Richland County Executive & Finance Standing Committee

January 27, 2025

The Richland County Executive & Finance Standing Committee convened on January 27, 2025 in person and virtually at 5:00 PM in the County Boardroom of the Richland County Courthouse.

Call To Order: Committee Vice Chair Turk called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

Roll Call: Deputy Clerk Hege conducted roll call. Committee members present: Steve Carrow, Ingrid Glasbrenner, Craig Woodhouse, David Turk, Marc Couey via WebEx. Committee member(s) absent: Gary Manning, Mark Gill, Melvin "Bob" Frank, and Steve Williamson.

Verification Of Open Meetings Law Compliance: Deputy Clerk Hege confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed.

Approval Of Agenda: Motion by Glasbrenner, second by Woodhouse to approve agenda. Motion carried and agenda was approved.

Approval Of Minutes From` The January 14, 2025 Meeting: Committee Vice Chair Turk asked if there were any corrections or amendments to the minutes from the January 14, 2025 meeting. Hearing none, Committee Vice Chair Turk declared the minutes from the January 14, 2025 meeting approved as published.

Public Comment: None

Reports:

A. Tax Deed Properties: Corporation Counsel Attorney Windle gave a brief report on a property seized by the county. Attorney Windle briefly reviewed the legal process that was started to deal with the occupant of the property and the actions taken in regards to complaints from the neighbors of the property. Brief discussion ensued.

Discussion & Possible Action: Update On Ethics Board: Corporation Counsel Windle gave an update on the work being done on the creation of an ethics ordinance. Corporation Counsel Windle asked the committee for direction on whether the employee portion should be part of the ordinance or part of an employment policy. Extensive discussion ensued. Consensus from the committee was to have the portion of the ethics ordinance pertaining to employees be part of an employment policy. Attorney Windle reviewed the guidance received from the committee as to the structure of the ethic board being as follows: members would be appointed by the Committee on Committees, consist of five members and one alternate, one member shall be an attorney or someone trained in the process of judicial or quasi-judicial proceedings, no employees, officials, or anyone who receives the majority of their income from the county allowed to serve. Discussion ensued.

Correspondence: None.

Future Agenda Items:

Discussion & Possible Action: Review Of Access And Organization Of Files Available Electronically To County Board Supervisors – Carrow/Turk

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Discussion & Possible Action: Creating Of Contingency Resources For The Interim Administration Team – Turk

Discussion & Possible Action: Discussion Of Timeline For Update Of County's Strategic Plan – Glasbrenner/Turk

Adjourn: Committee Vice Chair Turk entertained a motion to adjourn. Motion by Carrow, second by Glasbrenner to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

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