

Board Minutes Monday February 27, 2023

The Board of Supervisors met at 9:30am February 27, 2023 with Vick, Kelsay, Langreck, Vermace, and Faldet present.

Steve Condrey and Jan Hansford, Condrey and Associates, met with the Board to review the final report of the salary study. They made recommendations for implementation and answered questions from the Board.

Moved by Vermace and seconded by Faldet to approve the consent agenda which includes the minutes of the last meeting, the claims filed with the Board, and the liquor license for Silvercrest Golf and Country Club. Motion carried unanimously.

Stephanie Fromm and Mark Jensen, Winneshiek County Development and Tourism, met with the Board to give an update on the vacant position in their organization and their plan to fill that position. They asked the Board to consider that they intend to have that position filled, when the Board is finalizing their FY24 funding.

Moved by Vick and seconded by Kelsay to approve the amended 2022 Valuation report prepared by the County Auditor, Ben Steines, per the changes required in SF181. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Vick and seconded by Vermace to accept and file the FY22 Financial Report for Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Faldet and seconded by Vermace to accept and file the FY22 Financial Report for Winneshiek Medical Center. Motion carried unanimously.

Lee Bjerke, County Engineer, met with the Board to discuss road matters and to distribute the Integrated Roadside Vegetation Management (IRVM) report the Board requested.

Moved by Vick and seconded by Kelsay to authorize Bjerke to proceed with the Safety Action Plan update with Kimley Horn. Motion carried unanimously.

Jim Beeghly met with the Board to discuss the IRVM program. He outlined his experience and recommendations for the program. He also offered to coordinate a meeting with the IRVM officials from Fayette County. He will check their availability for March 13th as a possible meeting time.

The Board held a budget work session and examined the first run of the budget prepared by Ben Steines, County Auditor. They made no changes to the salaries from the first run. They plan to have Steines contact the department heads to see if they can volunteer any cuts in spending. They asked the Conservation Board to consider a cut by one staff person, or around \$80,000 in other expenses. They decided on a couple of options for levy consideration for the second run. Budget work will continue at the next meeting.

Moved by Kelsay and seconded by Faldet to adjourn to 9:30am Monday, March 6, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST _____

Benjamin D Steines
County Auditor

Daniel Langreck, Chair
Board of Supervisors