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FINANCE, LEGAL & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - FINANCE July 15th, 2025 AT 10:30AM

ATTENDANCE:

Legislators: Sauerbrey, Roberts, Brown, Standinger, Ciotoli, Aronstam, Bunce Staff: McFadden, DeWind, Haskell, Schurter, Parke, Holbrook, Freyvogel, Bailey, Cline

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of June 10th Finance Committee were read and a motion to approve by Legislator Ciotoli, seconded by Legislator Brown and unanimously carried.

FINANCIAL: YTD budget was presented and receipt of the annual stipend from the Tioga Tobacco Securitization Corporation was noted.

OLD BUSINESS: Treasurer McFadden shared that of the 96 parcels in jeopardy of foreclosure mentioned in June, only 40 remain on the tentative foreclosure list. Two of these are pursuing bankruptcy protection.

: The Cost Allocation Summary was presented, highlighting the work of an outside agency to itemize Indirect Costs associated with the Department of Social Services, Public Health and Mental Hygiene, allowing a significant portion of \$1,314,800 in internal county expenses to be available for reimbursement.

NEW BUSINESS: The Sales Tax Payments received for June totaled \$3,237,529.80 making the County Year to Date total \$16,486,410,36, an increase of 7.23% from June 2024.

: An update of the progress on the Strategic Plan was presented beginning with an explanation of the current process to distribute Tax Auction Surpluses. As of June 2025, four prior property owners have retained legal counsel to petition the court to release surplus monies. Using the current process, this was completed in an efficient and timely manner. The 2nd item on the Strategic Plan pertains to updating our current P-Card Program to allow cash back rewards for purchases. Progress is halfway to completing County participation in the program. The Treasurer's office is also working to streamline the process to obtain Student Certificate of Residency Applications.

PERSONNEL: None

RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS: Presented a resolution requesting a Donation of Time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Legislator Ciotoli motioned to enter executive session, Legislator Bunce seconded the motion. The executive session began at 11:27.

ADJOURNMENT: Legislator Bunce motioned to adjourn at 11:48 am.