

February 16, 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). Commissioner Vornauf was absent. Jason Jump with The Harper Advocate and Recording Secretary, Melinda McCurley were also present.

Commissioner Struble motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 8, 2021; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Struble motioned to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$197,935.07; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Struble motioned to approve benefits withholding in the amount of \$57,269.93; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Struble motioned to approve the addition/abatement orders for a negative -\$14.38; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Vornauf entered the meeting at 9:12 a.m.

Heather Struble, Health, discussed extending the mask order for Harper County. Commissioner Struble motioned to extend the mask order for two weeks, until March 2, 2021; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Struble motioned to approve the inordinate spending request in the amount of \$30,316.80; approved unanimously.

At 9:30 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 9:45 a.m. in this room; approved unanimously. At 9:45 Commissioner Vornauf motioned to extend 10 minutes; approved unanimously. At 9:55 a.m. Commissioner Struble motioned to extend 5 minutes; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 10:00 a.m. with no binding action taken.

At 10:00 a.m., Commissioner Vornauf motioned to recess the meeting for 5 minutes; approved unanimously. At 10:05 a.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to reconvene the meeting; approved unanimously.

Ami DeLacerda, HR, gave a department update. Personnel status forms for new hire for Community Development, Health and Dispatch were approved as well as a resignation in Public Works.

Darren Warren with Waste Connections discussed recent icy road conditions near Plumb Thicket.

In the absence of the Public Works Director, Melinda McCurley presented a request for bid for 7 graders. This is to replace the 7 graders that are being returned this year at the end of the current lease agreement. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to approve the request for bid packet; approved unanimously.

Commissioner Vornauf motioned to approve the Engineering Agreement with CFS Engineers for bridge design work; approved unanimously.

Michael Garret and Kerry Nation, Horizons, gave a programming update.

Jennifer Wolff, Department on Aging/Public Transportation, gave a department update.

At 11:50 a.m., Commissioner Struble 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 12:05 p.m. in this room; approved unanimously. At 12:05 p.m. Commissioner Vornauf motioned to extend for 5 minutes; approved unanimously. The meeting returned to open session at 12:10 p.m. with no binding action taken.

Ami DeLacerda, HR, presented a vacancy notice for Office Assistant in Public Works. The notice was approved as presented. Ami reported that Ruth Elliott, County Clerk, will be retiring July 1st.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday – February 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Room at the County Courthouse.

APPROVED:


Brian Waldschmidt, Chair

Attest:

Melinda McCurley
Recording Secretary