

February 23, 2021

The Harper County Board of Commissioners met in regular session, with Chairman Waldschmidt calling the meeting to order to Commissioner Darrin Struble (Via Zoom) and Commissioner Vornauf. Jump with The Harper Advocate, Recording Secretary, Melinda McCurley and Community Development Director, Shelly Hansel were also present.

Commissioner Vornauf motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 16, 2021; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Vornauf motioned to approve the addition/abatement orders for a negative -\$61.34; approved unanimously.

Mike Elliott, Buildings and Grounds, gave a department update. A water pipe broke during the recent cold weather and flooded the Horizons Child Advocacy Center. Mike will work with Horizon's on cleanup cost.

Melinda McCurley, Board Assistant, presented the Contract Between Municipalities for the Ad Valorem Tax Rebate Program and the Community Housing Rebate Program. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to approve the contracts as presented; approved unanimously.

There was discussion about county office closing procedures in times of inclement weather. No changes were made to the policy.

Matt Booker, Appraiser, gave a department update.

Recording Secretary Melinda McCurley left the meeting and County Clerk Ruth Elliott took over taking of minutes.

At 9:45 Commissioner Vornauf motioned to recess the meeting for 5 minutes; approved unanimously. At 9:50 a.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to reconvene the meeting; approved unanimously.

Tracy Chance, Sheriff, gave a department update, including information regarding the process for housing out of county inmates.

Jan Harding, EMS, gave a department update. Medic #73 is out for repairs. A grant was submitted through FEMA for a 4 X 4 Ambulance. There was discussion about the need for a generator.

Jennifer Wolff, Department on Aging/Public Transportation, gave an update on the 2030 Vision Plan.

Curt Logsdon, Public Works and Richard Raleigh, County Attorney discussed the Flat Ridge Road Maintenance Agreement.

Curt then gave a department update including a listing of equipment and department positions.

At 11:07 a.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to enter into executive session. The subject to be discussed will be legal advice on matters protected by the attorney client privilege. The justification for closing the meeting is for consultation with our attorney on a matter protected by the attorney/client privilege. The open meeting will resume at 11:23 a.m. in this room; approved unanimously. At 11:23 a.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to extend 5 minutes; approved unanimously. At 11:27 a.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to extend 5 minutes; approved unanimously. At 11:32 a.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to extend 10 minutes; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 11:42 a.m. with no binding action taken.

At 11:42 a.m., Commissioner Vornauf motioned to recess the meeting for 3 minutes; approved unanimously. At 11:45 a.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to reconvene the meeting; approved unanimously.

Ami DeLacerda, HR, gave a department update. Personnel status forms for cost center change for Board Assistant and Mobile Device Use Agreement for Community Development were approved.

At 11:47 a.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to enter into executive session. The subject to be discussed will be personnel matters. The justification for closing the meeting is to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel. The open meeting will resume at 11:57 a.m. in this room; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 11:57 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Commissioner Vornauf motioned to approve paying the drug dog food voucher in the amount of \$101.40 out of the Capital Equipment Reserve/Attorney Equipment Fund; approved unanimously.

Shelly Hansel, Community Development, discussed upcoming training opportunities. The Board discussed their short-term vision goals for the department.

Commissioner Struble motioned to approve payroll in the amount of \$132,512.41; approved unanimously.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday – March 1, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Room at the County Courthouse.

APPROVED:


Brian Waldschmidt, Chair

ATTEST:

Melinda McCurley
Recording Secretary