

January 19, 2021

The Harper County Board of Commissioners met in regular session, with Chairman Waldschmidt calling the meeting to order to Commissioner Struble and Commissioner Vornauf. Jason Jump with The Harper Advocate and Recording Secretary, Melinda McCurley were also present.

Commissioner Vornauf motioned to move next weeks regular meeting to Tuesday, January 26, 2021; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Struble motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 11, 2021; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Struble motioned to approve employee benefits in the amount of \$61,424.26; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Struble motioned to approve the inordinate spending request in the amount of \$4,998.00 for a power broom attachment for Buildings and Grounds to be paid from the Capital Equipment Fund; approved unanimously.

Darren Warren, Waste Connections, introduced himself to the Board and gave an update on operations at Plumb Thicket Landfill. The 4th Quarter tonnage fee check was received in the amount of \$407,052.88; approved unanimously.

Ami DeLacerda, HR, gave a department update. Personnel status forms for resignation in Public Works and longevity for Commissioner were approved. Commissioner Struble motioned to renew the contract with Anna Porter for Appraiser services for six months in the amount of \$11,125; approved by Struble and Vornauf, Waldschmidt voted No.

At 9:50 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 10:00 a.m. in this room; approved unanimously. At 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to extend for 10 minutes; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 10:10 a.m. with no binding action taken.

Linda Langley, Internal Auditor, presented the December financial reports. There was discussion about the delay of year end processing in the Treasurer's Office and how no transactions have been posted to 2021 yet. This causes issues for departments countywide as the financial reports are not accurate.

Melinda McCurley, Community Development, presented 5 applications for the Residential Housing Enhancement Program. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to approve application 2021-04 in the City Limits of Anthony; approved unanimously. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to approve application 2021-05 in Commissioner District #3; approved unanimously. Commissioner Struble motioned to approve application 2021-06 in the City Limits of Attica; approved unanimously. Commissioner Struble motioned to approve application 2021-07 in the City Limits of Attica; approved unanimously. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to approve application 2021-08 in Commissioner District #3; approved unanimously.

Melinda McCurley gave an update on pending legislative items of interest.

At 11:05 a.m. Commissioner Struble motioned to enter into executive session. The subject to be discussed will be legal advice on pending litigation 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 11:35 a.m. in this room; approved unanimously. At 11:35 a.m. Commissioner Struble motioned to extend for 5 minutes; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 11:40 a.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to approve additional pavement testing on Bluff Road, Attica Road, Freeport Road and the Danville Road to be paid from the Capital Road Improvement Fund; approved unanimously.

Curt Logsdon, Public Works, gave a department update. It was the consensus of the Board to send a letter to the owners of Flat Ridge Wind Farm in regards to the road maintenance agreement.

There was a work session held regarding equipment purchases, grading practices, bridge repair practices and job descriptions in public works.

Commissioner Struble motioned to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$711,725.18; approved unanimously.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:05 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday – January 26, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Room at the County Courthouse.

APPROVED:


Brian Waldschmidt, Chair

Attest:


Melinda McCurley
Recording Secretary