

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOSTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 5th, 2021

At 3:30pm, Chairman Hagel called the Foster County Commission meeting to order. Roll call included Commissioner Alan Scanson, Commissioner Becky Hagel, Commissioner Pat Copenhaver, and Commissioner Scott Beumer. Also present were Auditor Brad Solberg, Road Superintendent Nate Monson, States Attorney Kara Brinster and Foster County Independent Reporter Leasa Lura.

The meeting began with approval of the minutes. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 15th, 2020 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Auditor Solberg stated that Foster County has just rolled over a new year, and that the first bills will show up at the next meeting.

Commissioner Copenhaver made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Scanson. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Old Business

Discussion was had on the County Gravel Pit. There was nothing new to report.

New Business

Nate Monson, Road Superintendent provided an update to the BOCC. Monson mentioned that there has been 7 inches of snow since the last meeting. Monson stated that the tree pile at Juanita Lake has been burned. Monson reviewed road dept summary sheets on vacation, sick leave, blading hours, miles and blading bills for 2020. The BOCC noticed that two townships have not paid from 2019 or prior. Commissioner Hagel stated that the BOCC needs to come up with a contract for townships going forward that states how to handle this situation.

Auditor Solberg brought the Software Innovations contract to the BOCC for approval. The contract is for \$9,500.00. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the contract, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

Auditor Solberg told the BOCC that Marco was going to charge \$1,070 to return the old printers to them. Then he mentioned that it would cost \$1,019.80 to purchase the printers outright, and then they could be resold. Solberg also stated that he found a buyer for \$850.00 for the two printers. The county would only be out \$169.80 instead of \$1,070.00. Commissioner Beumer made a motion to approve the purchase and resale of the old Marco Printers, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed. Solberg stated that we won't have this problem again as Foster County is not leasing printers now.

Auditor Solberg stated that COVID-19 vaccines are being distributed to residents in Foster County. Commissioner Beumer stated that active cases keep decreasing.

Commissioner Hagel asked to add township contracts to the Commissioner Goals sheet.

The Foster County Water Resource Board presented the resignation letter from Mark Schneider to the BOCC. The FCWRB recommended Brent Bachmeier as a replacement for Schneider, as he lives in the same area as Schneider. Commissioner Scanson recommended Robyn Sorum as replacement for Schneider. The BOCC was going to look at requirements for the Water Board Members before making a decision.

Mike Rivinius, Wold Engineering Engineer, emailed over an engineering contract for the North Bordulac chip seal project. Commissioner Scanson made a motion to approve the engineering contract, seconded by Commissioner Copenhaver. All voted aye and the motion passed.

With no further business, Commissioner Utke adjourned the meeting at 4:17pm.

Brad Solberg
Foster County Auditor

David Utke, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners