

# Richland County

Finance & Personnel Standing Committee

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**March 5, 2024**

The Richland County Finance and Personnel Standing Committee convened on Tuesday, March 5, 2024 in person and virtually at 5:15 PM in the County Boardroom of the Richland County Courthouse.

**Call To Order:** Committee Chair Brewer called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM.

**Roll Call:** Clerk Kalish conducted roll call. Committee members present: Marty Brewer, Gary Manning, Timothy Gottschall, David Turk, Steve Williamson, and Marc Couey. Committee members absent: Steve Carrow, Melissa Luck, and Julie Fleming.

**Proof Of Notification:** Clerk Kalish confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed.

**Approval Of Agenda:** Motion by Manning second by Gottschall to approve agenda. Motion carried and agenda declared approved.

**Approval Of February 13<sup>th</sup> Minutes:** Hearing no additions or corrections from those present, Committee Chair Brewer declared the February 13, 2024 minutes approved as presented.

**Public Comment:** None present for Public Comment.

**Report: County Administrator – Staffing Updates:** Administrator Pesch provided the most recent county staffing statistics and provided update on hiring, recruiting, and advertisement efforts to fill open positions.

**Report: County Administrator – Wage, Compensation, And Classification Study Updates:** Administrator Pesch noted the list of comparable counties is close to being finalized and will be sent to DDA once completed.

**Report: Update On Dispatch Upgrade:** MIS Director Scott provided a brief update on the dispatch upgrade project. Scott noted that the project is delayed and that if the project is not complete by June of 2024, the grant funding will expire. Scott will work with Attorney Windle to draft future correspondences to the vendor.

**Discussion & Possible Action: Resolution Approving Payment Of Change Orders For The Richland County Ambulance Service:** Corporation Counsel Windle reviewed the change orders in question and summarized the series of events that led to their creation. Prior Emergency Management Services Director Darin Gudgeon provided additional insight into the events that transpired regarding the change orders. Gudgeon stated he felt the invoices for the approximate amounts of \$7,000 and \$3,700 were costs that should be paid. Corporation Counsel Windle advised that no payment be made at this point, further research is needed, and that he be included in future calls with the vendor. No further action taken on this item.

**Discussion & Possible Action: Resolution Relating To Making A Deficiency Appropriation In Various Accounts:** Clerk Kalish reviewed the deficient accounts in which an appropriation was needed. Motion by Couey second by Turk to approve resolution making deficiency appropriations in various accounts. Motion carried and the resolution forwarded to County Board for full approval.

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## **Future Agenda Items:**

Update on Radio Tower Project

Payment of change orders for the Richland County Ambulance Service

**Adjournment:** Motion by Manning second by Couey to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.



Derek S. Kalish  
Richland County Clerk