

January 19, 2021
Le Mars, Iowa

The Plymouth County Board of Supervisors met in the Boardroom on January 19, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. All members were present. All votes following are aye unless otherwise indicated. 2021 Board Chairman Don Kass called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Meis, to approve the January 19, 2021 agenda. Motion Carried.

Motion by Horton, seconded by VanOtterloo, to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2021 meeting. Motion Carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Meis, to approve claims paid on 1/19/21 and payroll for 1/15/2021. Motion Carried.

The Board discussed the Plymouth County EMS Association's additional \$8,000 funding request for FY2020-21. Mike Van Otterloo will discuss with the EMS Association to seek partial funding from the cities to cost share some of these additional funds with the County.

The Board of Supervisors discussed sending information to the Iowa Utilities Board of a county request to keep local control at the County and will instruct the County Attorney to issue a response.

The Board of Supervisors discussed postponing the next district courtroom renovation committee meeting from January 21, 2021 to February 4, 2021 at 1 pm; due to allowing more time for the County attorney to review the plans with key attorneys and judges.

Shane Walter, Sioux Rivers MH Region CEO was present to discuss the status of the region MHDD FY 2021-22 budget.

Tara Geddes, Plymouth County Health Manager was present to discuss the FY 2021-22 Plymouth Co. Public Health Board budget.

Ryan Bergman of Group Benefit Partners presented the FY 2021-22 County health insurance plan, premiums and benefits.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Horton, to approve the culvert price purchase for \$119,798.62 to Metal Culverts. Motion Carried.

Motion by Meis, seconded by Horton, to approve final plans for FM-CO75(164)—55-75, FM-CO75(165)—55-75. Motion Carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by VanOtterloo, to enter closed session at 12:00 pm per IA Code 20.17(3) for collective bargaining discussion. All roll call votes aye. Motion Carried.

Motion by Meis, seconded by VanOtterloo, to end close session and to enter regular session at 12:20 pm. All roll call votes aye. Motion Carried.

The Board of Supervisors presented the FY 2021-22 County wage proposal to the Secondary Road bargaining unit with a 2.5% increase each year for 3 years.

The Board of Supervisors discussed the FY 2021-22 county budget.

Motion by VanOtterloo, no second, to drop the supplemental tax levy for FY 2021-22 budget. Died for lack of a second.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Meis, to drop the supplemental levy rate to .00001 for FY 2021-22 to generate the lowest amount of tax revenue possible but without going to zero or going out of the supplemental fund. Anderson-aye, Meis-aye, Kass-aye, Horton-aye, VanOtterloo-nay. Motion Carried.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Meis, to accept the recommendation of the Compensation Board for the Auditor, Sheriff, Attorney, Recorder and Treasurer to receive a 4% salary increase in FY 2021-22 and to reduce the Compensation Board's recommendation of a 4% increase down to a 2.5% increase for the County Board of Supervisors; and to allocate a 3% increase to all other department heads and staff that are not bargaining unit employees or are not elected official's deputies. Anderson-aye, Meis-aye, Kass-aye, Horton-aye, VanOtterloo-nay. Motion Carried.

The Board of Supervisors adjourned the meeting at 1:25 pm.

Stacey Feldman, Plymouth County Auditor

Don Kass, Chairman