject to further review.  Motion carried.

The next Finance budget meeting is Thursday, September 18, 2008, at 8:30 a.m.

Platteter/Skogen made a motion to adjourn.  Motion carried.  The meeting adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Rosemary Schmit, Recording Secretary