FINANCE
August 19th, 2026

Call to order

The Finance Committee meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Finance Chairman Gary Koch. Committee members Gerry Krachey and Wayne Jerrett were present. Bruce Strnad and Greg Russell were absent. Also present were Tom Cornford, County Board Chairman; Deanne Lutz, Treasurer; and Roberta Fisher, County Clerk.

Verify posting

The Finance Chairman verified that the meeting notice was properly posted at the Courthouse, Administration Building and on the county website.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Krachey, second by Jerrett to approve the minutes from the August 5th Finance Committee meeting. The motion carried with no negative votes cast.

Approval of Bills and Proposals

The Clerk presented the bills and invoices for approval.

- Klein McCarthy $ 7,975.45
- Kraemer Brothers, Payment App #22 $523,528.55
- Peterson Invoice $ 2,826.50
- Various Soft Costs, Jail Project

Motion by Jerrett, second by Krachey, to approve the above invoices for payment today. The motion carried unanimously.

7 Rivers Alliance Request

Chris Hardie, 7 Rivers Alliance CEO, is here before the Finance Committee today to request a $1,000 contribution from Crawford County to support the 7 Rivers Alliance Business Park initiative. This is a regional effort to evaluate existing industrial and business park capacity and identify opportunities for future business park expansion across western Wisconsin.

7 Rivers Alliance has applied for a $50,000 Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) Capacity Building Grant to conduct the region's first comprehensive Business Park initiative.

Motion by Koch, second by Cornford, to approve the $1,000 contribution to 7 Rivers Alliance. Motion carried unanimously.

Hardie will send the clerk an invoice once the grant has been approved.

Treasurer's

Deanne Lutz distributed the updated monthly Sales & Use and Wheel Tax reports

Report	for review. Sales &Use Tax decreased 16% from last year. Wheel Tax was down as well by about 1.9%. Jail Bond funds remaining as of August 20th is a little over $2 million. July interest earned on the remaining funds was $9,151.05.
County Clerk Report	Koch and the clerk shared some health insurance information with the committee today and the impact on the 2027 Budget. More information will be shared once The Insurance Company receives the proposals.
N**ext meeting**	September 16th, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
Adjournment	**Motion by Krachey; second by Jerrett to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.**

Roberta A. Fisher, County Clerk